

Zion Lutheran Church

Mascoutah, Illinois

September 25-26, 2021

17th Sunday after Trinity



In the Name of Christ Jesus our Lord, we bid you a warm welcome to this worship service. May your experience of worship and fellowship this morning be spiritually refreshing and ready you for the week ahead.



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Confession of Sins

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

Absolution

- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

Service of the Word

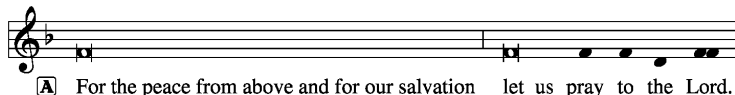
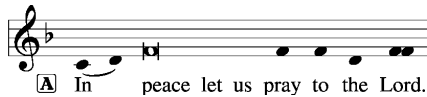
Introit

Ps. 119:1–2, 5–6; antiphon: Ps. 119:137, 124

- L** Righteous are You, O LORD,
C **and right are Your just decrees.**
- L** Deal with Your servant according to Your steadfast love,
C **and teach me Your statutes.**
- L** Blessed are those whose way is blameless,
C **who walk in the law of the LORD!**
- L** Blessed are those who keep His testimonies,
C **who seek Him with their whole heart.**
- L** Oh that my ways may be steadfast
C **in keeping Your statutes!**
- L** Then I shall not be put to shame,
C **having my eyes fixed on all Your commandments.**
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**
- L** Righteous are You, O LORD,
C **and right are Your just decrees.**
- L** Deal with Your servant according to Your steadfast love,
C **and teach me Your statutes.**

Kyrie

LSB 152





C Lord, have mer - cy.



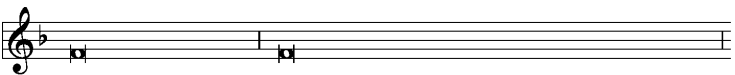
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



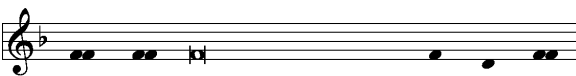
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

Hymn of Praise -- This Is the Feast

LSB 155



C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- L** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- L** Let us pray.

Lord, we implore You, grant Your people grace to withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds to follow You, the only God; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Proverbs 25:6–14

Do not put yourself forward in the king’s presence or stand in the place of the great, for it is better to be told, “Come up here,” than to be put lower in the presence of a noble. What your eyes have seen do not hastily bring into court, for what will you do in the end when your neighbor puts you to shame? Argue your case with your neighbor himself and do not reveal another’s secret lest he who hears you bring shame upon you and your ill repute have no end. A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in a setting of silver. Like a gold ring or an ornament of gold is a wise reprov-er to a listening ear. Like the cold of snow in the time of harvest is a faithful messenger to those who send him; he refreshes the soul of his masters. Like clouds and wind without rain is a man who boasts of a gift he does not give.

- L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Choir

Take My Life and Let It Be

Michael Larkin

Epistle

Ephesians 4:1–6

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one

God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Common Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 14:12-24

L The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 14th chapter.

C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

He said also to the man who had invited Him, “When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just.”

When one of those who reclined at table with Him heard these things, he said to Him, “Blessed is everyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!” But He said to him, “A man once gave a great banquet and invited many. And at the time for the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, ‘Come, for everything is now ready.’ But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, ‘I have bought a field, and I must go out and see it. Please have me excused.’ And another said, ‘I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to examine them. Please have me excused.’ And another said, ‘I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.’ So the servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house became angry and said to his servant, ‘Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor and crippled and blind and lame.’ And the servant said, ‘Sir, what you commanded has been done, and still there is room.’ And the master said to the servant, ‘Go out to the highways and hedges and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled. For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet.’”

L This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn

Spread the Reign of God the Lord

LSB 830

- 1 Spread the reign of God the Lord, Spoken, written, mighty Word;
Ev'rywhere His creatures call To His heav'nly banquet hall.
- 2 Tell how God the Father's will Made the world, upholds it still,
How His own dear Son He gave Us from sin and death to save.

Hymn continues on the next page.

- 3 Tell of our Redeemer's grace, Who, to save our human race
And to pay rebellion's price, Gave Himself as sacrifice.
- 4 Tell of God the Spirit giv'n Now to guide us on to heav'n,
Strong and holy, just and true, Working both to will and do.
- 5 Enter, mighty Word, the field; Ripe the promise of its yield.
But the reapers, oh, how few For the work there is to do!
- 6 Lord of harvest, great and kind, Rouse to action heart and mind;
Let the gath'ring nations all See Your light and heed Your call.

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Sermon

Come Lord Jesus

Hymn

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

LSB 633

- 1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to our victorious King,
Who has washed us in the tide Flowing from His piercèd side.
Alleluia!
- 2 Praise we Him, whose love divine Gives His sacred blood for wine,
Gives His body for the feast— Christ the victim, Christ the priest.
Alleluia!
- 3 Where the paschal blood is poured, Death's dread angel sheathes the sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go Through the wave that drowns the foe.
Alleluia!
- 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Paschal victim, paschal bread;
With sincerity and love Eat we manna from above.
Alleluia!
- 5 Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;
You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light.
Alleluia!
- 6 Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall;
You have opened paradise, And Your saints in You shall rise.
Alleluia!
- 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy! This alone can sin destroy;
From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free, Newborn souls in You to be.
Alleluia!

Stand

- 8 Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live,
Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, Your name we praise.
Alleluia!

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Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

P Lord God, heavenly Father, with thanksgiving we come before You.

C You have made known Your will in Your commandments.

P You have bestowed Your blessings on those who live by faith in Christ and seek to keep Your commandments.

C By our own efforts we cannot walk blamelessly before You.

P But through the merits of Jesus we dare approach Your holy majesty.

C For making it possible to appear blameless before You, we give You humble and hearty thanks.

P We confess that we have often tried to stand in our own strength rather than trust in the strength of Your might.

C We have yielded to some of Satan's temptations because we failed to put on the whole armor of God.

P Our loins were not always girded with truth, nor did we always face the world with the breastplate of righteousness.

C Our feet have not always been shod with the Gospel of peace, and we have often forgotten to put on the shield of faith.

P Our performance as Christian soldiers has left much to be desired.

C Forgive us, O Lord.

P Cleanse our hearts with the sanctifying power of Your Holy Spirit.

C May the hearing of Your Word and the use of Your sacraments produce in us a living faith.

P May our faith show itself in deeds of love toward others, especially to those in need.

C May our church and state leaders be more intent on doing Your will than pleasing people.

WE GO TO THE LORD IN PRAYER FOR

✝ Lauren Twenhafel, Brennen Magers, Connor Hatcher, Tom Heck, Laurie Knutson, and Reese Roehrig, as they celebrate their Baptismal Anniversaries this week.

✝ Tom Sax, as he has surgery this week.

✝ Zion's Men's Club, Ladies Aid, and Youth Group.

✝ Faithfulness in personal witness and evangelism.

P May we all recognize Your hand in our afflictions that through them we may be strengthened.

C We pray in Jesus' name. Amen

Offering

OFFERING OPTIONS: While we are not passing the offering plate during the service at Zion, here are three ways to share your offering for the Lord's work: 1. Place your offering in the plates on the table in the narthex on your

way in or out of church. 2. Mail your offering to the church office. 3. Use Zion's online giving program and make a donation through a PayPal account. Thank you for your ongoing generosity!

Offertory

LSB 159

C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of-fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv-ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru-sa-lem.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 160

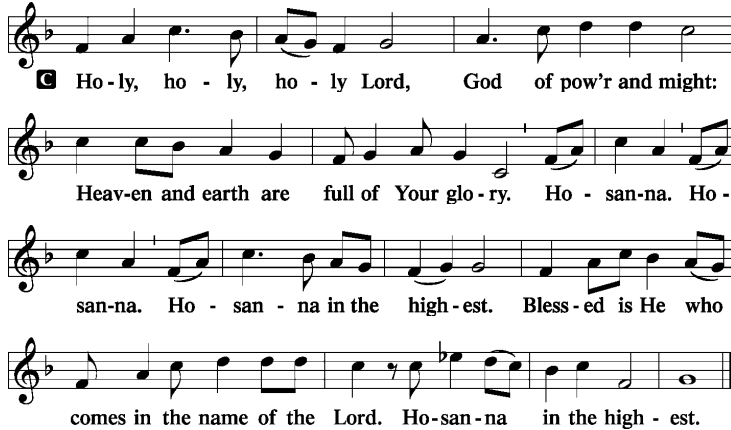
P The Lord be with you.
C And al-so with you.
P Lift up your hearts.
C We lift them to the Lord.
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface (Full)

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 161



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 161

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 162

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

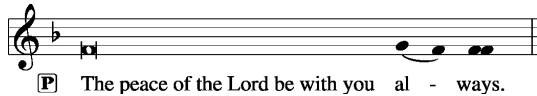
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P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

LSB 163



Agnus Dei

LSB 163

A Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit

Distribution

During the Distribution, the camera will be focused on the cross at the front of Zion to allow for privacy for those who commune.

Zion Lutheran practices the policy of close communion, communing only those who share our common Biblical view of the Lord's Supper. If you are not a confirmed LCMS Lutheran, please confer with the pastor before communing.

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to members who will remain seated in the pews (Saturday night only). When you receive the communion tray, please wait to commune until all trays are distributed. Pastor Clayton will then return to the front and invite the entire congregation to commune together at the same time saying:

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Amen.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

Amen.

Hymn

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness

LSB 636

- Soul, adorn yourself with gladness, Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,
Come into the daylight's splendor, There with joy your praises render.
Bless the One whose grace unbounded This amazing banquet founded;
He, though heav'nly, high, and holy, Deigns to dwell with you most lowly.**

Hymn continues on the next page.

- 2 Hasten as a bride to meet Him, And with loving rev'ence greet Him.
For with words of life immortal He is knocking at your portal.
Open wide the gates before Him, Saying, as you there adore Him:
Grant, Lord, that I now receive You, That I nevermore will leave You.
- 3 He who craves a precious treasure Neither cost nor pain will measure;
But the priceless gifts of heaven God to us has freely given.
Though the wealth of earth were proffered, None could buy the gifts here offered:
Christ's true body, for you riven, And His blood, for you once given.
- 4 Now in faith I humbly ponder Over this surpassing wonder
That the bread of life is boundless Though the souls it feeds are countless:
With the choicest wine of heaven Christ's own blood to us is given.
Oh, most glorious consolation, Pledge and seal of my salvation!
- 5 Jesus, source of lasting pleasure, Truest friend, and dearest treasure,
Peace beyond all understanding, Joy into all life expanding:
Humbly now, I bow before You; Love incarnate, I adore You;
Worthily let me receive You And, so favored, never leave You.
- 6 Jesus, sun of life, my splendor, Jesus, friend of friends, most tender,
Jesus, joy of my desiring, Fount of life, my soul inspiring:
At Your feet I cry, my maker, Let me be a fit partaker
Of this blessed food from heaven, For our good, Your glory, given.
- 7 Lord, by love and mercy driven, You once left Your throne in heaven
On the cross for me to languish And to die in bitter anguish,
To forego all joy and gladness And to shed Your blood in sadness.
By this blood redeemed and living, Lord, I praise You with thanksgiving.
- 8 Jesus, bread of life, I pray You, Let me gladly here obey You.
By Your love I am invited, Be Your love with love requited;
By this Supper let me measure, Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.
Through the gift of grace You give me As Your guest in heav'n receive me.

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Hymn

The Infant Priest Was Holy Born

LSB 624

- 1 The infant Priest was holy born For us unholy and forlorn;
From fleshly temple forth came He, Anointed from eternity.
- 2 This great High Priest in human flesh Was icon of God's righteousness.
His hallowed touch brought sanctity; His hand removed impurity.
- 3 The holy Lamb undaunted came To God's own altar lit with flame;
While weeping angels hid their eyes, This Priest became a sacrifice.
- 4 But death would not the victor be Of Him who hung upon the tree.
He leads us to the Holy Place Within the veil, before God's face.

Hymn continues on the next page.

- 5 The veil is torn, our Priest we see, As at the rail on bended knee
Our hungry mouths from Him receive The bread of immortality.
- 6 The body of God's Lamb we eat, A priestly food and priestly meat;
On sin-parched lips the chalice pours His quenching blood that life restores.
- 7 With cherubim and seraphim Our voices join the endless hymn,
And "Holy, holy, holy" sing To Christ, God's Lamb, our Priest and King.

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Hymn

Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face

LSB 631

- 1 Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face; Here would I touch and handle things unseen;
Here grasp with firmer hand the_ eternal grace, And all my weariness upon Thee lean.
- 2 Here would I feed upon the bread of God, Here drink with Thee the royal wine of heav'n;
Here would I lay aside each earthly load, Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiv'n.
- 3 This is the hour of banquet and of song; This is the heav'nly table spread for me;
Here let me feast and, feasting, still prolong The brief bright hour of fellowship with Thee.
- 4 I have no help but Thine; nor do I need Another arm but Thine to lean upon.
It is enough, my Lord, enough indeed; My strength is in Thy might, Thy might alone.
- 5 Mine is the sin, but Thine the righteousness; Mine is the guilt, but Thine the cleansing blood;
Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace: Thy blood, Thy righteousness, O Lord my God.
- 6 Too soon we rise; the vessels disappear; The feast, though not the love, is past and gone;
The bread and wine remove, but Thou art here; Nearer than ever; still my shield and sun.
- 7 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by, Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above,
Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy, The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.

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Stand

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

The Dismissal

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.
- C** Amen.

Post-Communion Canticle -- Thank the Lord

LSB 164



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy
with shouts of thanks-giv-ing, Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

Post-Communion Collect

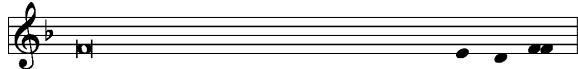
P Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Benediction

LSB 166



P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



C A - men.

Sit

Hymn

For the Fruits of His Creation

LSB 894

- 1 For the fruits of His creation, Thanks be to God.
For His gifts to ev'ry nation, Thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping, Silent growth while we are sleeping,
Future needs in earth's safekeeping, Thanks be to God.
- 2 In the just reward of labor, God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done.
In our worldwide task of caring For the hungry and despairing,
In the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.
- 3 For the harvests of the Spirit, Thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit, Thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us, For the truths that still confound us,
Most of all, that love has found us, Thanks be to God.

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Postlude

March in D

Jacob Weber

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LIFE AND LIVING ITEMS AT ZION



TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL – SEPTEMBER 26th

Today in Sunday School, our students will hear how “God Creates Adam and Eve,” including providing them with perfect physical attributes and a lush garden in which to live. God created the world’s many natural resources so it would be a wonderful place for His most treasured creation, human beings, to live. Parents might ask, “*How were Adam and Eve different from the rest of God’s creation?*”

OCTOBER ECHO – NOW AVAILABLE

The October Echo is now available in the narthex. Pick on up today!

PRESCHOOL BUTTER BRAIDS FUNDRAISER

Our fundraiser this year is once again Butter Braids, Cookie Dough, and Pizzas. Who doesn’t love a good butter braid?! These products arrive frozen and can be prepared for the coming holidays. The order forms will be in the Narthex every Sunday after church and during the week through Wednesday, September 29th. You can also order online at: <https://store.myfundraisingplace.com/fa670e0d-bb6a-4baa-bd30-b2380669099f>. Or check out our preschool Facebook page for a direct link! <https://www.facebook.com/ZionMascoutahPreschool> All orders will be available for pick-up on Saturday, October 9th at 9:30 a.m. at the Preschool South Street doors. The money we raise will help us purchase additional toys and equipment for the gym. Thank you to everyone for helping to support our program by making a purchase.

BIBLE STUDY ON THE PASTORAL EPISTLES WITH SEM. DON STEIN

Zion Lutheran Church in Mascoutah, IL has helped raise up many men to become pastors over the years. Many words of wisdom have been shared with those men. (Just think, what advice would you give a young pastor?) Raising up men for ministry has always been part of the church's mission, beginning even before the Scriptures were totally written! St. Paul gives advice to two young pastors in these letters we know today as "The Pastoral Epistles," namely 1 Timothy, 2 Timothy, and Titus. His advice is not only for young pastors, however. It has real application to all leaders in God's church, all leaders in Christian homes, and all Christians in particular. Come and discover the gifts God has given to His church through the Pastoral Office! This Adult Bible Class will meet in the Fellowship Hall in the church basement.

NEW ADULT BIBLE STUDY WITH MARIANNE MCDANIEL

Zion will now offer two options for Adult Bible Study. One will be the traditional Bible Class in the church basement with Sem. Don Stein. The second will be a BIBLE OVERVIEW taught by Marianne McDaniel in the sanctuary. From Marianne: "I have heard people mention that they are not comfortable attending Adult Bible class because they do not feel they know the Bible well enough. I want to invite you to join me for a Bible Study that will follow the same curriculum as the 5th/6th grade confirmation class. It is a 30 lesson Bible overview. Do you have a child in the confirmation class?—join us so you can continue to have a discussion at home. Don’t feel like you know the Bible well enough?—join us to get a bit more comfortable. Can’t get to church for 8:45 class?—join us at 9 in the sanctuary (I will be leading singing for Sunday School until then, but you are welcome to join us for that too!) So, drop your kids off, run and get your coffee and meet us at 9!"

RINGERS NEEDED!

Last year, we were blessed to hear beautiful chime music each month. As our hand chime ensemble enters its second year, we have space for three new members! Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays at about 8:15 PM, and we will play monthly at the Sunday service. Ringing chimes is easy, but basic music reading ability is helpful. Please contact Nancy Peterson (joshandnancyp@gmail.com or 618-973-8169) if you are interested in joining.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MINISTRY AT SIUE STUDENT NEEDS

Thank you for the many items we have received from Zion members. They have been distributed to the many incoming students. This year because of Covid, SIUE had the largest number of incoming international

students they have had. This is because last year's students were delayed in entering the country. As a result, we still have a number of needs: 2 small couches, 2 living room chairs, 2 twin mattresses, box springs, bed frames, small desks or tables that can be used as desks, small rugs, ironing board and iron, 2 toasters, shirt hangers, 2 bicycles, 3 microwaves, 2 rice cookers, 3 blenders, 3 vacuum cleaners, electrical multi plug, used mobile phone, quilts and blankets, 2 medium size women's winter coats, 2 small size women's winter coats, 4 medium men's winter coats, hats, gloves, boots. Please contact me for how to move the larger items at 515-230-9937. Bessie Fick, International Student Ministry Coordinator

SID CAMPUS MINISTRIES NEED NAMES

If you or your child will be attending SIU at Carbondale or SIU at Edwardsville, the LCMS has campus ministries to offer you spiritual and social help. We are pleased to offer campus ministries at both locations, but we need to let our campus chaplains know who's attending. Please send contact information for students attending SIU-E Pastor Bierman at 314-255-8066. For students attending SIU-C, pass names along to lutheran@siu.edu or call Pastor Holden at 618-521-8006.

PASTOR CLAYTON'S GERMANY LUTHER SITES AND OBERAMMERGAU TOUR HAS SPACE

The world is opening back up after Covid, and plans are underway to host the Oberammergau Passion Play in 2022, after it was postponed from 2020. Pastor Clayton was scheduled to lead a tour to see Luther and Bach sites and attend the Oberammergau Passion Play, along with experiencing various cultural sites events, but the tour was postponed. Due to changes in plans, some of the attendees who had reserved spots on the 2020 tour can no longer participate, so a limited number of spots are now available for the 2022 version of the tour with Pastor Clayton. Don't miss the chance to visit prominent Reformation sites, including Wittenberg, Eisleben (where Luther was born and died), Eisenach and the Wartburg Castle, Erfurt, Worms, and Augsburg among others. Also, you won't want to miss the Oberammergau Passion Play! Join in before reservations are completely full again for this version of the tour! The new tour dates are June 28-July 9, 2022. For more information about this special opportunity contact Pastor Clayton by email at Pastor@ZionMascoutah.org or email the tour company, Reformation Tours at info@reformationtours.com and ask to be included in Tour RKC-22 hosted by Pastor Clayton.

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THE FLOWERS ON THE LORD'S ALTAR

The flowers on the Lord's altar are given to the glory of God in thankfulness for His goodness and blessings.

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

Proclaimer: Sem. Don Stein
Lector: Rev. Kirk Clayton and Sem. Kyle Moellenhoff
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton
Altar Guild: Joyce Hendrix
Elder of the Month: Tony Lara

THOSE WHO SERVE NEXT WEEK, OCTOBER 2-3

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton
Lector: Sem. Don Stein and Sem. Kyle Moellenhoff
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton
Elder of the Month: Tom Sax

THINGS WE ARE DOING AT ZION

Sun.	Confirmation Class	8:30 AM
	Bible Class on Zoom & In-Person	8:45 AM
	Sunday School & Youth Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Worship DS I w/communion	10:00 AM
Mon.	LifeLight	7:00 PM
	Board of Ed	7:00 PM
Wed.	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM
	Hand Chime Rehearsal	8:00 PM
Thurs.	Elders Meeting	7:00 PM
Fri.	Senior Meal Delivery	10:30 AM
Sat.	Worship DS II n/communion	7:00 PM
Sun.	Confirmation Class	8:30 AM
	Bible Class on Zoom & In-Person	8:45 AM
	Sunday School & Youth Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Worship DS II n/communion	10:00 AM
	Men's Club	6:00 PM

ATTENDANCE SEPTEMBER 18/19: Saturday: 9 Sunday: 124

Adult Bible Class: 21 High School: 4 Sunday School: 53