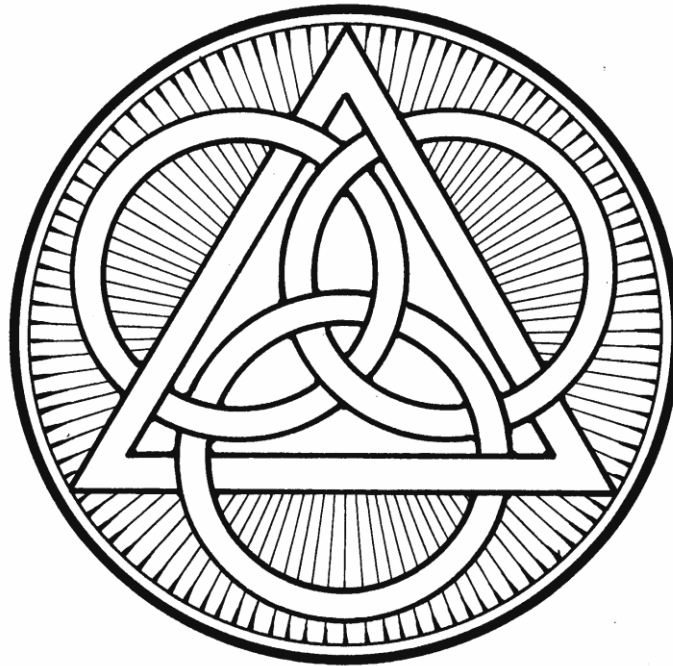


Zion Lutheran Church

Mascoutah, Illinois

June 12, 2022

Trinity Sunday



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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Prayer to Begin Worship

Holy Spirit, to whom is assigned the spread of the Good News of Jesus Christ and the election of people to the Kingdom of Grace, receive our thanksgiving for our faith and hope, through which by Your counsel and work we have committed our whole future to our gracious God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with You and the Father are one God with dominion over us forever.

DIVINE SERVICE III WITH COMMUNION

LSB p. 184

Confession and Absolution

Prelude

Fantasy in G Minor

J.S. Bach

Stand

Hymn

Glory Be to God the Father

LSB 506

- 1 **Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit: Great Jehovah, Three in One!
Glory, glory While eternal ages run!**
- 2 **Glory be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each spot and stain;
Glory be to Him who bought us, Made us kings with Him to reign!
Glory, glory To the Lamb that once was slain!**
- 3 **Glory to the King of angels, Glory to the Church's King,
Glory to the King of nations; Heav'n and earth, your praises bring!
Glory, glory To the King of glory sing!**
- 4 **Glory, blessing, praise eternal! Thus the choir of angels sings;
Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion! Thus its praise creation brings.
Glory, glory, Glory to the King of kings!**

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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Exhortation

- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C who made heaven and earth.

- P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession with Absolution

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I 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

Psalm 29 (antiphon: v.2)

- L** Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,
C ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
L Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name;
C worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.
L The voice of the LORD is over the waters;
C the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many waters.
L The voice of the LORD is powerful;
C the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.
L The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;
C the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.
L He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,
C and Sirion like a young wild ox.
L The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.
C The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
L the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
C The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth
L and strips the forests bare,
C and in His temple all cry, "Glory!"
L The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;
C the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.
L May the LORD give strength to His people!
C May the LORD bless His people with peace!

Gloria Patri



C Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;
 as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

Kyrie

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C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187

P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -
on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.
Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

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

Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal

Trinity by the confession of a true faith and to worship the Unity in the power of the Divine Majesty. Keep us steadfast in this faith and defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 6:1-7

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of His robe filled the temple. Above Him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory!" And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Romans 11:33-36

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways! "For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been His counselor?" "Or who has given a gift to Him that he might be repaid?" For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be glory forever. Amen.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



C Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

John 3:1-17

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 3rd chapter.

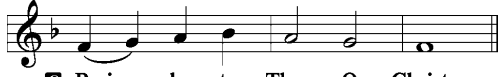


C Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to Jesus by night and said to Him, "Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him." Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." Nicodemus said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to Him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? Truly, truly, I say to you, We speak of what We know, and bear witness to what We have seen, but you do not receive Our testimony. If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except He who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him may

have eternal life.” “For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Sit

Athanasian Creed

P Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic faith.

C **Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.**

P And the catholic faith is this,

C **that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.**

P For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.

C **But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.**

P Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:

C **the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;**

P the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;

C **the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.**

P And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,

C **just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinities, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.**

P In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;

C **and yet there are not three Almighty, but one Almighty.**

P So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;

C **and yet there are not three Gods, but one God.**

P So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;

C **and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.**

P Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord, so also are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.

C **The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone.**

P The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone.

C **The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.**

P Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

C **And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another;**

P but the whole three persons are coeternal with each other and coequal, so that in all things, as has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.

C **Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.**

P But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C **Therefore, it is the right faith that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is at the same time both God and man.**

P He is God, begotten from the substance of the Father before all ages; and He is man, born from the substance of His mother in this age:

C **perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh;**

P equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.

C **Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:**

P one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by the assumption of the humanity into God;

C **one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.**

- P** For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ,
C **who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead,**
P ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, God Almighty, from whence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
C **At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds.**
P And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.
C **This is the catholic faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.**

Hymn

God Loved the World So That He Gave

LSB 571

- 1 God loved the world so that He gave His only Son the lost to save,
That all who would in Him believe Should everlasting life receive.
- 2 Christ Jesus is the ground of faith, Who was made flesh and suffered death;
All then who trust in Him alone Are built on this chief cornerstone.
- 3 God would not have the sinner die; His Son with saving grace is nigh;
His Spirit in the Word declares How we in Christ are heaven's heirs.
- 4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son Forgives all sins which you have done;
And, justified by Jesus' blood, Your Baptism grants the highest good.
- 5 If you are sick, if death is near, This truth your troubled heart can cheer:
Christ Jesus saves your soul from death; That is the firmest ground of faith.

Stand

- 6 Glory to God the Father, Son, And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To You, O blessed Trinity, Be praise now and eternally!

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Sit

Sermon

The Snake on a Stick and the Christ on the Cross

Rite of Dedication for Processional Cross

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!

Stand

Prayer of the Church

- P** God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, One in Three and Three in One,
C **Accept our praise for our creation, redemption, and sanctification.**
P Heavenly Father, Author of our creation,
C **we give You thanks for permitting us to live in Your beautiful world.**
P For the lofty skies, the warmth and energy of the sun, summer and winter, and day and night,

C we give You thanks.

P For Your inestimable love which provides for all our needs, and most of all for Your redemption of the world by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

C we give You thanks.

P O Jesus Christ, Author and Finisher of our faith, for redeeming us from the power of Satan, for freeing us from the slavery of sin, and for opening the gates of everlasting life,

C accept our sincere gratitude.

P O Holy Spirit, Source of our faith, for calling us by the Gospel, for enlightening us with Your Word and Sacraments, for establishing the Christian Church on earth, for keeping us in the true faith,

C we give You thanks.

P O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, in the midst of all Your blessings,

C we have been guilty of abusing Your gifts.

P We have failed to carry out Your Great Commission.

C For all of this, forgive us, O Lord.

WE GO TO THE LORD IN PRAYER FOR

† Kristen Benoist, Rachel Lancey, Nick Morra, Camryn Walter, Sydney Walter, Karen Eldridge, Laith Fanous, Noah Overmyer, and Terry Crabtree, as they celebrate their Baptismal Anniversaries this week.

† Ernie Lockwood who is receiving a kidney transplant this Thursday and Amy Kolweier, who is the donor.

† Dawn Corey as she recovers from surgery.

† Bob Twenhafel, in thanksgiving for his recovery as he moves back to Brightly.

† Pastor-Elect Don Stein and his family as he is placed into the Office of the Holy Ministry this afternoon.

† Zion's President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

† Faithfulness in Christian Worship.

P All honor and glory, power and might, be to You, O Lord,

C as we pray in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 194

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.

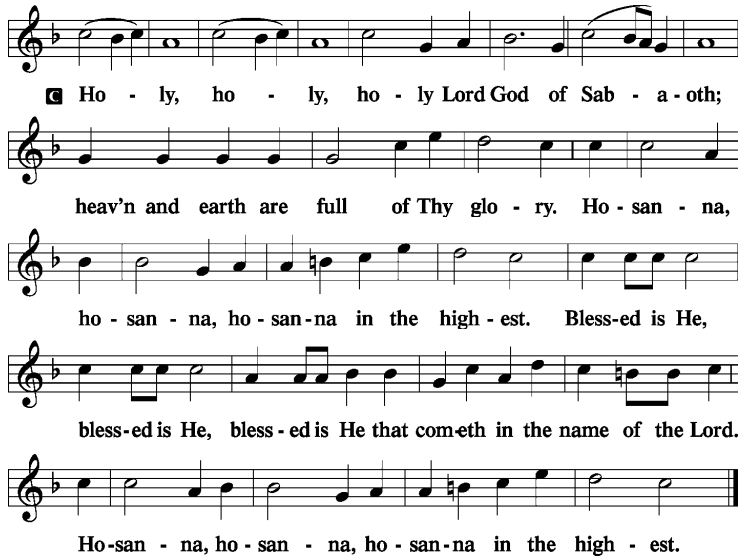
C It is meet and right so to do.

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, who with Your only begotten Son and the Holy Spirit are one God, one Lord. In the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in person and the Unity in substance, of majesty co-equal. 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 195

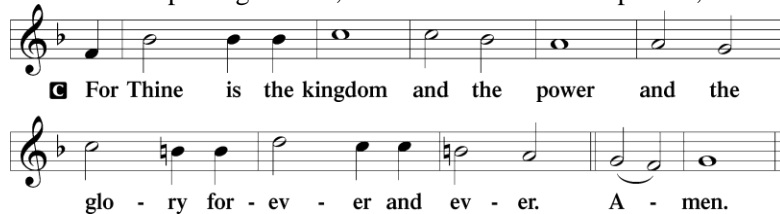


G Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,
bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

P 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.



G For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the
glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

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 197



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



A - men.

Agnus Dei

LSB 198

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

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.

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

Thy Strong Word

LSB 578

- 1 **Thy strong word did cleave the darkness; At Thy speaking it was done.
For created light we thank Thee, While Thine ordered seasons run.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!**
- 2 **Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness, Dark as night and deep as death,
Broke the light of Thy salvation, Breathed Thine own life-breathing breath.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!**

(Hymn continued on next page)

- 3 Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous; Bright with Thine own holiness,
Glorious now, we press toward glory, And our lives our hopes confess.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
- 4 From the cross Thy wisdom shining Breaketh forth in conqu'ring might;
From the cross forever beameth All Thy bright redeeming light.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia without end!
- 5 Give us lips to sing Thy glory, Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,
Throats that shout the hope that fills us, Mouths to speak Thy holy name.
Alleluia, alleluia! May the light which Thou dost send
Fill our songs with alleluias, Alleluias without end!

Stand

- 6 God the Father, light-creator, To Thee laud and honor be.
To Thee, Light of Light begotten, Praise be sung eternally.
Holy Spirit, light-revealer, Glory, glory be to Thee.
Mortals, angels, now and ever Praise the holy Trinity!

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Sit

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| Hymn | Your Table I Approach | <i>LSB 628</i> |
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- 1 Your table I approach; Dear Savior, hear my prayer.
Let not an unrepentant heart Prove hurtful to me there.
- 2 Lord, I confess my sins And mourn their wretched bands;
A contrite heart is sure to find Forgiveness at Your hands.
- 3 Your body and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me,
Are taken at Your table, Lord, In blest reality.
- 4 Search not how this takes place, This wondrous mystery;
God can accomplish vastly more Than what we think could be.
- 5 O grant, most blessèd Lord, That earth and hell combined
May not about this sacrament Raise doubt within my mind.
- 6 Oh, may I never fail To thank You day and night
For Your true body and true blood, O God, my peace and light.

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| Hymn | What Is This Bread | <i>LSB 629</i> |
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- 1 What is this bread? Christ's body risen from the dead: This bread we break, This life we take,
Was crushed to pay for our release. O taste and see—the Lord is peace.
(Hymn continued on next page)

- 2 What is this wine? The blood of Jesus shed for mine; The cup of grace Brings His embrace
Of life and love until I sing! O taste and see—the Lord is King.
- 3 So who am I, That I should live and He should die Under the rod? My God, my God,
Why have You not forsaken me? O taste and see—the Lord is free.
- 4 Yet is God here? Oh, yes! By Word and promise clear, In mouth and soul He makes us whole—
Christ, truly present in this meal. O taste and see—the Lord is real.
- 5 Is this for me? I am forgiven and set free! I do believe That I receive
His very body and His blood. O taste and see—the Lord is good.

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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.

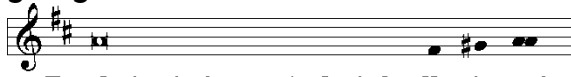
Nunc Dimittis

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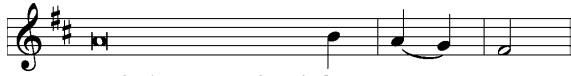
C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -
cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

LSB 200



A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

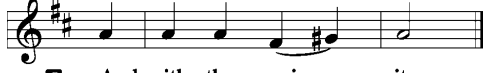
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You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

C Amen

Salutation



P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus

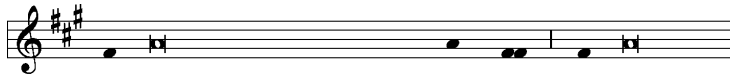


A Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

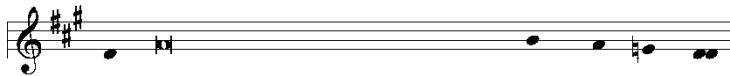
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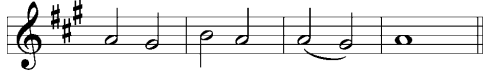
P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Remain Standing

Remain Standing

Hymn

Holy, Holy, Holy

LSB 507

- 1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**
- 2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.**
- 3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.**
- 4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

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Postlude

Fugue in G Minor

J.S. Bach

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LIFE AND LIVING ITEMS AT ZION



SEM. DON STEIN'S ORDINATION AND MEAL – THIS AFTERNOON

In thankfulness for the congregation's four years of support, Pastor-Elect Stein will be ordained a pastor here at Zion. The ceremony will be held this afternoon, June 12, at 3:00 pm. All members of Zion are invited! A free meal will follow the service. Ordinations are not private events--the public is welcome and encouraged to attend! No RSVPs for the service are necessary whatsoever, but to ensure enough food is prepared, please sign up on the sheets on the table under the church office window in the narthex or respond on Facebook: <https://fb.me/e/2qyFzwQ5d> if you plan to attend the meal. It is rare to be able to celebrate an ordination in a congregation. Please make plans to attend this special service to support Pastor-Elect Stein and his family as he is placed into the Office of the Holy Ministry!

A NOTE ABOUT THE ORDINATION SERVICE

If you attend the Ordination Service this afternoon (and we hope you do!), you will notice most of the service is familiar. Just like Sunday mornings at Zion, there is a Service of the Word and a Service of the Sacrament. Between those two services, however, are two special rites that may seem "odd" in a Lutheran service. The first is a Litany, or series of repeated prayers. It takes the place of the Prayers of the Church for the day. The pastor-elect prays laying facedown in the shape of a cross. This practice has been included in Ordinations since ancient times. It shows both humility (the pastor-elect is literally the lowest person in the room!) and submission to the Word of God. The second rite is the Ordination itself. This special series of prayers and blessings asks the Holy Spirit to bless the ministry of the pastor-elect and acknowledges the Divine Call of the new pastor before the congregation. It includes the ancient practice called "the Laying on of Hands," where surrounding pastors, acting on behalf of the church, impart their blessings on the new pastor. If you attend this joyful celebration of God's work, be prepared to see something unique!

NEW PROCESSIONAL CROSS DEDICATED TODAY

For the last month, you have likely seen a new cross placed beside the pulpit. This is called a "Processional Cross." While much of the time the cross will be placed by the pulpit where you have seen it the last month, it also has a more unique role on special festival services during the church year, such as Christmas, Easter, Pentecost, Reformation, All Saints, and other special services. It is the custom in many Lutheran churches to have processions during the opening and closing hymns of special services like this. Historically, a cross is included in these processions. This new processional cross, donated by the Stein family as a thank you for the past four years of prayers, support, forgiveness and love, will be used in this manner in future festival services. This cross was designed with the help of Zion's Elders, Church Council, Altar Guild, and Pastor Clayton to match the woodwork and aesthetics of the sanctuary. It was hand-crafted by Rev. Dan Vines of Calvary Lutheran Church in Aberdeen, WA. God-willing, it will be a reminder of Who is preached every Sunday for generations. The processional cross will be dedicated to the Lord's use during the regular morning Divine Service on June 12, and used in a procession for the first time at Pastor-Elect Stein's Ordination Service at 3:00 PM on June 12. Soli Deo Gloria!

EMERGENCY PASTORAL CARE WHILE PASTOR CLAYTON IS GONE

Pastor Clayton will be on vacation from mid-June until mid-July. While he is gone, Chaplain Mark Sedwick, Pastor Karl Gregory, and Pastor Don Stein will be available to provide pastoral care in emergency situations. If you need pastoral care while Pastor Clayton is on vacation, please call Chaplain Sedwick at 706-570-9341, Pastor Gregory at 605-254-2348, or Pastor Don Stein at 608-738-7469. They will also be able to be in touch with the Elders at Zion to bring care in times of need.

SOUNDBOARD AND CAMERA OPERATOR NEEDED JULY 10

For the last two years, Nathaniel Clayton has been running sound and the video camera and getting the service on Facebook each week, but he will be gone several weeks in June/July. We need a volunteer to run the soundboard and the video camera and make sure the service is streamed on Facebook Live on Sunday, July 10.

(Thanks to Bjorn Peterson for covering June 26 and to Gadge Corey for covering July 3.) It is important that we make sure that we have people trained and signed up to step in so those functions of the congregation will be able to continue without any setbacks. This might mean needing to do some training during a service between now and when Nathaniel leaves to make sure volunteers are comfortable with the sound board, camera, and computer for in-house sound and Facebook broadcasts. If you would like to volunteer to help on July 10, please talk to Pastor Clayton and Nathaniel Clayton to arrange for any needed training. Thank you!

ZION VBS 2022 - GOD'S WONDER LAB – STARTS TOMORROW!

When: June 13–17 from 6–8 pm. Who: Children ages 3–11 years old.

Please join us for a fascinating science lab that will help explain how things are possible with God. In Jesus' ministry, He did things that cannot be explained. He turned water into wine, walked on water, and His greatest miracle of all was dying on the cross and rising from the dead for our salvation. Discover that Jesus does the impossible for us in God's Wonder Lab. Please invite your friends and families! Register online at <https://vbsmate.com/events/ZionMascoutahVBS/23280> Questions or want to volunteer? Contact Marsha Baro at mkrausz11@gmail.com or 618.558.5913. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

LADIES: JOIN US FOR LUNCH THIS THURSDAY, JUNE 16th!

Ladies Aid will be having lunch together on Thursday, June 16th, at the El Sombrero Restaurant in Mascoutah. We will meet at church at 11:50 if you wish to carpool, or just meet us there at noon. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex. Please join us for good eats, fun, and fellowship!

SATURDAY, JUNE 18TH - YOUTH GROUP POOL PARTY!

Youth group members/families are invited to gather for a pool party on June 18th from 5-9pm in O'Fallon. Please bring a food item for the potluck as well as your own drinks. If you are planning to attend and haven't already RSVPd, please do so on the youth group GroupMe or to lindsaySmurphy@gmail.com. Please let us know how many from your family plan to come and what you are planning to bring. Hope you can join in on the fun!

LUNCHEON ON SUNDAY, JUNE 26, AFTER CHURCH

The Ladies Aid is sponsoring a luncheon on the 26th with proceeds to go to replenish kitchen supplies. The menu will be pulled pork, calico beans, baked French fries, cole slaw, fruit, and dessert. A freewill offering will be taken. Please see Lita if you would like to contribute fresh fruits or a dessert.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SUMMER SACK LUNCH PROGRAM

Zion will be participating in the summer lunch program again this year. Zion's week will be June 20-24. There are three ways you can help. We need donations in order to buy the food needed. Please consider donating. You can put your donations in the sack on the table in the narthex. We need volunteers to help make sandwiches and fill the sacks, and/or drive the lunches to designated drop off points. This takes only a few hours in the morning, starting around 9 or 9:30. There is sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex. Please volunteer for one or more days. Ideally, we need four volunteers to help in the kitchen. Lastly, we need someone who has a Sam's card to take us shopping for the food in bulk. If you have any questions or want to help, please contact Gail Frey, home: 618-566-7294 or cell: 618-806-7294, or Linda Hoskins at 618-210-6987. Thank you.

ZION'S HELPING HANDS NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Our team of "Helping Hands" needs a few more volunteers. Can you give an hour or two on occasion to help a member of our church? You may be asked to provide transportation to church or to a medical appointment. Perhaps take a member shopping or help with light housekeeping. If interested, please contact Lesley Eads at (618) 623-2360, Jordan Rehfeldt at (618) 980-8475, or Linda Hoskins at (618) 210-6987.

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." 1 Peter 4:10

YOU WANT 80 OF WHAT???

You will be seeing lots of info this year about the 80th birthday of the LWML, which Zion's Ladies Aid is part of. Every TWO MONTHS, as part of this celebration, we are choosing to collect "at least" 80 of specific items. We invite YOU to help us in this activity. May/June we will collect BOTTLES OF WATER for First

Responders (police, firefighters, EMTs). There will be a collection box in the narthex for these items, or if you are bringing a large quantity package, please put it in the coatroom. We want to emphasize that you can donate ANY size water bottles, not just the large ones. Keep watching for future collections. Thanks in advance!!

HOPE LUTHERAN HYMN FESTIVAL - TODAY

Hope Lutheran will host a Hymn Festival for the Holy Trinity on Sunday, June 12th at 4:00 PM to complete the second season of the *Music in Sacred Space* series. Guest composer and organist Kevin Hildebrand will lead the assembled congregation, along with the choirs and instrumentalists of Hope Lutheran. Hildebrand serves as Kantor at Concordia Theological Seminary in Ft. Wayne, IN where he directs the Seminary Kantorei and Schola Cantorum, plays the organ for daily chapel, and instructs students in liturgics and church music courses. Hope Lutheran is located at 5218 Neosho St., St. Louis. Visit hopelutheranstl.org for more information.

VITAE FOUNDATION PRO-LIFE DINNER

The Vitae Foundation Southern Illinois Pro-Life Event will be held on Tuesday, July 12, at the Four Points by Sheraton, 319 Fountains Parkway, Fairview Heights. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., with dinner and program at 7:00 p.m. The cost for the dinner is \$50 (\$15 tax deductible). Registrations may be made online at www.vitaefoundation.org, by calling Vitae at 573-634-4316, or by sending a check or money order to Vitae Foundation, 1731 Southridge Dr, Suite D, PO Box 791, Jefferson City, MO 65109.

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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 celebration of the ordination of Pastor-elect Don Stein.

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton
Lector: Pastor-elect Don Stein
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton
Altar Guild: Lesley Eads
Elder of the Month: Tom Sax

THOSE WHO SERVE NEXT WEEK, JUNE 19

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton
Organist: Nancy Peterson
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THINGS WE ARE DOING AT ZION

Sun.	Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Sunday School & Youth Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Worship DS III w/communion	10:00 AM
	Ordination Service for Pastor-Elect Don Stein	3:00 PM
Mon.	<i>Echo Deadline</i>	
	VBS	6:00 – 8:00 PM
Tues.	VBS	6:00 – 8:00 PM
	Elders Meeting	7:00 PM
Wed.	VBS	6:00 – 8:00 PM
Thurs.	Ladies Aid Luncheon	12:00 PM
	VBS	6:00 – 8:00 PM
	Trustees Meeting	7:00 PM
Fri.	Senior Meal Delivery	10:30 AM
	VBS	6:00 – 8:00 PM
Sat.	Youth Pool Party in O'Fallon	5:00 – 9:00 PM
Sun.	Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Sunday School & Youth Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Worship Matins (<i>VBS Closing Service</i>)	10:00 AM

ATTENDANCE JUNE 5: Sunday: 130

Adult Bible Class: 21 High School: 4 Sunday School: 19