

Zion Lutheran Church
Mascoutah, Illinois
November 19, 2023
24th 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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Please TURN OFF all cell phones, pagers, electronic devices, apps and games when entering the sanctuary for worship so those around you may focus on the Word of God without electronic distraction. Thank you.

A Prayer to Begin Worship

Jesus, Sovereign of life, who healed the sick and forgave sins, for giving us life where there was no life and hope where there was no hope, we tender deepest gratitude as we press on from life to life and stand on tiptoe awaiting the fulfillment of our hopes; who with the Father and the Holy Spirit are one God with dominion over us forever.

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Prelude

Fantasy in G Minor

J. S. Bach

Hymn

What God Ordains Is Always Good

LSB 760

- 1 **What God ordains is always good: His will is just and holy.
As He directs my life for me, I follow meek and lowly.
My God indeed In ev'ry need
Knows well how He will shield me; To Him, then, I will yield me.**
- 2 **What God ordains is always good: He never will deceive me;
He leads me in His righteous way, And never will He leave me.
I take content What He has sent;
His hand that sends me sadness Will turn my tears to gladness.**
- 3 **What God ordains is always good: His loving thought attends me;
No poison can be in the cup That my physician sends me.
My God is true; Each morning new
I trust His grace unending, My life to Him commending.**
- 4 **What God ordains is always good: He is my friend and Father;
He suffers naught to do me harm Though many storms may gather.
Now I may know Both joy and woe;
Someday I shall see clearly That He has loved me dearly.**
- 5 **What God ordains is always good: Though I the cup am drinking
Which savors now of bitterness, I take it without shrinking.
For after grief God gives relief,
My heart with comfort filling And all my sorrow stilling.**
- 6 **What God ordains is always good: This truth remains unshaken.
Though sorrow, need, or death be mine, I shall not be forsaken.
I fear no harm, For with His arm
He shall embrace and shield me; So to my God I yield me.**

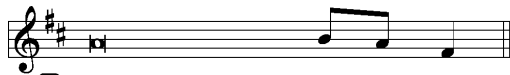
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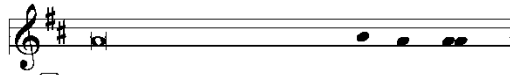
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☐ O Lord, o - pen my lips,



C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



C make haste to help me, O Lord.



C Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.



Common: Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

Psalmody

Antiphon (Common)

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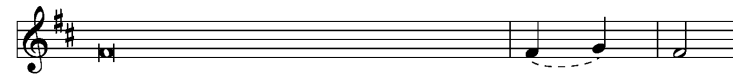
L Blessed be God, the Fa - ther, the Son, and the Ho - ly Spir - it.



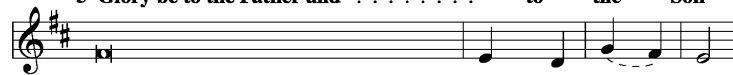
C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

Venite

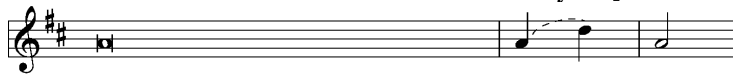
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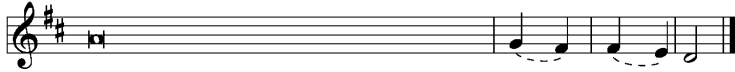
C 1 O come, let us sing	to the Lord,
2 For the Lord is a	great God
3 The sea is His, for He	made it,
5 Glory be to the Father and	to the Son



1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of	our sal - va - tion.
2 and a great	king a - bove all gods.
3 and His hand	formed the dry land.
5 and to the	Ho - ly Spir - it;



1 Let us come into His presence with thanks -	giv - ing,
2 The deep places of the earth are	in His hand;
3 O come, let us worship and	bow down,
4 For He	is our God,
5 as it was in the be -	gin - ning,



1 let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.
 2 the strength of the hills is His al - so.
 3 let us kneel before the Lord, our mak - er.
 4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.
 5 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

Antiphon (Common)

LSB 221



L Blessed be God, the Fa - ther, the Son, and the Ho - ly Spir - it.



C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

Psalm

Psalm 126; antiphon: v. 1

L When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,
C we were like those who dream.
L Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
C and our tongue with shouts of joy;
L then they said among the nations,
C “The LORD has done great things for them.”
L The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad.
C Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like streams in the Negeb!
L Those who sow in tears
C shall reap with shouts of joy!
L He who goes out weeping,
C bearing the seed for sowing,
L shall come home with shouts of joy,
C bringing his sheaves with him.
 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.

Sit

Hymn

If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee

LSB 750

1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee And hope in Him through all thy ways,
 He'll give thee strength, whate'er betide thee, And bear thee through the evil days.
 Who trusts in God's unchanging love Builds on the rock that naught can move.

2 What can these anxious cares avail thee, These never-ceasing moans and sighs?
 What can it help if thou bewail thee O'er each dark moment as it flies?
 Our cross and trials do but press The heavier for our bitterness.

3 Be patient and await His leisure In cheerful hope, with heart content
 To take whate'er thy Father's pleasure And His discerning love hath sent,
 Nor doubt our inmost wants are known To Him who chose us for His own.

- 4 God knows full well when times of gladness Shall be the needful thing for thee.
When He has tried thy soul with sadness And from all guile has found thee free,
He comes to thee all unaware And makes thee own His loving care.
- 5 Nor think amid the fiery trial That God hath cast thee off unheard,
That he whose hopes meet no denial Must surely be of God preferred.
Time passes and much change doth bring And sets a bound to ev'rything.
- 6 All are alike before the Highest; 'Tis easy for our God, we know,
To raise thee up, though low thou liest, To make the rich man poor and low.
True wonders still by Him are wrought Who setteth up and brings to naught.
- 7 Sing, pray, and keep His ways unswerving, Perform thy duties faithfully,
And trust His Word; though undeserving, Thou yet shalt find it true for thee.
God never yet forsook in need The soul that trusted Him indeed.

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First Reading

Isaiah 51:9–16

Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the LORD; awake, as in days of old, the generations of long ago. Was it not You who cut Rahab in pieces, that pierced the dragon? Was it not You who dried up the sea, the waters of the great deep, who made the depths of the sea a way for the redeemed to pass over? And the ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away. “I, I am He who comforts you; who are you that you are afraid of man who dies, of the son of man who is made like grass, and have forgotten the LORD, your Maker, who stretched out the heavens and laid the foundations of the earth, and you fear continually all the day because of the wrath of the oppressor, when he sets himself to destroy? And where is the wrath of the oppressor? He who is bowed down shall speedily be released; he shall not die and go down to the pit, neither shall his bread be lacking. I am the LORD your God, who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar—the LORD of hosts is His name. And I have put My words in your mouth and covered you in the shadow of My hand, establishing the heavens and laying the foundations of the earth, and saying to Zion, ‘You are My people.’”

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Choir

Alabaré

arr. Hal Hopson

Second Reading

Colossians 1:9–14

And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God. May you be strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

L O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Third Reading

Matthew 9:18–26

While [Jesus] was saying these things to them, behold, a ruler came in and knelt before Him, saying, “My daughter has just died, but come and lay Your hand on her, and she will live.” And Jesus rose and followed him, with His disciples. And behold, a woman who had suffered from a discharge of blood for twelve years came up behind Him and touched the fringe of His garment, for she said to herself, “If I

only touch His garment, I will be made well.” Jesus turned, and seeing her He said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And instantly the woman was made well. And when Jesus came to the ruler’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, He said, “Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at Him. But when the crowd had been put outside, He went in and took her by the hand, and the girl arose. And the report of this went through all that district.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Common Responsoy

LSB 221

L 1 Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
 2 Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
 3 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it.

C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.

Children’s Lunchbox Devotion

Hymn

O Christ, Who Shared Our Mortal Life

LSB 552

(Stanzas 1, 5, 6, 4)

- 1 O Christ, who shared our mortal life And ended death’s long reign,
 Who healed the sick and raised the dead And bore our grief and pain:
 We know our years on earth are few, That death is always near.
 Come now to us, O Lord of Life; Bring hope that conquers fear!
- 5 A ruler proud but bent by grief Knelt down before Your feet:
 “My precious daughter’s gripped by death! Come now and death defeat!”
 A multitude had gathered round To hear the truth You taught,
 But, leaving them, You turned to help A father sore distraught.
- 6 You pressed through crowds to reach the child Whose limbs with death grew cold.
 “She is not dead; she only sleeps!” The weeping folk You told.
 And then You took her hand and called, “My child, I bid you rise!”
 She rose! And all stood round You, Lord, With awed and wond’ring eyes!
- 4 Death’s power holds us still in thrall And bears us toward the tomb.
 Death’s dark’ning cloud hangs like a pall That threatens earth with doom.
 But You have broken death’s embrace And torn away its sting.
 Restore to life our mortal race! Raise us, O Risen King!

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Sermon

Sleeping Beauty

Offering

[Please fill out a sheet in the attendance book. Visitors, please include your address. If you have a prayer request for the church prayer chain, please write it at the top of the sheet.]

Stand

Canticle

Te Deum - We Praise You and Acknowledge You

LSB 941



1 We praise You and ac-knowl-edge You, O God, to be the Lord,
2 The band of the a-pos-tles in glo-ry sing Your praise;
3 You, Christ, are King of glo-ry, the ev-er-last-ing Son,
4 You sit in splen-did glo-ry, en-throned at God's right hand,



The Fa-ther ev-er-last-ing, by all the earth a-dored.
The fel-low-ship of proph-ets their death-less voic-es raise.
Yet You, with bound-less love, sought to res-cue ev-'ry-one:
Up-hold-ing earth and heav-en by forc-es You com-mand.



To You all an-gel pow-ers cry a-loud, the heav-ens sing,
The mar-tyrs of Your king-dom, a great and no-ble throng,
You laid a-side Your glo-ry, were born of vir-gin's womb,
We know that You will come as our Judge that fi-nal day,



The cher-u-bim and ser-a-phim their prais-es to You bring:
Sing with the ho-ly Church through-out all the world this song:
Were cru-ci-fied for us and were placed in-to a tomb;
So help Your ser-vants You have re-deemed by blood, we pray;



"O ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord God of Sab-a-oth;
"O all-ma-jes-tic Fa-ther, Your true and on-ly Son,
Then by Your res-ur-rec-tion You won for us re-prieve—
May we with saints be num-bered where prais-es nev-er end,



Your maj-es-ty and glo-ry fill the heav-ens and the earth!"
And Ho-ly Spir-it, Com-fort-er— for-ev-er Three in One!"
You o-pened heav-en's king-dom to all who would be-lieve.
In glo-ry ev-er-last-ing. A-men, O Lord, a-men!

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Prayer

Kyrie

LSB 227



☐ Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

Lord's Prayer

- 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.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- L** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- L** Let us pray. Stir up, O Lord, the wills of Your faithful people that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by You be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Prayer of the Church

- L** Your steadfast love, O Lord, never ceases, and Your mercies never come to an end.
- C** You are good to those who wait for You, and when we truly seek You, we find You.
- L** Therefore we sing Your praises and give thanks to Your holy name.
- C** Your anger is for a moment and Your favor is for a lifetime.
- L** We confess, O Lord, that in spite of Your patience and loving kindness, we so often take You for granted.
- C** You answer our prayers, yet we often fail to lay before You all the burdens of our hearts.
- L** You have given us of Your abundance, and yet we have failed to give to You and Your cause according to our means and beyond our means.
- C** We weep at the loss of loved ones, not fully realizing that one day we shall be with them before Your throne.
- L** We have often been afraid when we should have believed.
- C** For our indifference and neglect, forgive us, O Lord.
- L** We need, O Lord, the power of Your Holy Spirit to enable us to give ourselves completely to You.
- C** Send us Your Spirit that we may experience the joy of a life dedicated to spreading Your love.
- L** Replace our fear with a firm trust in Your providence.
- C** Help us to excel in faith, in utterance, in knowledge, and in all earnestness.
- L** Help us to share our abundance with those who are in want.
- C** Comfort the bereaved with the hope of Your promised resurrection.
- L** Give to the sick, faith in the power of Your healing.
- C** Assure the lonely of Your presence.

WE GO TO THE LORD IN PRAYER FOR

- ✠ Darla Lancey, Zackery Schreiber, Alexander Allen, Jessica Hatcher, Rosie Hatcher, Lee Hinton, Benjamin Pannier, Jennifer Trame, and Hunter Phillips, as they celebrate their baptismal anniversaries this week.
- ✠ Mateo Hernandez, as he has needed extra medical care to eat and gain weight after being born prematurely.
- ✠ Members of Zion's Board of Trustees, Stewardship Committee, and Board of Finance.
- ✠ Faithfulness in support of world missions.

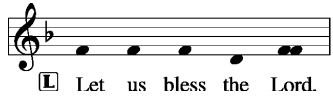
- L** Bless our nation with peace, and help us dwell in harmony with Your will.
- C** This we ask in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Collect for Grace

- L** O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

Benedicamus

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L Let us bless the Lord.

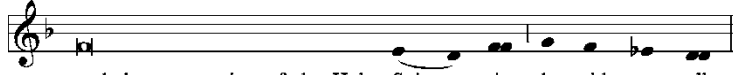


G Thanks be to God.

Benediction



P The grace of our Lord † Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the communion of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



G A - - men.

Sit

Hymn

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

LSB 461

- 1 I know that my Redeemer lives; What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ever-living head.
- 2 He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save;
He lives all-glorious in the sky; He lives exalted there on high.
- 3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to plead for me above;
He lives my hungry soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
- 4 He lives to grant me rich supply; He lives to guide me with His eye;
He lives to comfort me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's complaint.
- 5 He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears;
He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; He lives and loves me to the end;
He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing; He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death;
He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

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Postlude

Fugue in G Minor

J. S. Bach

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LIFE AND LIVING ITEMS AT ZION



ONE BIG THANK YOU!

What happens when an amazing congregation and a wonderful community come together? One BIG fundraising success! The youth members want to thank each and every donor, each and every participant, and each and every adult who made our annual puzzle fundraiser the BIGGEST one yet! Another big thank you goes to Lita Timmerman for the hours of prep work and cooking she gave to the event. With heartfelt thanks, Zion Youth Group Members

CHRISTMAS PARADE FLOAT

Zion would like to sponsor a float in the upcoming Mascoutah Christmas Parade. Through this participation, we have an opportunity to invite others in our community to the Advent and Christmas services through passing out flyers at the Christmas Parade on December 1 at 6:30 PM. We will need assistance in putting together the Christmas float on December 1 at 5:00 PM in the Parsonage parking lot. There is a sign-up on the back table. We will also need 10 people to walk in the parade and pass out the flyers, there is a sign-up sheet on the back table for this also.

IT MIGHT NOT BEGIN TO LOOK A LOT LIKE CHRISTMAS

Your help is requested! As of now, we do not have a volunteer to organize and lead Christmas decorating for Zion. The ideal times to do this would be either the evening of Saturday December 2, or after church on Sunday, December 3. We are always blessed with lots of volunteers to decorate together, but we are in need of a person or a couple to lead the decorating and organize the process. To volunteer, please talk with Pastor Clayton. Thanks in advance for helping with this fun responsibility!

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A ZION BOARD MEMBER?

At the December Voters meeting on December 14th, we will need to elect new board members. There are 13 open positions to fill for the next term. These are multiple lengths in the terms for Chairman/Vice Chairman, Elders, Trustee, Board of Ed, Sunday School, Finance, and Board Secretary. We have heard from a few voting church members that have expressed interest in the open positions. If you're not a voting member and would like to serve on a board reach out to me or any other council member before December 7th. If you have any questions, contact Mike Twenhafel.

FRESH, LOCALLY HARVESTED HONEY!

The Ladies Aid has acquired pints of local honey and is offering them for sale. Stop by the table in the narthex and pick some up!

LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY RESUMES IN JANUARY

LifeLight Bible Study will resume on January 8, 2024. Join us in the church basement at 7 p.m. on Monday evenings as we study *Parables*. LifeLight provides a regular program of in-depth personal and group study of Scripture so Christian adults may grow their personal faith in Jesus Christ. Call or text Lionel (618-806-8993) for questions or information about LifeLight; call or text Randy (571-550-1748) NLT December 1 to join the January class.

ORGAN REDEDICATION CONCERT – THIS WEDNESDAY, NOV. 22nd

Would you like to spend Thanksgiving Eve singing hymns? Hope Lutheran Church in Highland, Illinois is hosting a concert to dedicate their newly restored and improved Wicks organ! "Hymns Through the Church Year" will feature a number of congregational hymns, as well as some Bach, played by organist Nancy Peterson. The concert is on Wednesday, November 22nd at 7:30 PM. Hope Lutheran Church is located at 3745 Broadway in Highland.

HOLY CHILDHOOD BLOOD DRIVE

Holy Childhood Church is holding a blood drive at their Parish Center at 104 N. Independence St. in Mascoutah on Thursday, November 30th from 2:00 – 7:00 PM. Please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: HolyChildhood to schedule an appointment.

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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 Pastor Clayton's birthday.

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton
Liturgist Sem. Kyle Moellenhoff
Lector: Sem. Rob Laird
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Abigail Clayton
Acolytes: Chloe Pannier & Rylan Ganey
Elder of the Month: Geoff Phillips

THOSE WHO SERVE THANKSGIVING DAY, NOVEMBER 23

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton
Elder of the Month: Geoff Phillips

THOSE WHO SERVE NEXT WEEK, NOVEMBER 26

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton
Liturgist Sem. Kyle Moellenhoff
Lector: Sem. Rob Laird
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Phoebe Corey
Acolytes: Ella Sax & Bristol Sax
Altar Guild: Lesley Eads & Phoebe Corey
Elder of the Month: Geoff Phillips

THINGS WE ARE DOING AT ZION

Sun. Confirmation Class 8:30 AM
Bible Class 8:45 AM
Sunday School & Youth Bible Class 8:45 AM
Worship Matins 10:00 AM
Mon. Elders Meeting 6:30 PM
Wed. *No Preschool*
New Member Class 6:00 PM
No Choir Rehearsal
No Hand Chime Rehearsal
Thurs. *Church Office Closed – No Preschool*
Thanksgiving Day Matins Service 9:00 AM
Fri. *Church Office Closed*
Senior Meal Delivery 10:30 AM
Sun. Confirmation Class 8:30 AM
Bible Class 8:45 AM
Sunday School & Youth Bible Class 8:45 AM
Worship DS III w/communion 10:00 AM

ATTENDANCE NOVEMBER 12: Sunday: 144