Zion Lutheran Church



October 31st, 2021 **Reformation Sunday**



Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church & Preschool!

Thank you for joining us in worship of the Lord. We would love to get to know you, and for you to learn more about our church family at Zion. We cordially invite you to talk with Pastor Grimenstein, our Elders, or any of our church members to learn more about our fellowship. At our website -- zlcb.org – you can find out more about the many worship, Christian education, and fellowship opportunities at Zion.

Communion Statement

We believe that in the Lord's Supper, Christ's physical body and blood are present in the bread and wine (1Cor. 11:23-25). We also believe receiving the Lord's Supper is an act of church fellowship. Scripture cautions that those who receive without recognizing Christ's body and blood will bring judgment upon themselves (1 Cor. 11:27-29). Therefore, out of love to our guests, we invite to our altar to receive the Lord's Supper those who are baptized, confirmed, repentant members of Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod congregations or sister congregations. If you are visiting us today from another Christian denomination, we welcome you to come to the altar to receive a baptismal blessing. Please signify by crossing your arms over your chest upon kneeling.

In preparation to receive the Lord's Supper in a worthy manner please consider reading "Christian Questions with their Answers" on Page 329-330. If you are interested in exploring membership, please talk with Pastor Grimenstein after the service, or call the church office.

Opening Hymn – Crown Him with Many Crowns

- Crown Him with many crowns,
 The Lamb upon His throne;
 Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns
 All music but its own.

 3 Crown Him the Lord of love.
 Behold His hands and side
 Rich wounds, yet visible about the heav'nly anthem drowns
 In beauty glorified.
- Awake, my soul, and sing

 Of Him who died for thee,

 And hail Him as thy matchless king

 Through all eternity.

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- 2 Crown Him the virgin's Son, The God incarnate born, Whose arm those crimson trophies won Which now His brow adorn: Fruit of the mystic rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The root whence mercy ever flows, The babe of Bethlehem.
- Behold His hands and side,
 Rich wounds, yet visible above,
 In beauty glorified.
 No angels in the sky
 Can fully bear that sight,
 But downward bend their wond'ring eyes
 At mysteries so bright.

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- 4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who triumphed o'er the grave And rose victorious in the strife For those He came to save. His glories now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who died eternal life to bring And lives that death may die.
- 5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, Enthroned in worlds above, Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The wondrous name of Love. Crown Him with many crowns As thrones before Him fall; Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns, For He is king of all.
- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

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- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **B**ut with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let

us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- 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



- P I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,] and shall not be | put to shame.
- I will bless the LORD at | all times; his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast | in the LORD;

let the humble hear | and be glad.

Come, O children, lis- | ten to me;

I will teach you the fear | of the LORD.

The LORD redeems the life of his | servants;

none of those who take refuge in him will | be condemned.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,] and shall not be | put to shame.



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

Gloria in Excelsis



2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa-ther's Son, we pray; 3 For You a-lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!

O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.

For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

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

Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

First Reading -- Revelation 14:6-7

Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

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

Choir – My Faith Looks Up to Thee (10:30 am)

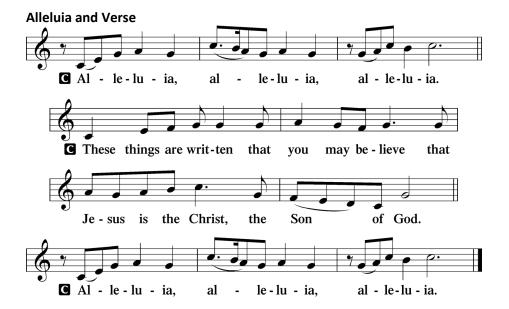
Epistle Reading – Romans 3:19–28

Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

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



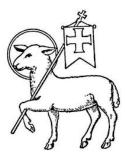
Holy Gospel

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.
- **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?"

Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **C** Praise to You, O Christ.



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 \pm of the world to come. Amen.



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Sermon

Prayer of the Church

P ... Lord in your mercy.

C ... Hear our prayer.

Gathering of Offerings

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new 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



■ Ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san-na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood. Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

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

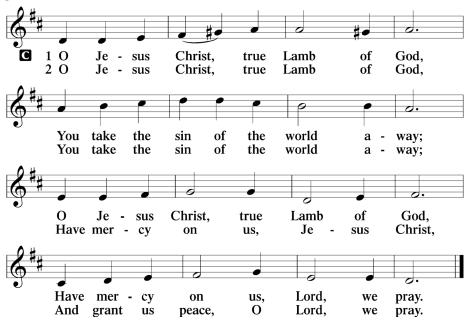
P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

Agnus Dei



Distribution

If you are visiting us today from a Christian denomination outside the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, we welcome you to come to the altar to receive a baptismal blessing. Please signify by crossing your arms over your chest upon kneeling.

Faith Bell Choir – *Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord* (10:30 am)

Distribution Hymns

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word	#655
By Grace I'm Saved	#566
Preserve Your Word, O Savior	#658



Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; 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

- P Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Benediction

- 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.
- G Amen.

Closing Hymn -Thy Strong Word

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!
- 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!

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- 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!
- 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!
- △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!

Prayer Requests for Family & Friends

The Church:

- -For our homebound members: Tom Bicusky, Florence Boehme, Lois Dittmer, Joan Cisko, Dottie Heslop, Vince Kimberland, Gladys Cimarolli, and Ron Valentino.
- -Healing for: Ruth Collura, Grant German, Ted Siek, Albert Hatala, Dennis Finney, Jennifer Fitzgerald, Eva Bukovitz, Megan Richards, Al Riske, Kami Snow, Ruth Rostron, Judy Graziano, Alyssa Mance, Shannon Mance, Elias Kazas, Marian Siek, Dave Hutula, Ron Valentino, Mabel Granke, and Jennifer Meyer.
- -For our missions/missionaries, especially The Siberian Lutheran Mission Society.
- -For all who care for loved ones with illnesses.
- -For the ministry of Zion Lutheran Sunday School and Preschool.

The World:

- -For an end to the pandemic, and for the safety of all who are fighting it.
- -For an end to abortion and human trafficking.
- -For the youth in our community.

Our Nation:

- -For our leaders and government officials.
- -For those in foster care and those looking to adopt.
- -For the disabled, unborn and aged.
- -For those whose work it is to protect us.
- -For godly care of the earth.



* Service Participants *

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Edward Grimenstein

Music Director: Mark Killinger

The Organist: Sandy Quinlan

The Elders: Bill Bishop & Brian Pasquini

The Acolyte: Elder (8:00)

Elizabeth Lemonovich (10:30)

The Ushers: Gene Koop, Ron Meier (8:00)

Dan & Tracey Harris, Mike Kozak, Chuck LaJeunesse (10:30)

Altar Guild: Janet & Marian Oelschlager

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by the Oelschlager family in celebration of Reformation Day and by Dennis Finney in memory of his father, Sidney Finney.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by the Oelschlager family in memory of loved ones.

BREAKFAST BURRITOS will be served next Sunday between services in the Fellowship Hall. Come hungry! Proceeds benefit Zion Youth Group's fundraising toward the Nat'l Youth Gathering next summer.



PARENTS ... A Nursery Room for children 3 and under is available on Sundays in the lower level near the Fellowship Hall (Room 101). Parent supervision is

required. In addition, the Family Care Room in the back of the sanctuary is equipped with a nursing chair and changing station items.

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (10/24) – (8 am); (10:30 am) Wednesday Worship Attendance (10/27) – (2 pm); (7 pm) Sunday Plate Offering (10/24) – \$2860 Online Offering – \$11,355

Online giving is available on Zion's website at www.zlcb.org/donate

This Week at Zion

SUN 10/31 REFORMATION SUNDAY	8:00 AM – Worship 9:15 AM – Adult/Teen Bible Study (moved to Sanctuary) & Children's Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship Noon – Refor-Fest!
MON 11/1	6:15 PM Grace Bells 7:00 PM - Trustees Mtg. 7:15 PM - Choir 8:15 PM - Faith Bells Pastor away at Eastern District Conference until Wednesday afternoon
TUE 11/2	7:00 PM – Board of Education Mtg.
WED 11/3	No Afternoon service today 7:00 PM – Service of Prayer & Preaching, Bible study
THU 11/4	6:00 PM Adult Confirmation 7:00 PM - Elders Meeting
FRI 11/5	
SAT 11/6	Daylight Savings Time Ends
SUN 11/7	8:00 AM – Worship 9:00 AM – Breakfast Burrito Youth Fundraiser 9:15 AM – Adult/Teen Bible Study & Children's Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship



This Week in Sunday School

A recap of today's SS teaching for Zion Parents & Students

BIBLE VERSE

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever!

Psalm 107:1

SCRIPTURE SNAPSHOT

Mephibosheth, Jonathan's son, suffered crippling injuries at age 5 while escaping Saul's enemies with his nurse. Once David established his kingdom, his thoughts turned to any possible survivors from Saul and Jonathan's line. Discovering Mephibosheth, David bestows on him Saul's land and fortune. Mephibosheth's family moves to Jerusalem, where he always eats at the king's table.

TAKING IT HOME

- On the Go—God led David to show kindness to Mephibosheth, giving him many gifts. When has God led you to show kindness to someone?
- At Mealtime—David always invited Mephibosheth to eat at his table as if he were one of David's own sons. Talk about some of the things you do as a family when you share a meal together. What are some things you could do to welcome a guest who was eating with you?
- Something to Do—Write a kind note to a friend or family member, reminding the person of how much Jesus loves him or her.
- Before Bed—Pray that God would help you show love and kindness to others, just as David did for Mephibosheth.



Join us for ...

REFOR-FEST!

Sunday October 31st Noon - 3:00PM Rain or shine!

Catered German Meal!

Beer & Root Beer!

Pastor's Famous Bingo!

Linda's Famous Guessing Jars!

Kid Activities - Pumpkin Painting, Potato

Sack Races! "Pin-the-heart-on-The-Luther-Seal"

Advance Tickets Required!

Adults - \$12 Kids (3-10yrs.) - \$6 2 & under - FREE Purchase your tickets after Sunday services beginning 9/19!

Questions? Contact events@zlcb.org



What is "All Saints' Day"?

All Saints' Day is the day during the Church
Year that we celebrate, remember and honor
all of those who have died with faith in Jesus and
are now with Him in heaven.

Why do we celebrate All Saints' Day?

The word "saint" comes from the Latin word sanctus which means "holy" or "sacred." Saints are God's holy people. We thank God for the saints who have gone before us because of their great example of faith and God's great mercy in their lives!

Do you have to die to be a saint?

No way! All of God's faithful people are His saints! We were washed clean of our sins at our Baptism and made holy before God. That's what it means when we hear God's Word say:

"These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb" (Rev. 7:14). Isn't it great to know that it is not what we have done that makes us a saint, but what Jesus has done for us through His death and resurrection? He gives all of this to us through Baptism. He is the one who makes us a saint!



Parents: Talk to your children about those in your own family who have died in the faith. Explain that they are now with Jesus in heaven. Remind them that this is a fulfillment of God's promises at our Baptism.

