

# *Zion Lutheran Church*



*Twenty Sixth Sunday  
after Pentecost  
November 13<sup>th</sup> 2016*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given The Harris Family in Honor of Sydney's 17<sup>th</sup> Birthday and Lillian DallaPiazza in Memory of Loved Ones.
- **ETERNAL LIGHT** is given by Bernice DeBoe in Memory of her grandson Matthew Christopher DeBoe.
- **SPOTLIGHT MINISTRY**...this week WOMEN'S MINISTRY is in the spotlight in the rear corner of the Sanctuary. Check it out and enjoy a treat!
- **2016 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM:** "*S is for Savior*" coming SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1 PM in the Sanctuary. A pizza/subs/salad/dessert lunch will be served in the Fellowship Hall immediately following second service and prior to the program. **SAVE THE DATE:** Come see and encourage our future generation of LCMS!
  
- **TRUSTEE WORK DAY:** TODAY is our fall Trustee Work Day! A pizza lunch will be provided after the late service before we start work. We will be doing leaf clean up, trimming, and general gardening to prepare for winter. Please come and help out!
- **KIM & JAY ANDERSON** will be hosting a Zion Holiday Open House for all members of Zion to express their appreciation for their 10 years at Zion before they move. Date: Sunday Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> in the undercroft from 5:00pm-8:00pm; hors de oeuvres, dinner and drinks will be provided. Please stop by as time permits. To get a count for food, please sign up in the narthex by Nov.30<sup>th</sup>!
- **OPEN PRESCHOOL POSITION:** The Preschool is looking for a teacher's aide on Wednesday's from 8:45-11:30am. If you are interested, please contact Tracey Harris at tharris@zlc.org, (412) 638-8735, or see her in church.
- **STEPHEN MINISTRY** is looking forward to resuming again in the fall, providing Christ-centered care for people going through hard times. Want to be a Stephen Ministry or be trained as a Stephen Minister or Stephen Leader? Contact Kristin Neill.
- **WELCOME CENTER!** Are you a guest or visitor looking for information about Zion? Hello and welcome to Zion! Stop by the table in the foyer after the service and we'll try to help.
- **BIBLE IN A YEAR** readings are available on our church's website and in your monthly Zion Newsletter. Join us as we read the Bible in a Year in 2016!
- **CHURCH NURSERY:** Is available for kids age 0-2 during the 10:30 Service! The Nursery ("Little Lions") is open during the late service in the lower level of the building. (If you need help locating the nursery, please ask an Usher or Greeter for assistance.)
- **NEED PRAYER?** Stephen Ministers and Elders will be available to pray with or for you following the Service in the Chancel area.
- **TODAY'S GOSPEL READING AND SERMON** will be posted to the ZLCB.org website later today. For an archive of older sermons, visit [www.zlcb.org/sermons](http://www.zlcb.org/sermons)

# Welcome to worship!

We are blessed to have Pastor Eric Andrae with us this morning to preach God's Word and give us the Lord's Supper. But seeing as I don't know anything about his sermon, I'd like to give you a few things to think about in the aftermath of the election. These were composed before the results were in, and I think they apply if you love the results or hate them.

1. As we proceed as a country we all need to pray. Our incoming leaders, our outgoing leaders, and all elected officials (whether we voted for them or not) need our prayers.

2. God's Word speaks about government and the relation that we have to our elected officials. Check out the words of Paul in Romans Chapter 13 and the words of Jesus in Matthew 22:15-22. We have much to learn this year and about government in general just from the first verse of Romans 13 "Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God."

3. We trust God in all things. Psalm 146:3 exhorts "Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation." He rules over both the civil realm and the spiritual realm. We trust him and not any elected official for our salvation. If you are thrilled about the results of the election, be on guard that the president-elect does not become a god to you. Rejoice that the government is going in the right direction, but keep that joy in the proper place. If you are dismayed about the election results, take heart that God has your salvation in His hand, and trust that even if you disagree with any of our elected officials, their authority is from God. God rules over all things, and the message of salvation in Christ is unchanging. May God Bless you as you receive His gifts this morning!

-Vicar Joshua

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# The Divine Service

(Please take a moment to fill out the Attendance books, located at either end of the pew. If you are visiting us this morning and would like to be contacted by the church, please indicate so in the Attendance Book. We are glad you chose to worship at Zion this morning!)

## *Prelude*

## *Introduction to Worship and Announcements*

*Opening Hymn: O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide* 355

## *The Invocation*

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

## *Confession of Sins*

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**People: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**People: 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 Spoken by the Pastor*

Pastor: 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.

**People: Amen**

## ***Kyrie***

V In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

V For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

V 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 mercy.**

V For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

**C Lord, have mercy.**

V Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C Amen.**

## ***Hymn of Praise***

*This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

*Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.*

*This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

*Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.*

*This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

*Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:*

*Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.*

*This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

*For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.*

*This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

## ***Salutation and Collect of the Day***

V The Lord be with you

**C And also with you**

V O Lord, almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may live and abide forever in Your

Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen**

**Old Testament Reading: Malachi 4:1-6**

“For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the Lord of hosts.

“Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and rules that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

“Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes. And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction.”

**Reader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God**

**New Testament Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:1-5**

Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith. But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one. And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things that we

command. May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.

**Reader:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God**

***Alleluia and Verse (please stand)***

*Alleluia*

*Lord, to whom shall we go?*

*You have the words of eternal life.*

*Alleluia, alleluia.*

**Pastor:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 21<sup>st</sup> Chapter.

**People:** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel Reading:**

**Luke 21:5-28**

And while some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, he said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down." And they asked him, "Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?" And he said, "See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is at hand!' Do not go after them. And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once."

Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought

before kings and governors for my name's sake. This will be your opportunity to bear witness. Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. You will be hated by all for my name's sake. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your lives.

“But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near. Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who are inside the city depart, and let not those who are out in the country enter it, for these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all that is written. Alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! For there will be great distress upon the earth and wrath against this people. They will fall by the edge of the sword and be led captive among all nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

“And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

**Pastor:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)



***Sermon***

(Please stand)

***The Nicene Creed***

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth  
and in 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.

Vicar:           The Lord be with you.

**People:        And also with you.**

**Vicar:        Let us Pray**

***Prayer of the Church***

***Offertory - Amazing Grace - Kristen Neill***

## *The Collection of the Offering*

If you are visiting with us this morning, know that your presence here means far more to us than any gift of money you could make; please do not hesitate to let the plate pass you by.

(Please stand)

## **The Service of the Sacrament**

### ***Preface***

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Pastor: 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 by the mystery of His death and resurrection has accomplished his wonderful work, calling us from the yoke of slavery to sin and death to receive the name of chosen race, royal priesthood, holy nation, and people of his own possession. 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***

**People: (singing) Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

### ***Prayer of Thanksgiving***

Pastor: 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.

### ***The Lord's Prayer***

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***

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 (The Peace of the Lord)***

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

### ***The Sharing of the Peace***

### ***The Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)***

*Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.*

## ***The Distribution***

We welcome to the Lord's Table all who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God, can examine themselves spiritually and believe they receive the true body and blood of the Lord Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and as a profession of their faith. If you hold a profession of faith that differs from that of our congregation, please speak to the Pastor before the start of the service before communing.

- We believe the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine.
- We believe Christ offers the forgiveness of sins in the Lord's Supper, but that the Lord's Supper is not necessary for salvation.
- We believe the Lord's Supper remembers the death of Christ and proclaims his death until he returns.
- We believe the Lord's Supper is a statement of unity in the body of Christ; we do not believe it creates that unity.

During the distribution, you are encouraged to sing the Distribution Hymns, pray, or meditate on the words "this is my body... this is my blood, given for you."

The cups at the center of the Individual Communion tray contain diluted wine for those with alcohol sensitivities.

## ***Distribution Hymns***

*When Peace, Like a River*

763

*On Eagle's Wings*

727

*Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling*

650

(Please stand)

## ***Post Communion Canticle (sung)***

Thank the Lord and sing his praise, tell everyone what he has done.

Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.

He recalls his promises and leads His people forth in joy

With shouts of thanksgiving Alleluia! Alleluia!

## ***Post Communion Collect***

P Let us Pray

P 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**

## ***Benediction***

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 **Amen.**

***The Recessional: All People That on Earth Do Dwell***

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## ***Postlude***

### **† *Service Participants* †**

Pastor:	Rev. Eric Andrae
Vicar:	Joshua Ulm
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
The Organist:	Sandra Quinlan
The Elders:	James Neill
The Acolyte:	Ava Pasquini (8:00) Leah Luedeman (10:30)
The Greeters:	Brian & Megan Pasquini (8:00) Max Ma & Jean Kuo (10:30)
The Ushers:	Debbie Ford, Dale Miller (8:00) Barb & Wayne Oechslein Vince Kimberland, Bill Koester (10:30) Mike Wallace & Chuck LaJeunesse
Altar Guild:	Kathleen Conn & Mary Hutula
Nursery:	Carley Rockovich & Darla Rockovich

### **Last Week in Worship**

Sunday Worship Attendance (11/6) – 194

Wednesday Attendance (11/9) – 19

Sunday Offering (11/6) – \$6,701.00

Online Offering (10/31-11/4) - \$1,080.00

~Online giving is now available by going to the Zion web site: [www.zlcb.org](http://www.zlcb.org)~

# Week of Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> – Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>

<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>11/13</b>	8:00 AM – Worship w/Communion 9:15 AM – Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM – Worship w/Communion 11:45 AM – Children’s Choir Practice 11:45 AM – Trustee Clean Up Day
<b>MONDAY</b> <b>11/14</b>	7:00 PM – Confirmation
<b>TUESDAY</b> <b>11/15</b>	7:00 PM – Choir Practice
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> <b>11/16</b>	7:00 PM – Service of Prayer & Preaching & Small Group Bible Study (Psalms Study Beginning)
<b>THURSDAY</b> <b>11/17</b>	10:00 AM – Bible Study 7:15 PM – Women’s Bible Study
<b>FRIDAY</b> <b>11/18</b>	
<b>SATURDAY</b> <b>11/19</b>	8:00 AM – Men’s Bible Breakfast 10:00 AM – Men’s Choir Practice
<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>11/20</b>	8:00 AM – Worship 9:15 AM – Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship 11:45 AM – Children’s Choir Practice 11:45 AM – Events Committee Meeting 11:45 AM – Stephen Ministry Meeting

Save the date for the...

# Zion Christmas Decorating Party!

**SATURDAY DECEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup> 4:30PM**

**DINNER SERVED AT 5PM**

**PLEASE BRING A DESSERT TO SHARE**

*Bring the whole family and help us  
decorate Zion for advent and Christmas!*

**WE'LL HAVE BABYSITTING,  
CRAFTS, AND ACTIVITIES  
FOR ALL AGES!**

**PLEASE RSVP IN  
THE NARTHEX BY  
NOVEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup>**



# MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH UPCOMING EVENT

**GLow IN THE Dark  
DODGEBALL**

**WHEN? SAT. DEC. 3**  
**TIME? 6-8PM**  
**WHO? ANYONE IN MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
**WHERE? ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**LOCATION? 3197 WASHINGTON PIKE,  
BRIDGEVILLE, PA 15017**  
**COST? \$0**  
**FOOD? PIZZA**