

Zion Lutheran Church



October 15th, 2017
19th Sunday after Pentecost

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Wayne & Barb Oechslein in Honor of their Wedding Anniversary and Paul & Terry Hayes in Memory of Loved Ones.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by Judy Dames in Memory of Loved Ones.

THIS WEEK'S FAVORITE BIBLE VERSE...is from DOUG KRANTZ. Romans 5:8 NKJV But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

SESSION SIX TAKEAWAY from Women's Bible Study on Peter. 1. From Genesis to Revelation, Scripture delineates one long account of God pursuing man for **relationship**. 2. Cornelius and those gathered as the first Gentiles to receive the Gospel demonstrated a **model congregation** by respecting 1) God, 2) His Word, and 3) His minister.

VISUAL FAITH WORKSHOP 2: Join Peace Lutheran Church for their 2nd Visual Faith Workshop on Saturday November 11th 9:00am-12:00. RSVP Peace Lutheran at 724-941-9441.

THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR. The Annual Children's Christams Program "And It Came to Pass" is **Sunday, December 10th at 1 PM** in the Sanctuary.

Come hear and be assured that future generations will receive the **GOOD NEWS!**

MARK YOUR CALENDAR for the upcoming 500th Anniversary Reformation Celebration at Zion! We are having a celebration on Sunday October 29th!

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.

STAY CONNECTED with all that is going on at church. If your address, phone number or email address change please let the secretaries know at secretary@zlcg.org

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

P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But 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.

C 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 praise the LORD as long | as I live;*
I will sing praises to my God while I have my | being.

**C I will greatly rejoice | in the LORD;*
my soul shall exult | in my God,
for he has clothed me with the garments of sal- | vation;*
he has covered me with the robe of | righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful | headdress,*
and as a bride adorns herself | with her jewels.
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.**

P I will praise the LORD as long | as I live;*
I will sing praises to my God while I have my | being.

Kyrie



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

Gloria in Excelsis



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
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 God, You invite us to trust in You for our salvation. Deal with us not in the severity of Your judgment but by the greatness of Your mercy; through Jesus Christ,

Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading – Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine,
of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

And he will swallow up on this mountain
the covering that is cast over all peoples,
the veil that is spread over all nations.

He will swallow up death forever;
and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,
and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the LORD has spoken.

It will be said on that day,
“Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us.
This is the LORD; we have waited for him;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle – Philippians 4:4-13

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse



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



C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



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

Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-second chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying,
“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.’ But they paid no attention and went

off, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.' And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. And he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

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 ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

Sermon Hymn – A Multitude Comes from the East and the West

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Sermon

Prayer of the Church

P Lord in your mercy.

C **Hear our prayer.**

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 stop by the welcome desk on your way out of church this morning.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C **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.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P 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



C Ho - ly, 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

- 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

- 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."
- P** 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

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Sharing of Peace

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

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee	803
The King of Love My Shepherd Is	709
O God, Our Help in Ages Past	733

Nunc Dimittis



1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Post-Communion Collect

A 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.

Benedicamus and Benediction

A Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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.**

Recessional Hymn – Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise

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Divine Service, Setting Four from Lutheran Service Book

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Prayer Request for Family & Friends

The Church:

-For our homebound members: Tom Bicusky, Ruth Miller, George and Florence Boehme, Lois Dittmer, Norm and Helen Erbrecht, Dorothy Smelko, Irene Bourg, and Don Jones.

-Healing for: Janet Hickey, Jack Oelschlager, Florence Boehme, Gloria Godfrey, Marian Siek, Sarah & Michael Erbrecht, Gladys Cimarolli, Joyce Wood, Roxanne Burgh, Henry Dittmer, Cletus Kroeger, Ruth Miller, Nancy Spotti, Bob Rondinelli, Aly Mance, Reggie Ford, Deana Thielet, Bill Koester, Nancy Koester, Dave Hutula, Ron Lyons, Vince Miller, Beatrice Decker, Ryan McCaffrey, and Bonnie Lewis.

-For our missionaries, especially Pastor Wokoma.

-For all who care for loved ones with illnesses.

-For the ministry of Zion Lutheran Preschool.

The World:

-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 those affected by the recent hurricanes.

- For godly care of the earth.

† *Service Participants* †

Pastor:	Rev. Edward Grimenstein
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
The Organist:	Sandy Quinlan
The Elders:	Mike Wallace & Bill Bishop
The Acolyte:	Ava Pasquini (8:00) Augie Bishop (10:30)
The Greeters:	Jack & Jacque Oelschlager (8:00) Lee & Megan Glasser (10:30)
The Ushers:	Melanie & Bill Becker (8:00) Ed Malachosky & Dale Miller Ross Chilcott, Sam Dragan (10:30)
Altar Guild:	Dan Harris & Chuck LaJeunesse Judy Meier, Marianne Miller & Millie Thielet
Nursery:	Megan Glasser & Adele Goodge

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (10/8) – 174

Midweek Service Attendance (10/11) – 23

Sunday Offering (10/8) - \$4,225.54

Online Offering (10/8) - \$959.00

~Online giving is now available by going to the Zion web site: www.zlcb.org~

Week of October 15th - October 22nd

SUNDAY 10/15	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM – Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion
MONDAY 10/16	6:00 PM – First Year Confirmation Class 7:00 PM – Second Year Confirmation Class
TUESDAY 10/17	6:15 PM – Bell Choir (Grace) 7:00 PM – Adult Choir Practice 8:15 PM – Bell Choir (Faith)
WEDNESDAY 10/18	7:00 PM – Midweek Service and Bible Study
THURSDAY 10/19	10:00 AM – Bible Study
FRIDAY 10/20	
SATURDAY 10/21	8:00 AM – Men’s Bible Breakfast
SUNDAY 10/22	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM – Dr. Bergman Adult Bible Study Speaker 9:20 AM – Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion 11:45 AM – Stephen Ministry

Join us on Sunday Oct. 29th!

REFORMATION FESTIVAL!

Zion Lutheran Church 3197 Washington Pike

Join us
for all
or some!

Special festivities to follow regular morning worship and Sunday School:

12:00-1:30 - Picnic Style Lunch

1:30-3:00 - Activities

3:00-3:30 - Reformation Vespers

3:30-4:30 - Activities

4:30-5:30 - Oktoberfest Dinner *

5:30-7:30 - Trunk or Treat & Outreach

7:30-8:00 - Reformation Compline

*** Paid Ticket Required for Oktoberfest Dinner, All other events & activities FREE**

Hayrides!
Pumpkin Decorating!
Bounce House!
Face Painting!
Duck Pond!

Bible Bingo!
"Pin the Thesis on the Door!"
Luther Rose Toss!
Toss the Indulgence!
Lollipop Game!

Wheel of Fortune!
Quill Pen Writing!
Play games & earn tickets to help us fill boxes for Operation Christmas Child!



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REFORMATION
2017 It's Still All About
Jesus

Zion Lutheran Church's 2nd Annual
TRUNK OR TREAT!

SUNDAY OCTOBER 29TH
5:30 - 7:30 PM

Zion Lutheran Church Parking Lot
3197 Washington Pike

**Grab your costumes and
come on out for a family
friendly, safe evening of fall
fun! After making the rounds
trick or treating, stick around for
Reformation-themed games and
activities for all ages... Join us as
we celebrate the 500th Anniversary
of the Reformation!**





VISUAL FAITH

Workshop 2

Linger Longer In His Word

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. Psalm 119:5

Saturday, November 11, 2017

9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Peace Lutheran Church, 107 Carol Drive, McMurray, PA 15317

Register by calling 724-941-9441 ~ Deadline: Nov. 5th

Free Will Offering

Lingering means to stay, live, dwell, or abide.

Our lives are to be spent in the presence of God.

We are to stay and remain with Him all the days of our lives.

When you linger in the presence of God,

you naturally want to tell others about Him,

you personally know God and His power, and are blessed beyond measure.

Creation-Evolution 101

Join us **Sunday October 22 at 9:15 am** as Dr. Jerry Bergman, noted author and creation scientist, discusses key creation-evolution issues during the Sunday school hour at Zion Lutheran, Bridgeville. There will be time for audience questions following the talk. Topics include:

- What have we learned about the so called “vestigial organs” from our alleged evolutionary past? (tonsils, appendix, etc)
- The status of “junk DNA”, an alleged evolutionary carryover.

Dr. Bergman’s talk will be non-technical, and relevant for adults, as well as high school students, who are being taught the principles of evolution in their public high schools. Dr. Bergman will also speak this week at two other events near Pittsburgh sponsored by the Creation Science Fellowship of Pittsburgh.



Don't miss this chance to hear Dr. Bergman at Zion

Jerry Bergman, Ph. D. Author, Professor & Creationist Speaker

Dr. Bergman has taught biology, genetics, geochemistry and other subjects at U of Toledo Medical College and Bowling Green U over the last 47 years. He has more than 600 publications in 14 languages, more than 40 books in print, and has been a courageous defender of academic freedom for the past 40 years.