

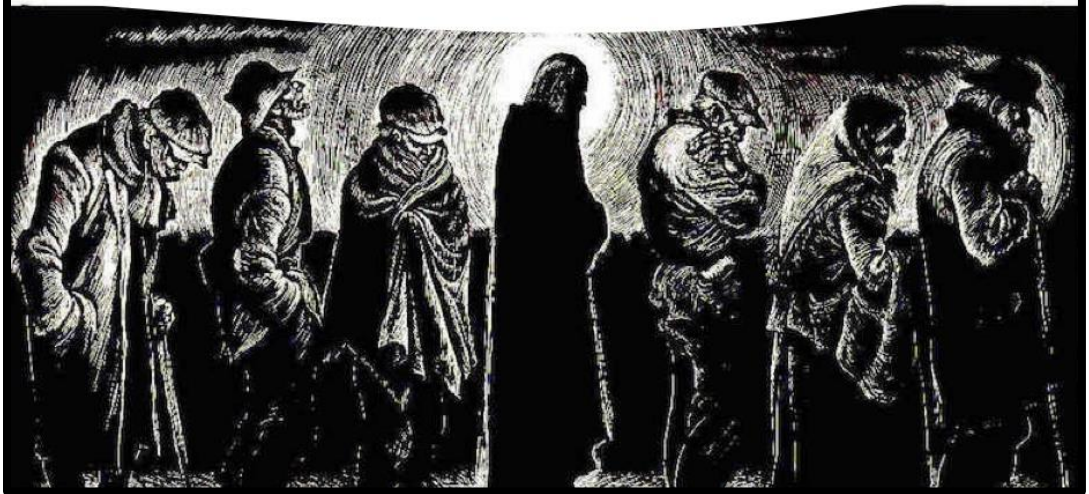
THE REIGN OF CHRIST SUNDAY

A Service of Word & Sacrament

November 26, 2023

Christ of the Breadlines
by Fritz Eichenberg (1932)

Reign of Christ Sunday 2023



ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

85 E. Brandt Boulevard

Landisville, PA

Connecting with God; Connecting with others; Connecting others with God

GENERAL INFORMATION

WELCOME TO ZION! We are glad you have chosen to worship with us in-person or online today! For in-person worshippers, all words and parts of the service will be projected on the screen in the front of the sanctuary. If you prefer a printed bulletin, they are available on the table in the narthex by the entrance to the sanctuary. The service contains the four parts of the Lutheran liturgy (The Gathering, The Word, The Meal, and The Sending). If you have any questions concerning our service, please do not hesitate to talk with our pastor, Pastor Tim.

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AT ZION

IN-PERSON: All are invited to join us for worship at 9:00 a.m. each Sunday morning.

ONLINE: Indoor worship services are live-streamed on the church YouTube channel: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live. If you are unable or prefer not to watch during the live-stream, the recording is available to view any time after the service concludes. When the service is held outdoors, there will be no live-stream.

FOR THOSE WORSHIPPING IN-PERSON

- ❖ Restrooms are available by the front entrance of the church in the narthex and in the hallway off the back door. Infant changing tables can be found in the women's and men's bathrooms in the hallway off the back door.
- ❖ Children are welcome to be active participants in the worship service. There are bags located at the back of the sanctuary with quiet worship activities and goodies to take home. Currently, nursery care is not available but you may use the parlor as a cry room while also still being able to listen to the service.
- ❖ Ushers are located near the front and back of the worship area to direct people to seating, assist with other matters, and to answer questions.
- ❖ Mask wearing is optional for all who attend or participate in indoor gatherings, including worship, at the church.

The Reign of Christ Sunday

P: Pastor A: Assisting Minister C: Congregation (**bolded**)

† THE GATHERING †

INTRODUCTION

On this final Sunday of the church year our gospel is Jesus' great story of judgment. In the end, the faithful are those who served Christ by ministering to those who are poor, hungry, naked, sick, or estranged. In the first reading God is the shepherd who seeks the lost, weak, and injured and feeds them with justice. We gather this day to celebrate the reign of Christ and his victory over death, yet we await the consummation of all things yet to come. Acknowledging Christ as our merciful ruler, we go forth that his reign may be known in our loving words and deeds.

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & GOD-SIGHTINGS

Please stand if you are able.

GATHERING SONGS

King

BB 20

1. We have heard the thunder,
And we have seen the storm,
Echoes of Your kingdom come
And rumors of our home,
Where one day we will stand before You, Lord;
Our altogether beautiful reward.

Chorus

And we will give You glory, bring You honor.
King above all kings, You deserve our ev'rything.
We will lift our voices with Your praises.
Jesus, You are our King.

2. Though now we walk in darkness, though now we see in part,
Right now we're warmed by the burning flames of the fire in our hearts.
You've promised You will lead us to Your throne,
Where we will worship You and You alone. *Chorus*



Bridge

We will give You Glory, (*Sing thru 7 times.*)
Glory.

Ending

And we will give You glory, bring You honor.
King above all kings, You deserve our ev'rything.
We will lift our voices with Your praises.
Jesus, You are, Jesus You are,
Jesus, You are our King.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved.

C: **Amen.**

Silence for reflection.

P: Holy One,

C: **we confess that we are not awake for you. We are not faithful in using your gifts. We forget the least of our siblings. We do not see your beautiful image in one another. We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community. Open our hearts to your coming, open our eyes to see you in our neighbor, open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.**

P: Beloved, we are God's children, and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us. Through ☩ Jesus you are forgiven, by Jesus you are welcome, in Jesus you are called to rejoice! Let us live in the promises prepared for us from the foundation of the world.

C: **Amen.**

(Sing song through twice)

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just,
By His power we trust in His love.
Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true
By His mercy he proves He is love.

Great is the Lord, and worthy of glory.
Great is the Lord, and worthy of praise.
Great is the Lord,
Now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice:
Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. O God of power and might, your Son shows us the way of service, and in him we inherit the riches of your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

Please be seated.

† THE WORD †**Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24**

God will shepherd Israel.

A: ¹¹Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. ¹²As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into

their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. ¹⁴I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. ¹⁶I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

²⁰Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. ²¹Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, ²²I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

²³I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. ²⁴And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 95:1-7a

Please read responsively.

A: ¹Come, let us sing to the LORD; let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.

C: ²**Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to the LORD with psalms.**

³For you, LORD, are a great God, and a great ruler above all gods.

⁴**In your hand are the caverns of the earth; the heights of the hills are also yours.**

⁵The sea is yours, for you made it, and your hands have molded the dry land.

⁶**Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the LORD our maker.**

^{7a}For the LORD¹ is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture and the sheep of God's hand.

The reign of Christ.

Word of God. Word of Life.

SPECIAL MUSIC *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love* Peter Scholtes
Lisa Nelson, piano

Please stand if you are able.

King of Kings

(Sing song through twice)

King of kings and Lord of lords, glory, hallelujah!

King of kings and Lord of lords, glory, hallelujah!

Jesus, Prince of Peace, glory, hallelujah!

Jesus, Prince of Peace, glory, hallelujah!

The coming of the Son of Man; the separation of sheep and goats.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 25th chapter.

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

P: [Jesus said to the disciples:] ³¹“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, ³³and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. ³⁴Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; ³⁵for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ ³⁷Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? ³⁸And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? ³⁹And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ ⁴⁰And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family you did it to me.’ ⁴¹Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; ⁴²for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ ⁴⁴Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?’ ⁴⁵Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ ⁴⁶And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

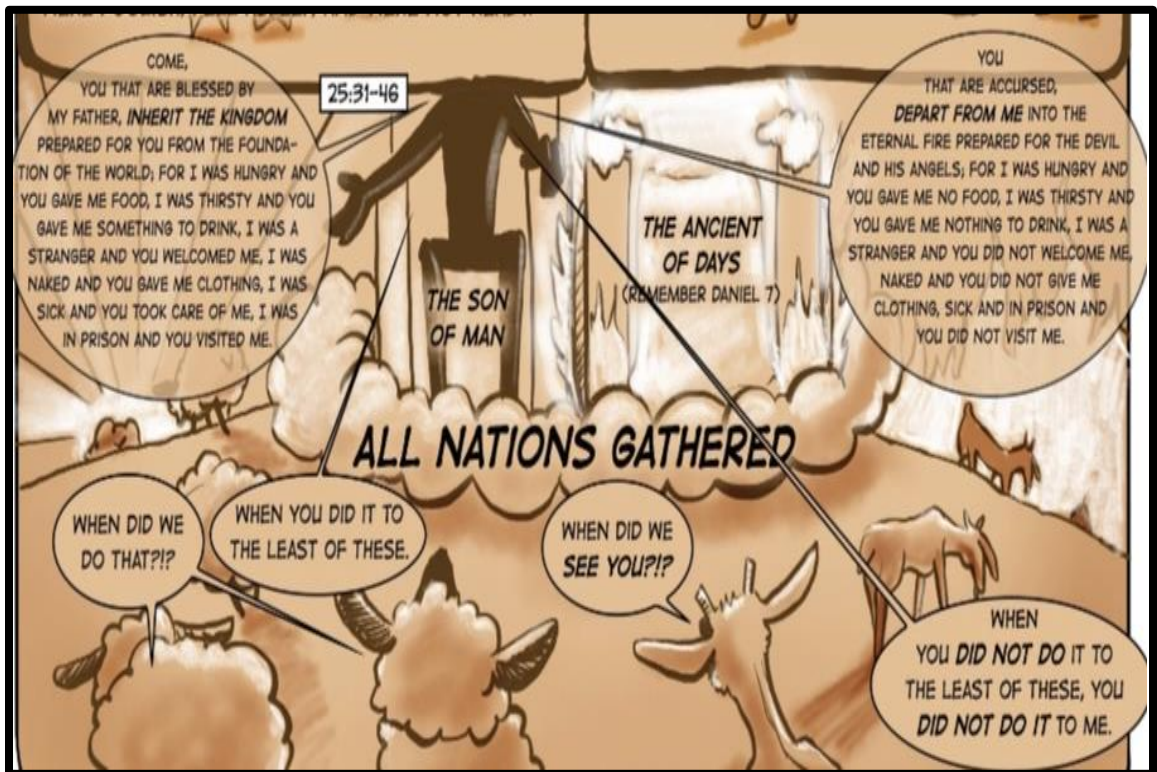
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

MESSAGE

Pastor Timothy Seitz-Brown

According to this parable, by what standard are the nations judged?



How does Jesus evaluate nations?

It's based upon how well each nation cares for these groups of vulnerable, marginalized people:

- **The Poor:** I was hungry, you gave me food; I was thirsty, you gave me drink; I was naked, you gave me clothing.
- **The Sick:** I was sick, and you took care of me.
- **The Immigrant:** I was a stranger (one of the "others") and you welcomed me.
- **The Prisoner:** I was in prison, and you visited me.



A "steward" is
"someone who cares
for what belongs to
another".

How are we loving King Jesus in "all his distressing disguises":

- As individuals?
- As a congregation?
- As a neighborhood?
- As a commonwealth?
- As a nation?





Sighting the
Human One

on
the
cross

and

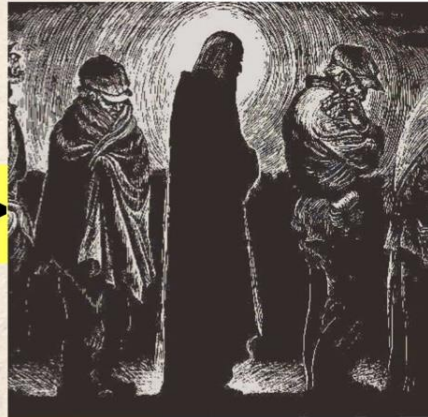
in
the
Breadlines

God Sightings

>>>>>>>>



Christ of the Breadlines
by Fritz Eichenberg, 1932



Emanuel= God with us

The Hebrew Bible is the supreme example of the rarest phenomenon, a national literature of self-criticism. Other ancient civilizations recorded their victories.

The Israelites recorded their failures. It is what the books of Moses and the prophets are all about.

Rabbi Jonathan Sacks
1948-2020



Please stand if you are able.

1. You are Lord of creation and Lord of my life,
Lord of the land and the sea.
You were Lord of the heavens before there was time,
And Lord of all lords You will be.

Refrain 1: We bow down and we worship You, Lord.
We bow down and we worship You, Lord.
We bow down and we worship You, Lord.
Lord of all lords You will be.

2. You are King of creation and King of my life,
King of the land and the sea.
You were King of the heavens before there was time,
And King of all kings You will be.

Refrain 2: We bow down and we crown You the King.
We bow down and we crown You the King.
We bow down and we crown You the King.
King of all kings You will be!
Repeat Refrain 2

NICENE CREED

P: Let us profess our faith together.

C: **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

A: Let us turn our hearts to God, our breath and life, as we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need. Holy God, from Christ we receive our call to feed, clothe, and welcome. Direct your church to respond to this call with faithfulness and generous love. We pray for the work of ELCA World Hunger and partnerships with global feeding ministries. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

In Christ, the rock of our salvation, we are brought into union with all of creation. With mountains, seas, dry lands, and animals of the field, we seek your guidance and protection. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

In Christ we know merciful judgment. Guide rulers of every nation in ways of humble leadership and wise decision-making. Allow aid to come to all who are underserved and care to any who are neglected. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

In Christ we feel the depth of your love and care toward us. Nourish all who hunger, connect any who are isolated, and surround all who experience rejection or abuse. We pray for those who suffer. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

In Christ we are made the people of his pasture. Inspire the outreach and social ministries of this congregation. We pray for all people who serve and attend to the needs of others. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Holy God, in Christ we are welcomed home. We praise you for the faithful witness of those who have served you and extended your welcome and love to us. Unite us with them as one body of Christ. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Additional prayers may be lifted up by the congregation and/or pastor.

P: We offer our spoken prayers and those held in our hearts trusting in your mercy;
through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

† THE MEAL †

PRAYER

A: God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table,
and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather
these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may
feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus
Christ, our Sovereign and Servant.

C: **Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your
praise beyond the stars, beneath the sea, within each cell, with every breath.

C: **We praise you, O God.**

P: Generations bless your faithfulness through the water, by night and day, across
the wilderness, out of exile, into the future.

C: **We bless you, O God.**

P: We give you thanks for your dear Son at the heart of human life, near to those
who suffer, beside the sinner, among the poor, with us now.

C: **We thank you, O God.**

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave
thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat; this is my
body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

P: Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: “This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: We pray for the gift of your Spirit in our gathering, within this meal, among your people, throughout the world. Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end. Amen.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

P: We pray together.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: There is a place for you at the banquet. Come and feast at the table of Jesus’.

Please be seated.

PARTAKING IN THE BREAD AND CUP OF SALVATION

All baptized Christians are welcome to partake of the Holy Sacrament by coming forward to receive the elements around the altar. Those who do not or choose not to partake of the sacrament may come forward and receive a blessing. If you are unable to come forward, please let one of the ushers know and the pastor will come to you.

For those not able to have red wine, there is grape juice in the outer circle of every tray. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers will say: “The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you,” to which you may respond: “Amen.”

Please use this time for quiet reflection or join in singing the communion hymns until all worshippers have communed and have returned to their seats.

COMMUNION SONGS

Majesty

BB 6

(Sing song thru twice)

Majesty, worship His majesty.
Unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise.
Majesty, kingdom authority
Flow from his throne unto His own;
His anthem raise.

So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus, the King.
Majesty, worship His majesty
Jesus who dies, now glorified, King of all kings.

Jesus, All for Jesus

BB 105

1. Jesus, all for Jesus,
All I am and have and ever hope to be. *Repeat verse*

2. All of my ambitions, hopes, and plans
I surrender these into your hands. *Repeat verse*

Chorus

For it's only in Your will that I am free.
For it's only in Your will that I am free.
Jesus, all for Jesus,
All I am and have and ever hope to be.

Please stand if you are able.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way.

C: Amen.

† THE SENDING †

BLESSING

P: May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad! The blessing of God, Sovereign, † Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Crown Him with Many Crowns

ELW 855

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
2 Crown him the vir - gin's Son, the God in - car - nate born,
3 Crown him the Lord of love— be - hold his hands and side,
4 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave
5 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,

hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.
whose arm those crim - son tro - phies won which now his brow a - dorn;
rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.
and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.
cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.

A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
fruit of the mys - tic rose, yet of that rose the stem,
No an - gels in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
His glo - ries now we sing, who died and rose on high,
All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;



and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 the root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem.
 but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies so bright.
 who died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
 thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

DISMISSAL

P: Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Postlude on "Diademata"

arr. Kenneth D. Varner



THIS WEEK AT ZION

Sunday, November 26 – *Reign of Christ Sunday*

** The flowers are sponsored by Burnell and Joan Hostetter in honor of their children and grandchildren.*

** The bulletins are sponsored by Randy Miller in memory of his father, Lemoine D. Keiper, Jr., who died last Friday.*

** The communion elements are sponsored by Jo Stone with thankfulness for family and friends, including my church family!*

Worship – 9:00 a.m. (In-Person & Livestreamed/Recorded)

Livestream/Recorded Link: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live

Adult Sunday School – 10:30 a.m.

Bible Study Class (“Israel’s Mission”) – Parlor

Wired Word Class – Zone & Zoom (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266>)

Monday, November 27

Food Pantry – 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Tuesday, November 28

Bible Study – 9 a.m. (Parlor)

Scouts – 6:30 - 8 p.m. (Scout Room. Classrooms, and Social Room)

Wednesday, November 29

Food Pantry – 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Thursday, November 30

Choir – 6 p.m.

Friday, December 1

Saturday, December 2

Women’s Advent Breakfast – 10 a.m. (Centerville Diner 2, Main St., Mt. Joy)

Liederkrantz Concert – 4 p.m.

Sunday, December 3 – *1st Sunday of Advent*

Worship – 9:00 a.m. (In-Person & Livestreamed/Recorded)

Livestream/Recorded Link: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live

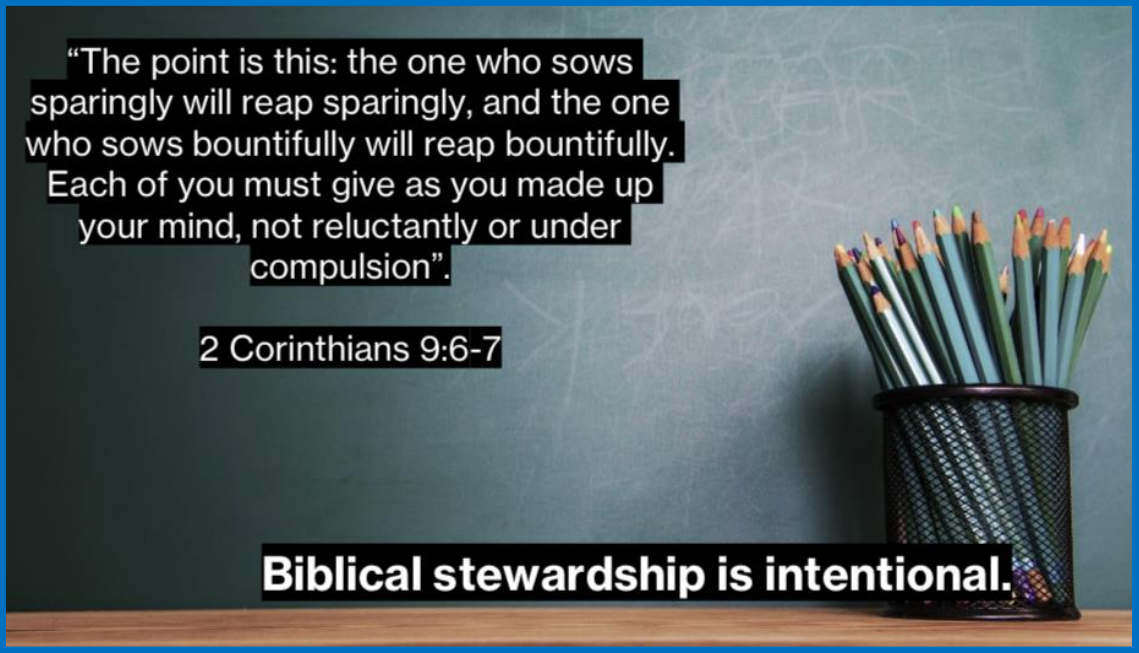
Advent Fellowship Gathering – 10:30 a.m. (Social Room)

ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, & EVENTS

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING RESULTS

The voting results from last week's annual meeting on the 2024 Budget, Council Members, and Synod Representatives were all affirmed unanimously.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE



"The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion".

2 Corinthians 9:6-7

Biblical stewardship is intentional.

Each of us is **VITAL** at Zion. God has blessed each of us with time, unique talents, and treasures so that we all can share our blessings both near and far in God-pleasing ways.

ADVENT FELLOWSHIP – NEXT SUNDAY (DECEMBER 3) at 10:30

On December 3rd after worship, all are invited to come to the social room for an Advent Fellowship gathering! There will be activities including Christmas Bingo, word games, and a cookie-share! More information will be forthcoming. Mark it on your calendar and think about what cookies you want to make or buy to bring for sharing! This gathering is in place of Sunday School – we hope you will join us!



All women are invited to an Advent breakfast on Saturday, December 2 at 10 a.m. The breakfast will be held at Centerville Diner 2 in Mount Joy (formerly Country Table). All women are invited to begin the season of Advent with food, fun, and fellowship! If you want to participate in the gift exchange, bring a \$3.00 wrapped gift! *Please sign up on the sheet posted in the Narthex across from the mailboxes by today!* Questions? Contact Millie (717-898-2313).

COMMUNITY MEAL UPDATE

The Community Meal at Zion was held on the second and fourth Thursday of September and October, and on the second Thursday in November (since Thanksgiving is on the fourth Thursday). In December, it will also only be held on the second Thursday (12/14) due to the holiday. Attendance has been steady at about 30 guests each meal. *Thank you to Mary Hetrick, Jolene Goldman, Pat Landis, Cathy Benedict, Kim and Jim Paternoster, and Maddy Kline* for their help with set-up, hosting, and clean-up. Also, *thanks to Pastor Tim* for coming to each meal and providing a welcome and prayer before the meal. The guests seem to be enjoying the served meals and we are seeing some new people attend as they did previously. Come join us and meet your neighbors!



The Joyful Noise offering through November will go to Tenfold to help provide temporary housing for families in Lancaster City. For more information about this local organization, visit: <https://wearetenfold.org>.



In December the offering will go to Bethany Christian Services' Safe Families for Children program.



Dear Zion, Thank you for the bibles! I enjoy them very much. They are special to me. I liked meeting with Pastor Tim and learning about baptism and communion. I also enjoyed helping with the Thursday dinners. I hope I can help with more of them. Thank you, Madilyn Kline

OUR DAILY BREAD DEVOTIONALS

The December-February devotional booklets are available on the ushers' table in the narthex, on the window ledge in the back hallway, and on the kiosk across from the mailboxes.

ANGEL TREE

The tree is up! Gifts for families in need and coats for kids are being collected ... if you have other questions, contact Kim P. (717-342-3796)

SUNDAY SCHOOL AT ZION

All are welcome to join a Sunday School class!

- The Wired Word class typically meets in person and on Zoom.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266>

- The class that meets in the parlor is showing "Israel's Mission," a Ray Van der Laan video travelogue series.



FOOD PANTRY REQUESTS

Recently, the Scouts held their annual food drive. They collected 3,501 pounds of food for the Pantry! The pantry is thankful for all the donations! They are fully stocked and do not have any requests until January.



COMFORTER MINISTRY

The Comforter Ministry is still collecting colorful clean sheets and fabric! Please place any donations in the blue bin in the narthex!

HELP BEAUTIFY THE SANCTUARY ON CHRISTMAS EVE

Order forms are available on the ushers' table in the narthex.

POINSETTIA SPONSOR FORM

Cost: \$10 per poinsettia

Deadline for Orders: Wednesday, December 13th

I would like to sponsor _____ poinsettia(s). Enclosed is _____

Name of Sponsor _____

In honor of _____

In memory of _____

Other occasion: _____

Please make checks payable to: Zion Lutheran Church

Place your sponsor form and payment in the office mail basket in the narthex on the window sill by the mailbox wall, mail (85 E. Brandt Blvd., Landisville 17538), or bring to the office.

You may take your poinsettias after Christmas Eve worship.



The Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central Pennsylvania

Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, and The Wittel Farm

PO Box 459, Arendtsville, PA 17303

717-677-8211 • www.LutheranCamping.org



Advent Day Apart

at The Wittel Farm



All are invited to a day of prayer and meditation in preparation of the birth of the Christ child.

Join us for an Advent Day Apart at The Wittel Farm, a day of Bible study, worship, and prayerful reflection as we seek to prepare for the coming of the Christ.

Registration fee (\$15) includes lunch.

*December 9
9 a.m.-2 p.m.*



Join us at the Wittel Farm for our annual Advent/Christmas night. This year, we'll gather around the outdoor fire and have cookies and cocoa in the barn. Lights and decorations!

*December 17
7-8:30 p.m.*

Enjoy Kirchenwald in the winter!

Play broom hockey and other games on the frozen pond.

Have fun sledding, playing snow soccer and other winter games.

Creative Bible studies and worship experiences led by our summer camp counselors are an important part of this retreat.

Meet new friends and catch up with your summer camp friends.

Other indoor and outdoor activities may be included, as the weather dictates.

*January 5-7, 2024
\$170*



Zion MUZIK

Concert Series '23-'24



Zion Lutheran Church
85 E. Brandt Blvd.
Landisville, PA

The 2023 Fall Line-Up



~HOLIDAY CONCERTS IN DECEMBER AT ZION~

December 2 @ 4pm

Lancaster Liederkrantz

December 17 @ 3pm

Hempfield Chamber Choir

SATURDAY

Contact John L. with questions or if you would like to be a sponsor for this year's concerts!

johnplandis@gmail.com

717-875-6182

Lancaster Liederkrantz Chorus



Winter Concert

Barry L. Sawyer, *Director*
Sarah Repkoe, *Accompanist*

Saturday, December 2, 2023 • 4pm

Zion Lutheran Church

85 East Brandt Blvd., Landisville

****FREE ADMISSION***

***A freewill offering will be accepted
to benefit Zion Lutheran Church**

This concert
features a mix of
holiday songs!
You will recognize
some songs and
some may become
new favorites!

*The Hershey Community Chorus
Presents*

You will leave
this concert in
the Christmas
spirit!

We hope to see
you there!



Friday, December 8th - 7pm
The Hershey Story Museum
63 West Chocolate Avenue,
Hershey

Sunday, December 10th - 3pm
Hershey Free Church
330 Hilltop Road,
Hummelstown

Ticket Prices

Adults \$15

Students \$5

Children (5 and under) FREE

Pre-order Options

* info@hersheycommunitychorus.org

* Contact John or Joanne Marrs
(717-818-5509)

Tickets are also available at the door.





ADVENT & CHRISTMAS AT A GLANCE

Sat., 12/2 at 10 a.m.

Women's Advent Breakfast (Centerville Diner 2)

Sat., 12/2 at 4 p.m.

Lancaster Liederkrantz Concert

Sun., 12/3 at 9 a.m.

Worship (Advent 1)

Sun., 12/3 at 10:30 a.m.

Advent Fellowship (Social Room)

Sat., 12/9 at 9 a.m.

Church Christmas Decorating

Sun., 12/10 at 9 a.m.

Worship (Advent 2)

Wed. 12/13

Poinsettia Order Deadline

Sun., 12/17 at 9 a.m.

Worship (Advent 3)

Sun., 12/17 at 10:30 a.m.

Christmas Trivia (Zone)

Sun., 12/17 at 3:00 p.m.

Hempfield Chamber Concert

Sun., 12/24 at 9 a.m.

Worship (Advent 4)

Sun., 12/24: Christmas Eve

Worship at 7:00 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM BRENDA ALIMO

Dear Zion Lutheran Church,

I am so happy to take this time to write to you. How is your congregation? I hope you all are fine. My family and I are all fine. My family is currently cleaning the gardens for the next planting season. During this season we plant crops like maize, millet, cassava, and sorghum. We are getting rainfall almost on a daily basis and this rain will help our crops to grow well.

Thank you so much for the birthday gift you sent me. With the \$25 (which is 93,374 Ugandan shillings) I bought a goat. I will rear at home for my future use.

I did not get good grades in grade seven so I now want to join a catering school. This will help me have a skill for a living. Thank you so much for the love and care you have shown me and my family. We love you so much. Your sponsored child, Brenda



This is me posing for a photo for you.



This is a drawing I drew for you.

PRAYER LIST

FOR HEALING

Cindy Blough	Dolly Overly	Bob Shirk	Tom Grzybowski
Jess Barcaro	Sam King	Bill Grove	Connie Alsedek
Joe Adams	Mary Zimmerman	Marvin Ruch	Kate Donnan
Judie Ingersoll	Joan Mays	Holly Hoover	Barb Williams
Kay Crawford	Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise)		
Brook Ross (Friend of Barb Williams)			
Walter Thalgott (Brother of Thelma Pearson)			
Lori Weber (Daughter of Dolly Overly)			
William Hartman (Father of Deb Grube)			
Jeff Long (Nephew of Rick & Deb Long)			
Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove)			
Jack Taylor (4-year-old son of the niece of Deb Grube)			
Harmony & Family (Friends of Kim & Jim Paternoster)			

FOR COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY

Thelma Pearson	Lucy Davis	Deb McCartney	George Potts
Ruth Burkett (Mother of Deb Long)		Arlene Wise (Sister-in-law of Dave Wise)	
Ed & Dotty Sites (Parents of Cathy Benedict)			
Jennifer Kready (Daughter of Dave & Donna Dumeyer)			
Peggy & Rick Dolly (Relatives of Barb Williams)			

FOR PROTECTION FOR MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS

Evan Benedict	Christopher Wright	Chris Andrew	Thom Whitesel
Ryan Stitzel	Doug Kautter	Justin Gorlaski	
Tyler Duke (Great Grandson of Jan Reeves)			
Corey Landis (Nephew of Jesse & Pat Landis)			
David Adams (Son-in-law of John & Kathleen Hay, and husband of Liz)			

IN CELEBRATION

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

27th – Janet Musselman
2nd – Kaylee Thompson

IN REMEMBRANCE

Condolences to Randy Miller and his family on the death of his father, Lemoine D. Keiper, Jr., last Friday. Having lived a long good life, he was in his 100th year.

MINISTRY LEADERS

Ministers
Pastor
Music Director
Parish Administrator
Worship Technology Assistant
Lay Ministry Assistant
Council President
Council Vice President
Sextons

Members of the Congregation
Rev. Timothy Seitz-Brown
John Landis
Anne Rankin
David Albin
Diane Gerlach
Kim Paternoster
Denise Haun
Brian Bourassa (a.m.)
Tom Miller (p.m.)

WORSHIP, SUNDAY SCHOOL, & CONTACT INFORMATION

Worship	Sundays @ 9:00 a.m.
Livestream & Recorded Link	http://bit.ly/Zion_Live
Bible Study Video Series Class (Parlor)	Sundays @ 10:30 a.m. (Except 12/3, 17, & 31)
Wired Word Class (Zone & Zoom)	Sundays @ 10:30 a.m. (Except 12/3, 17, & 31) https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266
Morning Bible Study	Tuesdays @ 9:00 a.m.
Church Office	717-898-2911
Pastor	717-332-4216
Parish Administrator	717-945-4585
Council President	717-342-3796
Office Email	adminzelc@comcast.net
Pastor Email	zion1517pastor@gmail.com
Council President Email	krpkc@aol.com
Music Director Email	zionlandisvillemusic@gmail.com
Website	www.zionhempfield.net
Facebook	Zion Lutheran Hempfield
Church Address	85 E. Brandt Blvd. Landisville, PA 17538
Office Address	75 E. Brandt Blvd. Landisville, PA 17538

** Permission to stream the music in this service is obtained from CCLI Streaming License #20759899 and CCLI Copyright License #1932920, Augsburg Fortress Annual License #20570, and St. James Music Press Subscriber ID #17697. All rights reserved.*

** Liturgy for this service is reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Annual License #20570 from Sundays and Seasons.com. Copyright 2023 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved*

** New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved.*

** The Stewardship slide is adapted from A Litany Prayer for Aleppo by Michael K. Marsh by Rev. Timothy Seitz-Brown.*