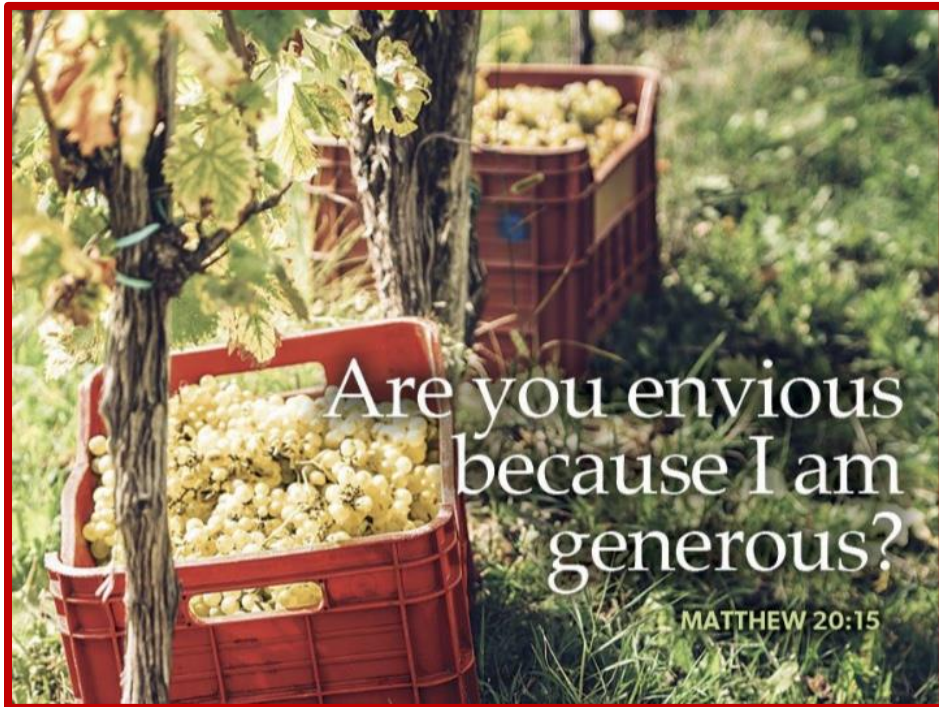


SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*A Service of Word & Sacrament
September 24, 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.

Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

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

† THE GATHERING †

INTRODUCTION

Matthew narrates one of Jesus' controversial parables in which Jesus says that the reign of God is like that of a landowner who pays his workers the same wage no matter what time of day they began to work. When God changes God's mind about punishing Nineveh for their evil ways, Jonah is angry. Yet God is gracious and merciful, abounding in steadfast love. In baptism we receive the grace of God that is freely given to all. As Martin Luther wrote, in the presence of God's mercy we are all beggars.

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & GOD-SIGHTINGS

PRELUDE

Toccata in C

Johann Pachelbel

Please stand if you are able.

HYMN

Rise up, O Saints of God

ELW 669

1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain am - bi - tions turn;
2 Speak out, O saints of God! De - spair en - gulf's earth's frame;
3 Rise up, O saints of God! The king - dom's task em - brace;
4 Give heed, O saints of God! Cre - a - tion cries in pain;
5 Com - mit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod;

Christ rose tri - um - phant that your hearts with no - bler zeal might burn.
as heirs of God's bap - tis - mal grace, the word of hope pro - claim.
re - dress sin's cru - el con - se - quence; give jus - tice larg - er place.
stretch forth your hand of heal - ing now, with love the weak sus - tain.
and, quick - ened by the Spir - it's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

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 God, the one who forms us, ✠ Jesus who bears the cross, the Spirit who makes our joy complete.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin.

C: **Amen.**

Silence for reflection.

P: Steadfast and faithful God,

C: **you have revealed the ways of justice, yet we fail to follow you. We are overwhelmed by the world's violence and suffering. We are afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others. For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us. For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us. For the ways we turn away from you and our neighbor, forgive us. Lead us back to you and set us on the right path; in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

P: Beloved in Christ, God's justice stretches beyond all understanding. God's compassion is beyond compare. In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us. In ✠ Christ, you are already and always forgiven.

C: **Amen.**

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. Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual lovingkindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

Please be seated.

† THE WORD †

Jonah 3:10-4:11

God's concern for the city of Nineveh.

A: ¹⁰When God saw what [the people of Ninevah] did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

^{4:1}But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. ²He prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. ³And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." ⁴And the LORD said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" ⁵Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

⁶The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. ⁷But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. ⁸When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live."

⁹But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." ¹⁰Then the LORD said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. ¹¹And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

Word of God. Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 145:1-8

Please read responsively.

A: ¹I will exalt you, my God and king, and bless your name forever and ever.

C: ²**Every day will I bless you and praise your name forever and ever.**

³Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised! There is no end to your greatness.

⁴**One generation shall praise your works to another and shall declare your power.**

⁵I will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty and all your marvelous works.

⁶**They shall tell of the might of your wondrous acts, and I will recount your greatness.**

⁷They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; they shall sing joyfully of your righteousness.

⁸**The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

Philippians 1:21-30

Standing firm in the gospel.

A: ²¹For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. ²³I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; ²⁴but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

²⁷Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. ²⁹For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well—³⁰since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Word of God. Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S CHAT

Please stand if you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Goodness Is Stronger than Evil

ELW 721



Good-ness is stron-ger than e - vil; love is stron-ger than hate;



light is stron-ger than dark - ness; life is stron-ger than death; vic-t'ry is



ours, vic-t'ry is ours, through God who loves us. Vic-t'ry is



ours, vic - t'ry is ours, through God who loves us.

Text: From *An African Prayer Book*, Desmond Tutu, b. 1931

Music: GOODNESS IS STRONGER, John L. Bell, b. 1949

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MATTHEW 20:1-16

The parable of the vineyard workers.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 20th chapter.

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

P: [Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹“The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; ⁴and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. ⁵When he went out again about noon and about three

o'clock, he did the same. ⁶And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' ⁷They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' ⁸When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' ⁹When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' ¹³But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage?' ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' ¹⁶So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

MESSAGE

Pastor Tim Seitz-Brown

"While Christians tend to turn to Scripture to end a conversation, Jews turn to Scripture to start a conversation".

Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again
by Rachel Held Evans

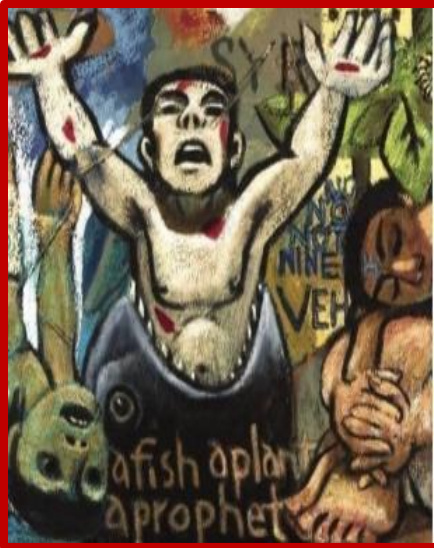


- “This is why I ran away from Ninevah, because you are gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O Lord, take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live”.

—The Grumbling Prophet, Jonah

- “These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.”

—The Grumbling Work Force



“But God said to Jonah,
“Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?”

And he said, “Yes, angry enough to die.”

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for which you did not labor and which you did not grow;
it came into being in a night and perished in a night.

¹¹And should I not be concerned about
Nineveh, that great city,
in which there are more than
a hundred and twenty thousand persons
who do not know their right hand from their left,
and also many animals?”

How do we answer...

God’s question to Jonah
and finish the story?



Kids need
your love
THE MOST
when they
deserve
it
THE LEAST

--John
Harrington

- How is Jesus finishing the Story?
- How will I finish the Story?




UNFORGIVING SERVANT OR DUHSCIPLE?



How do we answer
the questions asked
in
Jonah 4:10
and
Matthew 20:15?

What are different endings
might we give
to these stories?

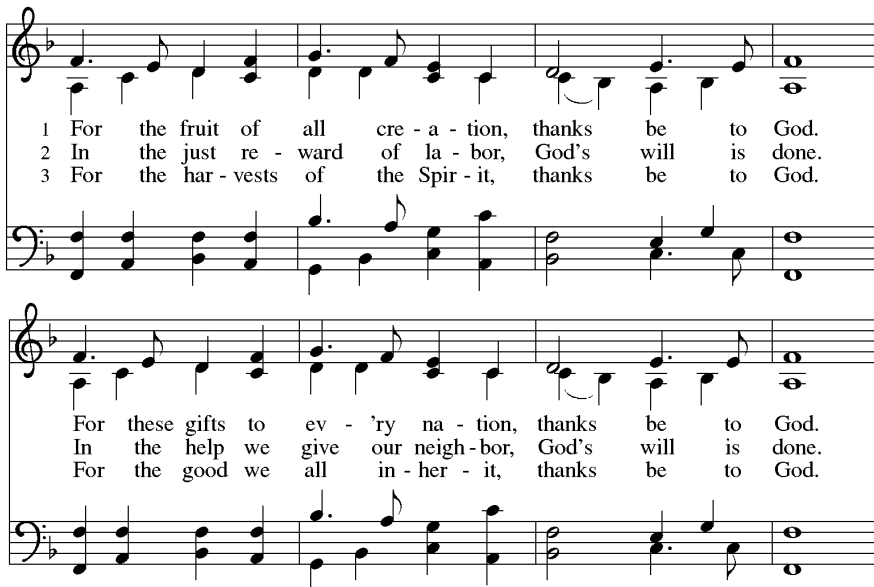


Please stand if you are able.

SONG

For the Fruit of All Creation

ELW 679



1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.
2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.
3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.

For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.
In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.
For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,
 In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,
 For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,

fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
 in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.
 most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

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 Music: AR HYDY NÔS, Welsh traditional; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958
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APOSTLES' CREED

P: Let us profess our faith together.

C: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

A: Remembering the caring and generous works of God, we pray for the church, creation, and the needs of our neighbors. God who is gracious and merciful, teach your church to invite and welcome all. Lead us to be grateful for the blessing of community. Challenge your church to choose equity and compassion over judgment. Merciful God,

C: **receive our prayer.**

God who sends the wind and the sun, you know every worm and bush by name. Help us remember that even the humblest parts of creation are precious to you. Show us how best to care for the earth and its creatures. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

God who is ready to relent from punishing, impart your compassionate wisdom to legislators, judges, members of the military, and law enforcement. Give them courage to serve their communities in times of uncertainty, stress, or exhaustion. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

God who saves, direct your people who are tempted by evil ways. Protect your children from calamity and disaster. Strengthen all who are incarcerated. Encourage all who are in despair or pain of any kind. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

God who is slow to anger, may we boast about the goodness of Jesus with the confidence of Paul in prison. Inspire us to find abundance in whatever vocation we are called to in the world and in service to our congregation. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

God who abounds in steadfast love, we give thanks for the saints called to the kingdom of heaven. United with them in spirit, hold us firm as we labor in this life and look to the life to come. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

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

- P: Remember us according to your steadfast love as we offer these and the prayers of our heart, trusting in your compassion made known through Jesus Christ.
- 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 power, God of plenty, all things belong to you. We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed. Form us into the body of your Beloved, Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- 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.

C: 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: Jesus invites you to this table.

C: Come, eat and live.

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 in continuous fashion. 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 given 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.

1 As we gath-er at your ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your word,
2 Turn our wor-ship in - to wit-ness in the sac - ra - ment of life;
3 Gra - cious Spir - it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast

help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.
where tri - um-phant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.

Nour-ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own;
Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for - give as you for - gave;
There no more will en - vy blind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy,

teach us through this ho - ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known.
may we still be - hold your im - age in the world you died to save.
as we join with saints and an-gels to re - peat the sound-ing joy.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855–1932

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Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

ELW 659

1 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as
 2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, we are trav - 'lers
 3 I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night - time
 4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh I'll
 5 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as

Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to
 on the road; we are here to help each oth - er
 of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,
 laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor - row
 Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to

let you be my ser - vant, too.
 walk the mile and bear the load.
 speak the peace you long to hear.
 till we've seen this jour - ney through.
 let you be my ser - vant, too.

Text: Richard Gillard, b. 1953

Music: THE SERVANT SONG, Richard Gillard; arr. Betty Pulkingham, b. 1928

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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: Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts. Strengthened by this food, send us to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and all are satisfied. In Jesus' name we pray.

C: **Amen.**

† THE SENDING †

BLESSING

P: The God of glory, † Jesus Christ, name above all names, and the Spirit who lives in you, bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

O Zion, Haste

ELW 668

1 O Zi - on, haste, your mis - sion high ful - fill - ing,
2 Pub - lish to ev - 'ry peo - ple, tongue, and na - tion
3 He comes a - gain! O Zi - on, ere you meet him,

to tell to all the world that God is light;
that God, in whom they live and move, is love;
make known to ev - 'ry heart his sav - ing grace;



that he who made all na - tions is not will - ing
tell how he stooped to save his lost cre - a - tion
let none whom he has ran - somed fail to greet him,

one soul should per - ish, lost in shades of night.
and died on earth that we might live a - bove.
through your ne - glect, un - fit to see his face.

Refrain

Pub - lish glad tid - ings, tid - ings of peace,
tid - ings of Je - sus, re - demp - tion, and re - lease.

Text: Mary A. Thomson, 1834–1923
Music: ANGELIC SONGS, James Welch, 1837–1901

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. God is at work in you.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Postlude in C

Henry Purcell

THIS WEEK AT ZION

Sunday, September 24

** The flowers are sponsored by Jeanette Bomberger in honor of her son, Todd Bomberger, on his birthday tomorrow!*

** The bulletins are sponsored by Amy & Jeff Thompson in celebration of the marriage of Cameron and Claire today!*

** The communion elements are sponsored by Cathy & Bob Shirk in celebration of their wedding anniversary this month!*

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 (“St. John in Exile”) -- Parlor

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

Monday, September 25

Food Pantry – 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Tuesday, September 26

Bible Study – 9 a.m. (Parlor)

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

Wednesday, September 27

Food Pantry – 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Bring Your Own Lunch Picnic – 11:30 a.m. (A. Herr Park) **Final one for the season*

Musik Concert Task Force – 7 p.m. (Zone)

Thursday, September 28

Community Meal – 5 p.m. (Social Room)

Choir – 6:00 p.m. (Choir Room)

Friday, September 29

Saturday, September 30

Model Club – 5 p.m. (Social Room)

Sunday, October 1

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

Blessing of the LWR Comforters and Care Kits

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ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, & EVENTS

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF CARE KIT UPDATE

Comforters and kits are sent all over the world by Lutheran World Relief and donations are appreciated to help offset the cost of shipping! *If you would like to write a check to help with shipping costs for the comforters and kits, make the check payable to our church and designate "LWR shipping" in the memo line.*

Thank you to everyone who donated items for the kits and who helped assemble them last week at Rally Day! There are a total of 92 assembled and ready to go! Items can still be brought in through the end of September. Looking ahead ... the kits and the comforters that have been made over the last year by the Comforter Ministry will be blessed during worship NEXT SUNDAY! The kits and the comforters will then be delivered to Bergstrasse Lutheran Church for shipment!





INTERESTED IN CARING FOR THE ENVIRONMENT?

Join Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake for their learning lab on October 5 at 7 p.m. This session will explore how to reduce your end-of-life impact with alternatives to traditional burials with *Beyond the Grave*.

For more information about Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake and to register for this session, visit the website: <https://www.interfaithchesapeake.org/>



FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Thank you for the 82 pounds of food contributed to the Hempfield Area Food Pantry in August! Last month, the pantry served a total of 2,114 people: 601 children, 1,058 adults, and 455 seniors! In addition, the pantry registered 16 new families in August. The Pantry is grateful for the 45 volunteers who put in 609 hours last month!

If you are interested in donating in October, requested items include: cereal, canned butter beans, canned carrots, canned mixed vegetables, macaroni, Mac & Cheese, large jars of spaghetti sauce (preferably plastic jars).



Today is the last day to give to the Joyful Noise offering for Habitat for Humanity. In October, the collection will go to the CROP Walk! You can also give to Zion's CROP Walk team

online: <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/team/zion-lutheran-church-landisville>



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BUILD PROJECT

Interested in participating in a work project in Columbia? There is a sign-up sheet on the narthex bulletin board to indicate your preferred dates. Contact Randy M. (randymiller107@comcast.net) with questions!

OFF THE STREETS DONATIONS

Thank you to everyone who has donated so generously to Off the Streets! They are SO grateful for all of the donations. The impact that Zion is making on the families who work through OTS to find permanent housing is remarkable and life-giving! If you would like to give, a list of requested items are on the white board between the mailboxes in the narthex. Questions? Contact Pat L.

WELCOME DOUGLAS BOMBERGER!

This morning we welcome Douglas Bomberger back to Zion as guest organist! Douglas is filling in for John while he is on vacation this week. Thank you, Douglas!

WORSHIP SPONSORSHIPS OPEN DATES

The flowers and the bulletins both have open dates to be sponsored throughout October! Sign up on the chart on the bulletin board in the narthex! Cost is \$40/sponsorship/week.



... FROM TOM GRZYBOWSKI

Tom wishes to thank everyone for the altar flower delivery the other week! He put them on display so others at Homestead could enjoy also! Tom appreciates the thoughtfulness tremendously!

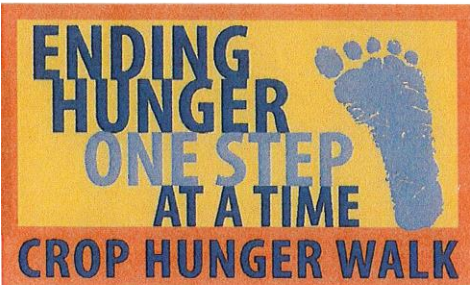
... FROM BRENT GREEN

Brent sent a thank you note expressing thanks for the well wishes, the devotional book, and the gift card in celebration of his graduation this past spring!

SUNDAY SCHOOL AT ZION

All are welcome to join a Sunday School class! The Wired Word class meets in person and on Zoom, and the class that meets in the parlor is watching a video series featuring Dean Jones as St. John on Patmos! Questions? Contact Sue Wise (swoogle53@aol.com) or Barb Gerke (bmgerke@gmail.com) about the Wired Word, and Dave Dumeyer (davedumeyer@gmail.com) or Dave Albin (nagredmoonstriker@gmail.com) about the class in the parlor.

CROP WALK



Have you signed up or donated to Team Zion yet?! The Walk this year is on Sunday, October 15 starting from the Greek Orthodox Church (Hershey Ave., Lancaster). The pre-Walk program begins at 1:30 and the walk begins at 2 p.m.

To register for Team Zion visit:

<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/team/zion-lutheran-church-landisville>

Contact Randy Miller with any questions (randymiller107@comcast.net/717-413-0433).

COMFORTER MINISTRY

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

UPDATE ABOUT BRENDA ALIMU, Zion's ChildFund Daughter

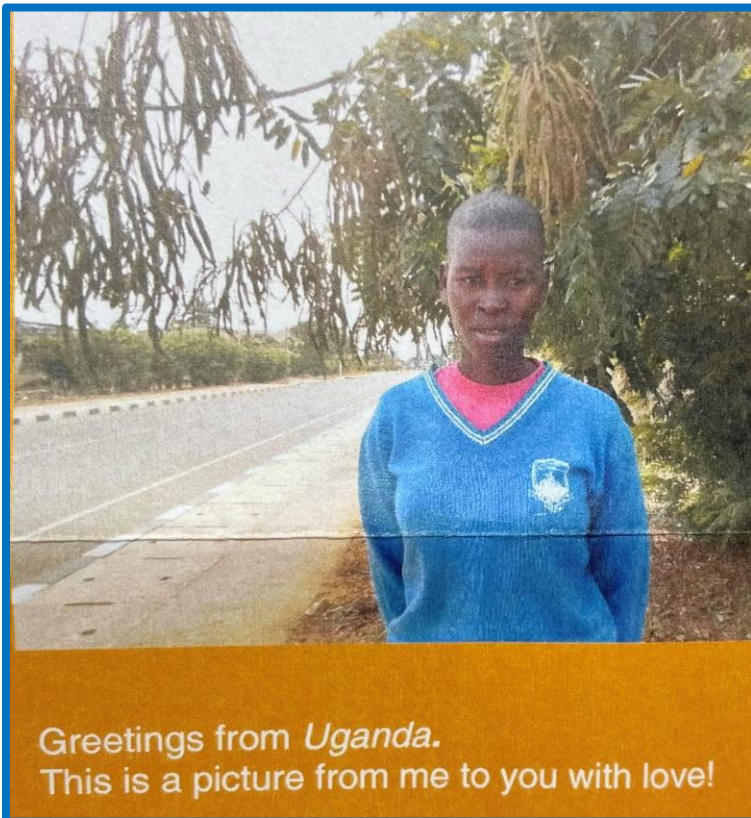
My favorite quote: *What makes you different makes you beautiful!*

How I am progressing with my education: *I am working hard to improve my grades.*

What I would like to tell you about myself: *I am proud about myself. I am making good decisions to keep me safe.*

I feel happy when ...

- *I spend time with my friends.*
- *I read a book.*
- *I receive letters from my sponsor! 😊*
[Thank you, Millie, for writing to Brenda so faithfully!]
- *One bit of big news is that my goat/cow gave birth!*



CONCERTS AT ZION THROUGH THE FALL

Zion MUZIK

Concert Series '23-'24



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

The 2023 Fall Line-Up



October 21 @ 2pm

Outside the Loft

(Contemporary Christian/Soft Rock)

November 18 @ 2pm

Organ Concert with John Landis

Holiday Concerts

December 2 @ 4pm

Lancaster Liederkranz

December 17 @ 3pm

Hempfield Chamber Choir

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

PICNIC IN THE PARK

There is only one more picnic in the park this season: **THIS WEDNESDAY!** Wed., Sept. 27 at A. Herr Park. It begins at 11:30. All are welcome!



The August Picnic ... come join the fun on September 27!

UPCOMING LUTHERAN CAMPING CORPORATION EVENTS

AT KIRCHENWALD



**FOR ALL
ADULTS!**



Saturday, September 30th 2023, 5:00-8:00 PM
Camp Kirchenwald, 1 Cutoff Rd Lebanon PA 17042

Did your child have a great week at camp? Consider attending our Party with a Purpose fundraiser and help us continue to provide awesome programs! The evening will consist of a BBQ meal, live music, silent and live auction items, and giveaways. The evening is free and we ask participants to donate what they would pay for an evening out for dinner and entertainment. This is an adult only event but childcare will be provided.



RSVP HERE



Scan to Donate

DONATE HERE

AT
NAWAKWA

FOR WOMEN

CAPTURE THE FLAG SPECTACULAR



Review your camp map, paint your face, and practice your cone zone celebration dance. Invite your friends and family (parents, too) to join you in this CTF summer reunion event. Play alongside familiar faces from your week at camp, plus campers from every other week of the summer. Campfire worship to follow.

at Kirchenwald
Sunday, October 1, 3-5:30 pm

This is a free event, but please RSVP by September 22 to 717-677-8211 or online at LutheranCamping.org



The Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central Pennsylvania
Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, and The Wittel Farm
PO Box 459, Arendtsville, PA 17303
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An Adult Study Retreat on the books

- *Major Pettigrew's Last Stand* – Helen Simonson
- *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry* – Rachel Joycen

Additional reading –

- *A Man Called Ove* – Fredrik Backman
- *I Capture the Castle* – Dodie Smith

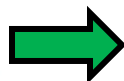


October 3-5, 2023

At Nawakwa



Registration fee: \$170
Lodging and meals provided
Please call 717-677-8211
or visit LutheranCamping.org
to register by September 22



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AT KIRCHENWALD



FOR ALL AGES!



Strategic Planning

October 4th, 12-1:30pm

Led By
Emily Seitz



Crafting Your Story

October 18th, 12-1:30pm

Led By
Susannah Conner



**BOTH
EVENTS
ARE
HELD
VIA
ZOOM.**

For more information about the Parish Resource Center, other events, or these ones in particular, visit: <https://connectprc.org/>

PRAYER LIST
FOR HEALING

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
Tom Miller
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
Janet Musselman and family
Ruth Burkett (Mother of Deb Long)
Mary Ann Cupach
Janet Musselman and family

Karen Wright and Stephanie and Chris and their families
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!

26th – Kathleen Hay
28th – Judy Traup, Hudson Sperry
30th – Dave Aulenbach, Robin Ginther, Jennifer Karpouzis
1st – Horst Bernhard, Kevin Ramer

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

24th – Randy & Rae Miller; Bill & Sue Stathopoulos; Megan (Landis) & Tim Fry
25th – Horst & Lisa Bernhard
1st – Ed & Cindy Blough, Jeff & Amy Thompson

CONGRATULATIONS to Cameron Thompson and Claire on their wedding this afternoon!

MINISTRY LEADERS

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

Members of the Congregation
Rev. Timothy Seitz-Brown
John Landis
Douglas Bomberger
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.
Wired Word Class (Zone & Zoom)	Sundays @ 10:30 a.m. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266
Morning Bible Study	Tuesdays @ 9:00 a.m.
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