



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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

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Across the alley from my house is a very tall maple tree. I have been watching it every day as it changes color. What has intrigued me most is the variety of color in the tree. Deep in, nearest the limbs, are shades of green. A little further out are yellows and golds. At the furthest branches are the red and burgundies. So many different colors on one tree, all existing together to form the magnificent Fall colors. I look at the branches reach out to the world, but I also see their connection to the sturdy trunk that reaches to the deep roots below the ground.

The more I look at the tree, the more I see an image of God's plan for humanity. Just as all the leaves combine to make the colors, no single leaf is of lesser or greater importance. Each branch holds the leaves close to their source of nourishment and everything is sustained through a single source.

Take a good look at a tree. Do you see what I see?