

**ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH PEMBROKE
REFORMATION SUNDAY
SUNDAY OCTOBER 27 2024
SETTING 3**

**PRELUDE
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ELW p. 94)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG *The Church's One Foundation* (ELW 654)

1 The church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation
by water and the word.
From heav'n he came and sought her
to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

2 Elect from ev'ry nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation
one Lord, one faith, one birth:
one holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses,
with ev'ry grace endued.

3 Though with a scornful wonder
this world sees her oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder,
by heresies distressed,
yet saints their watch are keeping;
their cry goes up: "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
shall be the morn of song.

4 Through toil and tribulation
and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation
of peace forevermore;
till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious
shall be the church at rest.

5 Yet she on earth has union
with God, the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won.
Oh, blessed heav'nly chorus!
Lord, save us by your grace,
that we, like saints before us,
may see you face to face.

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GREETING (ELW p. 138)

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

KYRIE (ELW p. 138)

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

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

Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW p. 140)

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb
who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 2 Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and
strength, and hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his.

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 3 Sing with all the peo-ple of
God, and join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or,
glo-ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.

Final refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY (ELW p. 142)

Let us pray.

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

MEN'S CHOIR - "SING THEM OVER AGAIN TO ME" BY PHILIP BLISS

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

A reading from Jeremiah.

³¹ The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³² It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. ³³ But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more. Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 46

¹ God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

² **Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**

³ though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

⁴ **There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.**

⁵ God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken; God shall help it at the break of day.

⁶ The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away.

⁷ The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

⁸ Come now, regard the works of the Lord, what desolations God has brought up-on the earth;

⁹ behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰ “Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”

¹¹ The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28

A reading from Romans.

¹⁹ Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰ For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹ But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³ since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴ they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶ it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷ Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸ For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p. 142)



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹ Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” ³³ They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free’?”

³⁴ Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶ So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON (ELW p. 143)

HYMN OF THE DAY *Founded On Faith* (ACS 1048)

- 1 Founded on faith, the church—alive by grace—
proclaims the gospel here and ev'ry place.
The word of God resounds through time and space:
Alleluia!
- 2 Your cross, O Christ, renews our life each day.
Baptized in you, we learn and teach and pray.
Fed by your love, with thankful hearts, we say:
Alleluia!

3 Equipped by prayer, we live the Spirit's call.
Empow'ed to serve with gifts, both great and small,
we bring the living hope of God to all.
Alleluia!

4 Growing in grace for God's created earth,
we yearn for justice, peace, and human worth;
a world restored; a faithful, caring church.
Alleluia!

5 Founded on faith, called forth, empow'ed to serve,
we share God's endless love without reserve.
Then let us shout aloud the living Word!
Alleluia!

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APOSTLES' CREED (ELW p. 105)

Let us confess our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed.

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.

Lord of all, we give thanks for the whole church throughout the world. Open wide the paths toward unity between denominations so that all followers of Christ may join in shared worship and mission. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Renewing God, as the dying leaves display their beauty, we are reminded that nature's cycle of life includes and requires both life and death. Instill in your people a mission of preservation and appreciation for trees, animals, and waterways threatened by climate collapse. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Gracious God, in the spirit of reformation we pray for all who cry out for relief from systemic oppression. May the hearts of those who occupy seats of power be reformed so that peace becomes the center of our life together. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Comforting God, be with all who are sick, suffering, or grieving in our own community and beyond (*especially Jason, Martha, Ella, Rhonda, Heather, Anneliese, Joan, Judy, Larry, Garnet, Betty, Lily, Karl, Ingrid, Elva, Clarence, Eva, Barbara, Inga, Marcella, Marlene, Patricia, Amy, Wally, Edie, Freda, Otilia*), *Please be with Pastor Scott who is mourning the loss of his father, David Shellenberger, who passed away Tuesday October 22 2024.*

Surround them with the promise of your love, comfort, and grace that never ends. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Divine Guide, continue to challenge this community to be ever reforming in our ministries and outreach efforts. Inspire creative ideas among us so that the communal, grace-filled word of God remains at the heart of our ministry. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Almighty God, in Christ's resurrection you ensure that though life be wrenched away, death cannot win the day. May the truth of your saving grace through faith sustain our hope for life in you. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever.

Amen.

PEACE (ELW p. 143)

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING *We Praise You, O God* (ELW 870 VERSES 1 AND 3)

1 We praise you, O God, our redeemer, creator;
in grateful devotion our tribute we bring.

We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you;
we bless your holy name; glad praises we sing.

3 With voices united our praises we offer
and gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.

With you, Lord, beside us,
your strong arm will guide us.

To you, our great redeemer, forever be praise!

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OFFERING PRAYER (ELW p. 144)

Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever.

You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE (ELW p. 144)



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE (ELW p. 144)

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

By the witness of your saints
you show us the hope of our calling
and strengthen us to run the race set before us,
that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory.
And so, with *MARTIN LUTHER* all the saints,
with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW p. 144)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (ELW p. 145)

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God.
You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world
to fulfill for us your holy will
and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,
his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension,
and the promise of his coming again,
we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty,
not as we ought but as we are able;
we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving
and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants,
and these your own gifts of bread and wine,
so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ
may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace,
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin,
may be formed to live as your holy people
and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

Amen, amen, amen.

LORD'S PRAYER (ELW p. 145)

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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 (ELW p. 146)

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

COMMUNION (ELW p. 146)

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

COMMUNION SONG (ELW p. 146)

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

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

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace.**

**SONG AFTER COMMUNION *The Church of Christ, in Every Age* (ELW 729)
Amen.**

1 The church of Christ, in ev'ry age
beset by change, but Spirit-led,
must claim and test its heritage
and keep on rising from the dead.

2 Across the world, across the street,
the victims of injustice cry
for shelter and for bread to eat,
and never live before they die.

3 Then let the servant church arise,
a caring church that longs to be
a partner in Christ's sacrifice,
and clothed in Christ's humanity.

4 For he alone, whose blood was shed,
can cure the fever in our blood,
and teach us how to share our bread
and feed the starving multitude.

5 We have no mission but to serve
in full obedience to our Lord;
to care for all, without reserve,
and spread his liberating word.

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SONG AFTER COMMUNION *Salvation unto Us Has Come* (ELW 590)

1 Salvation unto us has come
by God's free grace and favor;
good works cannot avert our doom,
they help and save us never.
Faith looks to Jesus Christ alone,
who did for all the world atone,
our only mediator.

2 What God did in the law demand
no one could keep unfailing;
great woe arose on ev'ry hand,
and sin grew all-prevailing.
Because the law must be fulfilled,
Christ came as God in mercy willed,
for us the law obeying.

3 Since Christ has full atonement made
and brought to us salvation,
we will rejoice, we will be glad
and build on this foundation.
Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead;
baptized into your death, I'm freed;
your life is mine forever.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (ELW p. 146)

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING (ELW p. 146)

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

Amen.

4 Faith clings to Jesus' cross alone
and rests in him unceasing;
and by its fruits true faith is known,
with love and hope increasing.
For faith alone can justify;
works serve our neighbor and supply
the proof that faith is living.

5 All blessing, honor, thanks, and
praise to Father, Son, and Spirit!
Lord, you have saved us by your grace;
all glory to your merit!
O triune God in heav'n above,
you have revealed your saving love;
your blessed name we hallow.

6 Your kingdom come, your will be
done in this world as in heaven;
give bread for each new day begun;
our sins be all forgiven, as we forgive
what others do; in ev'ry trial see us
through; from evil save us. Amen.

SENDING SONG *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (isometric)* (ELW 504)

1 A mighty fortress is our God,
a sword and shield victorious;
he breaks the cruel oppressor's rod
and wins salvation glorious.
The old satanic foe
has sworn to work us woe!
With craft and dreadful might
he arms himself to fight.
On earth he has no equal.

3 Though hordes of devils fill the
land all threat'ning to devour us,
we tremble not, unmoved we stand;
they cannot overpower us.
Let this world's tyrant rage;
in battle we'll engage!
His might is doomed to fail;
God's judgment must prevail!
One little word subdues him.

2 No strength of ours can match his might!
We would be lost, rejected.
But now a champion comes to fight,
whom God himself elected.
You ask who this may be?
The Lord of hosts is he!
Christ Jesus, mighty Lord,
God's only Son, adored.
He holds the field victorious.

4 God's Word forever shall abide,
no thanks to foes, who fear it;
for God himself fights by our side
with weapons of the Spirit.
Were they to take our house,
goods, honor, child, or spouse,
through life be wrenched away,
they cannot win the day.
The kingdom's ours forever!

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DISMISSAL (ELW p. 146)

Go in peace. Share the good news.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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ATTENDANCE
Sunday October 20th : 51 & Living Stones: 22

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK: October 28 -November 3

Monday:	8:30 am	Pickle Ball
	10:00 am	Pastoral Care
	1:00 am	Senior Exercise Class
	6:00 pm	Pickle Ball
	7:00 pm	Healing Vets
Tuesday:	9:30 am	Tai Chi
	6:30 pm	Tai Chi
	7:00 pm	Mixed Choir
Wednesday:	10:00 am	Morning Social
	1:00 pm	Senior Exercise Class
	7:00 pm	Men's Choir
Thursday:	9:30 am	Tai Chi
	7:00 pm	Healing Vets
Friday:	1:00 pm	Senior Exercise Class
Sunday:	10:00 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion & Messy Church Sunday

TODAY'S SCHEDULED WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

Presiding Minister:	Pastor Sylvia Poetschke
Worship Assistant:	Michael Lange
Music Director:	Blaine Sack
Sexton:	Hunter Denney
Projector Operator:	Rick Gerundin
Video Recorder:	Korbin Smith
Sound Operator:	Brian Smith
Counters:	Gayle & Larry Seegmiller, Wayne Kirk
Altar Care:	Cheryl Sack
Ushers:	Cheryl Sack & Barry Gorr
Coffee Hour:	Justine Mutlow

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please pray for those who are ill, in hospital, or requested special prayers: Jason Godin, Martha Kodrzynski, Ella Lehman, Rhonda Mau, Heather Miller, Anneliese Trautrim, Joan Lehman, Judy and Larry Blais, Garnet Miller, Betty Kuehl, Lily Kubiseski, Karl Hausser, Ingrid Trautrim, Elva & Clarence Gagne, Eva Hagenah, Barbara Schoof, Inga Latiok, Marcella Kuehl, Marlene Schleen, Patricia Zohr, Amy Markus-Burgess, Wally Cochrane, Edie Brum, Freda Kathen, Otilia Saldana.G.

Please join us in prayer for Pastor Scott and family who are mourning the loss of his father, David Shellenberger, who passed away Tuesday October 22 2024.

DONATIONS

A donation has been made for the flowers in thankfulness to God for Mona Zadow on the occasion of her 85th birthday on Sunday October 27 2024, by her children Cindy, Tim & Karen, Sheila & Kris, Andrew & Tanya. *Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.* 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 Happy Blessed Birthday Mona!

A donation has been made to the food bank in thankfulness to everyone who were so kind to send beautiful sympathy cards and so nice to be remembered by church members on the great loss of my son, Bruce Kuehl. He will be greatly missed by his loving wife, two daughters, grandchildren and family. *Marcella Kuehl*

*** THE ALPHA PROGRAM group will not be meeting on Thursday October 31st 2024.**

SENIORS EXERCISE CLASSES Join us every **Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 1:00 pm** in the Parish Hall. Be sure to bring a friend!

MIXED & MEN'S CHOIRS Mixed Choir will meet on **Tuesday's at 7:00 pm** and Men's Choir will meet on **Wednesday's at 7:00 pm.**

ALL SAINTS CANDLES If you have a family member who has died since **November 1st 2023** and would like to remember them by lighting a candle on **November 3rd**, please contact the church office.

JAM JAR FUNDRAISER The Social Ministry Committee is organizing the annual jam jar fundraiser. The proceeds will be directed to the Good Shepherding Fund this year which helps people in need in our congregation. The campaign starts Thanksgiving Sunday and will conclude on All Saints Sunday and wrap up with a soup and sandwich luncheon with free will offering following worship **November 3rd**. Please take a jar and return by All Saints Sunday. Cash or cheque is welcome. E-transfer is also available, just note **Jam Jar** in the memo. Please remember to put your name and envelope number in the jar if it is cash so we can add it to your offerings. Thank you for your unwavering support.

NEW EASTERN SYNOD BISHOP CARLA BLAKELY TO VISIT!

On Sunday **November 17th** at the **10:00 am** service Bishop Carla will join us for our blended worship.

ORGAN RE-DEDICATION

The organ re-dedication will happen during our **10:00 am** worship service on **Sunday November 24th**.

A MESSAGE FROM THE FOOD BANK The ZLW is asking Zion members to support the St. Joseph's Food Bank as we approach the season of Thanksgiving. The food bank will accept all food items, except ones that the 'Best Before' Date has passed. Food donations have not been sufficient enough since Covid. We rely heavily on monetary donations so that our buyers can purchase items that are not donated to make up decent hampers for the clients. Our Food budget for this year is \$292,000.00. Our community is very generous to the food bank and we do receive substantial funds from local stores, local organizations, and local food drives. **Food Items that are always needed include: For kids lunches** :juice boxes, pudding cups, *granola bars (*peanut free), snacks (Bear Paws, Rice Krispie squares, apple sauce cup, etc.) **For families** : Canned Soup, Cereal - low sugar, Jam, Cheese Whiz, Potatoes, Instant Coffee or Regular coffee, Kraft Dinner, macaroni / spaghetti, Wieners. **Things we buy in bulk from donations and will gladly accept any of these as well:** canned and fresh veggies, hamburger, milk, eggs, bread, butter, margarine, tuna, Flakes of Ham, canned fruit, canned protein - beef stew, Irish stew, chili.

CANCELLATIONS:

Confirmation On Reformation Sunday October 27 will be rescheduled.

This week Confirmation on Wednesday and Alpha on Thursday will reconvene respectfully.

ALPHA Retreat for November 1-3 Holy Spirit Retreat has been cancelled.

Pastor Scott says thank you to everyone who helped setup, spread out and take down the garage sale.

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR SCOTT:

Thank you for your support during this difficult time. My father David Schellenberger passed away on Tuesday October 22 and the funeral arrangements were made through Henry Walser Funeral Home in Waterloo. A funeral service was held at Trillium Lutheran Church on Saturday, October 26 2024.



A very special thank you to Pastor Sylvia Poetschke for leading the service last week and also for jumping in at the last minute this Sunday. You are truly appreciated and we are grateful.