

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
20th Sunday after Pentecost – Thanksgiving
Sunday October 11, 2026
Evangelical Lutheran Worship – Setting Four

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM (ELW p. 97)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God,
the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth,
our light and our salvation.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.
We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters
and by your Word you created the world,
calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.
At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.
By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons,
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.
Shower us with your Spirit,
and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG *Now Thank We All Our God (isometric)* (ELW 840)

1 Now thank we all our God
with hearts and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done,
in whom this world rejoices;
who, from our mothers' arms,
has blest us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.

2 Oh, may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us,
and keep us all in grace,
and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all harm
in this world and the next.

3 All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given,
the Son, and Spirit blest,
who reign in highest heaven,
the one eternal God,
whom earth and heav'n adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.

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GREETING

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. 147)



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



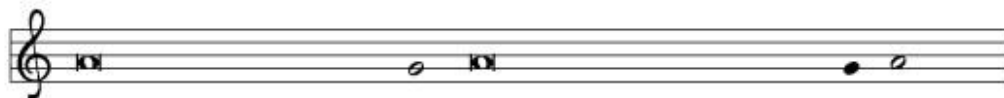
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, 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 wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mer - cy.



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

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW p. 149)

Refrain
Assisting minister



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

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us

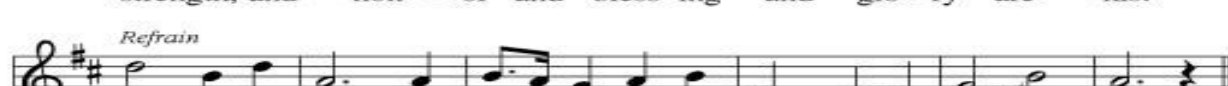


free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and



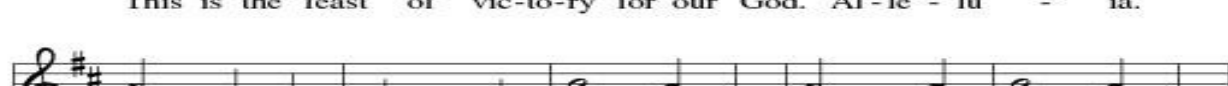
strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.

Refrain

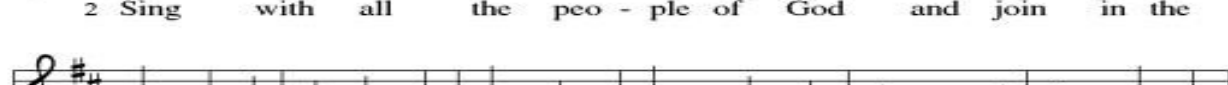


This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.

2 Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the

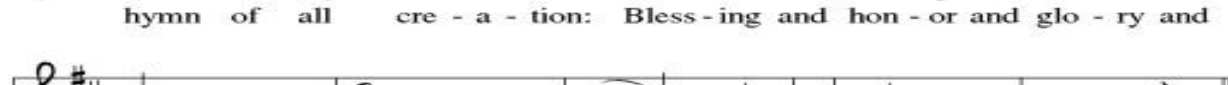


hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and

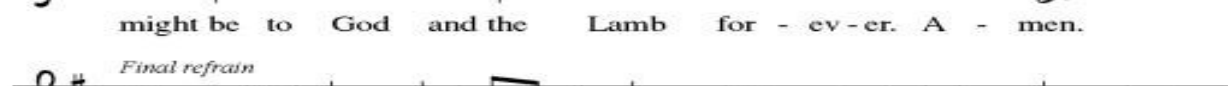


might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Lord of the feast, you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

MIXED CHOIR - 'WE PRAISE YOU O GOD', By J. Cory and A. Valerius

FIRST READING: Exodus 32:1-14

A reading from Exodus.

¹ When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." ² Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters and bring them to me." ³ So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears and brought them to Aaron. ⁴ He took these from them, formed them in a mold, and cast an image of a calf, and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" ⁵ When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it, and Aaron made a proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the LORD." ⁶ They rose early the next day and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being, and the people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to revel. ⁷ The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely;

⁸ they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!' " ⁹ The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. ¹⁰ Now let me alone so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, and of you I will make a great nation." ¹¹ But Moses implored the LORD his God and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? ¹² Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. ¹³ Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.' "

¹⁴ And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23

¹ Hallelujah! Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good, for God's mercy endures forever.

² **Who can declare the mighty acts of the Lord or proclaim in full God's praise?**

³ Happy are those who act with justice and always do what is right.

⁴ **Remember me, O Lord, with the favor you have for your people, and visit me with your salvation;**

⁵ that I may see the prosperity of your elect and be glad with the gladness of your people, that I may glory with your inheritance.

⁶ **We have sinned as our forebears did; we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.**

¹⁹ They made a bull calf at Horeb and worshiped a molten image;

²⁰ **thus they exchanged their glory for the image of an ox that feeds on grass.**

²¹ They forgot God their Savior, who had done great things in Egypt,

²² **wonderful deeds in the land of Ham, and fearful things at the Red Sea.**

²³ So you would have destroyed them, had not Moses your chosen stood in the breach, to turn away your wrath from consuming them.

SECOND READING: Philippians 4:1-9

A reading from Philippians.

¹ My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. ² I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. ³ Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my coworkers, whose names are in the book of life. ⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵ Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸ Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise,

think about these things. ⁹ As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p. 151)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 22:1-14

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ² “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. ³ He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. ⁴ Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ ⁵ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶ while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. ⁷ The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. ⁸ Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹ Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ ¹⁰ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad, so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹ “But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, ¹² and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. ¹³ Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* (ELW 693)

1 Come, ye thankful people, come;
raise the song of harvest home.
All be safely gathered in
ere the winter storms begin.
God, our maker, doth provide
for our wants to be supplied.
Come to God's own temple, come,
raise the song of harvest home.

2 All the world is God's own field,
fruit unto his praise to yield;
wheat and tares together sown,
unto joy or sorrow grown.
First the blade, and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear.
Lord of harvest, grant that we
wholesome grain and pure may be.

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3 For the Lord our God shall come
and shall take his harvest home;
from his field shall in that day
all offenses purge away;
give his angels charge at last
in the fire the tares to cast,
but the fruitful ears to store
in his garner evermore.

4 Even so, Lord, quickly come
to thy final harvest home.
Gather then thy people in,
free from sorrow, free from sin,
there, forever purified,
in thy garner to abide.
Come, with all thine angels, come,
raise the glorious harvest home!

THE APOSTLES CREED

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

Seeking the Spirit of God who makes all things new, we pray for the church and the world.

Holy God, we remember your promise of unity on your holy mountain. Empower the World Council of Churches and all those working across religious difference, that the world may know your undivided love. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We remember your promise of green pastures and quiet waters. Preserve all places of natural beauty and restore our relationship with the land. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We remember your promise to not abandon us amid storm and disaster. Renew all communities facing disasters (*regions in crisis may be named*) and give your courage to those leading relief efforts. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We remember your promise to wipe away every tear. Heal and console all who are sick or suffering (*especially for Jason, Rhonda, Heather, Joan, Larry, Garnet, Betty, Karl, Trudy, Elva, Eva, Inge, Marcella, David, Gwen, Jeanette, Brittany, Jean, June, Katie, Douglas, Cheryl, Roxanna, Bonnie, Dorothy, Kimberly, Freda, Delton, Megen, Joan, Sherryl, and those we name in our hearts and minds*). Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We remember your promise of a banquet open to all people. Challenge this congregation to open wide our doors and welcome everyone to the table. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We remember your promise to swallow up death forever. We give thanks for those who have gone before us. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Trusting in your boundless grace, O God, we lift up these spoken prayers and those in our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING *Praise and Thanksgiving* (ELW 689 v. 1 and 3)

1 Praise and thanksgiving, God, we would offer
for all things living, you have made good:
harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard,
hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.

3 Father, providing food for your children,
by Wisdom's guiding teach us to share
one with another, so that, rejoicing
with us, all others may know your care.

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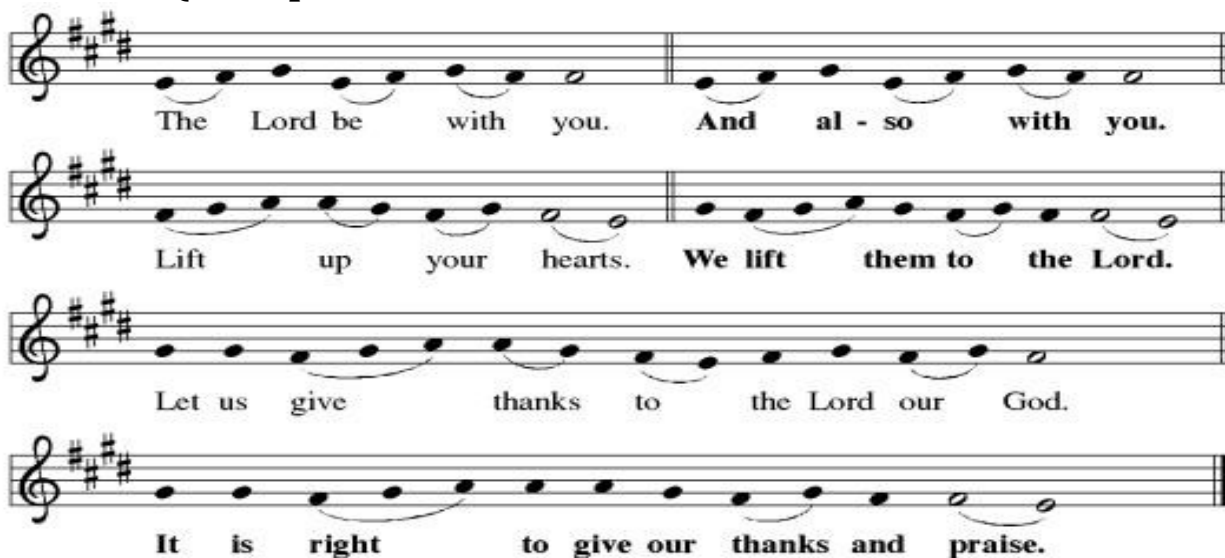
OFFERING PRAYER

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. 152)



PREFACE

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;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,

and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW p. 153)



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (ELW p. 108)

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

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.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN *For the Fruit of All Creation* (ELW 679)

1 For the fruit of all creation,
thanks be to God.
For these gifts to ev'ry nation,
thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping,
thanks be to God.

2 In the just reward of labor,
God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbor,
God's will is done.
In our worldwide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.

3 For the harvests of the Spirit,
thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit,
thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all, that love has found us,
thanks be to God.

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DISTRIBUTION HYMN *All Things Bright and Beautiful* (WOV 767)

Refrain:

**All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all.**

1 Each little flower that opens,
each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colors,
God made their tiny wings. **Refrain**

2 The purple-headed mountains,
the river running by,
the sunset, and the morning
that brightens up the sky. **Refrain**

3 The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruits in the garden,
God made them ev'ry one. **Refrain**

4 God gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell
how great is God Almighty,
who has made all things well. **Refrain**

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POST COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

BLESSING

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.

SENDING SONG *Sent Forth by God's Blessing* (ELW 547)

1 Sent forth by God's blessing,
our true faith confessing,
the people of God from this dwelling take leave.
The supper is ended.
Oh, now be extended
the fruits of this service in all who believe.
The seed of Christ's teaching,
receptive souls reaching,
shall blossom in action for God and for all.
Your grace shall incite us,
your love shall unite us
to work for your kingdom and answer your call.

2 With praise and thanksgiving
to God ever-living,
the tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face--
our faith ever sharing,
in love ever caring,
embracing God's children, the whole human race.
With your feast you feed us,
with your light now lead us;
unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living
with praise and thanksgiving
give honor to Christ and his name that we bear.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Remember the poor.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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ATTENDANCE: Sunday October 4 2026 – 54

ZION ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK: October 12 –18

Monday:	<i>HAPPY THANKSGIVING</i>
	8:30 am, 6:00 pm Pickle Ball
	1:00 pm Senior Exercise Class
	7:00 pm Healing Vets
Tuesday:	9:30 am, 6:30 pm Tai Chi
	1:00 pm Christian Meditation Group
	7:00 pm Council Mtg.
	7:00 pm Men's Choir Practice
Wednesday:	10:00 am Morning Social
	1:00 pm Senior Exercise Class
	1– 3pm Zion Thrift Shop
	7:00 pm Mixed Choir Practice
Thursday:	9:30 am, 6:30 pm Tai Chi
	1 – 3 pm Zion Thrift Shop
	2:00 pm Supples Landing Worship
	7:00 pm Healing Vets
Friday:	9:30 am -1 pm Pembroke Home Schoolers
	1:00 pm Senior Exercise Class
Sunday:	10:00 am Worship Service w/ Holy Communion & Living Stones Service

TODAY'S SCHEDULED WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

Presiding Minister:	Rev. Scott Schellenberger
Worship Assistant:	Paul Merredew
Music Director:	Blaine Sack
Sexton:	Karen Gauthier
Projector Operator:	Diane Hammel
Video Recorder:	Ryan Schmidt
Sound Operator:	Noah Schmidt
Counters:	Diane Hammel, Pamela Duplessis, Gayle Seegmiller
Altar Care:	Jean Rutz
Ushers:	Kevin Rutz, Ryan Parcher
Coffee Hour:	Kathy Hoffman, Susan Dupuis

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please pray for those who are ill, in hospital, or requested special prayers: Jason Godin, Rhonda Mau, Heather Miller, Joan Lehman, Larry Blais, Garnet Miller, Betty Kuehl, Karl Hausser, Trudy Hausser, Elva Gagne, Eva Hagenah, Inge Latiok, Marcella Kuehl, David Brumm, Gwen Burchart, Jeanette Nevile, Brittany, Jean Kuehl, June Popke, Katie, Douglas Crigger, Cheryl, Roxanna, Bonnie Schmidt, Dorothy Guay, Kimberly Wolfgram-Schmidt, Freda Kathen, Delton Felske, Megen, Joan Martinell, Sherryl Bridle.

If you know of anyone in hospital, in need of a visit or are recently deceased, please inform the church 613 732-8792, or Pastor Scott 705 313-0333.

MORNING SOCIAL: Our next gathering is **Wednesday October 14th at 10:00 am.** Please come and join us, we look forward to seeing you!

SUPPLES LANDING WORSHIP SERVICE The worship service for Supples Landing will take place on **Thursday October 15th at 2:00 p.m.**

ZION THRIFT SHOP Hours are: Wednesdays & Thursdays: 1:00–3:00 pm and the third Friday of each month: 6:00–8:00 pm. We are accepting donations of fall and winter clothing and any pant/skirt hangars and small safety pins. There are 2 designated drop-offs for donations: the Thrift Shop area outside the door in the hallway at the shop and in the closet of the "free stuff" area. Thank you for your donations!

COUNCIL MEETING **Tuesday October 13th at 7:00 p.m.**

WORLD FOOD DAY – OCTOBER 16 World Food Day reminds us that **everyone deserves access to enough safe and nutritious food.** Let us remember those who are struggling with food insecurity and consider how we can help. **Donations of food, money, or other support to our local food bank can make a difference in the lives of individuals and families in our community.** *“For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat.” – Matthew 25:35*

SENIOR EXERCISE CLASS Senior Exercise classes will be **Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 1:00 pm.** Come one, come all!

MIXED & MENS CHOIRS – Men’s Choir **Tuesday’s at 7:00 pm** and Mixed Choir **Wednesday’s at 7:00 pm.**

GARDEN PRODUCE LEFT OVER?

Do you have any leftover garden produce that you don’t want to see go to waste? Please consider bringing it in. Pastor Sue would love to use the fresh produce to make soup bases for future use. Every little bit helps, and this is a wonderful way to make sure garden produce is enjoyed rather than wasted. Want to help? Please contact Pastor Sue. Thank you for your generosity and for helping to reduce food waste.

CAMP LUTHERLYN FALL CLEAN-UP Volunteers are still needed to help with the Fall Clean-Up at Camp Lutherlyn on Saturday, October 17th, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. Come out and lend a hand as we prepare the camp for the winter months. Lunch will be provided. Please email info@lutherlyncamp.ca

JOINT REFORMATION SERVICE: A special service on **Sunday, Oct. 18th** at the Rankin Community Centre **at 3pm.** Presiding guest Preacher Rev. Matthew Brown, Incumbent, Holy Trinity Anglican Church. Music will be led by Blaine Sack and Cathy Lupton, Music Director at St. Timothy’s. There will be a dinner served afterwards. Tickets still available at the church office. Come, worship and connect with your Ottawa Valley Lutheran and Anglican Families!

ANNUAL JAM JAR FUNDRAISER We invite you to take part in our Annual Jam Jar Fundraiser. Through your generous donations, we will be supporting CNIB and Country Haven Retirement Home. Every contribution, big or small, is a meaningful way to share God’s love and care with others in our community. Thank you for helping us make a difference through your kindness and generosity!
Social Ministry

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY **Sunday, November 1st** is All Saints Sunday. We will be lighting candles in memory of those who have died in the Lord. We invite families of the deceased to come and light a candle in remembrance of loved ones. Candles will be provided. Following the service we will have a light soup and sandwich lunch -all are welcome.

ALL SAINTS SOUP & SANDWICH A sign-up sheet will be available for those who would be willing to help by making soup and sandwiches for the luncheon following our All-Saints Sunday service. Your help and generosity are greatly appreciated as we gather together in fellowship and remembrance.

PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH:
TODAY IS PASTOR APPRECIATION DAY

Let's take a moment to show our appreciation for Pastor Scott and Pastor Sue for their faithful service, guidance, care, and dedication to our church family. Send a note, say a prayer, share a kind word, or simply let them know how much they are appreciated.

Thank you, Pastor Scott and Pastor Sue, for all that you do!

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!



Camp Lutherlyn
FALL CLEAN-UP

Saturday, October 17th 2026
9:00 am

We are looking for volunteers to help with the Fall Clean-Up at Camp Lutherlyn. Come out and lend a hand as we prepare the camp for the winter months. It is a wonderful opportunity to work together, enjoy fellowship, and help care for this special ministry.

Lunch will be provided.

Volunteers are needed and all helping hands are greatly appreciated!

Please email info@lutherlyncamp.ca. We'd love to know how many volunteers will be coming!



Zion
Evangelical Lutheran Church

Morning Social

Come and spend some time having coffee, tea and goodies while sharing conversations with others.

Come to our bi-weekly
fellowship hours:

Wednesday October 14th and 28th 2026
at 10:00 am



You need not be a member of Zion -
everyone is welcome!

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From Your Treasurer,

I apologize for not getting the report in this months Guiding Light. We have much to be thankful for as we celebrate Thanksgiving this weekend. Any extra contributions would be much appreciated to help reduce our deficit. Thank you and have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

Zion's Income and Expenses as of Oct. 8, 2026

The weekly amount of \$6,100.00 is needed to cover our budgeted costs. Of this weekly amount approx. \$4,640.00 comes from e-transfers, PAR and regular offerings and \$1,460.00 comes from hall rent, office admin. fees, interest, general reserve, house rentals, solar panels and other revenue.

Offerings	156,727.31
Missions and Outreach	789.00
Other Donations	1,630.00
Solar Income	9,294.52
Other Earned Income	18,956.72
Fundraised for general use	3,672.30
Total Income to Aug.25	191,069.85
Benevolence Expense	4,000.00
Directed Gifts Expense	524.00
Committees Expense	1,822.28
Utilities Expense	13,238.55
Church Insurance	22,125.96
Property Maintenance	11,225.83
Other Operating Expense	35,277.34
Net Payroll	88,646.14
Benefits Expense	40,864.66
Expense Total to Aug.25	217,724.76
Net as of Aug.25,2026	(-26,654.91)

AS YOUR TREASURER I WOULD ASK THAT YOU SUPPORT THE GENERAL FUND.

All of us in this congregation are helping and working together in faith. We have been rewarded with the riches of a good life here. Your generosity helps us continue our call to serve as a Christian. We are a family here, helping each other and our community. Thank you, Pastor Scott and Pastor Sue, for leading us.

If you cannot attend, we have set up e-transfer to the church's office e-mail zionoffice@nrtco.net for online donations. You can still mail your cheque or arrange to drop off at the office. **Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR)** is another way to give weekly whether you're away or here. Contact the church office at 613-732-8792 for more information. Thank you for your prayers and continuing support. May God bless you and keep you safe,

Your treasurer, Gerry Vandersleen