

# Before Service Prayer

Come, O Spirit of God and make within us your dwelling place and home. May our darkness be dispelled by your light, and our troubles calmed by your peace; may all evils be redeemed by your love, all pain transformed through the suffering of Christ, and all dying glorified by his risen life. Amen.

"Night Prayer," Book of Alternative Services Supplementary, p. 62

# The Divine Service

The Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity *Divine Service, Setting Three* 

# Zion Lutheran Church

# Welcome

Finally, just after the Creed, during the Divine Service is the Sharing of the Peace. In most churches this humble and joyful moment of confession and forgiveness among those ready to be going to the Holy Supper has broken down into secular pleasantries about the weather, the parking, or the Bears (please substitute "Packers" here if family allegiance demands it). Knowing that this moment in the Divine Liturgy is meant for more – the real reconciliation of brothers and sisters of one Family who dare to approach the Holy Eucharist together to be reconciled to Jesus, and there leaving all sins behind – we gently and kindly and happily bid those around us the Peace of Christ, and after that is returned to us, we go forward to the Altar as one community forgiven all around.

Pastor Scott Bruzek

## We are very happy that you are here today!

At Zion, the bulletin and Lutheran Service Book (LSB) are both used to lead us through our worship. To help guide you during the service, below are some helpful tips.

- For each section of the Divine Service, the page number in the hymnal is listed in the bulletin on the right side of the page, i.e., LSB 184, which is found towards the front of the hymnal. All responses are sung unless they are printed in the bulletin.
- P indicates sections spoken by the Pastor. C indicates responses by the Congregation and will be in **bold print**.
- All hymns are listed in the bulletin with the name of the hymn and page number, i.e., *Thy Strong Word LSB* 578. They are also shown on the Hymn board at the front of the church.
- The *red text* in both the bulletin and the hymnal shows when the congregation should stand or sit during the Divine Service. The Pastor may also provide direction.

## A Special Welcome to Those with Young Children

At Zion we want families with children to feel at home.

- First, please relax and enjoy your time here. Jesus knows that children tend to wiggle and squawk a bit, so please don't feel embarrassed by it. Your children are welcome at Zion.
- To make it a bit easier on your family, please dare to sit toward the front where your children can easily see the front of the Church, note the colors, watch the pastor, wonder about the stained-glass windows above the altar and embrace the action at the altar. What Jesus does here promises to engage them.
- As we go, softly explain the Liturgy to your children, encouraging them to chime in on their parts: Amen! Lord have mercy! And with thy Spirit! I believe! Our Father! All of that belongs to them too.
- Be sure to sing and say and pray your parts too as you stand and sit. Your children learn by following your lead.
- If you and your child must leave, please hurry back. We want you and your children here very much.
- If you need a little help, just ask. There are lots of folks here who will lend you a hand.

Please know that while you are caring for your children, the rest of us will be rejoicing in Jesus' words, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these" (Luke 18:16).

We know that your children are a gift to the Church, so we will do our best to welcome, smile, encourage, help and bless you all. Welcome to Zion!



# Divine Service, Setting Three

# THE PREPARATION

#### **Processional Hymn**

The Church's One Foundation LSB 644

Stand

#### Invocation

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

# **Blessing of Vestments**

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord, .... sanctified by the Word of God and prayer.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.
- Let us pray.
  O Lord, ... through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.
- P The Lord Almighty, the Father, the ⅓ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless this chasuble.
- C Amen.

#### Confession of Sins and Absolution

LSB 184

# SERVICE OF THE WORD

## **Introit**

Psalm 119:1-2, 5-6; antiphon: vv.137, 124

- P Righteous are you, O LORD,\* and right are your just decrees.
- Deal with your servant according to your | steadfast love,\* and teach me your | statutes.
- P Blessèd are those whose way is | blameless,\* who walk in the law | of the LORD!

- Blessèd are those who keep his testi- | monies,\* who seek him with their | whole heart.
- P Oh that my ways may be | steadfast\* in keeping your | statutes!
- Then I shall not be | put to shame,\*
  having my eyes fixed on all your com- | mandments.
- Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
- Righteous are you, | O LORD,\* and right are your | just decrees.
- Deal with your servant according to your | steadfast love,\* and teach me your | statutes.

Kyrie LSB 186

Gloria in Excelsis LSB 187

# Salutation and Collect of the Day

LSB 189

Lord, we implore You, grant Your people grace to withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds to follow You, the only God; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Sit

# **Old Testament Reading**

Proverbs 25:6-14

The Old Testament reading for the Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity is from Proverbs, the twenty-fifth chapter.

<sup>6</sup>Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great,

<sup>7</sup>for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

What your eyes have seen

<sup>8</sup>do not hastily bring into court,
for what will you do in the end,
when your neighbor puts you to shame?

<sup>9</sup>Argue your case with your neighbor himself,
and do not reveal another's secret,

<sup>10</sup>lest he who hears you bring shame upon you,
and your ill repute have no end.

<sup>11</sup>A word fitly spoken
is like apples of gold in a setting of silver.

<sup>12</sup>Like a gold ring or an ornament of gold is a wise reprover to a listening ear.

<sup>13</sup>Like the cold of snow in the time of harvest is a faithful messenger to those who send him; he refreshes the soul of his masters.

<sup>14</sup>Like clouds and wind without rain is a man who boasts of a gift he does not give.

- This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Gradual Psalm 33:12,6

- Blessèd is the nation whose God | is the LORD,\* the people whom he has chosen as his | heritage!
- By the word of the LORD the heav- ens were made,\* and by the breath of his mouth | all their host.

**Epistle** Ephesians 4:1-6

The Epistle reading is from Ephesians, the sixth chapter.

<sup>1</sup>I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup>with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup>eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup>There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— <sup>5</sup>one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup>one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Stand

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

A member of the body which does not participate in the suffering of its fellow members must be dead.

Johann Gerhard, Sacred Meditations, Med.XXXVI

Triple Alleluia LSB 190

Luke 14:1-11 **Holy Gospel** 

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourteenth chapter.

<sup>1</sup>One Sabbath, when [Jesus] went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. <sup>2</sup>And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. <sup>3</sup>And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?" <sup>4</sup>But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away. <sup>5</sup>And he said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?" <sup>6</sup>And they could not reply to these things.

<sup>7</sup>Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, 8"When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, <sup>9</sup>and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give your place to this person,' and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. <sup>10</sup>But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. <sup>11</sup>For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

Nicene Creed LSB 191

Sit

Children's Message

Hymn of the Day

Seek Where You May to Find A Way LSB 557

Sermon Oneness with God, Oneness with One Another Ephesians 4:1-6

Stand

Offertory LSB 192

Sit

Offering

**Prayer of the Church** 

After each portion of the prayer:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

Stand

So, if you are presenting a sacrifice at the altar in the Temple and you suddenly remember that someone has something against you, leave your sacrifice there at the altar. Go and be reconciled to that person. Then come and offer your sacrifice to God.

**Matthew 5:23-24** (NLT)

# SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface
LSB 194
Proper Preface

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, [...] Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus Lord's Prayer Words of Our Lord Pax Domini Agnus Dei



LSB 195 LSB 196 LSB 197 LSB 197 LSB 198

#### Distribution

We at Zion Lutheran Church of Augsburg believe and confess along with the Holy Scriptures, that this bread and wine in the Sacrament of Holy Communion are truly the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, instituted by Christ Himself, for us Christians to eat and drink. The gifts of His physical body and blood are given in, with, and under the elements of bread and wine at the altar Those who are communicant members of a Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod congregation are welcome to commune at this altar with us. Other guests wishing to join our confession and receive this Holy Sacrament are asked to meet with the Pastor in the weeks before communing for the first time. Anyone not communing may still come forward, crossing their arms at the rail, to receive a blessing from the Pastor.

The apostle Paul encourages everyone coming to the Sacrament to examine him/herself (1 Corinthians 11:28-29). Ask yourself the following questions: 1) Are you aware that you are a sinner; and, are you sorry for your sins? 2) Do you believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord and in His words of promise in the Sacrament: "This is my body," "This is my blood"? 3) Also, do you intend with the help of the Holy Spirit to live as a forgiven, redeemed child of God, resisting the devil, saying no to sinful desires, and walking in the new life God provides?

Those communing this day are invited to pray the following:

# **Prayer Before Receiving the Sacrament**

O Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof; but speak only Your Word, and my soul will be healed. I will take the Bread of Heaven and call upon the Name of the Lord.

What shall I render unto the Lord for all that He has done for me? I will take the Cup of Salvation and call upon the Name of the Lord.

# **During the Distribution of the Sacrament**

The Lord was made flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory; glory as of the only-begotten Son of the Father, full of grace and truth. Amen.

# **Prayer After Receiving the Sacrament**

I live, and yet not I, but Christ lives in me. What we have received with our mouths, O Lord, let us keep with faithful hearts, that this Gift given us in earthly time may bring us to eternal salvation. Amen.

Abide with us, O Lord, that we may abide in You until the end; let not sin and need separate us from You, until we, through the strength of your Holy Sacrament, enter into heaven, and eternal blessings. Amen.

# **Distribution Hymns**

I Know My Faith Is Founded LSB 587 What Is This Bread? LSB 629

#### Stand

Nunc Dimittis		LSB 199
Thanksgiving		LSB 200
Post-Communion Collect		LSB 201
Salutation		LSB 201
Benedicamus		LSB 202
Benediction		LSB 202
Sit		
Recessional Hymn	Onward Christian Soldiers	LSB 662

# Life Together

## Pray as You Go

O Lord God, give us peace, for you have given all things to us, the peace of rest, the peace of the Sabbath, the peace without an evening. [...] Then also you shall rest in us, even as now you work in us, and so will that rest of yours be in us, even as these your works are through us.

**St. Augustine** (North African Bishop; 351-430 A.D.) *The Confessions of St. Augustine* 

# ♣ Soli Deo Gloria ♣

# SERVING IN THE DIVINE SERVICE

PREACHER
Rev. Joshua Ralston, Pastor
Earl Schrock

ORGANIST
Susan Colles
Robert Sims

ACOLYTE SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTRUCTORS
Aiden Kuretsch Angela Waldo, Chyral Sims, Tanya Schroeder

USHERS
Chuck Campbell, Rusty Dorn

SER VING NEXT SUNDAY - 10/20/2019

ACOLYTE Talia Paylor

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ALTAR GUILD

## Carrie Green, Kathryn Higgs

# THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

#### Persecuted Christians in:

Central African Republic

Algeria

Turkmenistan

Mali

Mauritania

#### Partner Church

Lutheran Church in Southern

Africa

#### Gift of Life

Dave and Sarah Anders (niece to Susan Colles)

## Comfort, Health, and

## Recovery

Harvey Maher Joyce Boswell Gary Daniels Tom Harms Rick Shott

Rev. Herb Swanson

Mary Ann Creamer (Aunt of Tanya Schroeder)

Ryder Locke (great grandson of Dave and Joyce Boswell)

Stephanie Hollinger (daughter of Gary Daniels)

Marla Steuber (wife of Dennis Steuber)

Amy Villalobos (sister-in-law of Katie)

Ray Roth

Glenda Schrock

Ruby Alexander (friend of Delores MeDaniel)

Carson Brown (friend of the Villalobos family)

Dianne McKissack (boss of Nikki Dorn) Lander Duvall (friend of Tony Waldo)

Lance Spence (friend of Katie Villalobos)

Marie Heiser

Joyce Mendenhall (friend of Susan Colles)

#### Homebound

Dorothy Birkhahn Joyce Boswell

Betty Bocksnick

Gwen Hale

Helen Rick

Kenneth Hottinger Sr.

Regina Steuber

#### Catechumens

Emory Kuretsch

Isabella Schroeder

Tatum Rion

Gavin Rion

Alison Waldo

Alivia Waldo

Chance Paylor

## Serving in the armed forces

Logan Kremers

Matthew Allen

Brian Rutledge

Trent Hale

Josh Imme

Christopher Stocking

Dale Ozment

When hospitalized, sick, needing prayer or absolution, contact Pastor Ralston any time at 501-454-0581.

# Z Life logether

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY OCTOBER 13, 2019

THE FRUITS OF OUR FAITH 10/06/2019

Present in Worship: 63 Children's Sunday School: 5 Adult Sunday School: 13

General Offering: \$2,155 Food Pantry: \$2,320

Fall Fest: \$125

Oh, give thanks to the Lord for He is good!

"FREELY YOU HAVE RECEIVED, FREELY GIVE."

Matthew 10:8b



GIFT TO LUTHER AN CAMP ON PETIT JEAN Thank you to Zion Lutheran Church of Augsburg, Ark., for the gift of beautiful white altar paraments and 100 hymnals (50 TLH and 50 LW) for use in Trinity Chapel. Members Susan Colles and Patricia and Dennis Ward delivered the gifts to camp.



# ADVENT PARAMENT UPDATE

Funds have been raised to pay for half of the new Advent paraments! Take a look at the chart in the Narthex to see the material and design. Prayerfully consider how much you can give to help replace Zion's altar paraments and vestments. If you have any questions, please visit with Susan Colles or Pastor Ralston.

# ZION'S CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 

→ October 13

9:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School

(Fellowship Hall)

Teen Bible Study (Fellowship

Hall)

Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Communion

12:15 p.m. Catechumenate

6:00 p.m. Elder's Meeting

Tuesday 

→ October 15

Wednesday + October 16

Thursday + October 17

Friday + October 18

4:00 p.m. Food Pantry Box Prep

Saturday + October 19

8:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. Food Pantry

Sunday 

→ October 20

9:15 a.m. Children's Sunday School

(Fellowship Hall)

Teen Bible Study (Fellowship

Hall)

Adult Bible Study (Fellowship

Hall)

10:30 a.m. Divine Service without

Communion

12:15 p.m. Catechumenate

## ADULT BIBLE CLASS INFORMATION

Why do Lutherans worship differently than other denominations? Are you curious why we do certain things in the liturgy – maybe make the sign of the cross, confess our sins, sing the Kyrie, or receive communion? Come to Adult Bible Class on Sundays at 9:30 to find out! Everyone is welcome to come as we explore our church's ancient liturgy together and grow in the love of Christ. Bring your questions as we learn how God promises to serve us!

## CATECHUMENATE

Classes have begun! If any child still wants to be in class, it's not too late to join! Adults who have not been confirmed but seek membership, contact Pastor Ralston to see if there are opportunities for individual catechesis, or adult confirmation class. Send an email to rev.jralston@gmail.com if you or a loved one is interested.

#### **BULLETIN INFORMATION?**

Please contact Phyllis Campbell by 9:00 a.m. Thursday morning to have your "blurb" in the upcoming bulletin.

Call/text: 501-725-1418

Email: officeassistant.zlc@gmail.com
Mailbox: drop a note in the mailbox by the

office door.



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#### **R** ESTROOMS

Restrooms are located in the Narthex outside of the Sanctuary and in the basement Fellowship Hall. Please see an usher if you need assistance.

#### **N**URSER Y

The Nursery is located in the Narthex outside of the Sanctuary.

#### CONGREGATIONAL MEMBERSHIP

New members are received by Baptism, Confirmation, Transfer, or Profession of Faith (after receiving Pastoral instruction). Please speak with Pastor Ralston for more details.

#### PASTORAL CONSULTATION

Pastoral Consultation based on the Holy Scriptures is available from the Pastor. Please speak with Pastor Ralston to make an appointment.

#### SICK AND HOMEBOUND

The sick and homebound are visited regularly by the Pastor with the Scriptures and Sacrament. Please contact Pastor Ralston if you know of any parishioner in need of pastoral visitation.

Pastor's Bible Study, Teen, and Children's Sunday School

Sunday School begins at 9:30 am. Anyone from confirmation age on up is welcome to attend Bible Study. Teen and Children's Sunday School is held **every Sunday** in the basement Fellowship Hall/Family Center (Ages 0 and up).

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