



# Zion

## Lutheran Church

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### ✠ Soli Deo Gloria ✠

#### Pastor

Rev. Joshua Ralston

#### Altar Guild

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#### Organist

Susan Colles

#### Acolyte

Bree Kuretsch

#### Trustee

Tony Waldo

#### Elder

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#### Ushers

Tony Waldo, Joe Grant,  
Isaiah Schlittenhart, Larry Williams

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### ✠ Life Together ✠

#### The Prayers of the Church

##### *Persecuted Christians:*

Sri Lanka, Colombia, Bangladesh, Palestinian Territories, Azerbaijan

##### *Partner Church:*

Evangelical Lutheran Church of Paraguay

##### *Comfort, Health, and Recovery:*

|               |                  |                    |
|---------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Betty Lynch   | Elizabeth Sharp  | Mildred Greathouse |
| Rick Shott    | Kathleen Kremers | Denise Styles      |
| Larry Debusk  | Cliff Dewveall   | Shirley Rock       |
| John Mullican | Deanna Gallagher | Don Guess          |
| Carl Adkisson | Sheryl Taylor    | Lance Spence       |

##### *Homebound:*

Betty Bocksnick, Glenda Schrock, Gwen Hale, Ray Roth, Charlie Callahan

*For those who mourn, especially the family and friends of:*

Deanna Gallagher

#### The Fruits of Our Faith – 09/08/2024

Worship Attendance: 73    Fall Fest: \$2,140.00    Offering: \$ 830.00

Adult Sunday School: 17    Children’s Sunday School: 9

#### **Altar Flowers**

The flowers adorning the altar are given by Susan Colles in celebration of congregants’ birthdays.

#### **Upcoming Meetings**

The Church Council will meet Tuesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM followed by a Fall Fest meeting at 7:00 PM.

#### **Food Pantry Next Weekend!**

Volunteers are needed to pack food boxes Friday morning, September 20<sup>th</sup>.  
Volunteers are also needed during Saturday’s distribution from 8 AM – 2 PM. Please let Chuck Campbell know if you can help. (501-725-1377)

#### **Church Clean-up**

Mark Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup> on your calendar for Church Clean-up Day! We will work from 8 AM to Noon. “Many hands make light work.”

#### **Fall Fest is Here!**

Fall Fest will be Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> and much help is needed!! Please let Rusty Dorn know how you can help with this worthy cause.

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## The Divine Service

Holy Cross Day (observed)



### Welcome

Those who wish to be saved should meditate on the cross of Christ, they should cling to the cross, they should carry their cross, mortifying their bodies (that is, concupiscence), and they should follow Christ in this world, who was once in the world. And now that he lives in eternity, they should follow him outside this world to live in eternity. And this is the singular and most true theorem of all religion: either we remain in this world, or we flee the world. The wisdom of worldly philosophy does not proclaim this; nor do the commentaries of the philosophers contain this....

For now Christ is no other than God and the most blessed Son of God in eternity. He was crucified for us, and then and now he was all-powerful and all-knowing. In him alone people ought to place all their wisdom, strength, and glory; they should boast in him alone. And thus God chooses things that are foolish, impotent, ignoble, contemptible, and things that are not, lest people think that they might boast in wisdom, power, nobility, and honor. But they should ascribe the only cause for boasting to God alone, and pay attention to him alone.

**Jacques Lefèvre d’Étaples,**  
Commentary on 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

**September 15, 2024 ✠ 10:00 AM**

**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.** Below are some helpful tips:

The starting page number in the hymnal is listed in the bulletin on the top of the tab, i.e., *LSB 184*, which is found towards the front of the hymnal. **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 *bold italic text* on the tab of the bulletin shows when the service continues with the information on the page to the right.

**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. 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. 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). Children's "Busy Bags" are located in the Narthex hallway for your convenience.



*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 invited to meet with the Pastor for Catechesis before communing. Anyone not communing may still come forward, crossing their arms at the rail, to receive a blessing from the Pastor.*

### Introit

*Psalm 98:1, 4, 6; antiphon: v.2*

- P** The Lord has made known his sal- | vation;\*  
he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the | nations.
- C** **Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done |  
marvelous things!\***  
**His right hand and his holy arm have worked salva- | tion for him.**
- P** Make a joyful noise to the Lord, | all the earth;\*  
break forth into joyous song and sing | praises!
- C** **With trumpets and the sound | of the horn\*  
make a joyful noise before the | King, the Lord!**
- C** **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.**
- P** The Lord has made known his sal- | vation;\*  
he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the | nations.

### Collect of the Day

Merciful God, Your Son, Jesus Christ, was lifted high upon the cross that He might bear the sins of the world and draw all people to Himself. Grant that we who glory in His death for our redemption may faithfully heed His call to bear the cross and follow Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### Gradual

*Isaiah 49:22a; John 3:14b-15*

- P** "Behold, I will lift up my hand to the nations,  
And raise my signal to the peoples," [says the Lord].
- C** **So must the Son of Man be lifted up,  
That whoever believes in him may have eternal life.**

### Readings for Holy Cross Day

Old Testament – *Numbers 21:4-9 (p.152)*  
Epistle – *I Corinthians 1:18-25 (p.1131)*  
Holy Gospel – *John 12:20-33 (p.1068)*

### Divine Service III

*LSB 184*

#### The Preparation

**Processional Hymn** #837

*Choir sings Stanzas, Congregation sings Refrain*

#### Invocation

**Confession & Absolution** p.184

#### Service of the Word

##### Introit

**Kyrie** p.186

**Gloria In Excelsis** p.187

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##### Gradual

**Epistle Reading** p.190

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#### Children's Message

**Hymn of the Day** #454

#### Sermon

**Offertory** p. 192

*Institution of New Members*

#### Prayer of the Church

#### Service of the Sacrament

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**Sanctus** p. 195

**Lord's Prayer** p. 196

**The Words of Our Lord** p. 197

**Agnus Dei** p. 198

#### Distribution Hymns

(#438, 633, 571)

**Nunc Dimittis** p. 199

**Thanksgiving** p. 200

**Post-Communion Collect** p. 201

#### Salutation & Benedicamus

**Benediction** p. 201

*Choir Recessional Hymn*