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The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost ~ September 8, 2019

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Psalm: Psalm 1
Old Testament: Deuteronomy 30:15-20
Epistle Reading: Philemon 1-21
Gospel Reading: Luke 14:25-35

Sermon: "Counting the Cost of Discipleship" Luke 14:25-35 Pastor Gless

8:00 AM Hymns:

"Father Welcomes" LSB 605
"Take My Life and Let It Be" LSB 783
"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" LSB 425
"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want [Sept Hymn of the Month]
"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" LSB 660

The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod belief about the Sacrament of the Altar:

(also called the Lord's Supper and Holy Communion)

What is the Sacrament of the Altar?

It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ [in, with, and] under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us Christians to eat and to drink. *(Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25)*

What is the benefit of such eating and drinking?

These words “given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins” show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation are given to us in the sacrament through these words.

Who receives the sacrament worthily?

The person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words “for you” require all hearts to believe. *(Martin Luther, Small Catechism).*

“We must never regard the sacrament as a harmful thing from which we should flee, but as a pure, wholesome, soothing medicine that aids you and gives life in both soul and body. For where the soul is healed, the body is helped as well. Why, then, do we act as if the sacrament were a poison that would kill us if we ate of it? Of course, it is true that those who despise the sacrament and lead unchristian lives receive it to their damnation... But those who feel their weakness, who are anxious to be rid of it and desire help, should regard and use the sacrament as a precious antidote against the poison in their systems. For here in the sacrament you are to receive from Christ's lips the forgiveness of sins, which contains and brings with it God's grace and Spirit with all his gifts, protection, defense, and power against death, the devil, and every trouble.” *Martin Luther Large Catechism*

FOR OUR GUESTS...

We are delighted to have all guests and visitors with us today! As we celebrate Holy Communion, if you have not yet been instructed in the faith, or if you hold to a faith different than the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, it is out of love that we would, for the moment, invite you to refrain from partaking of this meal until we have had a chance to talk with you about our beliefs and practices. If you desire to learn more about our practice of the Lord's Supper, you are invited to be a part of Zion's *Welcome to Worship* class which is held twice a year. In the meantime, please feel free to come forward for a blessing, placing your arms across your chest to let the pastor know you would like to receive that blessing. As our pastors desire to faithfully love and care for you, please respect our position of love on this matter. In addition to the individual cups, we also offer the **Common Cup** during the administration of the Lord's Supper. **Non-Alcoholic White Wine** is also available in the center portion of each communion tray. **Gluten free wafers** are available. Please request a gluten-free wafer from the pastor.

IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK, please include:

- *Those who are in God's care, especially our shut-ins*
- *Also for Pastor LeRoy LaPlant, Arlys Honebrink, Lorraine Thaemert, Dick Krahn, James Hagen, Carol Carlson, Lucille Farniok, Edna Ernst, Dolores Hoese, Kathy Ecklund, Myron Schuette, Lynn Zellman, Eldoras Schuette, Loren Splettstoesz, Barb Splettstoesz, Pastor Lucas Woodford, Matt Rahne, Ann Soderstrom, Ed Gless, Ralph Unglaub, Mary Hilgers, Joleen Guetzkow, Darlene Unglaub, Steve Kuenzel, Pastor Dean Mahlum, Jackie Mahlum, Duane Smith, Megan Thomas, Joan Schwartz.*
- *Blessings for those celebrating birthdays this week: 8-Brandon Dewald, Al Eggers, Joni Hedtke, Susan Klevann; 10-Chris Guetzkow, Mike Poppler, Alissa Thaemert, Milton Vollrath; 11-Micah Guthland; 12-Kristina Grossinger, Samantha Swartz; 13-Rex Guthland, Eric Hoese, Zachary Thaemert; 14-Cole Peters, Hazel Pohl, Jolene Pohl, Megan Thomas.*
- *Blessings for those celebrating anniversaries this week: 11-Jon & Jenny Maetzold (20); 12-Tom & Stacy Derner (27), Ralph & Norma Domras (55); 13-Eric & Jessica Boersma (16), James & Kelly Thaemert (22).*
- *Our missionaries: Pastor James May and Family (Lutherans in Africa), Seminarian Mark Peters & his wife Martha (nee Buckentin) (Fort Wayne), Seminarian Dale Krienke (Fort Wayne).*



PRAYER MINISTRY– Zion's Prayer Chain is available for your use! To initiate a prayer, please call one of the following contact persons: Arleen Hoese (657-1049), Marlene Jopp (657-2398), or Sharon Buckentin (657-2549). You may also use prayer cards (found in church pews) to request prayers from prayer chain or during Sunday worship.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING —Operating Fund (Church, School, LHS, Missions): **\$11,623.85; Help A Neighbor: \$100; Building Fund (Maint): \$250; Food Shelf: \$50.00.** *Honor the Lord with your wealth, and with the first fruits of all your income. Then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine." Proverbs 3:9-10.*

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Looking for more?

Sunday Large Adult Bible Class: Was it billions of grueling years or six very remarkable days? Join us for a five week study starting on Sunday, September 15 in the church basement in between services as we examine issues of creation, evolution, and God's Word in *Out of Nothing: The Word, Creation, and Faith*.

Sunday Small Adult Bible Class: *The Unlocked Door*. Short stories that illustrate various issues in life such as pride, loneliness and reaching out to others. This class begins September 22; class meets at Christ Corner.

Wednesday Night Ladies Bible Class: New York Times bestselling author Lysa TerKeurst unveils her heart amid shattering circumstances and shows readers how to live assured when life doesn't turn out like they expected. We meet Wednesday evenings, 7:15pm, at Christ Corner beginning Sept 18th.

Weekly Wisdoms

Life Thoughts in the Church Year—September 8 – Philemon viewed Onesimus as a slave (Philemon 16). The Apostle Paul knew Onesimus as a brother created, redeemed, and called by their one Lord Jesus. A clump of cells? A blob of tissue? A tumor and a parasite? Vegetative or better off dead? Definitely not! A human being! A fellow member of our sacred race! A bearer of God's own image! Precious treasure, gift and privilege, just like you!

Stewardship Moment: Luke 14:33 – “So therefore, any one of you who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.” None of what we have is ours – it all belongs to God. That is the foundation of Christian stewardship. What we have been given is to be used for God's purposes according to our callings in home, Church, and society. As we learn to give generously in these callings, we renounce our ownership of our wealth. It's not ours; it's His. God owns; we manage for the furtherance of His goals.

ZION EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our Sharing the Blessing produce table is ready for your extra fruit and vegetables. Feel free to bring some or take some home. A free will offering bucket is available but is not necessary. We rejoice that God has blessed us by providing an abundant harvest.



The Mission board will be auctioning off a beautiful queen size quilt TODAY during Rally Sunday! The quilt was made by Sharon Buckentin and machine quilted. Proceeds from the quilt will fund future Zion missions.

The Mission Board will be serving pulled pork sandwiches, coleslaw, and root beer floats at the Mayer Car & Cycle Nights on September 11th from 5pm-8pm. Please come out and support the mission board and check out the antique cars! Free will offering!

Zion LWML will meet Thursday evening at Zion, at 7:00pm. Denise Gustad, our LWML Zone delegate to the Nat'l LWML Convention in Mobile, will be with us, giving her report. A mite offering will be gathered. All ladies of Zion are welcome to attend.



F.A.I.T.H. event Hayride: The Board for Family Ministry would like to invite you to our next F.A.I.T.H. event, a Hayride and meal at John Vinkemeier's land by the river. Take County road 30 west to Union Avenue and then follow signs. It will start at 4 pm and go till 6:30 pm on September 28th. Family Ministry will provide the meal of hot dogs, chips, cider and s'mores. Any questions contact the office!

Volunteer needed!! Powerpoint Operator: We are currently in need of one Power-Point operator for the 10:30 service. Serve once every 6 weeks. Please let the office know if you are interested.

Zion Quilter's- Quilting will begin Tuesday, October 8th. Something to do for everyone. Please join us.



COMMUNITY EVENTS & MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Mark Lutheran Church in New Germany is inviting you to their Annual Pork Chop Dinner & Silent Auction on Sunday, September 8th. The pork chop dinner consisting of delicious pork chops, scalloped potatoes and corn and also the silent auction, run from 10:00am-1:00pm. The ticket price for the pork chop meal is \$11 for adults and \$5 for children 5-11 years.

“Did God Really Say?” is the theme of the 2019 Lutherans for Life Regional Conference this coming Saturday at Trinity Lutheran Church in Rochester from 9am to 3:30pm. One of the four speakers is Rev. Fred Hinz our MN South District Public Policy Advocate. His topic is “Abortion, Same-Sex Marriage, Transgenderism (and whatever comes next): Cutting Them Off at Their Root.” For additional information, please visit www.lutheransforlife.org

Learn about the Lutheran Hour-LHM Presentation and Supper—no charge! All are welcome! First Evangelical Lutheran, Glencoe. Sept 22, 5:00pm. Doors open at 4:15. A free will offering will be received for future KDUZ Radio Lutheran Hour Broadcasts. Replies (one week prior) are appreciated but not mandatory. 320-864-5522 or office@firstglencoe.org

Looking for a family friendly Christian movie to see and support at the local theater? “Overcomer” is playing another week in Waconia! High school basketball coach John Harrison and his team face an uncertain future when their town's largest manufacturing plant shuts down unexpectedly. As hundreds of people move away, John reluctantly agrees to coach cross-country, a sport he doesn't even like. His outlook soon changes when he meets Hannah Scott, an unlikely runner who pushes herself to the limit. Inspired by the words and prayers of a new friend, John starts to train Hannah for the biggest race of her young life.

ZION SCHOOL NEWS...

"Sharing Hope, Teaching Christ!"...

Zion's website www.zionmayer.org ~ Chapel Offerings for the first quarter go to: ***Families Moving Forward***. Chapel this week will be lead by Pastor Gless.



SALT SALES – If you are in need of salt, please use the salt sheets in the narthex, or call the school office, 952-657-2339. Thank you for your support!

Our 11th annual Walk-A-Thon will take place on Friday, Sept. 27th. The money raised supports our entire PTL budget for the year; supplementing school operating expenses, field trips, curriculum, and school projects. Our goal this school year is set at \$19,000. We are asking for your help in both donations and prayer for a successful event. Pledges can be turned in now, through Wednesday September 25, 2019. Please check your church mail box for more information and pledge forms. Thank you in advanced for all of your support.



SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS..

Rally Sunday—We're doing things a little different this year! Join us TODAY from 9:00-10:15 as we kick off Sunday School. We will be serving breakfast (egg bakes & caramel/cinnamon rolls!) and will have Sunday School signups! ALSO, learn about other ways you can assist at Zion. Come see and gather info about events and all that is happening at Church and how you can participate or volunteer in your congregation! We hope to see all of Zion attend!



SHARING HOPE—TEACHING CHRIST . . .

Happening at Zion during the week of Sept 8, 2019

Today:	Worship/Holy Communion	8:00 AM
	Rally Sunday	9:15 AM
	Worship/Holy Communion	10:30 AM
Wednesday:	Chapel	8:30 AM
	Midweek Catechesis	3:45 PM
	Junior Youth	5:00 PM
	Mayer Car Show	5:00 PM
Thursday:	Zion School Outdoor Education Day	
	LWML @ Zion	7:00 PM
Next Sunday:	Food Shelf Sunday	
	Worship/Holy Communion	8:00 AM
	Bible Class/Sunday School	9:15 AM
	Worship/Holy Communion	10:30 AM

SERVING THE LORD & HIS PEOPLE TODAY:

Worship Leader/Preacher: Rev. Adam Gless

Elder: Brad Quaas

Greeters: **Early:** Wally & Sharon Bucketin, Leon & Kathy Franke, Dale & Linda Kovar, Korinne Kramer

Late: Tom & Nancy Oltrogge, Eric Ernst, Ryan & Amber Stahlke, Grady & Melissa Jopp

Organist: Autumn Johnson

Acolytes: Allie Rasmussen Sam Shipler
 Julia Maetzold Madeline Guetzkow

Powerpoint: Micah Luecke Aron Peters

GIVING OPTIONS



Offering Envelopes



Online Giving



Mobile Giving



Text Giving



Auto Transfer