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The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost - August 14th 2022

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Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 23:16-29

Epistle Reading: Hebrews 11:17-12:3

Gospel Reading: Luke 12:49-56

Sermon: “Grace to Think” Rev. Gerald Schwanke

Hymns:

“Lord Jesus Think on Me” LSB 610

“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word” LSB 655

“Holy Spirit, Light Divine LSB 496 (August Hymn of the Month)

“Thy Word Is a Lamp” LSB 973

“Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord” LSB 637

“I Walk in Danger All the Way” LSB 716

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 Dolores Hoese, Eldoras Schuette, Jackie Mahlum, Joan Schwartz, Pastor Dan Heuer, Marge Hoese, Connie Dulas, Mary Hilgers, Ed Gless, Laura Guetzkow, Curt Lundeen, Helen Bunge, ReNaye Molnau, Delores Lenz.*
- *Blessings for those celebrating birthdays this week: 14-Gayle Guthland, Julia Lauseng; 15-Gerhardt Bucketin, Jolene Devine, Dale Kovar; 16-Mary Follett, Hannah Olson; 17-Doug Barfnecht, Carson Getten, Dale Hoese, Sharon Ziermann; 18-Payton Frantsen, Dave Trende; 19-Betty Barfnecht; 20-Diane Hoese, Chelsea Rademacher.*
- *Blessings for those celebrating anniversaries this week: August 14-Ryan & Amber Stahlke (18); 18-Andy & Angie Maetzold (21); 19-Mike & Sarah Bokenewicz (22); 20-Doug & ReNaye Molnau (34).*
- *Our missionaries: Pastor James May and Family (Lutherans in Africa), Seminarian Dale Krienke (Fort Wayne), Seminarian Mark Esser & his wife Paige (St. Louis).*



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 (952-200-4495), 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): **General Fund: \$ 19,093; Building Fund \$565; Help A Neighbor: \$1750.**

GIVING OPTIONS



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Donated: \$19,093
Goal: \$18,100

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Connected in Christ



Looking for more?

Sunday Adult Bible Class: in between services in the church basement.

Connected in Christ—Join us as we read through the Bible. Contact the office to be added to the email list. You will receive two emails a week; one with the weekly reading list and a weekly video devotion. Plus a Facebook group to keep us connected.

Weekly Wisdom

Stewardship August 14—Trinity 9 Luke 16:8 - “For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light.” The sons of this world know that they should use their wealth wisely to provide for their future. Shouldn't we “sons of light” know that the wealth God has allowed us to manage should be managed for God's purposes in the roles He has given us to play in Church, home, and society? Don't we have more to live for, more to work for, and more to give toward?

Life Thought - August 14 - Pentecost X (Proper 15) - Abortion, assisted suicide, and embryocidal experimentation deal in false prophecies and fraudulent promises. They advertise peace and escape but only deliver grief and guilt (Jeremiah 23:16-17). The Gospel of God's love and salvation for every human life cuts through (Luke 12:51) the tangles and tethers of the culture's lies (Hebrews 12:1). Faith in Jesus as Lord brings real liberty in His grace and true luxury in His favor.

Community Blood Drive—Wednesday, August 24th from 1:00 pm—7:00 pm. Mayer Community Center 413 Bluejay Avenue. Contact Lois at 952-657-2161 or visit RedCrossBlood.com—enter Mayer Community Center to schedule an appointment.

Feed My Starving Children-Save the date - October 8th. Zion has reserved 40 spots at the Chanhassen facility from 9:00—10:45 a.m. Sign up coming soon.



ZION EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mini-Sabbatical- Pastor Gless will be on vacation from June 19-July 4, and then he will be on a mini-sabbatical from July 5-August 15. During this time, if you are in need of pastoral care, please contact Pastor Mussell, Pastor Colgrove, or the congregational office. If you have questions regarding the mini-sabbatical, please contact any member of the mini-sabbatical accountability team: Eric Boersma, Wanda Honebrink, Brad Quaas, Ryan Schuette. Please continue to be in prayer for Pastor Gless and his family, as well as all of our faculty and staff and their families and our entire congregation that God would defend us all from the evil foe and keep us united in Jesus Christ.

Pastor Gless email- Please note that Pastor Gless will be using adam.gless@zionmayer.org when he returns from his sabbatical. All emails should be directed to that address effective today.

Directory UPDATE - If you ordered photos they are available in the Zion office for pick up. In your mailbox in the narthex you will find your directory listing. Please make any changes to your phone numbers, addresses, names etc. and place in the bin marked Directory Update. If you have not submitted a picture or would like to please e-mail them to the church office at church.office@zionmayer.org If there is information displayed on your directory listing that you do not want published please make sure to cross it out. The online/app portion of our directory will be available in early August. The print edition of the directory will not be available until Pastor Gless returns from his sabbatical.

Zion Sunday School will be starting September 11th and with that we are in need of Volunteers for the year. Areas of opportunities to Share Hope and Teaching Christ are: 1- Preschool Teacher, 1-K/1st grade teacher, 1- 2nd/3rd grade teacher, 1- 4th/5th grade teacher, 2-6/7/8th grade teachers, Substitute teachers, Craft Coordinator, Music Director, Christmas program facilitator, set-up of Sunday School classrooms (hoping for a rotation of people). If you would like to volunteer another way, please let me know as I have other opportunities to help also. Child registration forms are in the back of Church or on the Church website you can find to print or fill out google form. We are looking forward to an amazing year of sharing Jesus with the children of Zion! Contact Jessica Boersma Zion Sunday School Coordinator 605-695-9949 or zionmayersundayschool@gmail.com



Church Elevator—The elevator is out of order. The parts to repair the elevator will not be available until the middle of August. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Food Shelf Sunday is next Sunday, August 21 although donations can be brought any time to shelves in northeast corner of narthex. Current needs are: canned chicken, spaghetti, pasta, ready to eat stew and chili, spaghetti sauce (avoid glass), saltine crackers, 100% juice (shelf stable), and oatmeal packets. Financial donations are also welcome and are used to buy meat, milk, cheese, butter and eggs. Donations are delivered to Friends For Life food shelf in Watertown at the end of each month.

Zion Library Relocation

This week Zion volunteers relocated the library and repainted our “new” 2nd grade classroom. Thanks to the Josh, Katie, Jack, Lucas, Reid and Annalyse Baumann, Mrs. Thun, Mrs. Shipler, Mrs. Carlson and Brianna Guse!



ZION SCHOOL NEWS...

"Sharing Hope, Teaching Christ!"...

Zion's website www.zionmayer.org

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!

Job Postings:

Teacher Aide:

Zion Lutheran School in Mayer is seeking a part-time teacher aide. This part-time position would involve around 25-30 hours a week. A full job description is available in the school office. Interested candidates should fill out an application and submit to joshua.baumann@zionmayer.org. Any questions can be directed to Mr. Joshua Baumann at 952.657.2339.

Pick up your Zion Lutheran School Cookbook today! The Cookbook features over 200 taste-tempting favorite recipes from Zion Lutheran School's students and staff. Orders can now be placed - \$20 for 1 book; additional books are \$15. These can make great gifts. The order form is in the back of church and cook-books can be picked up in the school office.



Classroom Painting Crew the library is almost a classroom!

SHARING HOPE—TEACHING CHRIST . . .

Happening at Zion during the week of August 14th



Today:	Worship	8:00 AM
	Bible Class	9:15 AM
	Worship	10:30 AM
	Catechesis Meeting	11:45 AM
Wednesday:	Staff Meeting	9:00 AM
	Office Closed 8-1	
	Catechesis Meeting	7:00 PM
Next Sunday:	Food Shelf Sunday	
	Worship	8:00 AM
	Bible Class	9:15 AM
	Worship	10:30 AM

Office Hours: Monday—Thursday (8am - 4pm)

SERVING THE LORD & HIS PEOPLE TODAY:

Worship Leader/Preacher: Rev. Andrew Mussell/Rev. Gerald Schwanke

Elder: Brad Quaas

Ushers: LuAnn Kirchoff, Bruce & Judy Hoese, Robert Luecke
Harvey & Betsy Ziermann, Al Heuer

Organist: Wanda Honebrink

Acolytes: Ellie Shipler

PowerPoint: Jack/Lucas Baumann

Livestream Operator: Dale Kovar

Next Weeks Readings: Isaiah 66:18-23, Hebrews 12:4-24, Luke 13:22-30