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The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost - August 28th, 2022

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Old Testament Reading: Prov. 25:2-10

Epistle Reading: Hebrews 13:1-17

Gospel Reading: Luke 14:1-14

Sermon: "Watching Jesus Carefully" Rev. Adam Gless

Hymns:

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

"Where Charity and Love Prevail" LSB 845

"Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face" LSB 631

"Jesus Comes Today with Healing" LSB 620

"God of Grace & God of Glory" LSB 850

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, ReNaye Molnau, Delores Lenz.*
- *Blessings for those celebrating birthdays this week: August 28-Peter Lenz; 29-Bill Devine, Scott Hoese; 30-Taylor Boyum; 31-Matthew Goede, Wyatt Roepke, Laurie Trende; September 1-Travis Wasser; 2-Katie Baumann; 3-Shelly Grimm, Heather Olson, Jeff Quiram, Kelly Thaemert, Tyler Trende.*
- *Blessings for those celebrating anniversaries this week: August 30-Adam & Karrie Maetzold(8); September 1-Robert & Jennifer Tucholke(15); 3-Darin & Rhonda Bjerke(28)*
- *Our missionaries: Pastor James May and Family (Lutherans in Africa), Seminarian Dale Krienke (Fort Wayne), Seminarian Mark Esser & his wife Paige (St. Louis).*
- *Zion Lutheran School Faculty and Staff on the start of the 2022-2023 school year.*



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.

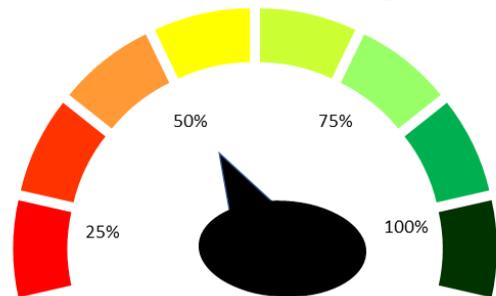
LAST WEEK'S OFFERING —Operating Fund (Church, School, LHS, Missions): General Fund: \$ 9,324 ; Building Fund \$265; Help A Neighbor: \$50.

GIVING OPTIONS



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Weekly Offering



Donated: \$9,324
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 28 – Proper 17 Luke 14:11 – “For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.” The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: that’s called humility. The Lord is God and we are not. With that in mind, how could we not seek to follow His Word in all aspects of life? He knows what He is talking about and we don’t. If you believe that, then striking out on a path of faithfulness in the realm of stewardship is a lot easier: it just makes sense.

Life Thought - August 28 – Pentecost XII (Proper 17) – “It is the glory of God to conceal things” (Proverbs 25:2), like the sanctity of life hidden behind surprise pregnancy or terminal diagnosis. “The glory of kings is to search things out,” like the sanctity of life beheld in embryos and elderly ones. Our own souls embody little children (Psalm 131:2), and angels inhabit the needs of strangers (Hebrews 13:2). If rescuing pets brings relief (Luke 14:5), what rejoicing will be ours in defending our endangered neighbors?

Church Elevator—The elevator is out of order. Sorry for the inconvenience. We have no update on when the elevator will be back in service.

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

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A48A5AE2BA0F49-feed>



ZION EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.



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

Food Shelf



Friends For Life Food Shelf—Zion donated 100 pounds of food, to Friends For Life food shelf. Thank you to all that participated.

This next month they would like: oatmeal, canned fruit (peaches, pears, mixed), tooth-

brushes, toilet paper, mac & cheese boxes, canned tuna or chicken, small packages of mashed potatoes, and pasta. The food shelf drop off is in the back of the narthex. Thank you!!

Zion Master Facilities Plan Meetings

Zion's Building Committee has recommended, and the Leadership Council has approved a proposed Master Facilities plan to bring to the Voters of Zion. We will be holding 3 meetings to walk through it, and answer any questions you may have.

Meeting 1 - Tuesday, August 30 at 6:30pm in the sanctuary

Meeting 2 - Thursday September 15 at 6:30pm in the sanctuary

Meeting 3 - Thursday September 22 at 6:30pm in the sanctuary

The first meeting will be the most in depth, with no decisions taken. Meeting 2 will build on the first, and meeting 3 will hopefully result in decisions to approve the plan and continue moving forward for our future generations of Zion.

Please direct any questions to Gerry Thomas, Eric Boersma, Brad Quaas, Josh Baumann, or Pastor Andrew.

Walk—A—Thon Zion Lutheran School is excited to announce our fourteenth annual Exercise for Education Walk-A-Thon. This fundraiser for the 2022-2023 school year will be held on Friday September 30th 2022. The money raised supports our entire PTL budget for the year: supplementing school operating expenses, field trips, curriculum, and school projects. This year a portion of the funds raised will go towards future building additions. Our goal this school year is set at \$21,000. We are asking for your help in both donations and prayer for a successful event. Pledges can be turned in now, through Monday September 26th, 2022. Thank you in advanced for all of your support.

Donation Information:

- Checks should be made payable to Zion PTL.
- Include a note with the walker's name and grade if applicable.
- Mail donations to: Zion Lutheran School, Attn: Walk-a-Thon, 209 Bluejay Ave., Mayer, MN 55360.

Please note that your canceled check will be the record of your contribution to Zion Lutheran School.



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!



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 cookbooks can be picked up in the school office.

New Teaching Staff:

Barb Laabs is the 5th-grade homeroom teacher at Zion, and primarily teaches Reading, Literature, and ELA in the upper grades. Barb grew up in Wayzata, MN and graduated from Concordia-St. Paul with a degree in Elementary Education. She has taught grades 5 - 8 at several Lutheran schools in Carver County and the Twin Cities. Barb is grateful for the opportunity to share her faith throughout the school day. She also enjoys building relationships with her students and sharing her love of reading. She and her husband live in Waconia and enjoy spending time with their three grown children and one granddaughter.

Paul Erdman is the 7th grade homeroom teacher at Zion and teaches Math, Science, Social Studies and Computers. Paul grew up in southern Minnesota in the Mankato/Lake Crystal area. He received a bachelor's degree from Minnesota State University, Mankato in Geography with an emphasis in Meteorology and Physical Geography. He later received a Master of Arts in Teaching from Hamline University, St. Paul. Paul is married to Diane and together they have three wonderful children: Luke, Adam, and Lauren. Paul's family currently lives in Minnetrista, and are members of Zion Lutheran Church in Mayer.

SHARING HOPE—TEACHING CHRIST . . .

Happening at Zion during the week of August 28th



Today:	Worship	8:00 AM
	Bible Class	9:15 AM
	Worship	10:30 AM
Tuesday:	Town Hall Meeting	6:30 PM
Wednesday:	Chapel	8:30 AM
	Elder's Meeting	7:00 PM
Friday:	Office Closed	
Next Sunday:	Worship	8:00 AM
	Bible Class	9:15 AM
	Worship	10:30 AM
Monday:	Office Closed—Labor Day	

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

SERVING THE LORD & HIS PEOPLE TODAY:

Worship Leader/Preacher: Rev. Andrew Mussell/Rev. Adam Gless

Elder: Wally Buckentin

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

Organist: Wanda Honebrink

Acolytes:

PowerPoint: Boersma Family

Livestream Operator: Boersma Family

Next Weeks Readings: Deut. 30:15-20, Philemon 1-21, Luke 14:25-35