



ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH
210 North Wayne Street
Saint Mary, Ohio 45885

August 2, 2020
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

ATTENTION ALL WORSHIPERS AT ZION

My friends in Christ: Because of the Coronavirus, we have made some changes in our worship procedures for the health and safety of all who worship at Zion. If you are a visitor, we really are glad you are worshiping with us today and we do not wish to appear to be unfriendly, but your health and safety are our concern as well, and we hope you will understand why we may not shake your hand.

- Instead of shaking hands or giving hugs at the Passing of the Peace, greet your neighbor verbally.
- Instead of holding hands for the "Post-Communion Blessing" we will simply stand as it is given.
- I will not be in back on your way out of service so people can exit out of the church with ease.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Bill

Setting 10

PRELUDE *Blessed Assurance* arr. Wagner

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG *"I Love to Tell the Story"* Insert

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.

We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done
and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.

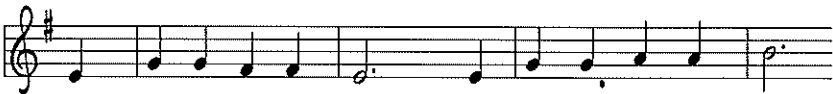
Amen.

- P** In the mercy of almighty God,
 Jesus Christ was given to die for us,
 and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.
 As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ,
 and by his authority,
 I therefore declare to you
 the entire forgiveness of all your sins,
 in the name of the Father,
 and of the + Son,
 and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

GREETING

- P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ who grants us life eternal, the glory of the Father who created us in love, and the power of the Holy Spirit who forgives and renews our life, be with you all.
- C:** And also with you.

KYRIE



- 1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
- 3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
 Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
 Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!



1 Come, let us join our cheer-ful songs with an-gels round the throne;
 2 "Wor - thy the Lamb that died," they cry, "to be ex - alt - ed thus!"
 3 Je - sus is wor - thy to re-ceive hon - or and pow'r di - vine;
 4 Let all cre - a - tion join in one to bless the sa - cred name



ten thou-sand thou-sand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.
 "Wor - thy the Lamb," our lips re - ply, "for he was slain for us!"
 and bless-ings, more than we can give, be, Lord, for - ev - er thine,
 of God who sits up - on the throne, and to a - dore the Lamb.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Insert

FIRST READING

Isaiah 55:1-5

Insert

PSALM 136:1-9

Insert

SECOND READING

Romans 9:1-5

Insert

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

P The holy gospel according to Saint Matthew the 14th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Bill

HYMN OF THE DAY *"Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty"* Insert

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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P Lord in your mercy...

C Hear our prayer.

PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

SPECIAL MUSIC

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Cherwein

DIALOGUE

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P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places, give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God. You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your eternal glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION SONG



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
 e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION

P The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

C Amen.

COMMUNION HYMNS

"O Living Bread from Heaven"

Insert

"We Come to the Hungry Feast"

Insert

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Holy and Eternal God, you have fed, nourished, and forgiven us at your holy table. Send us now into the world to share the good news of your salvation with all we meet, in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

BLESSING

P Pray in the Spirit at all times so that you may discern the will of God. Keep alert as you walk in faith. Speak with the boldness of the apostles who came before you so that all might know the good news. And may the Lord bless you and keep you, now and forever, in the name of the Father, the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit. (Ephesians 6)

C Amen.

SENDING *"What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine"* Insert

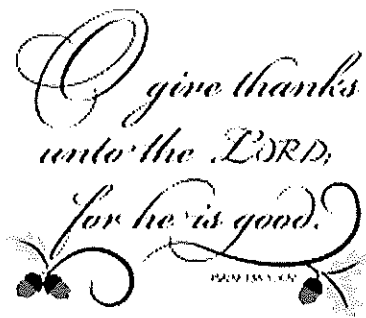
DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE *Festive Flight* Martin

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***Happy 70th
Birthday
Mark!***

*The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God in celebration of
Mark Torsell's 70th birthday on August 5, by his Family.*

Today, August 2*

Acolytes: Kirstyn Opperman, Chloe Gibson

Communion Assistants: Mark & Connie Torsell

Dan & Cheryl Macklem

Crucifers: Carrie Stetler, Kendra Rothe

Ushers: Jeanne Wurster, Bob Hinschlager

Doug Stetler, Keith Fledderjohann

Greeters: Becky Harvey, Sandy Wierwille

Joni Immenschuh, Sandy Wierwille

Readers: Dora McAfee, Samantha Ackroyd

Next Sunday, August 9*

Acolytes: Elias Poe, Genevieve Brown

Ushers: Rhonda Weaver & Deb Henning

Sandy Wierwille & Dan Macklem

Greeters: Judy Schultz & Vic Von Blon

Deb & Gary Orr

Readers: Allison Brady, Kathy Lampert

**Subject to change, correct as of time printed*

ATTENDANCELast Wednesday: 32
 Sunday 8:00: 41, 10:30: 26, Total for Day: 67
 Total for Week: 99
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Calendar for August 2-16, 2020

S/2	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service*
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service*
M/3	5:00 p.m.	Elder's Meeting
T/4	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
	6:00 p.m.	Trustee Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Council Meeting
W/5	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Information Deadline
	6:30 p.m.	Wednesday Worship*
T/6	9:00 a.m.	Workday
S/9	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service
T/11	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
W/12	9:30 a.m.	Women's Council Meeting
	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Information Deadline
	6:30 p.m.	Wednesday Worship
T/13	9:00 a.m.	Workday
S/16	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service*
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service*
	2:00 p.m.	Confirmation Makeup Day

**Holy Communion*

Memory Verse

Matthew 14:18

And he said, "Bring them here to me."

We invite you to include the following people in your daily prayers: Larry Wilkins, Janet Dicke, Tanner Fortman, Judy Von Blon, Marvin Opperman, Juli Clark, Brent Paulus, Jo Ann Cooper, Becky Olberding, Adam Poe, Judy Howell, Terry Teeters, Debbie Fishbaugh, Rob Poe, Bob Lutz, Kevin Schipman, Sandi Deerhake, Lisa Sergent Tackett, Connie Claybaker, Gary Katterheinrich, John Hesse, Nancy Bruns, The Jacobs-Harding Family, the Family of Bernice Axe, the Family of Lori Storer, and all those living with or around the Corona virus.

Please pray for Sean Lawler, Andrew Johnson, Michael Carroll, Eli Handy, Nathan Adams, Jacob Yahl, Brad Platt, Jason Gross, Daniel C. Lukac, IV, and Kyle Schmehl who are in the service. Please pray for them, their family, and their safe return home.

We welcomed into the Zion Church family Wednesday tonight Ed and Judy Flora by Affirmation of Faith.

Ed and Linda Yahl would like to thank you for your cards and your presence at their Open House in honor of their 50th Anniversary.

Our loose offerings each Sunday and Wednesday for the month of **August** are earmarked for Filling Home of Mercury in Napoleon, Ohio.

Confirmation Makeup Day: To complete the Confirmation instruction that was interrupted by COVID-19, we have scheduled

a makeup session for **Sunday August 16**, from 2pm till 6pm. Pizza and pop will be provided.

Workday continues every Thursdays in **August**. We will be knotting blankets and making up Health, School and Baby kits. We will be working on them from 9:00 a.m. to around 11:30 a.m.

There is an updated needs list for NALC Disaster and LWR items we are collecting in this bulletin.

Agape Ministries School Supply Drive is now going on. Lists of supplies they are looking for are on the bulletin board in the alley entrance. If interested in helping with this project, please take a list.

Women: Registration is now available online for the Annual Women's Gathering at WNALC.org. Scroll to bottom. Also, you will be able to download your packet of materials from this same site.

The Gospel Tent will again be at the Auglaize County Fair. Check out the bulletin board for the lineup.

Can you play an organ, flute, etc or sing a solo? Volunteer to play or sing special music during the service by calling Merilee at 419-953-9046.

Our 8 a.m. worship service is broadcast live on WCSM radio 96.7 FM. Thank you to our primary sponsor of our WCSM radio broadcast—St. Marys Chrysler. Volunteers are needed to help with the sound board. No experience needed! Anyone interested in running the sound board during worship will be trained. We would like to have more people for rotation purposes. Contact the church office, 419-394-3115, or Pastor Bill if you can help.

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Weekly Needs	Budget Y-T-D	Received 7/19	Offerings Y-T-D	On Hold
Current \$6,529	\$202,399	\$3,296	\$173,411	\$0
NALC Benev. \$290	\$8,990	\$55	\$3,040	
Bank Balance as of 7/26:		\$63,805—Includes Payroll Protection Plan Funds		

Listening for the Promise

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost - August 2, 2020

“Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.”

- Isaiah 55:1 -

At the orphan care project in Malawi, Africa, where I have spent many weeks over the course of several journeys, there is a miracle of a well off to the side of the primitive community hall. The small village where the kids come to eat and learn about Christ has a plot of land which is called “Kanyenyeva Orphan Care Ministry.” There are no signs to help one find it, yet every single person in the village knows exactly where it is and what goes on there. It is the site of a well that anyone can come to in order to fill up their buckets and pans. The water is clean and cold and refreshing. It’s also free and available for all who thirst.

Before there was a well in Kanyenyeva, there was large muddy water hole with an opening that led down a steep hill right into murky, fly infested, stagnant water. The elephants drink from there when they come down from the hills. The dogs and other animals that wander by take a drink from this dirty water. They also do their “business” near or in the water. This used to be the only source of water for miles that was available to those who were not Muslims. The Muslims in the village have a nice well. It pumps clean, clear water, but if you are not a Muslim, you are not permitted to draw water from the well, no matter how parched you might be. I’m not sure how that is enforced but somehow it is.

About 10 years ago, money was raised to drill a well for everyone on the KOCM property. When the foreman and his crew brought all of the big, heavy equipment, they drilled and drilled to no avail. As the foreman was about to call it quits, the women of the village were nearby praying. They begged for him not to stop. They were so convincing that the foreman started his machinery up again with the caveat, “I have been doing this work for 25 years and I can tell you for certain: there is NO water here!” The women continued to pray, confident that God would provide this much needed spring of life. As the process commenced, it wasn’t long that water began to gush up to the surface! What a joyous day that was! God came through for his people again and everyone, no matter their religion or lack thereof, is invited to come and draw water from the well in Kanyenyeva!