



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

September 6, 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

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PRELUDE *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* Wilson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG *"Come, We That Love the Lord"* Insert

P In joy and thanksgiving we begin our worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son +, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Let us take time to reflect on our deep need for God's forgiveness and mercy in our lives. (Psalm 32:1)

(Silence for self-reflection and examination)

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.

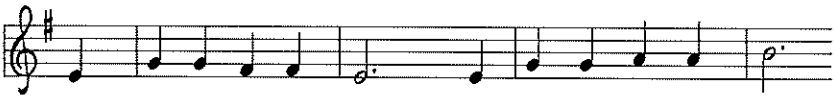
Amen.

- 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

Ezekiel 33:7-9

Insert

PSALM 32:1-6

Insert

SECOND READING

Romans 13:1-10

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 18th 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 *"Children of the Heavenly Father"*

Insert

NICENE CREED

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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

Meditation on "How Great Thou Art"

Carter

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.

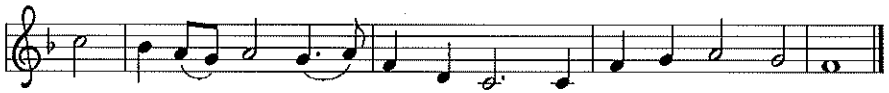
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

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

"Break Now the Bread of Life"

Insert

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

Insert

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Gracious God, you have gifted us with the bread and wine of this holy meal; fed us with the body and blood of your Son our Lord; forgiven us and granted us new life in Christ. Make us bold to go out in the world, serving in your name as you lead us unto paths unknown.

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

"Earth and All Stars"

Insert

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

The Spacious Firmament on High

arr. Balcombs

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Memory Verse

Matthew 18:4

Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.



Happy
Anniversary!

*The Altar Flowers are given to the
Glory of God in honor of
Mark & Connie Torsell's
48th Wedding Anniversary
on September 9th.*

Today, September 6*

Acolytes: Genevieve Brown, Bennett Glass

Communion Assistants: Mark & Connie Torsell

Dan & Cheryl Macklem

Crucifers: Morgan Hesse, Clara Poe

Ushers: Jeanne Wurster & Chris White, Kermit Hecht & Darl Bishir

Greeters: John & Amy Hesse, Joni Immenschuh & Sandy Wierwille

Readers: Linda Decker, Stan Brown

Next Sunday, September 13*

Acolytes: Veronica Mertz, Kirstyn Opperman

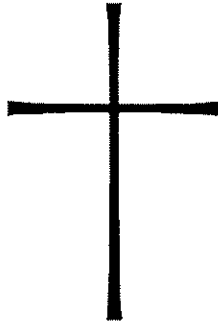
Ushers: Rhonda Weaver & Deb Henning

Sandy Wierwille & Dan Macklem

Greeters: Becky Harvey & Sandy Wierwille, Gary & Deb Orr

Readers: Donna Decker, Sheila Westrick

*Subject to change, correct as of time printed



Happy are those whose
transgression
is forgiven,
whose sin
is covered.

PSALM 32:1, NRSV

ATTENDANCE Wednesday: 32
..... Sunday 8:00: 41, 10:30: 46, Total for Day: 87
..... Total for Week: 119
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Calendar for September 6-20, 2020

S/6	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service*
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service*
M/7	Office Closed to Observe Labor Day	
T/8	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
W/9	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Information Deadline
	6:30 p.m.	Wednesday Worship*
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
S/12	9:00 a.m.	Men in Mission Bible Study
S/13	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service*
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service*
M/14	7:00 p.m.	Sola Online Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship Study
T/15	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
	3:30 p.m.	Newsletter Article Deadline
	7:30 p.m.	Youth Board Committee Mtg.
W/16	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
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
	7:00 p.m.	James Bible Study
T/17	9:00 a.m.	Workday
	2:00 p.m.	James Bible Study
S/20	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service*
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School

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, Jack Rouhier, Carol Singleton, Don Deitsch, Carla Sprague, Kevin Schipman, Sandi Deerhake, Lisa Sergent Tackett, Connie Claybaker, Gary Katterheinrich, Dylan Koenig, Bonnie Binkley, Rob Poe, Bob Lutz, Janice Daugherty, Rick Moyar, Nancy Vogel, Harold Knatz, Stephanie Lukac & baby, John Hesse, Barbara Franks, Phyllis Lutterbeck, 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.

Our loose offerings each Sunday and Wednesday for the month of **September** are earmarked for North West Ohio Mission District.

A thank you to Emily Poe for playing flute for special music last Sunday.

Labor Day, Monday, September 7, the church office will be closed.

The Zion Women's yearly elections will take place after each of the services on **Wednesday, September 9**, and **Sunday, September 13**. The names on the ballot for Chair are Jane Hiles and Nora Staunton; the names on the ballot for Secretary are Deb Brown and

Sandy Wierwille. Pastor will introduce each of them at the services on the day of the voting process. Women will be given a ballot when entering the church, and then they can place the ballot in the box upon leaving the service.

Women's Fellowship will start back up on **Monday, September 14**, at 7 p.m., in rooms 101-105 (across from All-Purpose Room). They will continue their study. If you would like to join this group and do not have a book, please let the office know so a book can be ordered.

Date Change: The Bible Studies starting in September will now be Wednesday Evening - **September 16**, at 7 p.m., or Thursday Afternoon **September 17**, at 2 p.m.

Sola would like to see if there is interest in doing a collaborative online Bible Study. The book would be "Not My Will, But Yours" and Pastor Steve King would lead it with us coming alongside the rest of the group in Zoom. The only cost would be the book. They are thinking of Monday evenings at 7p.m., for six weeks, beginning the first Monday in October, **October 5**. Pastor Bill plans to participate in this study. If you are interested, please call the church office, 419-394-3115, or mark your "I Worshiped Today".

Sunday School Update: This year we will *not* be kicking off our Sunday School year in September. Date has not been determined yet.

Annual Congregational Meeting Update: Our annual meeting will be held in the sanctuary on **Sunday, November 1**, from 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Due to the COVID 19 virus and all its restrictions, the Women of Zion have cancelled their plans for hosting the 70 & Over Dinner this fall. The dinner was originally scheduled for Sunday, October 4.

Our Men in Mission are collecting supplies for flood buckets. This is a year-round project, to have buckets available for when a disaster happens. *Flood Buckets and Supplies:* 1 Gallon of Bleach, 3 Black Trash Bags, Cleaning Liquid (Murphy's, Pine Sol, Etc.), Comet, Scrub Brush, Dust Masks (N-95), and Gloves. The buckets and lids have been supplied for you. The list of items to fill the bucket are taped to each bucket. Pick up a bucket and fill it with the required supplies and return it to the church.

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.

We would like to remind you that we offer electronic giving for when you can't make it to church. Electronic giving offers convenience for our members and much-needed donation consistency for our congregation. You can visit the church website at www.zionstmarys.org, locate the donation link on the homepage and follow the instructions.

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**Committee Chairperson*

Weekly Needs	Budget Y-T-D	Received 8/30	Offerings Y-T-D	On Hold
Current \$6,529	\$228,515	\$4,655	\$201,873	\$0
NALC Benev. \$290	\$10,150	\$55	\$9,375	
Bank Balance as of 8/31:				
		\$61,622—Includes Payroll Protection Plan Funds		