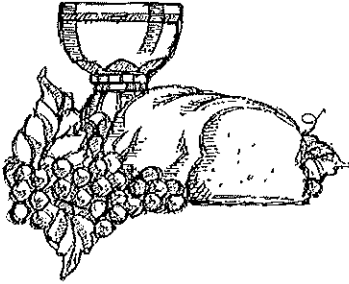


HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE



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

October 4, 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

Trust & Obey

Powell

*When We Walk with the Lord in the light of his Word
What a Glory He sheds on our Way*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG

“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

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.

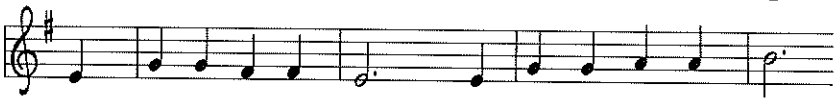
Amen.

- 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

Isaiah 5:1-7

Insert

PSALM 80:7-18

Insert

SECOND READING

Philippians 3:4b-14

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 21st chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Matthew 21:33-46

Insert

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Bill

HYMN OF THE DAY *"Lord of Glory, You Have Brought Us"* Insert

HOLY BAPTISM OF SOPHIA LENORA SACHER (8:00) Insert

NICENE CREED (10:30) Page 104

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

O Jesus I have promised

Powell

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

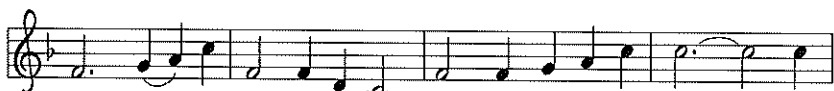
P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places, give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God. You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God, ever to be adored 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

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

Insert

"Just As I Am, without One Plea"

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 *"The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"* Insert

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE *Day of Joy* Denton

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Memory Verse

Matthew 21:43

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people producing its fruits.

Anniversary Wishes



The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God in honor of Dwayne & Ruth Hoenie's 50th Wedding Anniversary on October 3rd. A pair of roses have also been placed on the altar in honor of their anniversary.

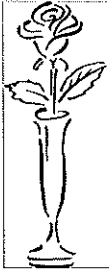


Flowers
in Memory of...

A set of Chancel Flowers are given to the Glory of God in memory of Greg Weaver whose birthday is October 4, by his wife, Rhonda.



A set of Chancel Flowers are given to the Glory of God in honor of Sophia's baptism.



The baby rose is in honor of the birth of a son, Zane Clayton, to Alex and Jill Lampert

THE BABY ROSE

We recognize God's miracle of life as we place the Baby Rose on our altar and remember the family in prayer.

The Baby Rose begins life as a small bud, gradually unfolds and grows to a beautiful flower, ever looking upward to the Lord. May the life of this child grow in the Lord, so that love and faith may be evident to all who come near the child. May the rose remind the parents that although God has given them this child, it is not theirs to keep, but theirs to love, nurture, and teach until the Lord calls that life home to Him.

Today, October 4*

Acolytes: Zoey Henning, Aiden Meinerding

Communion Assistants: Connie & Mark Torsell
Darl Bishir, Ann Maki

Crucifers: Morgan Hesse, Savannah Slater

Ushers: Deb Henning, Bob Hinschlager
Keith Fledderjohann, Dan Macklem

Greeters: Steve & Dora McAfee
Cheryl Macklem & Sandy Wierwille

Readers: Dora McAfee, Kayla Cisco

Next Sunday, October 11*

Acolytes: Jake Ackroyd, Genevieve Brown

Ushers: Connie & Mark Torsell, Kermit Hecht & Dana Cook

Greeters: Ryan & Brandy Yahl

Joni Immenschuh & Sandy Wierwille

Readers: Allison Brady, Ruth Hoenie

*Subject to change, correct as of time printed

ATTENDANCE.....	Wednesday: 28
.....	Sunday 8:00: 37, 10:30: 39, Total for Day: 76
.....	Total for Week: 104
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Calendar for October 4-18, 2020

S/4	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service*
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service*
M/5	5:00 p.m.	Elders' Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Sola Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship Group
T/6	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
	6:00 p.m.	Trustee Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Council Meeting
W/7	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Information Deadline
	6:30 p.m.	Worship*
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
T/8	2:00 p.m.	James Bible Study
S/11	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service
	4:00 p.m.	Community Worship Service/Memorial Park
M/12		Columbus Day/Office Closed
	7:00 p.m.	Sola Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship Group
T/13	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
	6:45 p.m.	Trust Meeting
W/14	9:00 a.m.	Women's Council Meeting
	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Information Deadline
	6:30 p.m.	Worship*
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class

	7:00 p.m.	James Bible Study
T/15	9:00 a.m.	Workday
	3:30 p.m.	Newsletter Article Deadline
S/18	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service*
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service*

**Holy Communion*

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, Adam Poe, Judy Howell, Debbie Fishbaugh, Jack Rouhier, Carol Singleton, Don Deitsch, Carla Sprague, Dylan Koenig, Bonnie Binkley, Rob Poe, Bob Lutz, Janice Daugherty, Sandi Deerhake, Kim Peyton, Pastor Tim Smith, John Hesse, Peggy Dubois, the Family of Robert Young, Family of Carolyn Crouch, Family of Terry Teeters, Family of Barbara Vogel, Families of Erin Rammel, 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 **October** are earmarked for Operation Christmas Child/Samaritan's Purse.

Christian Sympathy to the Family of Carolyn Crouch, mother of Brenda Henning and the Family of Barbara Vogel, sister-in-law to John Vogel.

Thank you

- from Jake Sharp: Thank you very much for your kind donations toward my Eagle Scout project. This will be a huge milestone for me, and I appreciate the support to help me get there.
- from Jerry Greber: I want to thank you for all the nice cards you send me. They are always so pretty and what you write is so nice. I always appreciate getting them.
- from Ruth Warner: Thank you all for the cards. They gave me a lift in my “social distancing.”
- from Kay Lauth to the Women of Zion for the food following her father’s funeral.

We welcome into the Family of God Sophia Lenora Sacher, daughter of Sarah Torsell and Andrew Sacher today by baptism.

The remote Sunday School bags are ready! They can be picked up from under the table in the narthex. The tubs are marked by age groups.

The Quilt of Hope from the Auglaize Crisis Center is being displayed today. October is domestic violence awareness month.

The Sola Bible Study books are in. They can be picked up in the office and are \$9 a book. Participants can gather in the sanctuary at 7 p.m. on **Monday, October 5** or participate from home. If you plan to participate from home, please let Pastor Bill know. He will send the sign in information by email so make sure he has your email.

Block Party Tent Revival will take place at Memorial Park on **Sunday, October 11**, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Pastor Bill will be one of the speakers. For more information, please check out the insert included with this bulletin.

The James Bible Study will be back on its' normal schedule of the second Wednesday and Thursday of the month. They will be **Thursday, October 8**, at 2 p.m. and **Wednesday, October 14**, at 7 p.m.

On Columbus Day, Monday, October 12, the office will be closed.

The Flower Chart is available on the bulletin board by the alley entrance. We invite you to select the date you wish to provide flowers. On the Tuesday before the date you selected, order your arrangement from your favorite florist, and contact the church office, 419-394-3115, to let us know what information you would like included in the bulletin. Dates still available for 2020: **October 18, November 22, and December 6 & 13.**

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.

Portals of Prayer, a devotional for individuals or families, are now available on the table in the narthex.

The Warm Winter Coat and Glove Drive has begun and will run thru **Sunday, November 1**. Once again Agape Ministries will be collecting New & Gently used winter coats and this year, they will also be collecting NEW waterproof winter gloves. We have a barrel for collection. They can also be dropped off at Agape Ministries but

please let them know it is for the coat drive and not to be sold in the store.

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 9/27	Offerings Y-T-D	On Hold
Current \$6,529	\$254,631	\$4,311	\$222,810	\$0
NALC Benev. \$290	\$11,310	\$110	\$9,700	
Bank Balance as of 9/6:		\$65,199—Includes Payroll Protection Plan Funds		

Listening for the Promise

Weekly Devotional

Pentecost 18 - October 4, 2020

"If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more..."

- Philippians 3:4-

Do you remember the song, "It's Hard to Be Humble," by Mac Davis? Even if you weren't alive in 1974 when this record was released, you've probably heard it on the radio. The country singer crooned, "O Lord it's hard to be humble, when you're perfect in every way," and, "to know me is to love me...". It's a silly song, however, certainly we know people who actually think this way about themselves.

St. Paul wrote to the church in Philippi saying that he had every reason to be proud of himself. If salvation came by works of the flesh, he had a resume that was sure to impress: circumcised on the eighth day according to the Law, a Benjaminite, a good Hebrew when it came to following the Torah, a Pharisee full of zeal, and blameless when it came to righteousness. Who can compete with that? No one! And, that's not the way it works with Jesus anyway. (Thanks be to God!)

Instead of singing, "It's hard to be humble when you're perfect in every way," St. Paul was saying, "I count all of that as loss for the sake of Christ." Just sit with that sentiment for a moment. In a world where success means more money, more possessions, more status and power, it is quite countercultural to be of the mind of Christ, "who though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming

obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross” (Philippians 2:6–8).

Salvation comes through the cross of Christ alone. Our human desire is to be noticed, rewarded for our efforts, praised even. But humility and servanthood is the way of the cross. We can laugh at Mac Davis’ song, and then we can recognize that his words bear witness to our lack of humbleness. There was only one who was perfect in every way, and he was the epitome of self-emptying humility. (He would never have dared to sing such a tune!)

All the accomplishments we can put on our resume are nothing if we do not have Christ in our lives. He is our treasure and our greatest gift. Amen.

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