



**Zion Lutheran Church**

210 North Wayne Street  
Saint Mary, Ohio 45885

**August 21, 2022**  
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

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Setting 10

PRELUDE

*Abide with Me*

Park

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING OF BACKPACKS

P At this time anyone wishing to have their backpack blessed for the upcoming school year may bring it forward and set it down at the rail.

P The new school year is upon us and our children will be returning to the classroom to continue their education. They will have books and papers and calculators and homework and permission slips, along with many other school and personal items, they will have to carry with them throughout the school year.

Backpacks have become the preferred method of transporting and storing items to and from school. They have become essential for all school age children to have and use.

**C O Lord, today we seek your blessing upon these backpacks, set aside to assist our young folks in their educational efforts. Keep all the items carried within protected from the elements and help them stay organized for use. May the homework carried within be completed as their best work, and may their efforts be a witness to faith in you as they strive to be your good and faithful servants.**

P In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, these items are now blessed and consecrated for the 2022-2023 school year. Amen.

## CONFESSIO AND FORGIVENESS

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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.

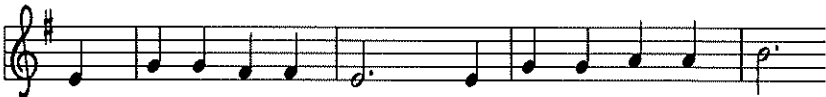
Amen.

- 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**

- L 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

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## FIRST READING

Isaiah 66:18-23

Insert

## PSALM 50:1-15

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## SECOND READING

Hebrews 12:4-29

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## 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 Luke the thirteenth chapter.  
C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Luke 13:22-30

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P The gospel of the Lord.  
C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Bill

HYMN OF THE DAY

*"For the Beauty of the Earth"*

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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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L Lord in your mercy...

C Hear our prayer.

PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

OFFERING

*Quiet Rest*

Turner

OFFERTORY RESPONSE HYMN

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Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



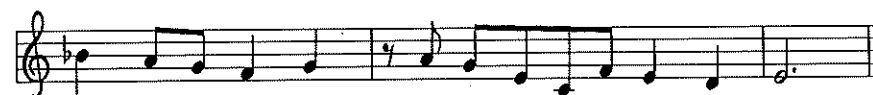
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

## OFFERING PRAYER

L Benevolent God, you have granted us in abundance all the good things that life has to offer. May we be truly grateful for our daily bread, even as we return a portion of what you have first given us as a sign of our humility and thanksgiving for your bounteous gifts. Let the treasures we have received from you be used to serve the world you love.

C **Amen.**

## DIALOGUE

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P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

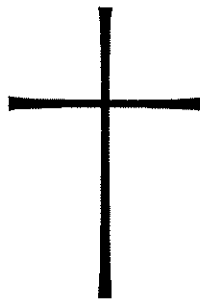
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

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, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



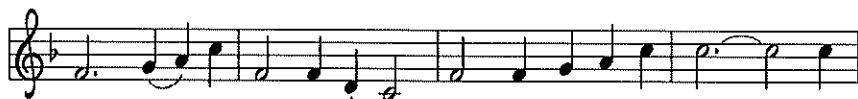




Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



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

*"We Come to You for Healing, Lord"* #617

*"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"* #502

## POST COMMUNION BLESSING

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

L Let us pray.

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 The Lord bless you and keep you,  
The Lord make his face shine on you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor  
And give you peace.

C Amen.

**SENDING**                    *"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"*                    #858

**DISMISSAL**

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord

C **Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**                    *Grace Greater than our Sin*                    McKibben

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**Memory Verse**

**Hebrews 12:14**

*Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord.*



Happy  
Birthday!

*The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God in honor of Brent Paulus' birthday on August 5<sup>th</sup> and Teresa Paulus' birthday on August 23<sup>rd</sup> by Alexa & Jeremy Kemmann.*



*A pair of roses have been placed on the altar in honor of Neil & Joyce Cook's 61<sup>st</sup> Wedding Anniversary on August 19<sup>th</sup>.*

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***Today, August 21\****

- Acolytes:** 8:00 AM: Makenna Meinerding  
10:30 AM: Will Ross
- Communion** 8:00 AM: Chris White  
**Assistant:** 10:30 AM: Cheryl Macklem
- Crucifers:** 8:00 AM: Morgan Hesse  
10:30 AM:
- Ushers:** 8:00 AM: Jeanne Wurster, John & Amy Hesse,  
Jody Slemmons  
10:30 AM: Dwayne Hoenie, Sandy Wierwille,  
Stan & Debbie Brown
- Fellowship** 8:00 AM: Joyce Finke  
**Table:** 10:30 AM: Sandy Wierwille
- Greeters:** 8:00 AM: Judy Schultz, Vic Von Blon  
10:30AM: Sandy Wierwille, Joni Immenschuh
- Readers:** 8:00 AM: Steve McAfee  
10:30 AM: Stephanie Ross

***Next Sunday, August 28\****

- Acolytes:** 8:00 AM: Aiden Meinerding  
10:30 AM: Megan Miller
- Ushers:** 8:00 AM: Judy Schultz, Jeanne Wurster,  
Rhonda Weaver, Deb Henning  
10:30 AM: Sandy Wierwille, Darl Bishir, Dana Cook,  
Keith Fledderjohann
- Fellowship Table:** 8:00 AM: Deb Henning  
10:30 AM: Bill & Marilyn Nedderman
- Greeters:** 8:00 AM: Ed & Linda Yahl  
10:30AM: Dwayne & Ruth Hoenie
- Readers:** 8:00 AM: Dora McAfee  
10:30 AM: Dan Macklem

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

ATTENDANCE ..... Last Wednesday: 21  
..... Sunday 8 a.m.: 43, 10:30 a.m.: 52, Total for the Day: 95  
..... Total for the Week: 116  
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## Calendar for August 21—September 4, 2022

S/21	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service**/Blessing of Backpacks
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service*/Blessing of Backpacks
M/22	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Court of Honor
	8:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Committee Meeting
T/23	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
W/24	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Information Deadline
	6:30 p.m.	Worship*
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Parent & Student Meeting
Th/25	3:30 p.m.	Council Report Deadline
	6:00 p.m.	Creative Crafters
S/27	7:00 p.m.	Tri-Squares
S/28	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service <sup>+</sup>
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School Class
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service
T/30	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
W/31	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Information Deadline
	6:30 p.m.	Worship
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class & Acolyte Training
S/4	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service <sup>+</sup> **
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School Class
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service*

*\*Holy Communion*

*\*Livestreamed on [zionstmarys.org](http://zionstmarys.org) & broadcasted on WCSM 96.7*

**We invite you** to include the following people in your daily prayers: Janet Dicke, Judy Von Blon, Brent Paulus, Sandi Deerhake, Alma Kuffner, Caleb Yahl, Mark, Michael Moore, Tom Kaster, Kason Thobe, Ann Morris, Ken Ankerman, John & Katie, Darlene Henkener, Margaret Moore, Deb Ranly, Linda Diers, Mike, Bernie Shaddock, Ron Suchland, Diane (Applegate) Swartz, Pastor Phil Gagnon, Courtney Spencer, Brandye Patterson, Dave Felwisch, Beth Olberding, Eileen Zimmerman, Bill Nuss, Mark Torsell, Bruce Pannabecker, Kristin Hemmelgarden, Emily Henkle, Gene Kuck, Lillian, Mary Willmann, Edward Adams, Janine Loyer, Family of Don Maxwell, John Hiles, Joan Stetler, Brenda, Ginny Loyer, Merilee Miller, Family of Susan Tomberlin, Family of Joyce McCann, Family of Sandy Suchland, Family of James Lauth, and Members of Wayne Street United Methodist Church.

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

**Christian Sympathy** to the Family of Don Maxwell, brother-in-law to Alma Kuffner and the Family of Sandy Suchland, sister-in-law to Bob Suchland.

**Thank you from the Trustees** for all the help from the Women of Zion for washing the windows and sills, in anticipation of the installation of the new blinds. Thank you very much for offering to help out with this project.

**The loose offering** for the month of August is earmarked to support Filling Home. Filling Homes is a faith based not for profit organization that provides services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Henry, Fulton, Williams, and Defiance Counties. There are 42 Lutheran Church congregations in

Northwest Ohio and Southeast Michigan which comprise the corporate membership of Filling Memorial Home of Mercy Inc. For more information on Filling Home, check out the August Newsletter.

**Ushers Needed:** Please sign up on your "I Worshiped Today" if you are able to serve your church in this way. Please circle which service you would like to be an usher at. Thank you!

**We have 3 school desks** under the coat rack we no longer use. If you would like one or more, you are welcomed to them.

**Bible Study:** The Wednesday night, Thursday afternoon study group will be studying the Book of Jeremiah. Cost of the study book is \$12. Deadline to order is **Monday, August 22**. Please let Becky Harvey know or mark your "I Worshiped Today" if you want to order a study guide. The first Thursday afternoon study will be **September 8**, at 2 p.m. and the first Wednesday night study will be **September 14**, at 7 p.m. Both groups meet in the lounge.

**Confirmation Classes** will start for students in the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade on **Wednesday, August 24**, 7 p.m., with a Parent/Student meeting in the Auditorium.

**Creative Crafters** will meet on **Thursday, August 25**, at 6 p.m., to make a pair of decorative pillowcases. This project will be led by Bonnie Binkley. There is a choice of different patterns, and they would make nice gifts. The cost is \$10.

**Sunday School Kick-Off!** If you attended VBS this summer, you will continue to grow in friendship with Jesus with the Hay Day! Sunday School kickoff on **September 11**, at 9:15! Don't worry! If you didn't get to attend VBS this summer, you will be up to your elbows in farming fun as we explore our friendship with Jesus! We



will plow through hog wild games, moo-sic and more! Get moo-ving on the morning of September 11 and join us in the Auditorium!

**Crossroads Sunday School** begins meeting on September 11, at 9:15 in the Lounge. Crossroads is a multi-generational Sunday School (9<sup>th</sup> grade thru Adult). We use DVD's to assist us with our topics. On September 11<sup>th</sup> we will begin a 5-week examination of "*The Case for Heaven [and Hell]*" – by Investigative Journalist Lee Strobel, a former atheist, who will discuss the evidence for Life after Death. The sessions are: 1. *Can We Really Know There's a Heaven?* 2. *What's the Evidence for Heaven?* 3. *What will Heaven Be Like?* 4. *Is There Really a Place Called Hell?* 5. *How Do We Live with an Eye on Eternity?*

**The September craft** is a quilted table runner. Miriam Johns will instruct us on how to make a table runner using a "Quilt-As-You-Go" method. The class will be held on **Sunday, September 11**, at 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$10. Look for these projects on the table in the Narthex and sign up in the book for the projects you wish to do.

**The Pastor's Monday night Bible study** will resume on **September 12**, at 7 p.m. in the All Purpose Room. We will examine the question "Is the Bible Really the Word of God?" There are 8 sessions: 1) *The Speaking God*; 2) *Writing the Bible*; 3) *Manuscript Evidence*; 4) *The Word Made Flesh*; 5) *The Canon of Scripture*; 6) *Understanding the Bible*; 7) *Battles for the Bible*; and 8) *Drifting from the Word*. *There is additional materials and maps as well. It should be very interesting, and all are welcome.*

**Women's Fellowship** will start meeting on **Monday, September 12**, at 7 p.m. They will continue their study on the book of Genesis.

**The carpet** is being replaced in the sanctuary and has been replaced in the Chapel. There is still a balance of \$500 left to fund the carpet project. Earmark your check or offering envelope with “carpet” to help fund this project. The drapes will also be replaced throughout the building with blinds. The blinds project is fully funded. Bids have come in for the electrical work in the kitchen and auditorium. Approximately \$1400 will be needed to complete this project.

**We have installed equipment** for livestreaming of our worship services. The worship services can be found on our Facebook page. Volunteers are needed to help with recording each of the services. Please contact the church office, 419-394-3115, or Pastor Bill about this new ministry.

**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.

<b>Weekly Needs 33 Week</b>	<b>Budget Y-T-D</b>	<b>Received 8/14</b>	<b>Offerings Y-T-D</b>	<b>On Hold</b>
Current \$6,068.75	\$200,277	\$6,126	\$171,883	\$0
NALC Offering \$290	\$9,570	\$142	\$4,571	
Bank Balance as of 8/15:				
		\$75,613		

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