

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH  
210 North Wayne St  
Saint Marys, OH 45885

**October 8, 2023**  
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.



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Setting 3

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**PRELUDE**                      *I Need Thee Every Hour*                      Osman

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GATHERING SONG**                      *"We Walk by Faith"*                      #635

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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**

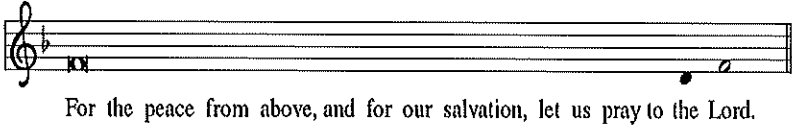
L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ who grants us life eternal, the glory of the Father who created us in love, and the power of the Holy Spirit who forgives and renews our life, be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

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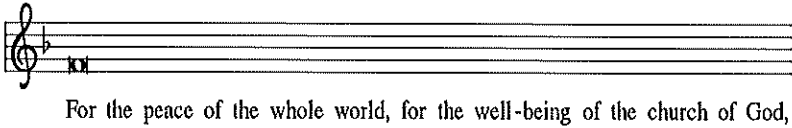
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



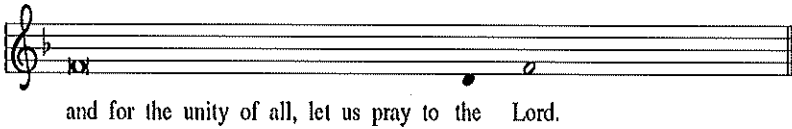
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



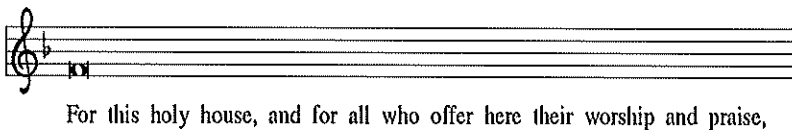
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



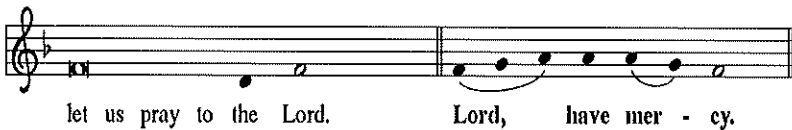
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



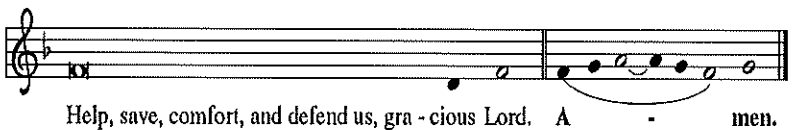
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



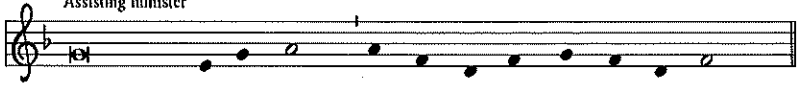
let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

# CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



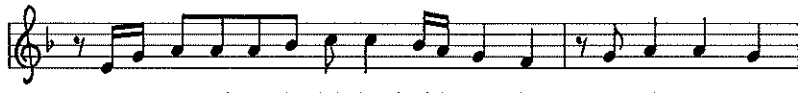
we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

**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**



Al - le - lu - ia, Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

**P:** The holy gospel according to St. Matthew the twenty-first 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** *"Take My Life, That I May Be"*

#685

**NEW MEMBER (10:30)**

Insert



**APOSTLES' CREED (8:00)**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**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**

**OFFERTORY**

*Be Thou My Vision*

CONGREGATIONAL SONG

*Create in Me a Clean Heart*



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right



spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take



not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of



your sal - va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Lord God, we give you thanks for the wondrous gifts you have so freely given us. You are the source of our lives, our work, and our possessions. In an act of worship we offer back to you what you have first given to us, that our sacrifices in some small way, might express our devotion to you and be used to spread the Good News of Christ to the world. We pray this in the strong name of Jesus.

C: Amen.

“Create  
in me a  
clean heart,  
O God,  
and put a  
new and right  
spirit  
within me.”  
Psalm 51:10

## LORD'S PRAYER

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.

## BLESSING

L: 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 SONG    *"If You But Trust in God to Guide You"*    #769

## DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE                      *Go Ye Into All the World*                      Turner

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## Memory Verse

## Isaiah 5:7

*For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah are his pleasant planting; and he looked for justice, but behold, bloodshed; for righteousness, but behold, an outcry!*





The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God in honor of Pastor Bill's 19<sup>th</sup> anniversary here at Zion by the Pastor Support Committee.



The Chancel Flowers are given in memory of Greg Weaver's birthday, by his family.



**Today, October 8\***

- Acolytes:** 8AM: Maylee Fischbach  
10:30am: Cason Meinerding
- Ushers:** 8AM: Judy Schultz, Joyce Finke,  
Rhonda Weaver, Deb Henning  
10:30AM: Dwayne Hoenie, Sandy Wierwille,  
Mark & Connie Torsell
- Fellowship Table:** 8AM: Kraig & Miriam Johns  
10:30am: Stanley & Debbie Brown
- Greeters:** 8AM: Ed & Linda Yahl  
10:30AM: Cheryl Macklem, Sandy Wierwille
- Readers:** 8AM: Linda Decker  
10:30: Ruth Hoenie

*Next Sunday, October 15\**

- Acolytes:** 8AM: Noah Torsell  
10:30am: Hunter Coldiron
- Communion Assistants:** 8AM: Jody Slemmons  
10:30AM: Allison Ackroyd
- Crucifers:** 8AM: Genevieve Brown  
10:30AM: Aiden Meinerding
- Ushers:** 8AM: Jody Slemmons, Dora McAfee,  
Doug Stetler, Jeanne Wurster  
10:30AM: John & Amy Hesse, Darl Bishir,  
Dan Macklem
- Fellowship Table:** 8AM: Jody & Marilyn Slemmons  
10:30am: Craig & Kathy Miller
- Greeters:** 8AM: Linda Yahl, Sandy Wierwille  
10:30AM: Dwayne & Ruth Hoenie
- Readers:** 8AM: Steve McAfee  
10:30: Dwayne Hoenie

\* Subject to change, correct as of time printed

ATTENDANCE ..... Last Wednesday: 20  
..... Sunday 8 a.m.: 53, 10:30 a.m.: 65, Total for the Day: 118  
..... Total for Day: 138  
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## Calendar for October 8-22, 2023

S/8	8:00 a.m.	Worship+
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School/Muffins with Mom
	10:30 a.m.	Worship
M/9		Columbus Day/Office Closed
	7:00 p.m.	Pastor Led Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship Bible Study
T/10	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
W/11	9:30 a.m.	Women's Board 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.	Women's Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	Th/12	12 Noon
	2:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
S/14	9:00 a.m.	Men in Mission Bible Study
S/15	8:00 a.m.	Worship+*
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship*
	6:30 p.m.	Underground
	M/16	3:30 p.m.
	7:00 p.m.	Pastor Led Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship Bible Study
T/17	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
	6:45 p.m.	Trust Meeting
W/18	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.	Choir Rehearsal
Th/19	9:00 a.m.	Workday
	12 Noon	Middle School Bible Release Time
S/21	10:00 a.m.	Auditorium in Use
S/22	8:00 a.m.	Worship+
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship
	1:30 p.m.	Creative Crafters: Halloween Pocket Pillow

*\*Holy Communion*

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



**We invite you** to include the following people in your daily prayers: Janet Dicke, Judy Von Blon, Brent Paulus, Sandi Deerhake, Alma Kuffner, Michael Moore, Tom Kaster, Ann Morris, Darlene Henkener, Margaret Moore, Ronald Suchland, Don Diers, Linda Diers, Paul White, Ruth Schreffler, Vicki Bishir, Emily Henkle, Alan Bishir, Maria, Baby Athena, Kristin Hemmelgarn, Mary Willmann, Pastor Wilck, Lisa Suchland, Kelsey, Eileen Zimmerman, Bill & Carolyn Slemmons, Mark Torsell, Don Mertz, Donna Maynard, the Family of Shawn Schoen, Family of Thomas Grunden, Family of Kathy Manbeck, Debbie Parker, Tracy Anderson, Family of Rebecca Downey, and the Family of William Sutton.

**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 Tom Grunden, the Family of Rebecca Downey, sister to Brenda Henning, and the Family of William Sutton, father of Billie Newsome, Amanda Scott and Amy Berner.

**We welcome** into our Church Family today Jeremie Houser by Affirmation of Faith.

**Thank you** to Pastor Maki for the beautiful service and to the Women for the great job on the dinner. *The Grunden Family*

**Items were picked up** last week for NALC Disaster. Thank you to all who donated, helped assemble kits and those who helped load the NALC disaster trailer.

**The 70 and Over Fellowship Dinner**, Sunday October 1st was a great success. 30 guests attended, 2 carry outs, and 8 helpers. Sheriff Mike Vorhees talked about current scams to beware of and how to react to them. Thanks to all who helped to make the dinner a fun event.

**The results of the election** for Zion Women's Council are: Vice-President, Rhonda Weaver and Treasurer, Dianne Uhlenhake. Congratulations! Their terms will begin 1/1/24. Thank-you to those who ran for office and who voted!

**The loose offering** for the month of **October** each Wednesday & Sunday is earmarked to defray the shipping costs for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes.

**The office** will be closed on **Monday, October 9**, in observance of Columbus Day. The office will reopen on Tuesday on regular hours.

**Choir** will start **Wednesday, October 11**, at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

**The Angel of Hope Committee** will reveal and dedicate the Angel of Hope located in Gethsemane Cemetery, St. Marys on **Sunday, October 21**, at 10 a.m. The dedication of the Angel of Hope at the Gethsemane Cemetery is open to any parent, grandparent, or family member that has experienced the death of a child either before or after birth and regardless of the age of the child. The angel statue honors the lives of all children gone too soon and serves as a place of hope and healing for parents, families, and friends dealing with the loss of a child.

**The Creative Crafters** will be making a Halloween Pocket Pillow. We will meet in the all-purpose room on **Sunday, October 22**, at 1:30 p.m., for this project. The \$15 fee will include all supplies, fabric, pillow form and thread. A pillow is on display in the Narthex, sign up in the notebook if you plan to attend.

**Warm Winter Coat & Gloves Drive:** Agape is accepting donations of New & Gently Used adult and children's winter coats and new winter waterproof gloves until **Tuesday, October 31**. Drop off coats in the barrel provided in our portico or take them to the Agape Client Services Building, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday. If dropping the coats off at Agape Thrift Store, you must specify it is for the Warm Winter Coat Drive.

Our **Annual Congregational meeting** will be held on **Sunday, November 5**, at 11:45 a.m., in the auditorium. Please plan to attend. A light lunch will be served.

**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 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.

**We would like to remind** you that we offer electronic giving as a way to automate your regular weekly offering. Electronic giving offers convenience for our members and much-needed donation consistency for our congregation. There are two ways to set-up electronic donations. You can visit the church website at ...locate the donation link and follow the instructions or, if you wish, you can simply complete a paper authorization form and return it to the church office. As you contemplate future contributions, please consider electronic giving. Authorization forms and additional information are available from the church office.

**Shop Til Your Drop:** Thrivent Financial for Lutheran is encouraging the church branches to do new projects and not repeat past projects. As a result, the long standing project "Shop Til You Drop" is no longer funded by Thrivent. If you have gone shopping with us in the past and have enjoyed helping needy youth in our community at Christmas through "Toys for Tots", we encourage you to " earmark" your gifts or donations for this project.

Weekly Budget	40 Week Budget	40 Week Income	Received 10/1
\$6,133--Current	\$245,320	\$220,335	\$5,389
\$290--NALC Offering	\$11,600	\$11,201	\$100

## Council Organization 2023

*President: ..... Neal Brady*

*Vice President: ..... Cheryl Macklem*

*Secretary: ..... Jeanne Wurster*

*Assistant Secretary: ..... Genevieve Brown*

*Treasurer: ..... Stanley Brown*

*Assistant Treasurer: ..... Andrew O'Bryan*

**COUNCIL AT LARGE:** Pete Ackroyd, Stan Brown, Thelma Kellermeyer, Cheryl Macklem, Andrew O'Bryan, Doug Stetler

**BOARD OF DEACONS:** John Hesse, Dwayne Hoenie, Dan Macklem, Judy Schultz, Jody Slemmons, Dianne Uhlenhake, Rhonda Weaver, **Jeanne Wurster\***, Ryan Yahl

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