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AUGUST 6, 2023

ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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TRINITY 9

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Today's Worship

Order of worship: Setting Three with Holy Communion - p.184

Hymns: 730; 781 vs. 1-2; 645; 575

Ushers serving in August: Mark Suckow & John Wohltman
Reserve: Dalton Roedl

We welcome our visitors in the name of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ! We pray that your time of worship with us today will be a blessing to you. Please introduce yourself to our members and our pastor. If you are interested in learning more about Zion, membership, or our teachings, please don't hesitate to speak with Pastor Manley or an Elder.

In Our Prayers This Week

In need of healing: Heather Davis, Darren Feldkamp,
Florence Leppin, Howard Voelker

Serving in the military: Cole Stuemke, Brandon Voelker

Imprisoned: Alex Beccue



Happy Birthday to Matthew Manley today (08/06), Ellie Conway on
Wednesday (08/09), and Lloyd Alwardt on Thursday (08/10)

Happy Anniversary to Dennis & Mary Stuemke on Wednesday (08/09)

August Birthdays & Anniversaries*

Myrna Suckow (14th), Morris Suckow (20th),
Allison Conway (31st), Melissa Voelker (31st)

HOLY COMMUNION: *The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.*

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive this sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LYF ICE CREAM SOCIAL – The LYF at St. John’s Lutheran Church, Louisville, will be hosting their annual ice cream social on Sunday, August 27 with serving from 4:30-7 p.m. The menu will be: hot dogs, pork burgers, pulled pork sandwiches, chips and ice cream. Everyone is invited to attend!

Immanuel Lutheran Church Pork Burger Sale: There will be a pork burger and bake sale on Saturday, August 19 from 10:30-1:00 in the Immanuel church parking lot to assist their 150th anniversary celebration.

SAVE-THE-DATE: ALIS 3rd Annual BBQ Cook Off Fundraiser will be held at the Effingham County Fairgrounds on Saturday, September 9, 2023, from 1-9PM. See the flyer posted on the bulletin board for details.

CID LLL ANNUAL RETREAT – “GOD’S LIVING WORD TODAY” September 9, 2023, 9 AM – 2 PM at CAMP CILCA, 4124 CAMP CILCA RD, CANTRALL, IL Registration \$25.00 (INCLUDES LUNCH) Guest Speaker- Rev. Timothy Scharr – Southern Illinois District President. Register by Sept. 5 by sending the fee to Deloris Blessmann, 24204 CR 1850N Topeka, IL 61567, or emailing delorisblessman@yahoo.com

ALIS News/Upcoming Events:

Aug. 16, Wednesday – First Day of School



ExploreLHS.net

We continue to explore the possibility of starting a Lutheran High School in the Effingham County Area.

Last fall, we distributed an interest survey in starting a Lutheran High School in the area. We thank you for your responses. Because of the positive reaction we received, we have continued down this journey to explore further. While we are still at the infancy and exploration phase, we have partnered with the Genesis Project, which helps LCMS congregations start Lutheran schools. Our first step with the Genesis Project is participating in a Lutheran School Feasibility Study. During this phase, we will further assess the interest of families and the community. We have a new survey, which we ask you to take 5 minutes to complete.

Are you interested in a Lutheran High School in your area? Please let us know by completing this short congregation survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SLRKRJS>

If you prefer to complete a physical survey, you can find hard copies in the church narthex.



If you have any questions, please email info@ExploreLHS.net

ATTENDANCE

07/30

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OUR CURRENT GIVING

Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,200.00
Received 07/30	\$ 772.00
Received YTD:	\$ 35,145.25
Difference in actual needed YTD:	\$ -2,054.75

Missions budget goal:	\$ 2,000.00
Received 07/30	\$ 100.00
Missions received YTD:	\$ 1,100.00



The following Lectionary Summary, provided by the LCMS, serves as a guide to help understand the theme of the readings for each Sunday as well as how they fit into the particular season of the Church Year.

The Steward's Shrewdness Sanctified

"The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness" (Luke 16:1–9). The steward's shrewdness is praiseworthy for two reasons. First, he knew the master would be merciful. He trusted that the master would honor the debts he forgave in the master's name. In the same way, though we have squandered our heavenly Father's possessions in selfishness and sin, Jesus is the Steward who has canceled our debt, knowing that His forgiveness will be honored by the Father because of the holy cross. Secondly, the steward was shrewd in using oil and wheat to provide for his earthly welfare. So also do these earthly elements aid us when pressed into heavenly use in the anointing of baptism and the wheat of the Lord's Supper. Those who have the Sacraments will have an eternal home when their earthly home fails. These provide us aid in times of temptation (1 Cor. 10:6–13). For the Lord is our strength and a shield to all who trust in Him (2 Sam. 22:26–34).

Thought for the week...

Luke 16:8 – **"For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light."** Money is a tool that can be used for good or wicked purposes. Oftentimes unbelievers show more shrewdness in this than us Christians. If we really believe all that stuff we say in the Creed every Sunday ... won't that affect how we use our money?

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Bulletin Announcements Please contact Tonya Suckow to submit bulletin announcements. You may E-mail zion.altamont@gmail.com or call/text 618-780-7732. Please submit announcements by 12 P.M. on Friday.