

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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† SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY †

SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

- Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod -

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TRINITY 16

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Today's Worship

Order of worship:

Matins - p. 219

Hymns:

461 vv. 1-4, 8; 763; 781 vv. 1-2; 863

Ushers serving in September: Brock Murray & B.J. Voelker
Reserve: Ben 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.

Prayer Before Worship: O Lord, our creator, redeemer, and comforter, as we come together to worship You in spirit and truth, we humbly pray that You would open our hearts to the preaching of Your Word so that we may repent of our sins, believe in Jesus Christ as our only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear us for His sake. Amen.

Prayer After Worship: Almighty and merciful God, we have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for our many sins and assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. We thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep us in faith until we inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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 this week to Robert Roedl on Monday (9/25)

October Birthdays & Anniversaries*

Ron Siebert (7th), Rick Conway (10th), Deb Wohltman (10th),
Grace Manley (15th), John & Deb Wohltman* (17th),
Marcella Biggs (23rd), Brock Murray (25th), Riley King (31st)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LCC Family Day – will be today, Sunday, September 24, from 1-3 PM in the courtyard. There will be music, activities, & a bake sale. Bring your lawn chairs.

Fall Mission Festival at Bethlehem will be held this evening, Sunday, September 24, with guest speaker, **Chaplain Craig G. Muehler, CAPT, CHC, USN (Ret.), Director of the LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces**. Vespers worship service begins at 1900 hours (7:00 PM). Following the service, join us in the parish hall for a presentation by Chaplain Muehler on the work and service of the LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces. Ice Cream & Desserts provided by the Bethlehem-Zion Youth Group. All proceeds go towards the LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces.

Corn Maze with Scavenger Hunt & Harvest Festival at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Wheeler. Dates: Sept. 29, 30 & Oct. 1; Oct. 6, 7 & 8; Oct. 13, 14, & 15; Oct. 20, 21, & 22. Event Times: Fridays - 6-10PM; Saturdays - 11AM-10PM, Sundays - 11AM-5PM. Admission into the Corn Maze is \$5 per person (ages 5 and under are FREE-must be accompanied by an adult). See the flyer on the bulletin board for full details.

COMBINE CHOIRS for REFORMATION RALLY - In preparation for celebrating the 506th Anniversary of the Glorious Reformation of the Church a Reformation Choir is being organized. Details: Practices will be held at Bethlehem on October 8, 15, and 22 from 3-4 PM. The choir will sing at the Reformation Rally on October 29 at 5PM. Bethlehem is hosting the service. Singers are being solicited from all of the four Churches that make up this annual Reformation Celebratory Service. A festive musical arrangement is planned for the choir! -Dean Manuel, Director; 618-267-7914 (cell and text).

Benefit for Heather (Hodge) Davis will be held on Saturday, October 28, at the Carriage House Event Center from 3-10:30PM. Heather serves as the head cook at ALIS. Please join us for a catered meal, live/silent auctions, live music and more. To make an auction item donation, contact Amy Frederking at 217-821-1146 / Jessica Grobengieser at 217-821- 2498. Please continue to keep Heather and her family in your prayers. Additional information about the benefit can be found on the bulletin board or on the **Benefit for Heather Davis** Facebook page.

Pure Germany! 2024 Pomerania, Lutherland & North Bavaria Sept. 11 – 12, 2024. This trip is open to all, but if your ancestors emigrated from northeast Germany (Pomerania), you will want to consider joining tour operator and guide, Jim Yagow, for Pure Germany! 2024. Jim is a retired commissioned minister of the LCMS. This trip is a customized 12-day tour of old Pomerania and Luther heritage sites. Described as an “amazing trip” by a former tour participant, it’s a one-of-a-kind journey toward discovering your roots. If you or someone you know would like to learn more, contact Jim at jimyagow@aol.com or call (920)809-4445. More information is posted on the bulletin board.

ALIS News/Upcoming Events:

Sept. 26, Tuesday – PTL Meeting – 7PM

Sept. 29, Friday – ALIS PTL K-8 Walk-a-thon

Oct. 6, Friday – No School – CID Teachers Convocation

Oct. 9, Monday – No School – Columbus Day

ATTENDANCE

09/17

40

OUR CURRENT GIVING

Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,200.00
Received 09/17	\$ 870.00
Received YTD:	\$ 41,964.25
Difference in actual needed YTD:	\$ -3,635.75

Missions budget goal:	\$ 2,000.00
Received 09/17	\$ 0.00
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.

Jesus Calls forth Life from Death

A large funeral procession carrying the only son of a widow is confronted by another large procession, Jesus and His followers. Death and Life meet face to face at the gate of the city (Luke 7:11–17). Filled with compassion, Jesus comes into direct contact with our mortality in order to overcome it. He touches the coffin and speaks His creative words of life, *“Young man, I say to you, arise.”* Jesus does what is neither expected nor requested. For through Christ, God the Father *“is able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think”* (Eph. 3:14–21). Jesus bore our death in His body that we may share in His resurrection. Even as Elijah stretched himself out three times over the Zarephath woman’s son (2 Kings 17:17–24), God stretched Himself out over us in the threefold application of His name in the baptismal water, breathing new and everlasting life into us. *“To Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.”*

Thought for the week...

Ephesians 3:14–15 – “For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.” We have a Father in heaven. He cares for us. He knows how to give us all good things. This knowledge frees us from worry and anxiety. Jesus returned to this theme again and again, and we should take Him at His Word. Our Father will care for us, so we can be secure in generosity and faithful living.

KFUO - 850AM / KFUE.org – Programs are archived for 24/7 on-demand listening
Issues, Etc. broadcasts live weekdays from 3:05 to 5:00 P.M. Central.

LAW & GOSPEL SERIES... What does St. Paul mean when he writes about “rightly handling the word of truth?” **Issues, Etc.**, a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL, has an in-depth series with Pr. Will Weedon based on “The Proper Distinction Between Law & Gospel” by C.F.W. Walther. You can listen to the entire series at your convenience at issuesetc.org/lawandgospel.

Bulletin Announcements E-mail zion.altamont@gmail.com or call/text 618-780-7732. Please submit announcements by 12 P.M. on Friday.