

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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† EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY †

OCTOBER 8, 2023

ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

- Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod -

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TRINITY 18

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Today's Worship

Order of worship:

Matins - p. 219

Hymns:

797; 694; 781 vv. 1-2; 887

Ushers serving in October: Dwayne Beccue & Dennis Stuemke

Reserve: Rick Conway

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 Rick Conway and

Deb Wohltman on Tuesday (10/10)

October Birthdays & Anniversaries*

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome Rev. Gail Heimgartner will be leading us in worship this morning. Pastor Manley is out of town Oct. 3-9th. If you need pastoral care please call Dwayne Beccue (217) 246-4500.

Zion's 1st Annual Chili Cook-Off will be held on Sunday, October 15, at Barn & Bottle Winery, 10810 N 1st St, Altamont. Serving begins at 4:30PM until gone. Free will donation with proceeds to offset ALIS tuition assistance for Zion students. Directions to Barn & Bottle: take Rt 40 to 128 junction; turn north, go 2 1/2 miles; the winery is on the right. **Hope to see you there!!!**
Contestants need to arrive 4:00-4:15PM. Bring your chili & own serving utensils.

Ladies Aid Meeting will be held on Monday, October 23, at 1:00 P.M.

Mark your Calendars! Zion's Christmas Party will be held on Dec. 1 @ 6:30PM.

Corn Maze with Scavenger Hunt & Harvest Festival at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Wheeler. Dates remaining: Oct. 8; Oct. 13, 14, & 15; Oct. 20, 21, & 22. Event Times: Fridays - 6-10PM; Saturdays - 11AM-10PM, Sundays - 11AM-5PM. 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. A festive musical arrangement is planned for the choir! -Dean Manuel, Director; 618-267-7914 (cell and text).

Faith Lutheran Church Annual Ice Cream Social, Rt 33 Shumway, IL will be on Sunday, October 15, from 4-7PM. Menu: Homemade Chili & Chicken Noodle Soup, Ham & Cheese Sandwiches & Hot Dogs, Pie, Cake & Drink. FREE WILL OFFERING. All proceeds to benefit EL Shaddai of Effingham.

Benefit for Heather (Hodge) Davis will be held on Saturday, October 28, at the Carriage House Event Center from 3-10:30PM. 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.

Holy Land Tour Pastor Jim Wright of Altamont, IL is hosting a tour of the Holy Land for 10 days on October 29-November 7, 2024. They will visit the biblical sites of Nazareth, Tiberias, the Sea of Galilee, Bethlehem, Jericho, Jerusalem and many others. \$4199 per person from Chicago, airfare included. Contact Pastor Wright at jimwright1961@gmail.com or 217-994-1116. More information is available on the bulletin board.

Pure Germany! 2024 Pomerania, Lutherland & North Bavaria Sept. 11 – 12, 2024, hosted by Jim Yagow. Details are available on the bulletin board.

Altamont LYF Groups to Host Trunk-or-Treat for Altamont Community –This year's event will be held on Monday, October 31, from 6-8 PM in the north parking lot of Immanuel Lutheran Church. More information along with a sign-up sheet is available on the bulletin board if you would like to host a trunk.

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OUR CURRENT GIVING

Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,200.00
Received 10/01	\$ 842.00
Received YTD:	\$ 44,081.25
Difference in actual needed YTD:	\$ -3,918.75

Missions budget goal:	\$ 2,000.00
Received 10/01	\$ 0.00
Missions received YTD:	\$ 1,200.00



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.

In Life and Death, Christ Fulfills the Law of God

The Pharisees ask a Law question. Jesus asks a Gospel question. The Pharisees seek to test Jesus in His own words. Jesus seeks to “test” them in the saving reality of who He is as the Messiah (Matt. 22:34–46). The Law requires you to “*fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul*” and to “*love the sojourner*” (Deut. 10:12–21). Failure to keep the Law perfectly brings judgment. On the other hand, the Gospel brings the grace of God given by Jesus Christ, that you may be blameless in the day of His return (1 Cor. 1:1–9). Jesus is David’s Son yet David’s Lord, true God and true man. He is Love incarnate who fulfilled all the demands of God’s Law on our behalf, that we might be saved from the Law’s condemnation and sanctified in the Gospel’s forgiveness. Thereby we see that “*God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord*” (1 Cor. 1:9).

Thought for the week...

Matthew 22:40 – “**On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.**” We serve God and our neighbor through the various vocations (holy callings) that God has given us. We do not need to go searching for good works or inventing our own: God has given us roles to fill in home, church and society and that will keep us plenty busy! When we seek to fulfill the duties of these vocations in a spirit of faith, God-pleasing works are the result.

ALIS News/Upcoming Events:

Oct. 9, Monday – No School – Columbus Day
Oct. 16, Monday – ALIS Board Meeting – 7PM

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

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