

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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† TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY †

NOVEMBER 19, 2023

ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

- Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod -

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TRINITY 24

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Today's Worship

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

Hymns: 703; 781 vs. 1-2; 620, 919; 893

Ushers serving in November: Mark Suckow & B.J. Voelker

Reserve: Robert 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: Barbara Clifton, Heather Davis, Darren Feldkamp, Florence Leppin, Myrna Suckow, Howard Voelker, Mildred Wolf

Serving in the military: Cole Stuemke, Brandon Voelker

Imprisoned: Alex Beccue



Happy Birthday to Dwayne Beccue on Monday (11/20)

Upcoming December Birthdays & Anniversaries*

Ben Roedl (6th), Andy Voelker (8th), Pastor Manley (27th),
Ken & Imogene Clark* (28th)

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

ZION UPCOMING SERVICES & EVENTS

Thanksgiving Eve Worship - Wednesday, November 22, 7 P.M.

Offerings will go towards Missions unless otherwise marked.

Zion Christmas Party will be held on **Friday, December 1, at 6:30 PM.** We'll sing some Christmas carols, play games, and enjoy snacks, sweet treats, hot cocoa, and punch. There is no gift exchange. Just bring finger foods, snacks, or your favorite Christmas treat.

Seminary Food Drive – The LWML is collecting non-perishable food items for St. Louis Seminary students and families. Items may be left in the narthex.

Bethlehem-Zion LYF Groups Christmas Greenery Fundraiser – Orders due today. The BZ youth group is selling decorated and undecorated Christmas wreathes, garland, swags, grave blankets, and more. Items are supplied by The Green Works, Cowden, IL. Pick up will be in the Bethlehem Church parking lot on or near December 1-3. An order form is available on the bulletin board. Checks should be made to Bethlehem Youth Group.

Advent by Candlelight – A Star is Born - Immanuel Lutheran Church. Altamont, is hosting an evening of food, music, and fellowship to help us focus on Christ during the busy holiday season. The event will be held on Sunday, December 3, beginning at 6PM in the Immanuel Church Parish Hall. You may sign-up ahead of time or come at the time of the event. Please bring your favorite appetizer and/or dessert to share. Coffee, tea, and water will be provided. Donations of non-perishable foods, toiletries, diapers, etc. will also be taken for El Shaddai maternity home in Effingham. More details are on the bulletin board in the narthex. You may call Kendra Walker at (217) 821-7249 or email her at kmwalker79@gmail.com to sign up or for more information.

Sausage Supper: St. Peter's Lutheran Men's Club, St. Peter, will once again be holding their Sausage Supper with sausage, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, and all the fixings on February 18, 2024, with serving beginning at 5:00 p.m. in the St. Peter's Lutheran School Gym. Carry Outs will be available. Pre-orders for sausage and ribs will once again be offered and encouraged ahead of time, with deadline to order being January 31, 2024. To order, please call one of the following: John Lotz (618-553-5585), Tim Brauer (618-267-6229), David Schaal (618-292-3732), Reggie Grandt (618-553-6213), or St. Peter's Lutheran Church (618-349-8321 after 12 PM).

ALIS News/Upcoming Events:

Mon., Nov. 20 – School Board Meeting 7 P.M.

Wed., Nov. 22 – Early Dismissal - 11:10 am with Bussing, no after school care.

Thurs., Nov. 23 & Fri., Nov, 24 – No School – Thanksgiving Break

Notice: The Zion Treasurer position is open. If any Zion voter is interested in learning more about the responsibilities and skills necessary for this position, please speak to Steve Suckow or a member of the Council.

ATTENDANCE

11/12 45

OUR CURRENT GIVING

Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,200.00
Received 11/12	\$ 959.00
Received YTD:	\$ 50,607.25
Difference in actual needed YTD:	\$ -4,592.75

Missions budget goal:	\$ 2,000.00
Received 11/12	\$ 0.00
Missions received YTD:	\$ 1,200.00

11/05 & 11/12

LCC Care Campaign Door Collection	\$ 818.00
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(collection will be matched by Zion)



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 Strength of the Lord Is Our Salvation from Sin, Death, and Darkness

A shroud of darkness engulfs us. Sin, death, and disease threaten to sever us from life's fullest measure. Without new life in Christ Jesus, there would be no light to dissipate, dispel, or curb grief and sadness. But Jesus has qualified us *"to share in the inheritance of the saints of light"* delivering us from the dark domain (Col. 1:9–14). *"I have put my words in your mouth and covered you in the shadow of my hand,...You are my people"* (Is. 51:9–16). The presence of Christ, in word, wine, bread, and water, confronts our sinful nature with forgiveness. In the sacraments, God claims us to be His very own children, creating, and sustaining our faith. So in Christ, we humbly receive the words, *"your faith has made you well"* (Matt. 9:18–26). On the last day God will surely awaken us also from slumber in resurrection glory.

Annual Christmas Benefit Concert - For more than 30 years, the Coles County Barbershop Chorus with quartets and ensembles have presented their annual one-hour concert. This year it will be held at the United Methodist Church on South 4th Street in Charleston at 3PM on December 3. There is no cost to attend, but a free will offering is collected...each year more than \$8,000 is provided for area homeless shelters and food pantry programs funded by these community outreach events. The first half of the program features secular songs, such as Christmas Island, White Christmas, Jingle Bell Rock etc. while the last portion is of a more spiritual nature: Angels We Have Heard On High, Silent Night, Mary, and Did You Know. A feature this year will be the World Drum Corp Club from the Jefferson Elementary School in Charleston.

KFUO - 850AM / KFYO.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 Tonya at 618-780-7732. Please submit announcements by 12 P.M. on Friday.