

# ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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AUGUST 10, 2024

# ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

- Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod -

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## Today's Worship

Order of worship:

Vespers - p. 229

Hymns:

573, 392, 880

***Ushers serving in August:*** Rick Conway & Brock Murray  
Reserve: Mark Suckow

**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 the sake of His name. 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.*

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## ***In Our Prayers This Week***

***In need of healing:*** Heather Davis (cancer), Lillian Grobengieser, Alice Harmon (recovering), Pastor Heimgartner, Florence Leppin (cancer), Todd Luedtke, John Putnam (healing), Shirley Siddens (heart procedure), Marion Schmidt (cancer), Tim Stone (hospitalized), Steve Voelker (shut-in), Catherine Zumwalt (cancer)

***Receiving care at LCC:*** Lucille Beccue, Bernice Graumenz, Marybeth Potts, Judy Stuemke, Mildred Wolf

***Serving in the military:*** Cole Stuemke, Brandon Voelker

***Imprisoned:*** Alex Beccue

***For Immanuel, Altamont, and all who are in need of a pastor.***

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***Happy Birthday this week*** to Myrna Suckow on Wednesday (8/14)

## ***Upcoming Birthdays & Anniversaries\*:***

Morris Suckow (8/20), Allison Conway (8/31), Melissa Voelker (8/31)

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

***The next several Sundays will be themed Free and Living Faith. These sermons will help us to remember the importance of our faith from God that is in Christ.***

### **August - Free Faith**

Aug. 11 – Lk. 18:9-14 | Free Faith Alone (from God) Justifies

Aug. 18 – Mk. 7:31-37 | Free Faith (from God) Hears Jesus

Aug. 25 – Lk. 10:23-37 | Free Faith (from God) to the Rescue

### **September - Living Faith**

Sept.1 – Lk. 17:11-19 | Living Faith (in Christ) Is a Clean Life

Sept.8 – Mt. 6:24-34 | Living Faith (in Christ) Trusts God with Things and Everything

Sept. 15 – Lk. 7:11-17 | Living Faith (in Christ) Works.

Sept. 22 - Lk. 14:1-11 | Living Faith (in Christ) Unites Us.

**Wednesday Matins Returns-** The 9:30am Matins Service on Wednesday mornings at Bethlehem has resumed. For this academic year 2024-2025 we will meditate on the Kings of Israel and Judah. Each week we will hear and contemplate one of the kings of God's people, we will pray for our nation during this election year, and we will be comforted by the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, even Jesus Christ our Lord! All are welcome.

**St. John's Lutheran Church, 200 Charleston Ave., Mattoon, IL** - *Soaring to New Heights* - Join us as we give thanks to and dedicate our new School Building to the glory of God and the edification of His people! Sunday, August 11, 2024, 2:00 p.m. Our new building is a 37,000 square foot building housing our upper elementary, middle school, and NEW high school grades. We will meet on the parking lot of the new building to begin and move inside to dedicate the space. Following the service, there will be time to tour the building. There will also be food trucks and fun outside until 4:30 p.m.

**SAVE-THE-DATE - ALIS 4th Annual BBQ Cook Off Fundraiser** will be held at the Eff. County Fairgrounds on Saturday, Sept. 14, 2024, from 1-9PM. Dinner consisting of brisket, pulled pork, baked beans, cole slaw, potato salad and chips will be served from 4PM until the food runs out (free will donation). There will also be a Lutheran Ladies bake sale. Activities include bounce houses, games, bags tournament. Josh Holland Band from 6-9pm.

**Ice Cream Social** - The LYF of St. John's Lutheran Church, Louisville, IL will be hosting an Ice Cream Social on Sun., August 25 with serving from 4:30-7 p.m. The menu will include pork burgers, hot dogs, pulled pork sandwiches, potato salad, chips, desserts, homemade ice cream and drinks. This will be a free will donation. All are invited to attend!

**CID LLL ANNUAL FALL RETREAT** – September 7, 2024, 9 AM – 2:30 PM at CAMP CILCA, 4124 Camp Cilca Rd, Cantrall, IL Registration \$25.00 (INCLUDES LUNCH) Guest Speaker- Rev. Dr. Chad Kendall – Assistant VP Mission and Identity; Associate Professor of Theology Concordia University Chicago. Register by Sept. 3. See the flyer on the bulletin board for details.

**SAVE-THE-DATE LWML Fall Rally** will be at St. Paul (Blue Point) Lutheran Church on Tuesday, Sept. 17. Registration at 4:30 PM, the rally begins at 5PM.

### **ALIS News & Upcoming Events:**

**Aug. 15, Thursday** – First Day of School. Early Dismissal 11:10 a.m.  
NO bussing or After school care.

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**ATTENDANCE**

8/04

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**OUR CURRENT GIVING**

Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,300.00
(ALIS tuition per week = \$675)	
Received 7/28	\$ 763.00
Received 8/04	\$ 1,179.00
Received YTD:	\$ 40,633.50
Difference in actual needed YTD:	\$+ 333.50
Missions budget goal:	\$ 2,000.00
Received 7/28	\$ 100.00
Received 8/04	\$ 0.00
Missions received YTD:	\$ 1,675.00

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**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 Lord Lifts Up the Lowly***

*“And the Lord had regard for Abel and his offering, but for Cain and his offering he had no regard”* (Gen. 4:1–15). For unlike Abel, Cain’s offering did not proceed from a heart that revered and trusted in the Lord. Thus, the lowly tax collector who prayed, *“God, be merciful to me, a sinner!”* was the one who went down to his house justified before God, not the respectable, outwardly righteous Pharisee who trusted in himself and his own good living (Luke 18:9–14). *“For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast”* (Eph. 2:1–10). The one who penitently despairs of his own righteousness and relies completely on the atoning mercy of God in Christ is the one who is declared righteous. For Christ died for our sins and rose again the third day (1 Cor. 15:1–10). Therefore, *“everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”*

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**SAVE-THE-DATE: Family Life Center – Annual Fundraising Banquet** – Sept. 12. *Every Child deserves a birthday* with speaker Mike Williams. Keller Convention Center, Effingham. Doors open at 6:30pm, dinner starts at 7:00pm. To host a table or attend, call 217-342-5433 or email: [development@familylifepcc.org](mailto:development@familylifepcc.org).

***Thought for the week...***

**Luke 18:11–12** – **“The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other men ... I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.’”** The Pharisee has surely missed the point of tithing! We can’t earn brownie points with God, and we certainly can’t put Him in our debt. Our giving to the Lord’s work proceeds from a thankful heart full of God’s own generosity, not our own pride. As Mary replied to the angel Gabriel, “I am the handmaiden of the Lord, may it be to me according to your word” (Luke 1:38). We are the Lord’s servants; therefore, we live by His Word.

**Bulletin Announcements** E-mail [zion.altamont@gmail.com](mailto:zion.altamont@gmail.com) or call/text Tonya at 618-780-7732. Please submit announcements by 12 P.M. on Friday.