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TRINITY 11

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Today's Worship

Order of worship:

Matins - p. 219

Hymns:

914, 570, 684

Ushers serving in August: Dennis Stuemke & B.J. Voelker

Reserve: Brock Murray

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: Karly Brummer (leukemia), Heather Davis (cancer), Lillian Grobengieser, Janice Heiden (lung cancer), Oliver King, Kathryn Suckow (cancer), Steve Voelker, Catherine Zumwalt (cancer)

Receiving skilled care: Lucille Beccue (LCC), Bernice Graumenz (LCC), Shirley Siddens (LCC), Judy Stuemke (LCC), Mildred Wolf (LCC)

Serving in the military: Cole Stuemke, Brandon Voelker

Happy Birthday today to Allison Conway and Melissa Voelker (8/31)

Happy Birthday this week to Kelsey Hardiek, Jeff Suckow, and B.J. Voelker on Tuesday (9/02), and Brandon Beccue on Thursday (9/04)

Upcoming September Birthdays & Anniversaries*:

Keifer & Kaci Camp* (9/07), Keifer Camp (9/11),

Linda Suckow (9/13), Jada Suckow (9/17)

ALIS News/Upcoming Events

Mon., Sept. 1 – No School – Labor Day

ALIS 5th Annual BBQ Cook Off Fundraiser will be held at the Effingham County Fairgrounds on Saturday, September 20, 2025, from 1-9PM. Dinner will be served from 4PM until the food runs out (free will donation). There will also be a Lutheran Ladies bake sale. Bounce houses, games, pickle ball tournament. Entertainment by: The Mutineers from 6-9pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Voter's will meet following the service this morning.

LCC Board Meeting minutes are posted on the bulletin board. A copy of LCC's constitution is also posted.

CID LLL Annual Fall Retreat – September 6, 2025, 9 AM – 2:30 PM at Camp Cilca. Guest Speaker- Rev. Dr. Robert Bennett, Int'l Mission Specialist and Guest Professor of Missions at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne and Executive Direct of Luther Academy CTSFW. Registration \$25.00 (includes lunch) Register by Sept. 3. See the flyer on the bulletin board for full details.

Altamont Circuit Winkel will meet at Zion on September 9.

Family Life Center – Vision Dinner 2025 – September, 11, 2025, 7:00pm, Keller Convention Center, Effingham, IL.

LWML Fall Rally: September 16, 2025, at Salem Lutheran Church, Salem, IL. More details to follow.

Annual LCC Family Day will be held on Sunday, September 21, 2025 from 1-3PM in the courtyard. There will be live music from the Burdick family, a courtyard dedication in honor of Linda Schmidt, popcorn, ice cream, door prizes, as well as a bake sale. If you would like to provide an item for the bake sale, we would be very grateful, funds raised will go to the Activity Department. We hope you can join us!

Every week Zion supports ALIS so that our children can be taught the Bible, pray, and learn in a Lutheran school from Lutheran teachers. Here is just one of those teachers who we support with our offerings, to teach our children the Christian faith:

ALIS 8th Grade Teacher Mrs. Brittany Conner

I am married to Tyler. We have 3 children: Tate, Avanelle, and Mabry. I received my AS from John Wood Community College and my BS from Eastern Illinois University. I also completed the colloquy program through Concordia University. I teach grades 6-8 math and science. I have several teachers in my family and extended family. Teaching was something I grew up always thinking I would do. I enjoy sports, shopping and through my family I have some knowledge of farming and other outdoor activities. Through Christ we share our faith and lessons to lead the students the best we can.



Thought for the week...

Luke 18:14 – “I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.” Our works never impress God; they are always lacking in some way and fall short of perfection. So there is no point in taking pride in them. But a broken and contrite heart the Lord will not despise — and the works that flow from a broken and contrite heart are indeed pleasing to the Lord in and through Christ. These works will be used by the Lord for His purposes and to His glory!

ATTENDANCE

08/24 40

OUR CURRENT GIVING

Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,300.00
(ALIS tuition per week = \$710)	
Received 08/24	\$ 1,538.00
Received YTD:	\$ 43,429.25
Difference in actual needed YTD:	\$ - 770.75
Missions budget goal:	\$ 2,000.00
Received 08/24	\$ 0.00
Missions received YTD:	\$ 450.00



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 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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