

# ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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† TRINITY 15 †

SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

# ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

- Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod -

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## Today's Worship

Order of worship:

Matins - p. 219

Hymns:

869, 602, 729

***Ushers serving in September:*** Dennis Stuemke & B.J. Voelker  
Reserve: Brock Murray

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**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.

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

***In need of healing:*** Heather Davis (cancer), Lillian Grobengieser, Alice Harmon (recovering), Janice Heiden (lung cancer), Pastor Heimgartner, Florence Leppin (cancer), Todd Luedtke, Connie Roll (knee surgery), Marion Schmidt (lung), Shirley Siddens (heart procedure), Tim Stone (recovering), Steve Voelker, Catherine Zumwalt (cancer)

***Receiving skilled care:*** Lucille Beccue (LCC), Bernice Graumenz (LCC), Wanda Phillips (nursing home), Judy Stuemke (LCC), Mildred Wolf (LCC)

***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 Linda Suckow on Friday (9/13) and

Quinn King on Saturday (9/14)

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

Myla Voelker (9/16), Jada Suckow (9/17), Robert Roedl (9/25)

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## **ALIS News/Upcoming Events:**

**Sept. 9, Monday** – Fall Parent Open House 6-7:30pm

**Sept. 14, Saturday** – ALIS BBQ Fundraiser 1-9PM at the fairgrounds

**Sept. 16, Monday** – ALIS Board of Directors Meeting – 7PM

**Sept. 17, Tuesday** – PTL Meeting – 7PM

**Sept. 20, Friday** – Early dismissal @11:10am with bussing

No after school care; *PTL Walk-a-thon will be in the morning.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**THIS MORNING - Zion Donut Sunday** – Donuts will be served this morning immediately following our worship service. All are welcome!

**SAVE-THE-DATE: Zion's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Family Night** Wiener Roast and Hayride on Sunday, September 29.

**4th Annual ALIS BBQ Cook Off Fundraiser - A sign-up sheet is available in the narthex to help work/serve food.** The event will be held at the Effingham County Fairgrounds on Saturday, September 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. Entertainment by Josh Holland Band from 6-9pm. A flyer is posted on the bulletin board with more details.

*Donations are needed for the Bake Sale – drop off donations on Sept. 14th at the fairgrounds, starting at 8am. Contact Sherena Koester 618-554- 6502 or Christy Beccue 217-343-2333.*

**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.

**LCC's Annual Family Day** is on Sunday, September 22. The Family Day will consist of live entertainment by Marty & Heather, snacks, games, and door prizes. A free will donation bake sale will also take place along with an auction of an Effingham County's 4-H Best of Show & Champion Cooking Winner single layer white cake! We need your assistance! This year we are looking to see if anyone would be able to assist with a Thrivent Action Team. Items we could use some assistance with for Family Day are: Cost of live entertainment, Paper products (napkins, plates, bowls, cups), Plastic ware, Popcorn & oil, Ice cream & toppings, Door prizes (3), Trash bags, Baked goods.

**Bethlehem Lutheran Church (Altamont, IL) Mission Festival Sunday** – Join us Sunday, September 22, 7:00 p.m. for our Mission Festival with guest speaker, Rev. Andrew Preus, Pastor of Trinity Lutheran New Haven, MO, and a representative for Luther Classical College. Mission Festival starts at 7:00 p.m. with Vespers Worship Service. Following the service, Rev. Preus will have a presentation about the new Luther Classical College in Casper WY. Ice Cream & Desserts will be provided by the Youth Group in the Parish Hall.

**Corn Maze with Scavenger Hunt & Harvest Festival** at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Wheeler. Dates: Sept. 27-29; Oct. 4-6; Oct. 11-13; Oct. 18-20. Event Times: Fridays - 6-midnight; 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.

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

**September - Living Faith**

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.

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**ATTENDANCE**9/01 38

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**OUR CURRENT GIVING**

Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,300.00
(ALIS tuition per week = \$675)	
Received 9/01	\$ 775.00
Received YTD:	\$ 44,053.50
Difference in actual needed YTD:	\$ - 1,446.50
Missions budget goal:	\$ 2,000.00
Received 9/01	\$ 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.

***Anxious Bondage vs. Confident Trust***

*“You cannot serve God and money”* (Matt. 6:24–34), for they require two contrary forms of service. Worry is the worship given to the false god of mammon, an unbelieving anxiousness and focus on the things of this world. Faith is the worship of the true God, a confident trust that He is a loving Father who will care for all of our needs in both body and soul. The widow of Zarephath served God— that is, she believed the word of the Lord spoken by Elijah that the bin of flour would not be used up nor would the jar of oil run dry (1 Kings 17:8–16). He who feeds the birds and clothes the flowers will certainly provide for our daily needs. For He has already provided for our eternal needs, clothing us with Christ’s righteousness in Baptism and feeding us His body and blood for our forgiveness. With such confidence we are liberated from worry and freed to do good with our material resources, especially to those who are of the household of faith (Gal. 5:25–6:10).

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

**Matthew 6:24 – “You cannot serve God and money.”** In today’s Gospel, Jesus gives the first and last word about our stewardship — well, you have to go back a few verses to verse 19 to get the whole thing: “For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” Read Matt. 5:19–34 again this week at home and consider your generosity to the Lord’s work in light of what Jesus says.

**CONTENDING FOR TRUTH IN AN AGE OF ANTI-TRUTH... Issues, Etc.** is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week’s subjects include: Vice President Kamala Harris on Abortion, A Parents’ Guide to Navigating Cultural Chaos, The Confusion Over Female Identity, Responding to Alternative Theories for Jesus’ Resurrection and more. You can listen at your convenience at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

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