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† HOLY CROSS DAY †

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

# ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

- Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod -

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## Today's Worship

Order of worship:

Matins - p. 219

Hymns:

592, 477, 427

***Ushers serving in September:*** Dwayne Beccue & John Wohltman

Reserve: Rick Conway

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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:** Karly Brummer (leukemia), Heather Davis (cancer), Lillian Grobengieser, Janice Heiden (lung cancer), 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

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**Happy Birthday today** to Quinn King (9/14)

**Happy Birthday this week** to Myla Voelker on Tuesday (9/16),  
and Jada Suckow on Wednesday (9/17)

## Upcoming October Birthdays & Anniversaries\*

Ron Siebert (10/07), Rick Conway (10/10), Deb Wohltman (10/10),  
Grace Manley (10/15), John & Deb Wohltman\* (10/17), Mila Camp (10/19),  
Marcella Biggs (10/23), Brock Murray (10/25), Riley King (10/31)

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## ALIS News/Upcoming Events

**Mon., Sept. 15** – ALIS Board of Directors Meeting – 7PM

**Fri., Sept. 19** – 11:15 am Dismissal with bussing. No after school care.

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

**Tues., Sept. 23** – PTL Meeting – 7PM

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**Baptism Today** of Oliver Keith Alexander King, son of Dave and Jessica King. Baptismal sponsors are Allie Wendling and Graham Wendling.

**Voter's Meeting** - We will have a voter's meeting after church to nominate a member to the Altamont Circuit Forum to be considered as a lay delegate to represent the Altamont Circuit at the 2026 LCMS Convention.

**TODAY - Zion Donut Sunday** Donuts will be served in the basement following divine worship. All are welcome!

**LWML Fall Rally:** Tuesday, September 16, 2025, at Salem Lutheran Church, Salem, IL. Registration begins at 4:30, with the Rally starting at 5PM. The theme for this year is **PRECIOUS IN HIS EYES** from Isaiah 43:3-4. The ingathering list is posted on the bulletin board and will be for Lilies & Sparrows.

**5th ANNUAL ALIS BBQ COOK-OFF FUNDRAISER EVENT** - A BBQ Cook-Off fundraiser for ALIS being sponsored by Bethlehem, St. Paul "Blue Point", Immanuel, and Zion Lutheran Churches will be held at the Effingham County Fairgrounds in Altamont on Sat., Sept. 20, 2025, from 1-9pm. BBQ cook off contest prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, & People's Choice will be awarded-Lutheran Ladies bake sale, beer garden, food, bounce houses, games, the Mutineers band from 6-9pm, and fun for everyone. Pickle Ball Tournament \$10 per person, sign up at 1pm and play at 2pm. BBQ Meal of brisket, pulled pork, baked beans, cole slaw, potato salad, and chips served from 4pm until food runs out (free will offering). **BAKE SALE DONATIONS** are needed. You may drop off donations on Sept. 20 at the Fairgrounds starting at 8am. If you have any questions or need to arrange another time, please contact Sherena Koester at 618-554-6502, or Christy Beccue at 217-343-2333. Visit Facebook ALIS BBQ Cookoff Fundraiser for more information. We hope everyone can help support this event for ALIS in one way or another. **ALIS ICE CREAM FUNDRAISER**-Culver's ice cream will be available for sale at the BBQ Cook-Off Event. This fundraiser is for our school lunch program.

**St. Peter's Lutheran Church, St. Peter, Fall Dinner** – Sunday, Sept. 21, from 10:30AM - 1PM. Held in the school gym. Menu includes: Pulled pork, Fried chicken, Potato salad, Coleslaw, Baked beans, homemade desserts, lemonade, coffee, & water. Carry-outs available. Free will donation.

**Annual LCC Family Day** Sunday, Sept. 21, 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!

**Bethlehem Mission Festival** – Sunday, September 28th, 7PM with guest, Rev. Chris Hull, pastor at Immanuel Lutheran Church and Student Center, Western Illinois University, Macomb, IL. Mission Festival starts at 7PM with a worship service celebrating St. Michael & All Angels. Following the service, Pastor Hull will have a presentation on Campus Ministries. Ice Cream & Desserts will be provided by the Bethlehem-Zion Youth Group in the Parish Hall.

**LCC Executive Committee Meeting** will be held on Mon., Sept. 29, at 7 PM.

**Zion Family Night/Wiener Roast** will be held on Sunday, October 12. Play games, then eat around 6 PM with a hayride to follow. Food will be provided but you are welcome to bring a dish to share. Bring your lawn chair.

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**ATTENDANCE**

09/07

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**OUR CURRENT GIVING**

Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,300.00
(ALIS tuition per week = \$710)	
Received 09/07	\$ 1,307.00
Received YTD:	\$ 45,745.25
Difference in actual needed YTD:	\$ -1,054.75
Missions budget goal:	\$ 2,000.00
Received 09/07	\$ 0.00
Missions received YTD:	\$ 450.00



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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 Exaltation of the Holy Cross***

*Sir, we wish to see Jesus!* (John 12:21). Then look to His Holy Cross. For just as Moses lifted up the bronze serpent in the wilderness, so Jesus, when He is *lifted up from the earth, will draw all people* to Himself (v. 32). *He humbled Himself and became obedient even to the death of the cross to save us* (Phil. 2:8). *Everyone who is bitten by the ancient serpent's venom of sin, when he sees Christ shall live* (Num. 21:8). The true Holy Cross is lost to history, and we cannot return to Calvary to find our salvation. So Christ brings the New Testament in His Blood to us. *We preach Christ crucified . . . the power of God and the wisdom of God, though foolishness to the unbelieving world* (1 Cor. 1:23–24). *It pleases God through the folly of the cross we preach to save those who believe* (v.21). We find the fruit and benefit of this Holy Cross poured out in Holy Baptism, spoken in the preaching of Holy Absolution, and delivered in the Body and Blood given and shed there for us. Thus are we strengthened to take up our crosses, sanctified by His (John 12:25–26).

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**SAVE-THE-DATE - Zion's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Chili Cook-Off** will be held on Sunday, November 9, at Barn & Bottle Winery, 10810 N 1st St, Altamont.

**LLL Pork Burger Sale on The Triangle** The SEA (Shelby-Effingham-Altamont) Zone will have a Pork Burger Sale on the Triangle in Altamont on Sat., Oct. 4, from 10AM - 1PM. A Bake Sale will also be held. Donation of bake sale items will be appreciated. All proceeds will go to maintain the airing of the Lutheran Hour on WPMB/WKRV radio in Vandalia IL. Any questions contact Raymond Stuckemeyer, 618-267-6909. Additional information is on the bulletin board.

**Corn Maze with Scavenger Hunt & Harvest Festival** at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Wheeler. Dates: Sept. 26-28; Oct. 3-5; Oct. 10-12; Oct. 17-19. Event Times: Fridays - 6-10PM; 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). Concessions available. Flashlight recommended for evening hours. Proceeds benefit Renewal Team community projects.

**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.