

ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
October 26, 2025 - 8:00 AM
Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity – Reformation Day

Lighting of the Chancel Candles/Prelude
Ringing of the Church Bell

MATINS

OPENING HYMN: Oh, Blest the House **LSB 862**

Stand

VERSICLES and RESPONSES ♪ (*Common Response*) **LSB 219**

PSALMODY - VENITE ♪ **LSB 220-221**

Trinity 14-19 Antiphon (before and after the Venite)

P The Lord has sanc-ti-fied us in the true faith.

G ♪ **O come, let us worship Him.**

PSALM *Psalm 78:1–3, 4b; antiphon: Psalm 35:3b; 34:17a, 6b; 48:14a*

Congregation is invited to **respond** as indicated by **Bold print**

Say to my soul, "I am your salvation!"

When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears.

[The Lord] saved him out of all his troubles;

this is God, our God forever and ever.

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;

incline your ears to the words of my mouth!

I will open my mouth in a parable;

I will utter dark sayings from of old,

things that we have heard and known,

that our fathers have told us.

We will tell the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD,
and his might,

and the wonders that he has done.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears.

[The Lord] saved him out of all his troubles;

this is God, our God forever and ever.

Sit

OFFICE HYMN: Lord, 'Tis Not That I Did Choose Thee **LSB 573**

READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

Genesis 28:10-17

¹⁰Jacob left Beersheba and went toward Haran. ¹¹And he came to a certain place and stayed there that night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place to sleep. ¹²And he dreamed, and behold, there was a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven. And behold, the angels of God were ascending and descending on it! ¹³And behold, the LORD stood above it and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac. The land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring. ¹⁴Your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and in you and your offspring shall all the families of the earth be blessed. ¹⁵Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land. For I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." ¹⁶Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know it." ¹⁷And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Ephesians 4:22-28

²²Put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, ²³and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, ²⁴and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

²⁵Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. ²⁶Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and give no opportunity to the devil. ²⁸Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Matthew 9:1-8

¹Getting into a boat [Jesus] crossed over and came to his own city. ²And behold, some people brought to him a paralytic, lying on a bed. And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven." ³And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." ⁴But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? ⁵For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk'? ⁶But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he then said to the paralytic—"Rise, pick up your bed and go home." ⁷And he rose and went home. ⁸When the crowds saw it, they were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORY - (*Common - spoken*)

LSB 221

P Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house
and the place where Your glory dwells.

P Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house
and the place where Your glory dwells.

P Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house
and the place where Your glory dwells.

SERMON

Text: Ephesians 4:22-28

“The Bondage of the Human Will”

Outline: **GOD RENEWS US TO SEE HOW THE
REFORMATION STILL MATTERS.**

1. The human will is fallen and _____ to sin (Eph. 2:2; Mt. 9:2).
2. Apart from Christ we can do _____ (Jn. 15:5).
3. When God tells us to do something, we _____ His help to do it (Eph. 4:22).
4. God _____ and _____ in His likeness (Eph. 4:23).
5. The bondage of the _____ isn't an uncertainty of who you are; it is a certain promise by God to save you from your own will, but His own.

OFFERING

As the offerings are brought forward please stand for the Hymn.

OFFERING HYMN: We Give Thee But Thine Own

LSB 781:1-2

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| 1. We give Thee but Thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee. | 2. May we Thy bounties thus
As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us,
To Thee our firstfruits give! |
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LSB 227

LORD'S PRAYER

LSB 227

COLLECTS 

LSB 227-228

Collect of the Day

P Almighty and merciful God, of Your bountiful goodness keep from us all things that may hurt us that we, being ready in both body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish whatever You would have us do; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Additional Collects of Intercession and Thanksgiving

P Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Collect for Grace

LSB 228

C Amen.

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CLOSING HYMN: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

LSB 656

Silent Prayer

Announcements

POSTLUDE

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