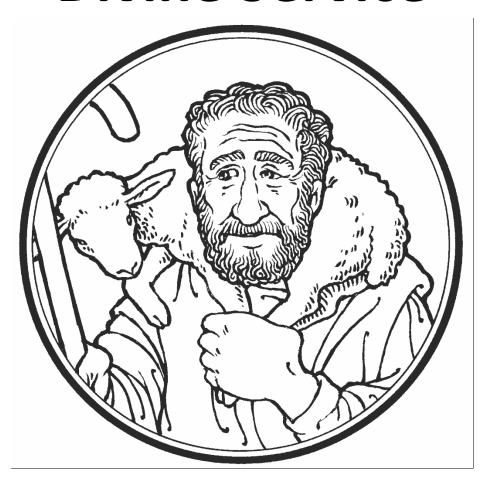
## **Divine Service**



# Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 11th, 2022

### Zion Lutheran Church Kearney, Nebraska

#### Welcome to Zion!

<u>Guests</u> please record your attendance on a card in the pew rack and let us know how we can be of service to you.

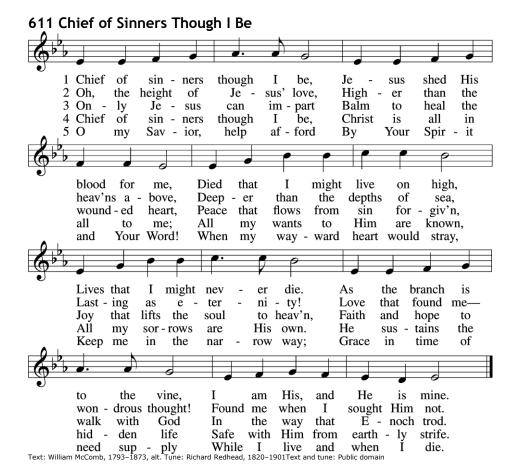
#### **Holy Communion at Zion**

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation as Jesus has given it. As he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes. *All communicants* need to register in the narthex prior to the service.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, are asked not to commune until they are able to speak with our pastor first. He is happy to visit with you about the Christian faith and how to receive the Lord's Supper for your good and for the good of others. Those not communing are invited to come to the altar, cross your arms in front of you, and bow your head to receive a pastoral blessing.

#### Jesus Christ Is the Great Shepherd of His Sheep

"The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners" (1 Tim. 1:15). As He had mercy on Paul, in order to "display his perfect patience" (1 Tim. 1:16), so also does He seek out His sheep "from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness" (Ezek. 34:12). To deliver His flock, He "will seek the lost, ... bring back the strayed, ... bind up the injured, and ... strengthen the weak" (Ezek. 34:16), and "they shall no longer be a prey" (Ezek. 34:22). He sets over them one great Good Shepherd, the Son of David, who "shall feed them and be their shepherd" (Ezek. 34:23). For Christ Jesus is the one man who, "having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them," would "leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it" (Luke 15:4). When He finds the lost one and brings it home rejoicing, "the angels of God" and all the company of heaven rejoice with Him, with great joy (Luke 15:7, 10).



Stand

Invocation LSB 184

- P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

#### Confession of Sins

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Absolution LSB 185

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

#### Service of the Word

Introit Psalm 30:2–5; antiphon: vv. 11a, 12b

You have turned for me my mourning into | dancing;\*

O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you for- | ever!

O LORD my God, I cried to | you for help,\* and you have | healed me.

O LORD, you have brought up my soul | from Sheol;\* you restored me to life from among those who go down | to the pit.

Sing praises to the LORD, O | you his saints,\*

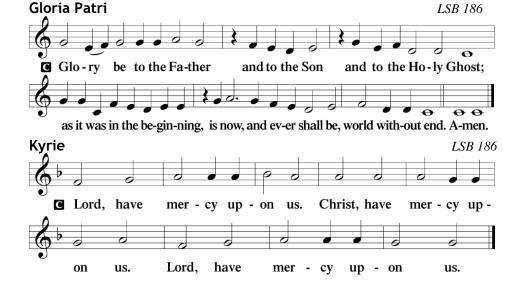
and give thanks to his | holy name.

For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a | lifetime.\*

Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

You have turned for me my mourning into | dancing;\*

O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you for- | ever!



God the Father.

A - men.

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art most high in the glory of

#### Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.



P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, You are the Good Shepherd, without whom nothing is secure. Rescue and preserve us that we may not be lost forever but follow You, rejoicing in the way that leads to eternal life; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

#### **Old Testament Reading**

Ezekiel 34:11-24

<sup>11</sup>"For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. <sup>12</sup>As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. <sup>13</sup>And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. <sup>14</sup>I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup>I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. <sup>16</sup>I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

<sup>17</sup>"As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats. <sup>18</sup>Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet the rest of your pasture; and to drink of clear water, that you must muddy the rest of the water with your feet? <sup>19</sup>And must my sheep eat what you have trodden with your feet, and drink what you have muddied with your feet?

<sup>20</sup>"Therefore, thus says the Lord GoD to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. <sup>21</sup>Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, <sup>22</sup>I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. <sup>23</sup>And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. <sup>24</sup>And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken."

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Gradual Psalm 34:9, 19, alt.

Fear the LORD, | you his saints,\*

for those who fear him lack | nothing!

Many are the afflictions of the | righteous,\*

but the LORD delivers him out | of them all.

#### **Epistle**

1 Timothy 1:5-17

<sup>5</sup>The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith. <sup>6</sup>Certain persons, by swerving from these, have wandered away into vain discussion, <sup>7</sup>desiring to be teachers of the law, without understanding either what they are saying or the things about which they make confident assertions.

<sup>8</sup>Now we know that the law is good, if one uses it lawfully, <sup>9</sup>understanding this, that the law is not laid down for the just but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who strike their fathers and mothers, for murderers, <sup>10</sup>the sexually immoral, men who practice homosexuality, enslavers, liars, perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine, <sup>11</sup>in accordance with the glorious gospel of the blessed God with which I have been entrusted.

<sup>12</sup>I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, <sup>13</sup>though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, <sup>14</sup>and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup>The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. <sup>16</sup>But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. <sup>17</sup>To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Stand



#### **Holy Gospel**

Luke 15:1-10

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fifteenth chapter.

#### C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear [Jesus]. <sup>2</sup>And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them."

<sup>3</sup>So he told them this parable: <sup>4</sup>"What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? <sup>5</sup>And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. <sup>6</sup>And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and

his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' <sup>7</sup>Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

<sup>8</sup>"Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? <sup>9</sup>And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' <sup>10</sup>Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

#### Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,

the Father Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth

and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of His Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light,

very God of very God,

begotten, not made,

being of one substance with the Father,

by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary

and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

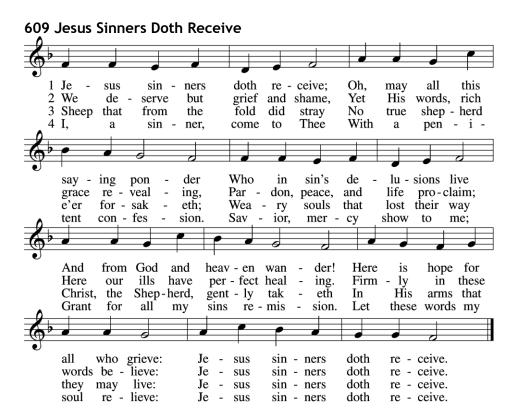
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{T}}$  of the world to come. Amen.



- 5 Oh, how blest it is to know:
  - Were as scarlet my transgression, It shall be as white as snow By Thy blood and bitter passion; For these words I now believe: Jesus sinners doth receive.
- 6 Now my conscience is at peace; From the Law I stand acquitted. Christ hath purchased my release And my ev'ry sin remitted.

And my ev'ry sin remitted.

Naught remains my soul to grieve:

Jesus sinners doth receive.

#### 7 Jesus sinners doth receive;

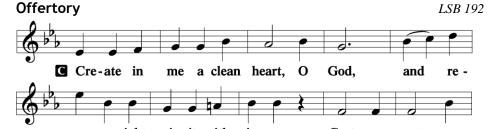
Also I have been forgiven; And when I this earth must leave, I shall find an open heaven. Dying, still to Him I cleave:

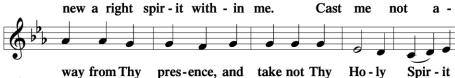
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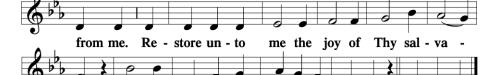
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#### Sermon

Stand







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#### Prayer of the Church

Sit

#### Consecration of the Offering

After the prayers please be seated. The altar is set for the Lord's Supper and the offering is consecrated. As you prepare to receive the sacrament you may use the prayers in the front of the hymnal or meditate on a communion hymn.

Stand

#### Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 194
P The Lord be with you.



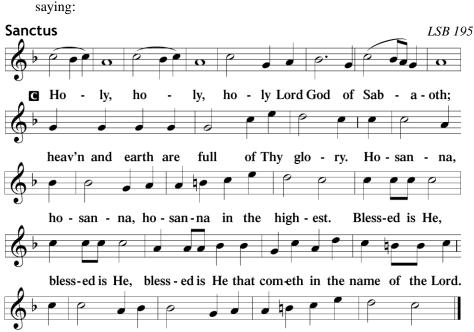
P Lift up your hearts.



P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

#### The Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

C Our Father who art in heaven,

hallowed be Thy name,

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;

give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation,

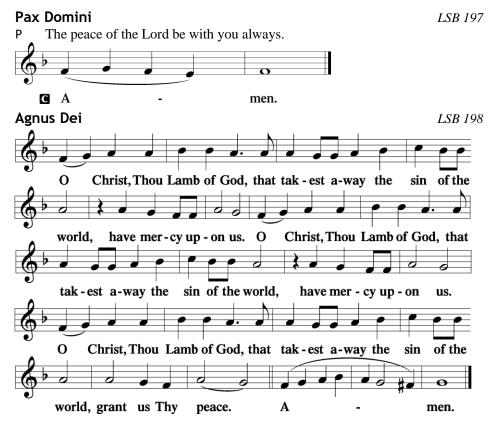
but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

#### The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My T body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."



Sit

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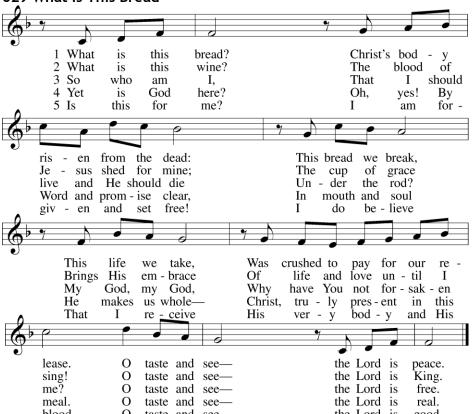


Within Thy house forever!

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From Thy pure chalice floweth!





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Than

God's praise

#### The Dismissal

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart **T** in peace.
- C Amen.



#### Thanksgiving

LSB 200

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



P Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



P The Lord be with you.



#### **Benedicamus**

LSB 202



Benediction LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and  $\mathsf{T}$  give you peace.





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Prayers for Our Members		
Norman Abels (Brookestone Meadows-Elkhorn)	Healing	
Judy Ahrens	Healing	
Vaughn Albrecht (Mount Carmel)	Healing	
Tom & DyAnn Altwine	Healing	
Lyle Colsden (Mother Hull)	Healing	
Pat Flodine (Cambridge Court)	Healing	
Vi Fox (Prairie View)	Healing	
Jan Hatfield	Healing	
Ruby Hatfield	Healing	
Evelyn Heiden (Mother Hull)	Healing	
Lennis Hodgson	Healing	
Linda Luhn	Healing	
Jackie Ohlmann	Healing	
Diane Plummer	Healing	
Debra Schinkel	Healing	
Robin Baker	Cancer	
Ivan Bombeck	Cancer	
Dwight Farmer	Cancer	
Bertha Marienau	Cancer	

Prayers for Our Members' Family & Friends		
Roger Young (Tiffany Davis' father)	Parkinson's	
Shannon Bartels (Bartels' daughter-in-law)	Surgery	
Melanie Kanode (Sue Bartels' relative)	Heart Surgery	
Steve Ballard (nephew of Steve & Fran Junge)	Healing	
Roger Hoffman (Marc's father)	Healing	
Luetta Lammers (Ruby Hatfield's sister)	Healing	
Tim Powers (Kim Wilken's brother)	Healing	
Howard Quandt (Don & Shirley Helmbrecht's family)	Healing	
David Shiers (Jessica's father)	Healing	
Randy Solomon (Beth Rosenthal's father)	Healing	
Jonah (Jase & Jarren Blattner's friend)	Cancer	
Glenda Fichtner (Ruby Hatfield's niece)	Cancer	
Ron Halvorsen (Jeff's dad)	Cancer	
Sharon Mulhair (Pam Uhlir's cousin)	Cancer	
Milton Naprstek (Marilyn Fuqua's brother)	Cancer	
Cindy Pietsch (Ellen's sister-in-law)	Cancer	
Rick Schnacker (Marilyn Fuqua's nephew)	Cancer	
Tyrone Uhlir (Pam's nephew)	Cancer	
Ray Vang (Don & Shirley Helmbrecht's brother-in-law)	Cancer	

#### Our Response to the Gospel

Date: 9/4/2022 Offering: \$8,470 Weekly Need: \$7,500

#### Offering Options:

To worship the Lord with your offering:

- 1) Place your offering in the offering plate as you enter or leave.
- 2) Go to zionkearney.churchtrac.com/give
- 3) Go to zionkearney.com and click on the ChurchTrac icon
- 4) Mail your gift to Zion Lutheran Church, 2421 C Ave, Kearney, NE 68847 or place it in the mail slot on the south side of the building.

Today's Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Vi Fox, in memory of friends.

#### **Worship Assistants**

#### Sunday, September 11th - 9:00am

Elder: Nathan Gaunt Usher: Steve Junge

Acolyte: Engineer: Jared Nuttelman
Announcer: Brooke Fisher Altar Guild: Carol & Liz Gaunt

Sunday, September 18th - 9:00am

Elder: Bruce Brooks

Acolyte: Amy Tonniges

Usher: Andy Wollberg
Engineer: Reilly Fisher

Announcer: Lonna Gronewoller Altar Guild: Carol & Liz Gaunt

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**This Week at Zion** 

	IIIIS VV	eek at Zivii
Sun 9/11	9:00a	Divine Service
<b>Patriot Day</b>	10:30a	Adult Bible Study
-	10:30a	Sunday School
	10:30a	Radio Broadcast
		1460AM & 92.1FM
	5:00p	Divine Service
	Anniversaries	Don & Shirley Helmbrecht
	Birthdays	Mark Dissmeyer
		Margaret Hansen
Mon 9/12	12:00p	Sr. Citizens Potluck
	7:00p	Mary Martha
	Birthdays	Colton Zehendner
Tues 9/13	1:30p	Sleeping Mats
	7:00p	Bd of Ed
		Bd of Trustees
		Bd of Elders
	Birthdays	Jeffrey Strong
Wed 9/14	8:30a	Chapel
	5:30p	Midweek
	7:00p	
	Birthdays	Amy Tonniges
Thurs 9/15	7:00p	Men's Bible Study
	Birthdays	Grace Burger
Fri 9/16	Anniversaries	Herb & Linda Johnson
	Birthdays	Jordan Hockemeier
Sat 9/17	Birthdays	Masie Dulitz
Sun 9/18	9:00a	Divine Service
	10:30a	Special Voter's Meeting
	10:30a	Radio Broadcast
		1460AM & 92.1FM
	5:00p	Divine Service
	Anniversaries	Lee & Phyllis Wells

#### Announcements for September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022

<u>Adult Choir:</u> will start this Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. New singers are always welcome! Question? Call or text Carol DeLoach, 308-627-2279.

<u>Sunday School:</u> The Board of education is looking for volunteers to teach or help with teaching Sunday school for the upcoming year starting on September 4<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for 3 -pre-K, K - 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> class

teachers, subs or helpers. If you would be willing to teach or be a helper, please contact the office or Matt Hodgson (308)627-7732 - matthodgson1@hotmail.com

<u>Special Voter's Meeting:</u> There will be a special voter's meeting on Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup> after church. We will consider updating the sanctuary and extending a call to Mrs. Christina Long, who has successfully completed her colloquy program to receive a Lutheran Teaching Diploma.

<u>Golf Tournament:</u> Zion Lutheran is hosting its Annual 2 Person Golf Tournament. The golf tournament will take place at Elks Country Golf on September 25<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. Cost is \$75 per team (two divisions: 2 adults or 1 adult/1 child) which includes 18 holes of golf and dinner. Sign up sheets are at the office.

<u>Radio Broadcast & Altar Flowers:</u> The sign-up sheets for the radio broadcast and altar flowers are up by the mailboxes. Please help Zion spread the Gospel and decorate the sanctuary.

#### **SCHOOL NEWS**

<u>MAPS Testing:</u> Students will be taking MAPS tests this week. Please make sure they have plenty of sleep, a good breakfast and are on time.

<u>FACTS</u>: An email invite was sent to all families this week to create your FACTS account! Please get your account set up ASAP. Call the office with any questions you have.

<u>Receipts:</u> Remember to save your grocery receipts, UPC codes and Coke rewards codes. Family Fresh register receipts (all year) and Apple Market receipts (dated September 1 through March 31 of each year) Best Choice UPC (Apple Market & Boogaarts private label) and Our Family UPC (Family Fresh private label) Coke Rewards codes from 20 oz, .5 L, 1.25 L, 2 L, Fridge packs and 24 packs. Just drop them in the small container by the south parking lot door.



#### NOTICE

The Board of Education has moved to extend a call to Mrs. Christina Long to be Zion Lutheran School's called third grade teacher. The church council has called and set a special voters' meeting for the voters of Zion to extend a call to Mrs. Long. The Voters' meeting will take place following church on September 18, 2022. Please see the bio below for more information about this candidate.

#### Mrs. Christina Long

Mrs. Long is a 2009 teacher graduate of Chapman University in Orange, California. Mrs. Long first teaching experiences were in early childhood classrooms at Playschool Preschool in Manlius, New York, and here at Zion Lutheran, where she served as preschool aide to Mrs. Kucera. Mrs. Long was hired for the first grade position at Zion in 2015 and has taught in several combinations since then, teaching up thru the fourth grade. This year she is teaching self-contained third grade. Per Zion policy, after teaching three years at Zion, Mrs. Long began the colloquy process to earn her Lutheran Teacher's Diploma and become a rostered member of the Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod. Mrs. Long completed her colloquy and was approved to the Synod roster on August 24, 2022.

She is married to Dr. Seth Long and mother of son Dominic.

Zion Lutheran Church and School Board of Education policy indicates that all full-time, K-8 teachers are to be 1) members of Zion Lutheran Church and 2) preferably synodically trained. Having completed her colloquy, Mrs. Long now meets the requirements for a formal call.