



ZION EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH, MONROE, MI

(Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod)

IN JESUS' NAME WE WELCOME YOU!

Saints Triumphant

November 9 & 13, 2022

WELCOME TO ZION. It is our hope and prayer that the message you hear today from God's Word will strengthen your faith and fill your heart with the peace only God can give and the joy we have in believing that JESUS CHRIST is our Savior from sin.

WORSHIP FOCUS: The resurrection from the dead for all believers is a source of great hope and joy. Death is not the end of our bodies. Rather, we shall be reunited, body and soul, when Christ returns. And our happy existence in that "new heaven and new earth" goes beyond our most joyful comprehension.

Liturgy: Service of the Word

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Grades 3-8 Zion School Handchimes Preservice

Opening Hymn: CW 214

"Jerusalem the Golden"

END TIME

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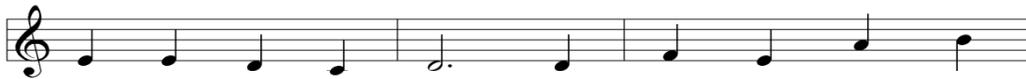
Jerusalem the Golden



1 Je - ru - sa - lem the gold - en, With milk and
2 They stand, those halls of Zi - on, All ju - bi -
3 There is the throne of Da - vid, And there, from
4 Oh, sweet and bless - ed coun - try, The home of



hon - ey blest— The sight of it re - fresh - es The
lant with song And bright with man - y an an - gel And
care re - leased, The shout of them that tri - umph, The
God's e - lect! Oh, sweet and bless - ed coun - try That



wea - ry and op - pressed. I know not, oh, I
all the mar - tyr thron. The Prince is ev - er
song of them that feast; And they who with their
ea - ger hearts ex - pect! Je - sus, in mer - cy



know not What joys a - wait us there, What ra - dian -
in them; The day - light is se - rene; The pas - tures
lead - er Have con - quered in the fight For - ev - er
bring us To that dear land of rest; You are with



cy of glo - ry, What bliss be - yond com - pare.
of the bless - ed Are ev - er rich and green.
and for - ev - er Are clad in robes of white.
God the Fa - ther And Spir - it ev - er blest.

P: The grace of our Lord (✠) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

CONFESSION OF SINS

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

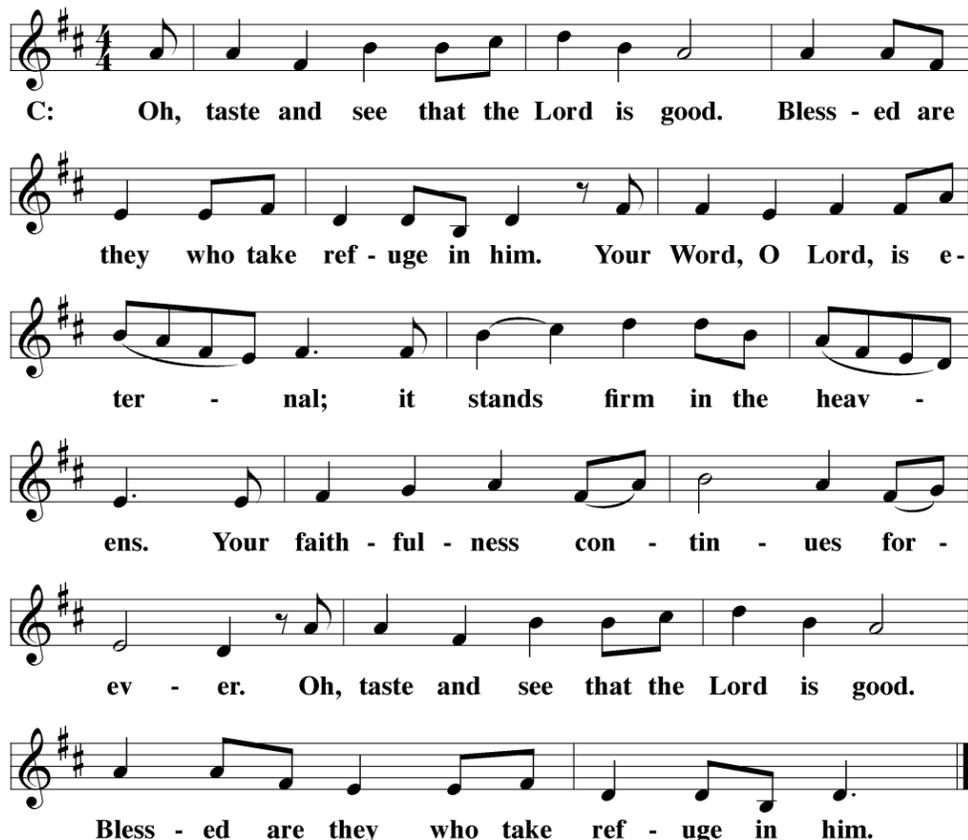
C: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

P: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are
they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -
ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -
ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -
ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.
Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

The minister says the Prayer of the Day.

Almighty God and Savior, you have set the final day and hour when we shall be delivered from this world of sin and death. Keep us ever watchful for the coming of your Son that we may sit with him and all your holy ones at the marriage feast in heaven; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



THE WORD

First Lesson

Isaiah 65:17-25

¹⁷ Watch this! I am about to create new heavens and a new earth. The former things will not be remembered. They will not come to mind. ¹⁸ Instead, rejoice and celebrate forever, because of what I am creating. Watch this! I am about to create Jerusalem to be a source of gladness, and her people will be a source of joy. ¹⁹ I also will be glad because of Jerusalem, and I will rejoice over my people. The sound of weeping will not be heard in her again, nor will the sound of crying. ²⁰ There will never again be an infant there who lives for only a few days, or an elderly man who does not fill out all his days, for one who dies at a hundred will be considered a young man, and one who fails to attain the age of one hundred will be regarded as cursed. ²¹ Then they will build houses and live in them. They will plant vineyards and eat their fruit. ²² They will not build a house and have another person live in it. They will not plant and have another person eat the crop, for the days of my people will be like the days of a tree, and my chosen ones will enjoy all the work of their hands. ²³ They will not labor only to receive nothing, and they will not give birth to children doomed to disaster, for they will be offspring who are blessed by the LORD, and their descendants will be with them. ²⁴ Then even before they call, I will answer. While they are still speaking, I will hear. ²⁵ The wolf and the lamb will graze together, and lions will eat straw like cattle, but the serpent will eat dust as its food. They will not harm or destroy anywhere on my holy mountain, (EHV)



Praise God in his sanctuary;*
praise him in his mighty heavens.

Praise him for his acts of power;*
praise him for his surpassing greatness.

Refrain

Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet,*
praise him with the harp and lyre,

praise him with tambourine and dancing,*
praise him with strings and flute,

praise him with the clash of cymbals,*
praise him with resounding cymbals.

Refrain

Let everything that has breath praise the LORD.*
Praise the LORD.

**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.**

Refrain

Second Lesson

Revelation 22:1-5

22 The angel showed me the river of the water of life, which was as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and the Lamb. ²In the middle of the city's street and on each side of the river was a tree of life that yielded twelve kinds of fruit. The tree yields its fruit every month, and its leaves are for the healing of the nations. ³There will no longer be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city. His servants will worship him. ⁴They will see his face. His name will be on their foreheads. ⁵There will no longer be any night or any need for lamplight or sunlight, because the Lord God will shine on them. And they will reign forever and ever. (EHV)

VERSE OF THE DAY

Alleluia. They are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple. Alleluia. (Revelation 7:15a)

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Wed. verses 1, 2, 4 & 8

Sun. Congregation will sing verses 1, 2, 3, 7 & 8 Quartet will sing verses 4-6

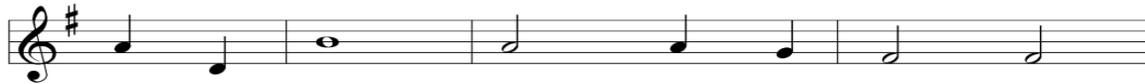
SAINTS AND MARTYRS

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For All the Saints



1 For all the saints who from their
 2 You were their rock, their for - tress,
 3 Oh, may your sol - diers, faith - ful,
 4 Oh, blest com - mun - ion, fel - low -
 5 And when the fight is fierce, the



la - bors rest, All who their faith be -
 and their might; You, Lord, their cap - tain
 true, and bold Fight as the saints who
 ship di - vine! We fee - bly strug - gle;
 war - fare long, Steals on the ear the



fore the world con - fessed, Your name, O
 in the well - fought fight And in the
 no - bly fought of old And win with
 they in glo - ry shine, Yet all are
 dis - tant tri - umph - song, And hearts are



Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
 dark - ness drear their one true light.
 them the vic - tor's crown of gold.
 one with - in your grand de - sign.
 brave a - gain and arms are strong.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

- 6 The golden evening brightens in the west;
 Soon, soon, to faithful warriors comes their rest.
 Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 7 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day:
 The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
 The King of glory passes on his way.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 8 From earth's wide bounds to ocean's farthest coast
 Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
 Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

Text: William W. How, 1823–97. abr., alt.
 Tune: SINE NOMINE (10 10 10 with Alleluias) Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958. © Oxford University Press.
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²⁷ Some of the Sadducees (who say there is no resurrection) came to him. ²⁸ They asked him a question, “Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies leaving a wife but no children, his brother should take the wife and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹ So there were seven brothers. The first took a wife and died childless. ³⁰ The second took her as a wife, ³¹ and so did the third, and in the same way the seven died and left no children. ³² Finally the woman died too. ³³ So in the resurrection, whose wife will she be? For the seven had her as a wife.” ³⁴ Jesus said to them, “The people of this age marry and are given in marriage. ³⁵ But those who are considered worthy to experience that age and the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶ In fact, they cannot die any more, for they are like the angels. They are sons of God, because they are sons of the resurrection. ³⁷ “Even Moses showed in the account about the burning bush that the dead are raised, when he called the Lord: ‘The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.’ ³⁸ He is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for all are alive to him.” (EHV)

“WHAT IS HEAVEN LIKE?”

APOSTLES’ CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Responsive Reading for Saints Triumphant

P: 2 Corinthians 1:3 & 4

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who comforts us in all our troubles,

**C: So that we can comfort those in any trouble with the
comfort we ourselves have received from God.**

P: James Henry – October 28, 2021

(Bell Toll)

P: Romans 6:23

The wages of sin is death,

C: but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

P: Carol Langton – November 12, 2021

(Bell Toll)

P: John 11:25 & 26

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me
will live, even though he dies;

C: and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.

P: Lyle Kull – April 11, 2022

(Bell Toll)

P: Colossians 3:4

When Christ, who is our life, appears,

C: Then we also will appear with him in glory.

P: Shirley Soltman – July 11, 2022

(Bell Toll)

P: Revelation 21:6 & 7

To him who is thirsty, I will give to drink without cost, from the
spring of the water of life.

**C: He who overcomes will inherit all this, and I will be His God
and he will be My Son.**

P: Tim Miller – August 8, 2022

(Bell Toll)

- P: Revelation 22:3 & 4
No longer will there be any curse.
- C: They will see His face, and His name will be on their foreheads.**
- P: Bill Salow – September 6, 2022
(Bell Toll)
- P: John 14:1 & 3
Don't let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God. Trust also in Me.
- C: I am going to prepare a place for you . . . I will come back and take you to be with Me.**
- P: Floyd Lajiness – October 4, 2022
(Bell Toll)
- P: Revelation 14:13
Blessed are the dead who die in the LORD from now on.
- C: they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them.”**
- P: Helen Henegar – October 13, 2022
(Bell Toll)

LORD'S PRAYER

- 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.**

END TIME

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There Is a Higher Throne

1 There is a high - er throne than all this
2 And there we'll find our home, our life be -

world has known, Where faith - ful ones from ev - 'ry tongue
fore the throne. We'll hon - or him in per - fect song

will one day come. Be - fore the Son we'll stand,
where we be - long. He'll wipe each tear - stained eye

made fault - less through the Lamb; Be - liev - ing
as thirst and hun - ger die. The Lamb be -

hearts find prom - ised grace; sal - va - tion comes.
comes our Shep - herd - King; we'll reign with him.

Refrain

Hear heav - en's voic - es sing; their thund - 'rous
an - them rings. Through em - 'rald courts and sap - phire skies
their prais - es rise. All glo - ry, wis - dom, pow'r,
strength, thanks, and hon - or are to God our King who
reigns on high for - ev - er - more.

The vivid imagery of our Lord's revelation to Saint John is elegantly summarized in this Irish hymn.

Tune: THERE IS A HIGHER THRONE (12 12 12 12 and Refrain)
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CLOSING PRAYER

P: Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



BENEDICTION

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (✠) give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN: *CW 145*

“Jesus Lives! The Victory’s Won”

EASTER

145

Jesus Lives! The Victory’s Won



1 Je - sus lives! The vic - t'ry's won! Death no
2 Je - sus lives! To him the throne High o'er
3 Je - sus lives! For me he died; Hence will
4 Je - sus lives! I know full well Noth - ing
5 Je - sus lives! And now is death But the



long - er can ap - pall me. Je - sus lives! Death's
heav'n and earth is giv - en. I shall go where
I, to Je - sus liv - ing, Pure in heart and
me from him shall sev - er, Life nor death nor
gate to life im - mor - tal; This shall calm my



reign is done! From the grave Christ will re -
 he is gone, Live and reign with him in
 act a - bide, Praise to him and glo - ry
 pow'rs of hell Part me now from Christ for -
 trem - bling breath When I pass its gloom - y



call me. Bright - er scenes will then com - mence;
 heav - en. God is faith - ful; doubt - ings, hence!
 giv - ing. All I need God will dis - pense;
 ev - er. God will be a sure de - fense;
 por - tal. Faith shall cry, as fails each sense:



This shall be my con - fi - dence.
 This shall be my con - fi - dence.
 This shall be my con - fi - dence.
 This shall be my con - fi - dence.
 "Je - sus is my con - fi - dence!"

Text: Christian F. Gellert, 1715–69, abr.; tr. Frances E. Cox, 1815–97, alt.
 Tune: JESUS, MEINE ZUVERSICHT (78 78 77) Johann Crüger, 1598–1662.



Officiants

Accompanist: Dottie Bober

Wednesday Liturgist: Pastor Ross Ulrich

Sunday Liturgist: Pastor Greg Sitzman

Wednesday & Sunday Preacher: Pastor Greg Sitzman

ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Principal: Bryan Schneck: 907-331-7761; bschneck@zionmonroe.org

ADULT CHOIR: We have an adult choir that has started practicing. They meet on Sundays after Bible Study. If you are not able to meet at that time please contact Bryan Schneck about meeting at another time. His phone number is 907-331-7761.

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE - We are forming a new Technology Committee to help with upgrades to our existing systems. If you would be interested in joining please contact Jeremy Robinson. You can contact him at 734-586-2688.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS — We will again be decorating the church for Christmas with poinsettia plants “*in memory of*” or “*for blessings received*” from members and friends of our congregation. Your response has been overwhelming in the past. This year’s suggested donation is \$11.00 per plant. There are envelopes in the west foyer for your donations. Please complete the outside of the envelope and place it, along with your donation inside, in the church/school office.

Deadline to order is Sunday, November 27th. A list of memorials/blessings will be in the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day bulletins. Please call the office @ 242-1378 if you have any questions.

ZION CEA CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISER: Zion CEA is planning on doing a fundraiser similar to the Mum fundraiser we had earlier this year. This time we are going to have Decorated Wreaths, Undecorated Wreaths, Porch Pots and Decorated Wreath with an Easel. The wreaths will have a 12 inch ring but the actual diameter will be 20-24 inches. Here is an example of what they will look like:



THE BOARD OF SERVICE AND FELLOWSHIP is planning to hold a marriage retreat in March 17-19, 2023. WELS Pastor Randy Hunter will lead the discussions. We would start on Friday evening and run through Sunday at noon. A worship service will be conducted on Sunday morning. We need to get an approximate number of persons who would attend. If you sign up, it does not mean you are locked into attending. We are trying to make the best arrangements for rooms and meeting rooms. If you have any questions, please contact Ken Vagt.

ADVENT TEA HOSTESSES NEEDED —Plans are in the works for a Advent Tea on

Monday, November 28th @ 6:00 p.m. Hostesses are needed. There is not much work involved and is a wonderful fellowship opportunity. Please contact Ruth Peters @ 242-4961 or Ken Vagt @ (734) 915-1873 if you have any questions or would like to volunteer to be a hostess. More details will follow in upcoming church bulletins.

NEWS FROM MICHIGAN LUTHERAN SEMINARY:

MLS OPEN HOUSE: Michigan Lutheran Seminary invites all 5th-8th grade students and their families to spend part of a day on campus learning about MLS at one of our Open House events. There will be several open houses throughout the school year. All open houses will include a tour of campus, faculty introductions, a free meal in the dining hall, and free admission to an MLS event.

- Nov 20 (4:00-6:00) - Fall Play performance @ 2:30 (Open House after show)
- Feb 10 (1:30-5:30) - Varsity basketball games vs. Nouvel
- Mar 11 (4:00-6:00) - Children's Theater performances @ 2:00 and 7:00 (Open House between shows)
- May 5 (4:00-6:00) - Varsity baseball/softball games vs. Bullock Creek

Get your questions answered as you and your 6th-8th grade students meet faculty and students, attend mini-classes, and hear personal experiences from other MLS parents. Between tours and break-out sessions, you'll find out everything that makes MLS an incredibly special place for students and their families. Visit www.mlsem.org to register.

HVL NEWS:

HVL recently completed a feasibility study for adding a middle school (grades 6-8), onto our campus with the goal of opening in August of 2023. At our last conference of congregations meeting, the delegates voted to move forward with planning to make this goal a reality. We are currently putting together plans for all of the details as to what a middle school on our campus will look like: curriculum and programs, co-curriculars and activities, budget and tuition, facilities improvements, schedules, timeline, marketing and recruitment, naming and branding, constitution revision, harvest strategies, impact to our association congregations and schools and more. We will have a special conference of congregations meeting on Sunday, December 4, at 2pm in the HVL chapel to share information and updates on all of the above areas as well as to request calling for a middle school teacher. If you would be interested in helping us with any of the planning regarding any component listed above, or if you have questions about the middle school plans in general, please reach out to Matt Foley at mfoley@hvlhs.org.

COMING UP AT ZION

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| Sunday | 9:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:15 a.m. Sunday School, Youth Group and Adult Bible Class |
| Tuesday | 10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Class |
| Wednesday | 7:00 p.m. Worship Service |
| Next Sunday | 9:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:15 a.m. Sunday School, Youth Group and Adult Bible Class |

Our Fruits of Faith

At worship last week: 47 +129 =176;
Offerings for week ending 11/5/22: General - \$10,732.00
Missions - \$525.00

NOVEMBER VOLUNTEERS

| | Nov. 2 & 6 | Nov. 9 & 13 | Nov. 16 & 20 | Nov. 24 | Nov. 27 | Nov. 30 & Dec. 4 |
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| ALTAR GUILD | | | Liz Seibert | | | |
| LIVE STREAM HELPERS | Zach McCormick | Steve Sordahl | Miller Sordahl | | Rob Krueger | Zach McCormick |
| USHERS | <u>Nov. 2 & 6</u> Rich Heusman Jeff Heusman Jake Burke Juergan Koenig Matt McCormick | <u>Nov. 9</u> <u>Nov. 13</u> Russ Vitale Keith McBee Mark Kipf | <u>Nov. 16 & 20</u> Rob Krueger Ray Chandonnet Ralph Naveaux Erich Freiny | <u>Nov. 24</u> Tony Affholter Mark Fuerstenberg Tim Fuerstenberg | <u>Nov. 27</u> Joe Koch Joe Schmeling Dave Bengé | <u>Nov. 30 & Dec. 4</u> Jeremy Robinson Jacob Robinson William Robinson Alan Bober |
| COMMUNION HELPERS | <u>Nov. 2</u> Jeff Grubb <u>Nov. 6</u> Jeremy Robinson | | <u>Nov. 16</u> Erich Freiny <u>Nov. 20</u> Alan Bober | | | <u>Nov. 30</u> Ben Husby <u>Dec. 4</u> Mark Kipf |

Would you like to help “feed some lambs”?

Our congregation is accepting donations to Zion's two "Zion School Tuition Assistance" funds. These funds are set up to specifically assist families in need within the congregation and the community with tuition assistance scholarships for their child attending Zion Lutheran School. With recent events, there is a particular need due to the financial challenges facing several of our families this year.



There are two funds, one designated to help any family in our community wishing to attend Zion Lutheran School, and one designated for Zion congregation member families. We have already used most of the funds available to us for member families for the new school year, and our general fund (open to all school families) already does not meet our needs for the next school year.

If you are interested in making a donation to either of these funds, please make checks payable to "Zion Lutheran Church". Please write in the check memo line which fund you wish the donation to go to:

*"ZLS Tuition Assistance – General" or
"ZLS Tuition Assistance – Zion Member".*

Donations not designated to a specific fund will be applied to the funds as needed at the discretion of the school board and church council.

Thank you for helping Zion Lutheran School to do all we can to answer Christ's call to "feed his lambs and sheep".

Jesus said, "Feed my lambs." – John 21:15b