Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

November 8/9, 2025 5:00 PM, 8:00/10:30 AM

Welcome to Our Guests

Thank you for joining us in worshiping the Savior at Zion this day. We pray that your time here serves to build your faith and equip you for the week ahead. Please come again.

If you desire to find out more about becoming part of the Zion family, please contact Vickie Adams, vadams@zionharvester.org, in the church office. Our family loves to grow and we'd love to have you join us!

Welcome Center

The Welcome Center is a place for the Zion family and its guests to gather for fellowship with each other and where information about Zion is readily accessible. Every weekend opportunities to connect are highlighted and publications and ministry brochures are made available. Please visit the Welcome Center before or after worship to greet one another and to stay connected to God's mission through Zion.

Children's Messages

Since children become members of the Christian Church through baptism, we desire to nurture their faith by engaging them in God's story of faith and in our corporate worship of Jesus. Resources to "build a worship bag" can be found just outside the Sanctuary doors. Please find items that will help engage your child in worship and return these after the service.

Children's Messages are designed for children between the ages of two through elementary school; however, all children are welcome. A team of members and staff who are gifted for this ministry invite you to accompany and assist your young child and join the children in the chancel.

Nursery and Cry Room

During all Worship Services, a Cry Room is available in the back of church for you to calm your child or change a diaper. During the Education Hour on Sundays, childcare for infants and toddlers is offered in the Nursery located on the lower level opposite the Fellowship Hall.

Worship Decorum

Please silence your cell phones during Worship Services.



DIVINE SERVICE

Setting Four, LSB p. 203

Prelude

5:00/10:30, *Immortal Invisible God Only Wise* – arr. Michael Burkhardt 8:00, *Immortal Invisible God Only Wise* – arr. R. Lyndel Littleton

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

5:00/10:30, Faith Milestone for Kindergarten children

Stand

Sharing of the Peace

This ancient but significant gesture in worship is a tradition rooted in Scripture. It embodies our identity as peacemakers and trains our hearts, hands, and mouths in the ways of peace.

From the beginning Christians have exercised this practice. "Peace be with you" is a greeting that Jesus himself used with his disciples after He had risen from the dead (Luke 24:36). The apostle Paul opened each of his letters with the words "Grace and peace be with you" (Romans 1:7; 1 Cor. 1:3, 2 Cor. 1:2).

When we share the peace, we leave the comfort of our seat, turn to our neighbors, grasp their hands, and speak the words, "The peace of the Lord be with you." The gesture is simple, but the meaning is profound. When we extend our hand to another, we identify with Jesus, who extended his life to the point of death to make peace with humanity (Col. 1:20-21). What's more, in the midst of divisions we symbolize our unity through handshakes and hugs (Eph. 2:14-21). Likewise, when we regularly pass the peace we practice God's call to make every effort to maintain the bond of peace (Eph 4:3).



Opening Hymn: 802 - Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise



Text: W. Chalmers Smith, 1824–1908, alt. Tune: Welsh

Preparation

Invocation Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

- \mathbf{P} In the name of the Father and of the \mathbf{H} Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation

Psalm 124:8, 130:3-4, [Luke 18:13]

- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **B**ut with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

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

Confession of Sins

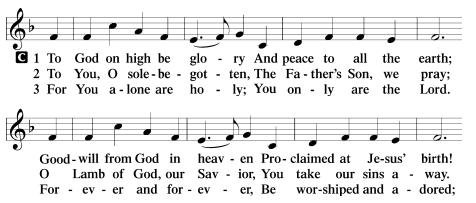
- P Almighty God,
- have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Absolution

- 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
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Gloria in Excelsis Luke 2:14; John 1:29





We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing— Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Greeting and Prayer of the Day

2 Timothy 4:22

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- Let us pray.

 Living God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy and pity.

 Grant us the fullness of Your grace to lay hold of Your promises and live forever in Your presence; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Old Testament Exodus 3:1–15

The Burning Bush

¹Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ²And the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. ³And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." ⁴When the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." ⁵Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." ⁶And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

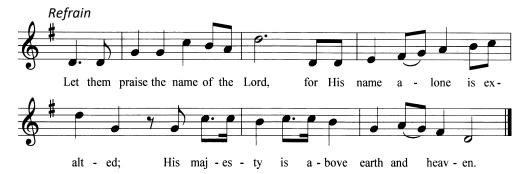
⁷Then the LORD said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, ⁸and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." ¹¹But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" ¹²He said, "But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

¹³Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" ¹⁴God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" ¹⁵God also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations."

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

Psalm of the Day: Let Them Praise the Name of the Lord

Psalm 148



- **A** Refrain
- **C** Refrain
- Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the heights! Praise Him all His angels; praise Him all his hosts! Praise Him, sun and moon, praise Him all you shining stars! Praise Him, you highest heavens and you waters above the heavens!
- **C** Refrain
- And He established them forever and ever;
 He gave a full decree, and it shall not pass away.
 Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures and all deeps,
 Fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy wind, fulfilling His word!
- **C** Refrain
- Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!
 Beasts and all livestock, creeping things and flying birds!
 Kings of the earth and all peoples princes and all rulers of the earth!
 Young men and maidens together, old men and children!
- Refrain
- Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; His majesty is above earth and heaven.

 He has raised up a horn for his people,

 Praise for all His saints, for the people of Israel who are near to Him.

 Praise the Lord!
- Refrain

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Epistle 2 Thessalonians 2:1–8, 13–17

The Man of Lawlessness

¹Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we ask you, brothers, ²not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come. ³Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, ⁴who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God. ⁵Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? ⁶And you know what is restraining him now so that he may be revealed in his time. ⁷For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way. ⁸And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming. . . .

Stand Firm

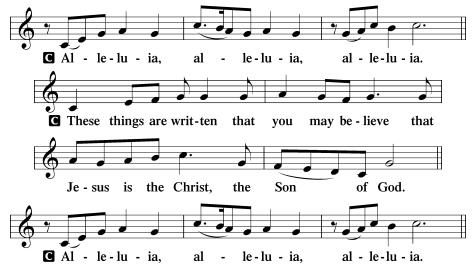
¹³But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth. ¹⁴To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by our spoken word or by our letter.

¹⁶Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, ¹⁷comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

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

Stand

Alleluia John 20:31



Holy Gospel

Luke 20:27–40

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twentieth chapter.
- **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

Sadducees Ask About the Resurrection

²⁷There came to [Jesus] some Sadducees, those who deny that there is a resurrection, ²⁸and they asked him a question, saying, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, having a wife but no children, the man must take the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. ²⁹Now there were seven brothers. The first took a wife, and died without children. ³⁰And the second ³¹and the third took her, and likewise all seven left no children and died. ³²Afterward the woman also died. ³³In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had her as wife."

³⁴And Jesus said to them, "The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage, ³⁵but those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and to the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage, ³⁶for they cannot die anymore, because they are equal to angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. ³⁷But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed, in the passage about the bush, where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. ³⁸Now he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for all live to him." ³⁹Then some of the scribes answered, "Teacher, you have spoken well." ⁴⁰For they no longer dared to ask him any question.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **C** Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day: I AM Forever WHO I AM (st. 1 - soloist) sts. 1-3 1. Though moun-tains slide in to And where the sea, wa - ters rush 2. We Our buy and sell, we lose or gain; for - tunes shift like 3. Our lust for pow - er, wealth, and land Di min - ish the fields should Though - tions fall, be, mon u ments and na your lives, sun and rain. Sus tain our re ward our toil With planned. Pre crimes fu tile earth you vent our and wars; Con all. When ho lv cit stands through noth ing seems to bread and hon ey, wine and oil. Save us and oth ers vince us that all things are yours. We rage and burn and stay the same, You teach ter nal us your e name. from You our greed; al ways give what we need. us kill steal, But deem, and you re re store, and heal. Refrain Ι AM AM. for - ev - er WHO I bove you, be - neath you, A round you and with - in you. Be still and know that I God.

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Children's Message

Children may come forward as soon as the leader appears in the chancel. If you have a young child that needs assistance, please accompany your child and join the children in the chancel.



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Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed

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

of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Let us pray for the whole church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

After each petition the following bid is spoken.

- P Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Into Your hands, O Lord we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord,
- C Amen.

Sit

Offering

5:00/10:30, Land of Rest – arr. Jacob B. Weber 8:00, Land of Rest – arr. Karen Thompson

Members and guests, please use this time to fill out an Attendance Card, located in the pew racks. At the end of the offering, the ushers will collect all Attendance Cards.

To prepare for communion, please see LSB p. 329, "Christian Questions with Their Answers." Additional communion notes are in the back of this bulletin.

Service of the Sacrament

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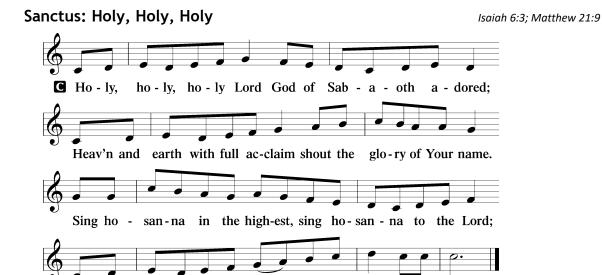
Preface

2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

It is truly good, 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 overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Lord's Prayer Matthew 6:9–13

in

the name of the Lord!

- **L** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
- Our Father who art in heaven,

Tru - lv

- hallowed be Thy name,
- Thy kingdom come,
- Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;

blest is He who comes

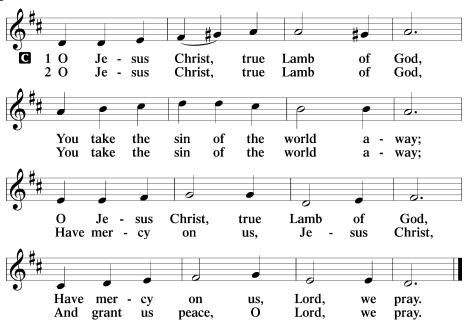
- give us this day our daily bread;
- and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation,
- but deliver us from evil.
- For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Peace John 20:19

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

Agnus Dei: Lamb of God

John 1:29



Sit

Distribution Notes

Non-alcoholic wine is available in the center of the individual tray for those who have medical reasons for not receiving wine. Gluten-free wafers are available at the Baptismal font.

Hymn: 814 - O Bless the Lord, My Soul



He that re-deemed my soul from hell Hath sov-'reign pow'r to

- He fills the poor with good;
 He gives the suff'rers rest.
 The Lord hath judgments for the proud And justice for th'oppressed.
- His wondrous works and ways
 He made by Moses known,
 But sent the world His truth and grace
 By His belovèd Son.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748 Tune: Aaron Williams, 1731–76 save.

Hymn: 673 - Jerusalem, My Happy Home



- Apostles, martyrs, prophets, there
 Around my Savior stand;
 And soon my friends in Christ below
 Will join the glorious band.
- O Christ, do Thou my soul prepare
 For that bright home of love
 That I may see Thee and adore
 With all Thy saints above.

Text: F. B. P., 16th cent., alt. Tune: American

The Dismissal

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

Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29–32



Post-Communion Prayer

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus Psalm 103:1

- **A** Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Benediction Numbers 6:24–26

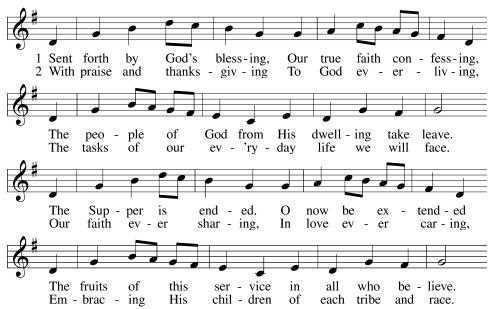
- The Lord bless you and keep you.

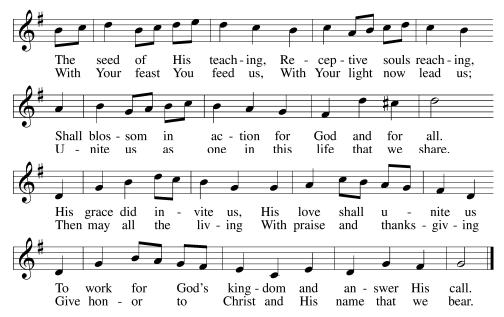
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

 The Lord look upon you with favor and

 → give you peace.
- C Amen.

Closing Hymn: 643 - Sent Forth by God's Blessing





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Postlude

Sent Forth by God's Blessing - arr. John A. Behnke

Communion Statement

The Lord's supper is celebrated at Zion in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin (Matt. 26:26, 28; 1 Cor. 11:23-24). In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus, those are invited to His table who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us. 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 the Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod are unable to receive the Sacrament and are invited to meditate on God's Word in the distribution hymns. Those who have questions or concerns are invited to speak with one of the pastors.

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Liturgist: 5:00 Seminarian Benjamin Brenner

8:00/10:30 Rev. Mike Fieberkorn

Children's Message: Marc Debrick

Organist: Mark Thoelke

Handbells: 8:00 Jubilate Ringers

Soloist: 5:00 Rebekah Gierstorf

8:00 Ashley Craig 10:30 Camille Marolf

Acolytes: 5:00 Emma Taylor, Jack Dunbar

8:00 Ava Frahlman, Ashley Kuhlmann 10:30 Austin Thelen, Liam Inchiostro

Elder: 5:00 John Priesmeyer

8:00 Dan Kuntz 10:30 Chris Bates

Ushers: 5:00 Ray Barker Team

8:00 Jim Koeneman Team

10:30 Tim Edinger Team

Altar Flowers

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by the Koenig family in honor of Mike's parents' 50th wedding anniversary on November 7.

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by the family in honor of Wade and Rose Helmkamp's 50^{th} wedding anniversary on November 8.