

# Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

November 15/16, 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](mailto: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 in Worship

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.



# Prayer and Preaching

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## Prelude

Saturday, *The Lord My God Be Praised* – arr. Michael Larkin

Sunday, *Wake Awake for Night Is Flying* – J.S. Bach, arr. Frank Erickson

## Ringin' of the Bell

## Welcome

*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: God Is Here [TUNE: In Babilone]

1. God is here! As we your people  
Meet to offer praise and pray'r,  
May we find in fuller measure  
What it is in Christ we share.  
Here, as in the world around us,  
All our varied skills and arts  
Wait the coming of the Spirit  
Into open minds and hearts.
2. Here are symbols to remind us  
Of our lifelong need of grace;  
Here are table, font, and pulpit;  
Here the cross has central place.  
Here in honesty of preaching,  
Here in silence, as in speech,  
Here, in newness and renewal,  
God the Spirit comes to each.
3. Here our children find a welcome  
In the Shepherd's flock and fold;  
Here as bread and wine are taken,  
Christ sustains us as of old.  
Here the servants of the Servant  
Seek in worship to explore  
What it means in daily living  
To believe and to adore.
4. Lord of all, of church and kingdom,  
In an age of change and doubt,  
Keep us faithful to the Gospel;  
Help us work your purpose out.  
Here, in this day's dedication,  
All we have to give, receive;  
We, who cannot live without you,  
We adore you! We believe!

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## Baptism

5:00 – Penelope and Raiden Smith, Harper and Vivian Weber

### Opening Versicles

**L** This is the day which the Lord has made;

**C** **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

*Psalm 118:24*

**L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**C** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

*Psalm 113:3*

**L** Better is one day in your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

**C** **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.**

*Psalm 84:10*

**L** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

**C** **Teach me Your paths.**

*Psalm 25:4*

**L** Sanctify us in Your truth.

**C** **Your Word is truth.**

*John 17:17*

**L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**C** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

*Psalm 113:3*

**C** **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.**



## Old Testament Canticle: The First Song of Isaiah

Isaiah 12:2b-6

*Refrain*



Sure - ly, it is God who saves me; I will trust in Him and not be a -  
fraid. For the Lord is my strong - hold and my sure de - fense, and  
He will be my Sav - ior.

### **C** Refrain

- A** Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing from the springs of salvation.  
And on that day you shall say, "Give thanks to the Lord and call upon His name."

### **C** Refrain

- A** Make His deeds known among the peoples; see that they remember that His name is exalted. Sing the praises of the Lord, for He has done great things, and this is known in all the world.

### **C** Refrain.

- A** Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy;  
for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy one of Israel.

### **C** Refrain (sung twice)

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Sit

### The Great Day of the LORD

<sup>1</sup> “For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. <sup>2</sup>But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. <sup>3</sup>And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts.

<sup>4</sup>“Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and just decrees that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

<sup>5</sup>“Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. <sup>6</sup>And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Psalm of the Day: Sing to the Lord a New Song

Psalm 98

*Refrain*



Sing to the Lord a new song, \_ for he has done mar-vel-ous things.

**A** Refrain

**C** Refrain

**A** Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things.  
With his right hand and his holy arm has he won for himself the victory.  
The Lord has made known his victory;  
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.  
He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel,  
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

**C** Refrain

**A** Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; lift up your voices, rejoice, and sing.  
Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.  
With trumpets and the sound of the horn, shout with joy before the King, the Lord.  
Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, the lands and those who dwell there-in.

**C Refrain**

**A** Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,  
when he comes to judge the earth.  
In righteousness shall he judge the world and the peoples with equity.

**C Refrain**

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## Epistle

2 Thessalonians 3:1–13

### Pray for Us

<sup>1</sup>Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, <sup>2</sup>and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith. <sup>3</sup>But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one. <sup>4</sup>And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things that we command. <sup>5</sup>May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.

### Warning Against Idleness

<sup>6</sup>Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. <sup>7</sup>For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, <sup>8</sup>nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. <sup>9</sup>It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate. <sup>10</sup>For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. <sup>11</sup>For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. <sup>12</sup>Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living.

<sup>13</sup>As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## Anthem [5:00]

In the family of God, we are children of the King.  
God our Father made us, saved us, and He gives us everything.  
When our hearts are sad or frightened, to His promise we can cling, in the family of God.

In the family of God!  
Grace and mercy still abound; love is shining all around  
In the family of God!

In the family of God, we will live forevermore.  
All together we will praise Him here and on the distant shore.  
To the Father, Son, and Spirit hear the glad hosannas soar from the family of God.

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*Stand*

## Gospel

*Luke 21:25-36*

### The Coming of the Son of Man

<sup>25</sup>“And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, <sup>26</sup>people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup>And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup>Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

### The Lesson of the Fig Tree

<sup>29</sup>And he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. <sup>30</sup>As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. <sup>31</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup>Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place. <sup>33</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

### Watch Yourselfs

<sup>34</sup>“But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. <sup>35</sup>For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup>But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Common Responsory

*Psalm 119:89; Psalm 26:8; Luke 11:28*

- L** 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.**
- L** 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.**
- L** 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.**

## Apostles' Creed

- A** We confess our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**C** **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.  
And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence 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.**

## Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9–13*

- L** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
- 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.**

## Hymn of the Day: 508 - The Day Is Surely Drawing Near

sts. 1–4



1 The day is sure - ly draw - ing near When Je - sus, God's a - noint - ed,  
 2 The fi - nal trum - pet then shall sound And all the earth be shak - en,  
 3 The books are o - pened then to all, A rec - ord tru - ly tell - ing  
 4 Then woe to those who scorned the Lord And sought but car - nal plea - sures,



In all His pow - er shall ap - pear As judge whom God ap -  
 And all who rest be - neath the ground Shall from their sleep a -  
 What each has done, both great and small, When he on earth was  
 Who here de - spised His pre - cious Word And loved their earth - ly



point - ed. Then fright shall ban - ish i - dle mirth, And flames on  
 wak - en. But all who live will in that hour, By God's al -  
 dwell - ing, And ev - 'ry heart be clear - ly seen, And all be  
 trea - sures! With shame and trem - bling they will stand And at the



flames shall rav - age earth As Scrip - ture long has warned us.  
 might - y, bound - less pow'r, Be changed at His com - mand - ing.  
 known as they have been In thoughts and words and ac - tions.  
 judg - e's stern com - mand To Sa - tan be de - liv - ered.

*Text: Bartholomäus Ringwaldt, 1532–99; tr. Philip A. Peter, 1832–1919, alt.*

*Tune: Geistliche Lieder auff's new gebessert, 1535, Wittenberg, ed. Joseph Klug*

## 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.*

## Hymn of the Day: 508 - The Day Is Surely Drawing Near

sts. 5–7



5 My Sav - ior paid the debt I owe And for my sin was smit - ten;  
6 May Christ our in - ter - ces - sor be And through His blood and mer - it  
7 O Je - sus Christ, do not de - lay, But has - ten our sal - va - tion;



With - in the Book of Life I know My name has now been  
Read from His book that we are free With all who life in -  
We of - ten trem - ble on our way In fear and trib - u -



writ - ten. I will not doubt, for I am free, And Sa - tan  
her - it. Then we shall see Him face to face, With all His  
la - tion. O hear and grant our fer - vent plea: Come, might - y



can - not threat - en me; There is no con - dem - na - tion!  
saints in that blest place Which He has pur - chased for us.  
judge, and set us free From death and ev - 'ry e - vil.

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## Sermon



Stand

## New Testament Canticle: Glory and Power

1 Corinthians 15:20a; 5:7b; Romans 6:9-11



1. Glo - ry and pow'r, sal - va - tion. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
2. Ho - nor and praise we sing to God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
3. God the al - might - y comes to rule. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
4. The wed - ding feast has now be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



Sure are the judg - ments of our God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Bring thanks and praise, both great and small. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Glo - ry and awe, sing to our God! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
The bride is ra - diant: come with joy! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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Sit

## Offering

Saturday, *In Babilone* – arr. Keith Kolander

Sunday, *A Festival Chime* – Gustav Holst, arr. Douglas Wagner

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.

## Prayer of the Church

- L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** For . . . *[additional bids for prayer may be inserted here]* . . . let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- L** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

## Prayer of the Day

- L** O Lord, almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may live and abide forever in Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

# Luther's Evening Prayer

Saturday

*Commissioned by Zion Lutheran Church and School of Harvester, Missouri in celebration of Reformation 500  
and in thanksgiving to our Heavenly Father through Jesus Christ His dear Son.*

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 4/4. The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some rests. The lyrics are written below the staff, aligned with the notes. The text is as follows:

I thank You, my heav'n - ly Fa - ther, through Je - sus Christ, Your dear  
Son, that You have kept me this day. I pray that You for -  
give me for all the wrong that I have done this day. For in - to Your hands I com -  
mend my - self; my bo - dy and soul and all things. Let Your ho - ly an - gel be  
with me, that the e - vil foe may have no pow - er ov - er me. I  
thank You, my heav'n - ly Fa - ther, through Je - sus Christ, Your dear Son, that  
You have kept me this day. I pray that You for - give me for  
all the wrong that I have done this day. Keep me this night. A - men.

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# Luther's Morning Prayer

Sunday

*Commissioned by Zion Lutheran Church and School of Harvester, Missouri in celebration of Reformation 500  
and in thanksgiving to our Heavenly Father through Jesus Christ His dear Son.*

I thank you, my heav'n - ly Fa - ther, through Je - sus Christ, Your dear  
Son, that You have kept me from all dan - ger. Keep me from sin and  
e - vil, that all I do in life may please You. For in - to Your hands I com -  
mend my - self; my bo - dy and soul and all things. Let Your ho - ly an - gel be  
with me, that the e - vil foe may have no pow - er ov - er me. I  
thank You, my heav'n - ly Fa - ther, through Je - sus Christ, Your dear Son, that  
You have kept me from all dan - ger. Keep me from sin and ev - il, that  
all I do in life may please You. A - men. A - men.

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## Benedicamus

Psalm 103:1

**L** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

**P** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

**C** Amen.

## Closing Hymn: 794 - The Lord, My God, Be Praised



1 The Lord, my God, be praised, My light, my life from heav - en;  
2 The Lord, my God, be praised, My trust, my life from heav - en,  
3 The Lord, my God, be praised, My hope, my life from heav - en,  
△ 4 The Lord, my God, be praised, My God, the ev - er - liv - ing,



My mak - er, who to me Has soul and bod - y giv - en;  
The Fa - ther's own dear Son, Whose life for me was giv - en,  
The Spir - it, whom the Son In love to me has giv - en.  
To whom the heav'n - ly host Their laud and praise are giv - ing.



My Fa - ther, who will shield And keep me day by day  
Who for my sin a - toned With His most pre - cious blood  
His grace re - vives my heart And gives my spir - it pow'r,  
The Lord, my God, be praised, In whose great name I boast,



And make each mo - ment yield New bless - ings on my way.  
And gives to me by faith The high - est heav'n - ly good.  
Help, com - fort, and sup - port In sor - row's gloom - y hour.  
God Fa - ther, God the Son, And God the Ho - ly Ghost.

*Text: Johann Olearius, 1611–84; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt.*

*Tune: Johann Crüger, 1598–1662*

## Postlude

*The Lord My God Be Praised* – arr. Wilbur Held

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## Participants

|                     |            |                                |
|---------------------|------------|--------------------------------|
| Preacher:           |            | Rev. Michael Fiebertorn        |
| Liturgist:          | 5:00       | Seminarian Brian Fish          |
|                     | 8:00/10:30 | Rev. Mark Rouland              |
| Children’s Message: |            | Seminarian Brian Fish          |
| Organist:           |            | Karen Roche                    |
| Instruments:        | 8:00/10:30 | Wind Ensemble                  |
| Choirs:             | 5:00       | Kindergarten                   |
| Soloist:            | 8:00/10:30 | Bethany Coad                   |
| Lay Readers:        | 5:00       | Carol Martin                   |
|                     | 8:00       | Ken Hartman                    |
|                     | 10:30      | Jim Clark                      |
| Acolytes:           | 5:00       | Katie Allen, Lauren Rohr       |
|                     | 8:00       | Joshua Helmkamp, Nick Grimes   |
|                     | 10:30      | Charlotte Bleser, Camden Viets |
| 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 Paul and Dee Lohmann in honor of their 66<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on November 15.

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Bob Polkinghorne in memory of his wife Linda's birthday on November 13.