

Sunday Worship
September 21, 2025
Time After Pentecost



WHY do we Evangelize?

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
Third & Main Street, Tipp City, Ohio 45371
Church Office: 14 West Walnut Street

(937) 667-3110

Website: www.ziontippcity.org
E-mail: office@ziontippcity.org

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP CELEBRATION!

Thanks for coming to be with us at Zion Lutheran Church. If you are visiting with us for the first time, will you please fill out a visitor card, available in the pew rack in front of you, and drop it in the offering plate. Whether this is your first visit or you worship here regularly, we are delighted that you chose to share with us. We worship together on Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 10:00 a.m. If you have a "prayer request" or a "praise report", please let the pastor know. God bless you on your journey of faith.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Amazing Grace

Arr. Raney

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: **Amen.**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires know, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P: Gracious God,

C: **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from You and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to You and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and server You in newness of like through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

HYMN Red Hymnal #798 (v1,3,4)

Will You Come and Follow Me?

GREETING / PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ , the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray . . .

C: **God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

HYMN OF PRAISE Red hymnal #121

C: **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. For You alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.**

CHANCEL CHOIR Director Bill Jones

As the Wind Song

Text: Shirley Erna Murray, Music: Lim Swee Hong

THE WORD

FIRST READING: Romans 10:11-17

R: ¹¹ The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." ¹² For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³ For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." ¹⁴ But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? ¹⁵ And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" ¹⁶ But not all have obeyed the good news, for Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed our message?" ¹⁷ So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes through the word of Christ.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Red Hymnal #124

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,**

HOLY GOSPEL

P: The Gospel according to **Matthew 9:35-38**

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: ³⁵ Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸ therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON - Why do we Evangelize? - Pastor Jaren Summers

HYMN Red hymnal #579

Lord, You Gave the Great Commission

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

APOSTLE'S CREED

P: Let us confess our faith.

C: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator 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 to the dead
On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is
seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come again to
judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion
of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and
the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS *(Response after each petition)*

P: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer . . .

OFFERING—Invitation—God's Work Continues

OFFERTORY SONG #674 *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy:
bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around:
loaves abound!

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around:
loaves abound!

COMMUNION PREFACE

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.

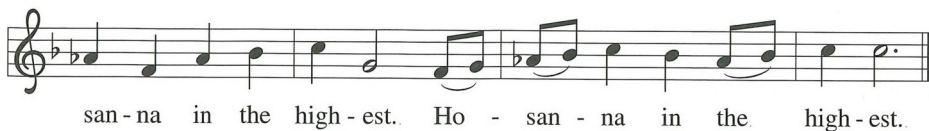
C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to You, almighty and merciful God...(The pastor continues with the proper preface for the day)...And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

SANCTUS Red hymnal page 130

S130

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



WORDS OF INSTITUTION - from 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

(All who confess Jesus as their Lord and Savior and believe in the real presence of Christ in the sacrament are invited to receive Holy Communion.)

BLESSING

P: The God of righteousness, who gives justice to the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free, + bless you now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

HYMN Red hymnal #793

Be Thou My Vision

DISMISSAL

P: What is the mission of Zion Lutheran Church?

C: **The mission of Zion Lutheran Church is:
"Serving Christ through serving others."**

P: Go in Peace, Do not lose heart.

C: **Thanks be to God**

POSTLUDE

Now Thank We All Our God

Arr. Cherwien

*The altar flowers are given to the honor and glory of God
by Tim & Sue Rambeau in celebration of their 43rd anniversary.*

*Prayer concerns for Zion's prayer chain may be submitted
using a 'Prayer Request' card from the pew rack.*

In Helpful Service

Pastor	Jaren Summers
Reader	Lilian Nichols
Communion Assist	Doug Jacobs
Usher	Matt Sauls
Greeters	Dale & Debbie Rudisill

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ZION GARAGE SALE is Thursday & Friday, September 25 & 26.

We will begin setting up the sale **today, Sunday, Sept. 21** and will be working on it that entire week. You may bring in your garage sale treasures beginning on Saturday, September 20, after worship, Sunday, September 21 after worship until 4:00 pm and Monday and Tuesday mornings, Sept. 22 & 23. **We do NOT accept** clothing, bed pillows, large exercise equipment, TVs and car seats. **We do not have room to store any donations at Zion until September 20**, so please hang on to your items until then. Garage Sale Hours: Thursday 9-5 and Friday 9 - 8. We need **help** setting up and clerking. A sign-up sheet is in the fellowship hallway.

LIFE LINE SCREENINGS is returning to Zion on Thursday, **October 2nd**. Life Line Screening is the premier provider of stroke and cardiovascular disease risk screenings since 1993. Life Line Screening is extending a discounted offer to Zion members which will identify your risk level for the following diseases: 1. Carotid Artery Disease 2. Peripheral Arterial Disease 3. Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm 4. Atrial Fibrillation. They are giving us **special pricing of \$129**. To schedule your appointment, call 800-324-9458 and use **promo code HABC001**. You can also visit the website LLSA.SOCIAL/HABC.

ANNUAL BRAT SUPPER is October 11th. This is a church fundraiser and there is something everyone can do to help. There is a sign up sheet in the fellowship hallway. If you are unable to physically help, you can buy meals or donate money.

LUTHERANISM 101 CLASS Starting on **Sunday, October 12 at 9am** Pastor Jaren will be leading a class on the basics of Lutheranism. This series will cover a wide variety of topics including history, theology, scripture, and more. Whether you are new to Lutheranism or well experienced, we promise that Pastor Jaren will share insights that all will find deeply impactful. If you have questions, please reach out to Pastor Jaren.

NEW MEMBER WELCOME & RECEPTION (Saturday) We will be welcoming new members to Zion Lutheran Church in worship on **Saturday October 25**. Following worship, we will have a light reception to celebrate all who have joined our community. If you are interested in becoming a member, or if you have questions about membership in general, please reach out to Pastor Jaren.

NEW MEMBER WELCOME & RECEPTION (Sunday) We will be welcoming new members to Zion Lutheran Church in worship on **Sunday, October 26**. Following worship, we will have a light reception to celebrate all who have joined our community. If you are interested in becoming a member, or if you have questions about membership in general, please reach out to Pastor Jaren.

CARD SHOWER FOR CHRISTINE COPELAND Christine could use our prayers and good thoughts as she deals with health issues. Please consider sending her a card at her home address: 1559 Old Staunton Rd., Troy, OH 45373. Let's brighten Christine's day!

MISSION TRIP TO BACK BAY MISSION- BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI, May 10-16, 2026. We are thrilled to announce that our church will be heading to Back Bay Mission in Biloxi, MS for an incredible week of service and fellowship! Back Bay Mission has been faithfully serving the Mississippi Gulf Coast since **1922**. Homelessness has been outlawed Biloxi and Back Bay Mission offers hope and compassion to those in need, offering housing rehab, a food pantry, day-to-day support services, and assistance with a local soup kitchen. This is an amazing opportunity for us to be the hands and feet of Christ! This trip is open to all volunteers ages 16 and up. Please come and experience the joy of serving. Join us **Sunday, September 28th, immediately after church** in the Adult Sunday School classroom to learn more. Questions? Contact **Raenell Poynter at 937-657-2301**.

CANDY & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for two Halloween events we have coming up. On **October 20**, children will congregate in our parking lot for the Tipp Monroe Community Services Halloween Parade. On Saturday **October 25** we will join the merchants downtown to pass out candy from 11-1. We invite all of our kids to come and trick or treat downtown with us at 11:00. After we finish, there will be a goodie trade in the front of the church for kids to trade their unwanted candy with each other. Hope you can join us! We need about 600 pieces of candy. Please put your donations in the plastic bin beside the pew closest to the Christian Ed office in the fellowship hall.