Sunday Worship

November 22, 2026

Time After Pentecost



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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.

INTRODUCTION
On this final Sunday of the church year our gospel is Jesus' great story of judgment. In the end, the faithful are those who served Christ by ministering to those who are poor, hungry, naked, sick, or estranged. In the first reading God is the shepherd who seeks the lost, weak, and injured and feeds them with justice. We gather this day to celebrate the reign of Christ and his victory over death, yet we await the consummation of all things yet to come. Acknowledging Christ as our merciful ruler, we go forth that his reign may be known in our loving words and deeds.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me* Arr. Larter

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS
P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, **+** one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.
C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
To you, O God,
C: all hearts are open, to you all desires known. We come to you, confessing our sins. Forgive us in your mercy, and remember us in your love. Show us your ways; teach us your paths; and lead us in justice and truth, for the sake of your goodness in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

P: By water and the Holy Spirit God gives you a new birth, and through the death and resurrection of **+** Jesus Christ, God forgives you all your sins. The God of mercy and might strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life.
C: Amen.

HYMN Red Hymnal #797 *Blessed Be the Name*

GREETING / PRAYER OF THE DAY 2 Corinthians 13:13

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: O God of power and might, your Son shows us the way of service, and in him we inherit the riches of your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

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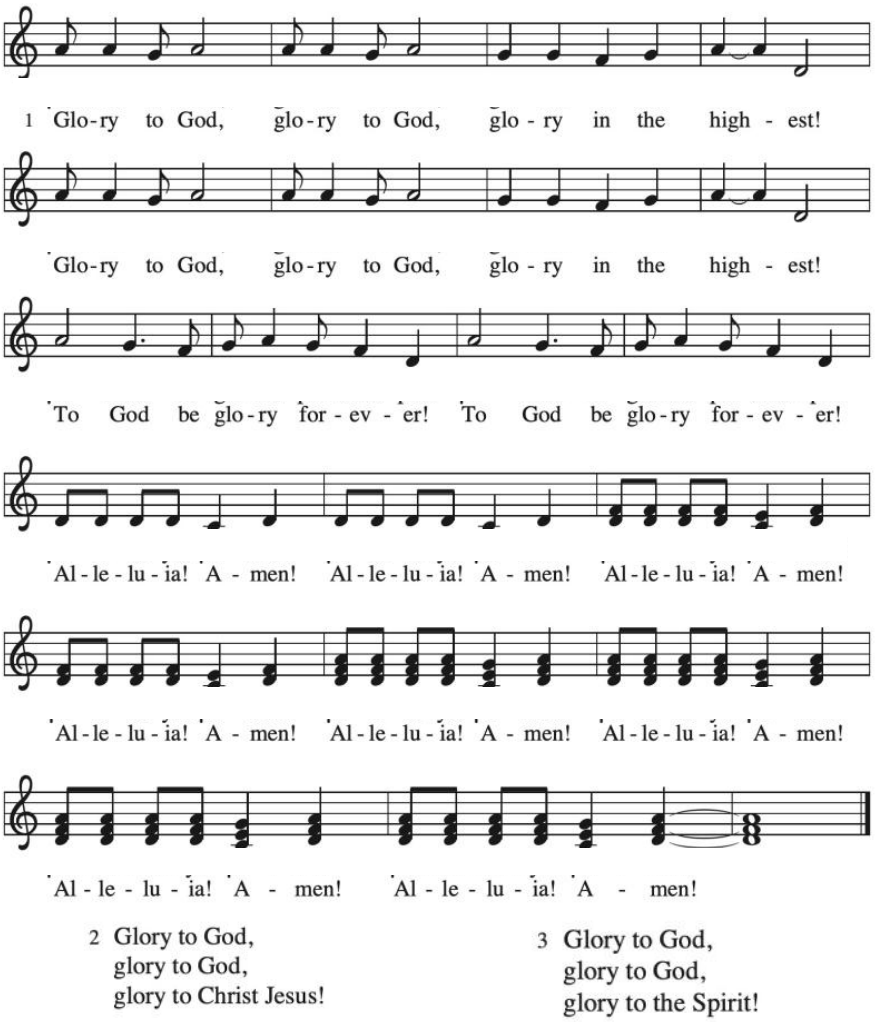

CHANCEL CHOIR Director:Susie Gray *Thanksgiving Medley*
Arr: Cindy Berry

THE WORD

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

R: 11 Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep and will sort
them out. 12 As shepherds sort out their flocks when they are among scattered
sheep, so I will sort out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which
they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. 13 I will bring them
out from the peoples and gather them from the countries and bring them into their
own land, and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and
in all the inhabited parts of the land. 14 I will feed them with good pasture, and the
mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good
grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. 15 I
myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the
Lord God. 16 I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strays, and I will bind up
the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I
will feed them with justice. 20 Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself
will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. 21 Because you pushed with
flank and shoulder and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you
scattered them far and wide, 22 I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be
ravaged, and I will judge between sheep and sheep. 23 I will set up over them one
shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them; he shall feed them and be
their shepherd. 24 And I the Lord will be their God, and my servant David shall be
prince among them; I the Lord have spoken.

R: The Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 95:1-7a

R: 1 Come, let us sing to the LORD; let us shout for joy to the rock of our
salvation.
**C: 2 Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving and raise a
loud shout to the LORD with psalms.**
R: 3 For you, LORD, are a great God, and a great ruler above all gods.
**C: 4 In your hand are the caverns of the earth; the heights of the hills are
also yours.**
R: 5 The sea is yours, for you made it, and your hands have molded the dry
land.
**C: 6 Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the LORD our
maker.**

R: [7a] For the LORD is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture and the sheep of God's hand.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:15-23

R: [15] I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason [16] I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, [17] that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, [18] so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, [19] and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. [20] God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, [21] far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. [22] And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, [23] which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

R: The Word of the Lord
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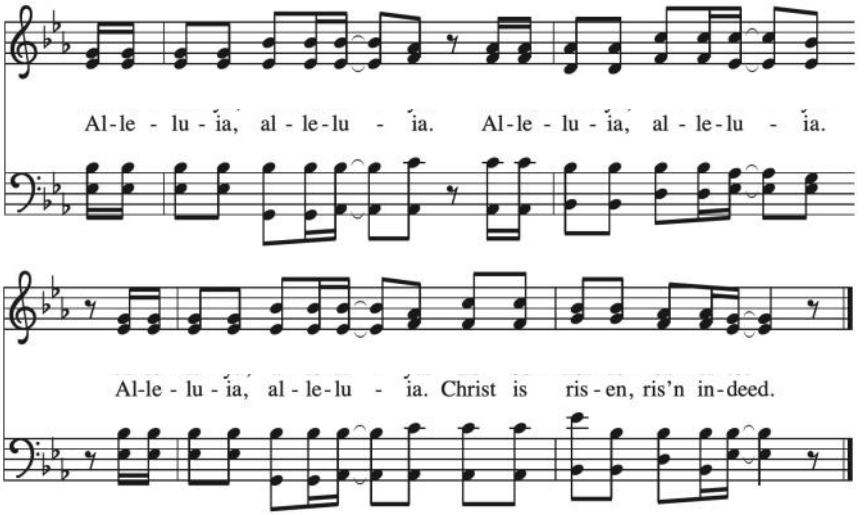
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Purple Hymnal #14



HOLY GOSPEL

P: The Gospel according to **Matthew 25:31-46**
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] [31] "When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. [32] All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, [33] and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. [34] Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, [35] for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, [36] I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' [37] Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? [38] And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? [39] And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' [40] And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.' [41] Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You who are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels, [42] for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, [43] I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' [44] Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison and did not take care of you?' [45] Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' [46] And these will go away into eternal punishment but the righteous into eternal life."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON Pastor Jaren Summers

HYMN Purple Hymnal #954 *You Lord, are Both Lamb and Shepherd*

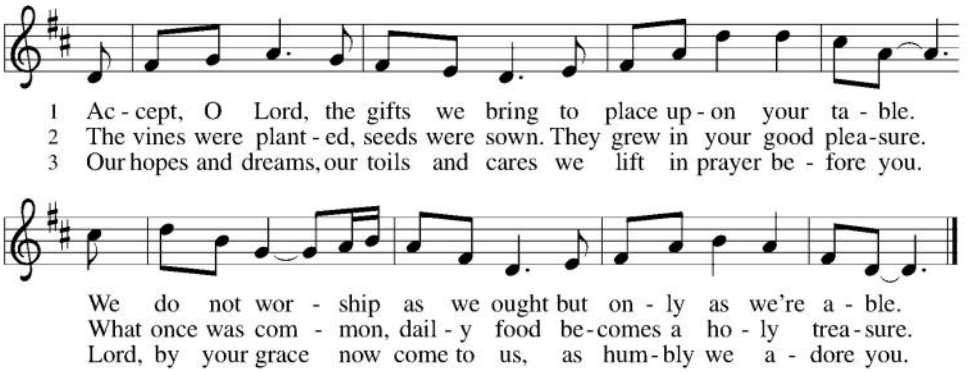
APOSTLE'S CREED
P: Let us confess our faith.
C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended 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.

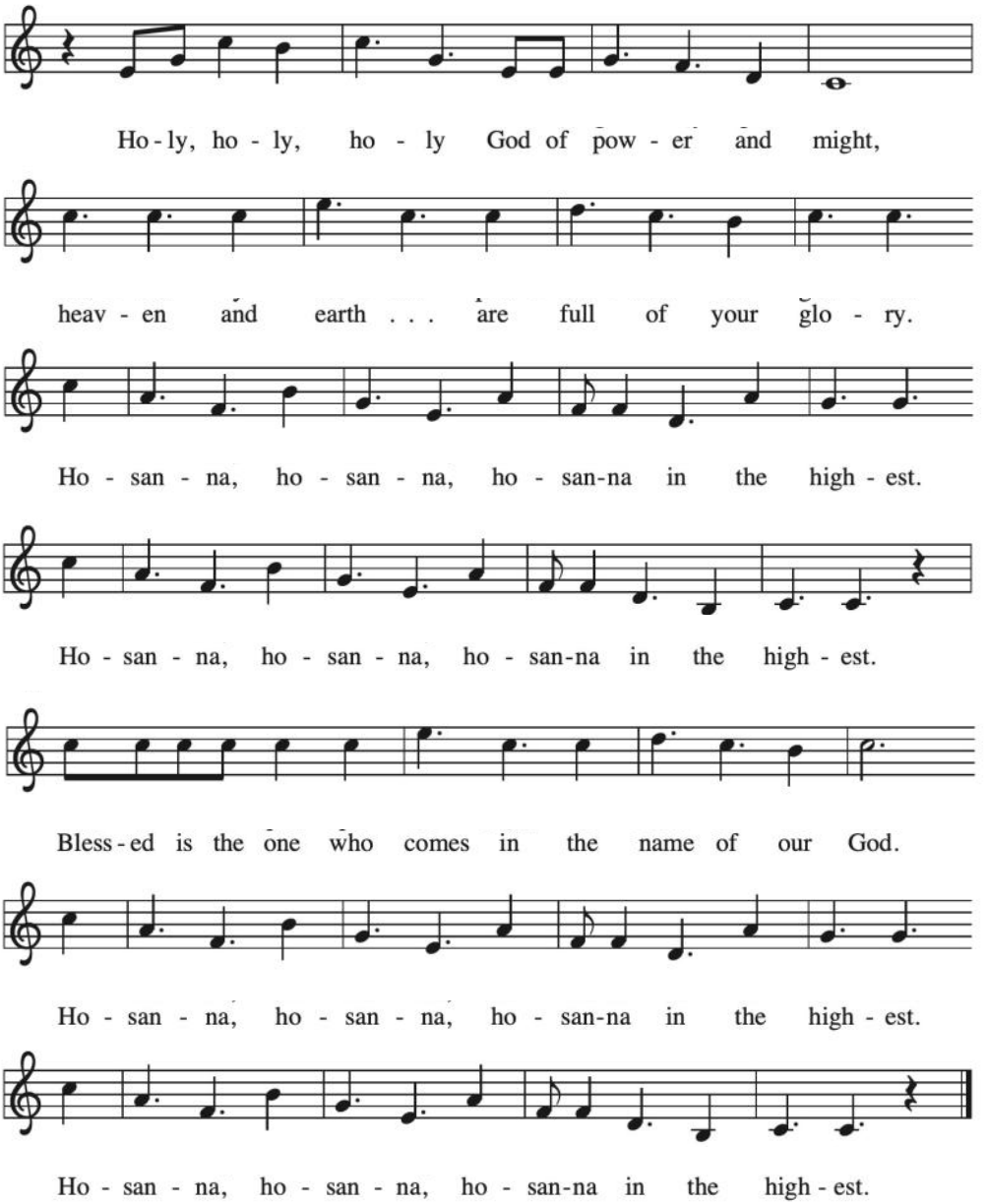
PRAYERS *(Response after each petition)* 1 Timothy 2:1-2
P: Lord in your mercy,
C: Hear our prayer . . .

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SONG Red hymnal #691 *Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring*



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.



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: Blessed are you, O God...As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9-13

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: God, the Source of glory, God, the Word of life, God, the Spirit of truth **+** bless you all, now and forever.

C: Amen

HYMN Red hymnal #264 *Prepare the Royal HIghway*

DISMISSAL

P: Who are we at Zion Lutheran Church?

C: We are disciples Rooted in Christ and Growing in Faith

P: Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *The Head that Once Was Crowned* Arr. Wold

The altar flowers are given to the honor and glory of God by Randy & Debbie Turner in memory of their daughter Leslie.

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	Linda Holt
Communion Assist	Bob Keppel
Ushers	John & Dianne LeGros

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LET'S DECORATE ZION! It's hard to believe but the first Saturday and Sunday of Advent will be on Thanksgiving weekend! We will need to decorate the church with three Christmas trees and other decorations. A group of us plan to meet on **Monday, November 23 at 6:00** to get the job done, but we can use more help and would love to have you join us! No need to sign up...just show up.

NOVEMBER MISSION OF THE MONTH: *ADOPT-A-FAMILY*

A Christmas tree, decorated with paper ornaments, will appear in the lounge area just outside the sanctuary. You are invited to take one or more ornaments from the tree, purchase the item(s) written on the ornament(s) and return them to the tree by the designated date of **November 30th.** The gifts for children should **not** be wrapped as the parents enjoy doing that for their children. Contact Deb Keppel with questions.

2027 ALTAR FLOWER CHART is up in the fellowship hallway. The cost is still $45 for two bouquets. When you sign up, please indicate the **occasion and the colors** you want.

WOMEN OF ZION CHRISTMAS DINNER: Thursday, December 3rd. 6:00 pm. - Gathering Time, 6:30 Dinner, 7:30 Troy Tones. The menu is posted on the sign up sheet and the posters. Cost is $20 per person paid in advance. Checks should be made payable to Women of Zion and placed in the envelope in the office work room. The sign up sheet is posted in the fellowship hallway. Deadline to sign up is **November 24th.** If you wish, you may bring a feminine hygiene product that will be donated to the *Dear Dinah* ministry in Dayton.

PRAYER CHAIN If you have signed up to receive the prayer chain and are not receiving it, please contact Linda Holt at 937-573-6594 or ljhbrass1@gmail.com .

MOTORIZED SCOOTER NEEDED. If you have or know of anyone who has a motorized scooter that Debbie Turner could borrow post surgery for a while, please contact her.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION - ADULTS VS. KIDS will be Sunday, December 6 after service in the **Fellowship Hall.** Join the fun. A sign up sheet is in the fellowship hallway

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THIS WEEK AT ZION

Monday, November 23	10:30 am	Mission Quilts
	3:30 pm	TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)
Tuesday, November 24	10:00 am	Mission Quilts
	8:00 pm	AA
Thursday, November 25	Thanksgiving	Office Closed
Sunday, November 29	**No Sunday School**	
	Storypoint Outreach	

Staff
Jaren Summers, *Pastor;* Susie Gray, *Choir Director*;
Lori Sebastian*, Organist;* Jessica Dorn, *Christian Education Director;*
Annette Calicoat, *Office Admin;* Sue Rambeau, *Treasurer;*
Tina Putnam, *Custodian*


Happy
THANKS
Giving