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Worship 10:00am  
Bible Class 9:00am

20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after  
Pentecost  
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# Mount Zion Lutheran Church

**Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 9:00am (Sept – May)**

**Divine Service 10:00am**

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**Pre-Service Devotion: 2 Timothy 4:18**

**The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## Today's Worship!

**Greeting and Prayer**

**Opening Hymn 35 (red hymnal): *Songs of Praise the Angels Sang***

### **The Invocation**

*We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

**P** We begin our Savior's worship service today in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen!**

### **The Confession and Absolution of Sins**

*We come before our Holy God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.*

**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!

## Lord, Have Mercy *Kyrie*

C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

## Glory to God in the Highest *Gloria in Excelsis*

C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;  
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,  
3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,  
Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.  
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.  
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:  
We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,  
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,  
Who, with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,  
Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.  
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.  
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

## The Prayer for the Day

*The main thoughts for the day are collected together in this prayer.*

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, be gracious to us and bless us. Equip our bodies and minds to resist the attacks of the evil one and to do your will with a joyful heart. We ask this for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## The Epistle Reading: *1 Thessalonians 1:1-10*

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

<sup>2</sup> We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, <sup>3</sup> remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup> For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, <sup>5</sup> because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. <sup>6</sup> And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, <sup>7</sup> so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. <sup>8</sup> For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. <sup>9</sup> For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, <sup>10</sup> and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

## Reformation Interlude

**C**  Though devils all the world should fill, All eager to devour us.   
We tremble not, we fear no ill, They shall not overpower us.  
This world's prince may still Scowl fierce as he will,  
He can harm us none, He's judged; the deed is done;  
One little word can fell him.

## The Gospel Reading: *Matthew 22:15-22*

Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle him in his words. <sup>16</sup> And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. <sup>17</sup> Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" <sup>18</sup> But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? <sup>19</sup> Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. <sup>20</sup> And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" <sup>21</sup> They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." <sup>22</sup> When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

**P** Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

**C**  **God's Word is our great heritage And shall be ours forever **  
**To spread its light from age to age Shall be our chief endeavor.**  
**Through life it guides our way, In death it is our stay.**  
**Lord, grant, while worlds endure, We keep its teachings pure**  
**Throughout all generations.**

## The Apostle's Creed

*We boldly confess what we believe.*

**C** **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.**

## **Hymn 521:1-4 (red hymnal): *What God Ordains Is Always Good***

### **The Sermon: *Isaiah 45:1-7***

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped, to subdue nations before him and to loose the belts of kings, to open doors before him that gates may not be closed: <sup>2</sup> "I will go before you and level the exalted places, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, <sup>3</sup> I will give you the treasures of darkness and the hoards in secret places, that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. <sup>4</sup> For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I name you, though you do not know me. <sup>5</sup> I am the LORD, and there is no other, besides me there is no God; I equip you, though you do not know me, <sup>6</sup> that people may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is none besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other. <sup>7</sup> I form light and create darkness, I make well-being and create calamity, I am the LORD, who does all these things.

### **The LORD Always Has a Rescue Plan**

I. For the Babylonian Exiles

II. For You

Sermon Notes

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## The Offertory

C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me  
not a - way from Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly  
Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of  
Your sal - va - tion. Up - hold with Your Spir - it free.

## Sermon Hymn 760 (tan supplement): *Oh, Love, How Deep*

### The Offering of Thankful Hearts

*In tangible evidence of our gratitude, we offer the Lord the gift of our money, remembering that He has first given to us that we might have to give to Him.*

### Prayer of the Church – The Lord’s Prayer

### The Service of the Sacrament

*Now we approach the second high point of the liturgy, the Sacrament, in which the Lord comes to bless us with His very body and blood. We move toward the Sacrament with prayers of thanksgiving and songs of adoration.*

**P** The Lord be with you.

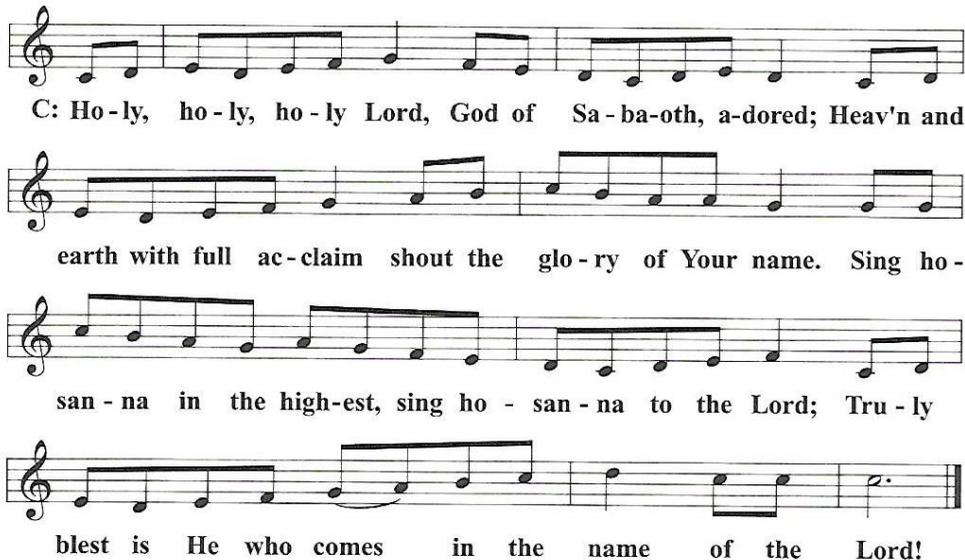
**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them up to the Lord.

**P** It is right and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God. Therefore with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying...

## Holy, Holy, Holy *Sanctus*



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of Sa - ba - oth, a - dored; Heav'n and  
earth with full ac - claim shout the glo - ry of Your name. Sing ho -  
san - na in the high - est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord; Tru - ly  
blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

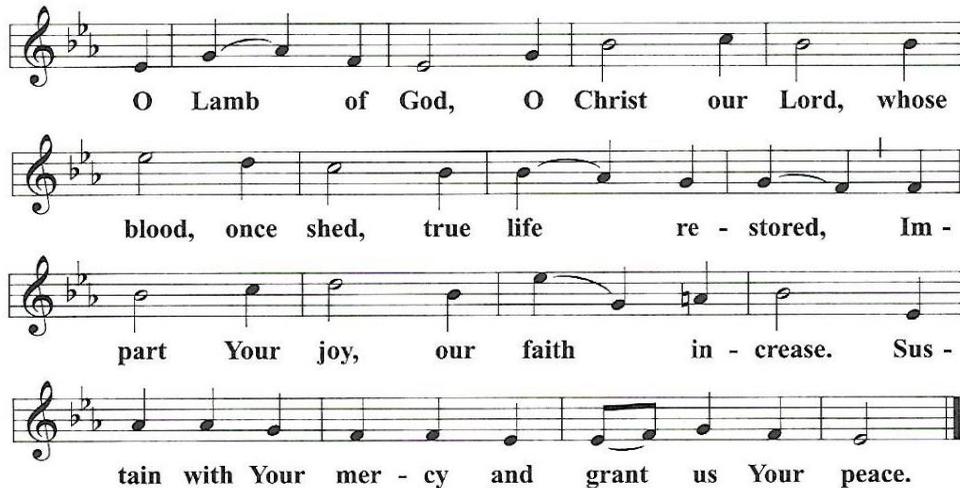
## Words of Institution

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread. And when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always!

## Lamb of God *Agnus Dei*



O Lamb of God, O Christ our Lord, whose  
blood, once shed, true life re - stored, Im -  
part Your joy, our faith in - crease. Sus -  
tain with Your mer - cy and grant us Your peace.

## Distribution of the Sacrament

### Communion Today is for Members Only Please

We don't judge anyone's faith, but we do stand up for our own. The Bible teaches what we call "Close Communion," that is, God wants you to commune only with those people with whom you are agreed in ALL the Bible's teachings. This belief is based upon the Bible passages listed below. Therefore, if you are a guest with us today, and BEFORE you come up to commune with us, you'll want to find out if our church teaches what the Bible does! The pastor would be happy to discuss this with you at your convenience!

- **1 Corinthians 1:10** *"Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment."*
- **1 Corinthians 11:26-30** *"For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes. Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup. For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the Lord's body."*

# O Lord, Now Let Your Servant *Nunc Dimittis*

C: 1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All  
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the  
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace: A  
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One; For  
light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
as in the be - gin - ning, Is  
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

**P** Go in peace. Serve the Lord with gladness.

## Thanksgiving

C: My heart has now be - come Your dwell - ing, O bless - ed,  
ho - ly Trin - i - ty. With an - gels I, Your prais - es  
tell - ing, Shall live in joy e - ter - nal - ly. Lord, may Your  
bod - y and Your blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

## The Benediction

*The blessing given by God for His people (Numbers 6:24-26)*

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.
- C** Amen!

## Closing Hymn 341 (red hymnal):

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

## **Announcements**

*"If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15*

**Welcome Everyone!** Especially any visitors who may be with us. We are glad you are here and invite you to join us again soon in our worship of the One true God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you've found it with us. If you'd like to become a member, we offer a FREE "Information Course" in which the Pastor will meet with you at your convenience to study and discuss the Bible's teachings. Just ask!

### **Important Dates at Mt. Zion**

**Fri. 10/27** 7pm – Reformation Seminar @ Carpathia Club in Sterling Heights, MI

**Sun. 10/29** 9am – Bible Class

10am – Reformation Service (Pastor Caleb Schaller guest preaching)

**Fri. 11/3** 7pm – Fellowship Bonfire at Mt. Zion

**Sun. 11/26** 10am – Thanksgiving Day Service

11am – Hanging of the Greens

**Thank you** to Ben Mueller and Randy Wittorp for building and installing the new ramp for the wheel chair door on the west side of the building! Praise the Lord for willing and hard workers. Be sure to take a look before you leave!

**Bible Class:** Today and next Sunday's Bible Classes will be focusing directly on the celebration of the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation. Beginning in November, we plan to begin an in-depth study of the New Testament epistles.

**Reformation Seminar:** In celebration of the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation, Mt. Zion is proud to be hosting a CLC-sponsored Reformation Seminar on Friday October 27, 2017 at 7pm at the Carpathia Club in Sterling Heights, MI. Pastor Emeritus John Schierenbeck, Pastor Caleb Schaller, and Pastor Tom Naumann will be presenting. In the back of church, you can find posters, invitations, and prayer sheets available for members to distribute. Please pray for our planning and preparation, and continue to encourage and invite your friends, relatives, associates, and neighbors!

**Fellowship Bonfire:** Mt. Zion's Outreach Committee is planning a fellowship bonfire on November 3, 2017 at 7pm at Mt. Zion's parking lot. Campfire songs will be sung, hot cocoa will be sipped, and smores will be devoured! It would be a wonderful, low-commitment way to introduce friends and neighbors to our church. And a nice way for Mt. Zion to gain some visibility in the Madison Heights area. Please plan to attend!

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