

November 7, 2021



THE SUN OF  
*righteousness*

SHALL RISE  
WITH HEALING  
IN ITS WINGS.

**MALACHI 4:2**



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# Last Judgment Sunday

**Pre-Service Personal Prayer:** *Blessed Savior Jesus Christ, send Your Spirit from on high upon Your believing children everywhere that they may be true to the faith and at last receive the crown of everlasting life. May Your Word proclaimed to us this day continue to make us wise unto salvation and direct our lives to be fashioned more and more after Your image. In Your name we ask it, Amen.*

## Today's Worship!

### Greeting and Prayer

**Opening Hymn 546 (TLH):** *When Streaming from the Eastern Skies*

- 1. When, streaming from the eastern skies, The morning light salutes my eyes,  
O Sun of Righteousness Divine, On me with beams of mercy shine;  
Chase the dark clouds of sin away And turn my darkness into day.*
- 2. When to heaven's great and glorious King My morning sacrifice I bring  
And, grieving o'er my guilt and shame, Ask mercy, Savior, in Thy name.  
My conscience sprinkle with Thy blood And be my Advocate with God.*
- 3. When each day's scenes and labors close And wearied nature seeks repose,  
With pardoning mercy, richly blest, Guard me, my Savior, while I rest;  
And as each morning's sun shall rise, Oh, lead me onward to the skies!*  
*4. And at my life's last setting sun, My conflict o'er, my labor done,  
Jesus, Thy heavenly radiance shed To cheer and bless my dying bed  
And from death's gloom my spirit raise To see Thy face and sing Thy praise.*

### The Invocation

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

**P** 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 admitting that we are sinful and need His forgiveness.*

**P** Beloved of God: Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant forgiveness:

**C** Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer: we confess that we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have not loved You above all things. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us, and for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins.

**P** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Lord, Have Mercy

*Kyrie – Latin for “O Lord.” We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life.*

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 – Latin for “Glory in the Highest (to God).” A hymn glorifying and praising our God.*

**P** Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to all peo-ple on  
earth. **C** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and  
Fa-ther: We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we  
praise You for Your glo-ry. Lord Je-sus  
Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God,  
Lamb of God: You take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. You are seat-ed at the right hand of the

Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For You a-lone are the  
 Ho - ly One, You a-lone are the Lord, You a-lone are the  
 Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir-it, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## The Prayer for the Day

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

- P** Let us pray. . . through Christ Jesus, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever
- C** Amen.

## The Epistle Reading: *Hebrews 9:24-28*

For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. <sup>25</sup> Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, <sup>26</sup> for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. <sup>27</sup> And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, <sup>28</sup> so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

## The Responsive Reading: *Psalms 16 Selected Verses*

- P** Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge.
- C** I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."
- P** I have set the LORD always before me;

**C** Because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

**P** Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;

**C** My flesh also dwells secure.

**P** For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol,

**C** Or let your holy one see corruption.

**P** You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy;

**C** At your right hand are pleasures forevermore.



### The Gospel Reading: *John 5:19-24*

So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father does, that the Son does likewise.<sup>20</sup> For the Father loves the Son and shows him all that he himself is doing. And greater works than these will he show him, so that you may marvel.<sup>21</sup> For as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whom he will.<sup>22</sup> The Father judges no one, but has given all judgment to the Son,<sup>23</sup> that all may honor the Son, just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent him.<sup>24</sup> Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

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



## **The Nicene Creed** *We boldly confess what we believe.*

**C** 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 on the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom shall 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 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.

### **Hymn 604 (TLH):** *Great God, What do I See and Hear?*

*1. Great God, what do I see and hear? The end of things created;  
The Judge of mankind doth appear On clouds of glory seated.*

*The trumpet sounds; the graves restore The dead which they contained before:  
Prepare, my soul, to meet Him.*

*2. The dead in Christ shall first arise At that last trumpet's sounding,  
Caught up to meet Him in the skies, With joy their Lord surrounding.  
No gloomy fears their souls dismay; His presence sheds eternal day  
On those prepared to meet Him.*

*3. But sinners, filled with guilty fears, Behold His wrath prevailing,  
For they shall rise and find their tears And sighs are unavailing;  
The day of grace is past and gone; They trembling stand before his throne,  
All unprepared to meet Him.*

*4. O Christ, who diedst and yet dost live, To me impart Thy merit;  
My pardon seal, my sins forgive, And cleanse me by Thy Spirit.  
Beneath Thy cross I view the day When heav'n and earth shall pass away,  
And thus prepare to meet Thee.*

## The Sermon: *Malachi 4:1-2*

"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.

### Theme: "HERE COMES THE SUN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS"

- I. The burning righteousness of God's wrath upon the arrogant & evildoers
- II. The healing righteousness of God's Son upon those who fear His name



## The Offertory

*Having heard God's Word, we ask Him to spiritually heal us, giving us the gift of the Holy Spirit.*

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O  
God. 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 me with Your free Spir - it.

## Hymn 505 (TLH): *O'er the Gloomy Hills of Darkness*

**1. *O'er the gloomy hills of darkness, Cheered by no celestial ray,  
Sun of Righteousness, arising, Bring the bright, the glorious day.  
Let the morning Of Thy blessed Gospel dawn.***

**2. *Kingdoms wide that sit in darkness, Grant them, Lord, the glorious light;  
And from eastern coast to western May the morning chase the night  
And redemption, Freely purchased, win the day!***

**3. *Fly abroad, eternal Gospel; Win and conquer, never cease.  
May Thy lasting, wide dominions Multiply and still increase!  
May Thy scepter Sway th'enlightened world around!***

## 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. If you wish to give your church offering electronically, you can do so by using the CashApp on your mobile device. The church's Scashtag is "Scldmtzion". While the usher brings the offering plate forward we sing the following hymn verse*

*(788:1): **Lord, You love the cheerful giver Who with open heart and hand  
Blesses freely, as a river That refreshes all the land.  
Grant us, then, the grace of giving With a spirit large and true  
That our life and all our living We may consecrate to You.***

## Prayer of the Church – The 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.**

## 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.*

**☩** The Lord be with you.

**☩** And also with you.

**☩** Lift up your hearts.

**☩** We lift them up to the Lord.

**☩** 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, who in the multitude of Your saints did surround us with so great a cloud of witnesses that we, rejoicing in their fellowship, may run with patience the race that is set before us and, together with them, may receive the crown of glory that

does not fade away; Therefore with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying...

## Holy, Holy, Holy

*The Sanctus – Latin for “Holy.” We join our voices to the angels who sing, “Holy, Holy, Holy” around His throne.”*

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho-  
san - na in the high-est, ho - san-na in the high est.  
Blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-  
san - nain the highest, ho - san-na in the highest

## Words of Institution

*The words spoken by Jesus the night He instituted the Lord's Supper by which our Lord assured to His Church the real presence of His sacramental body and blood for all time.*

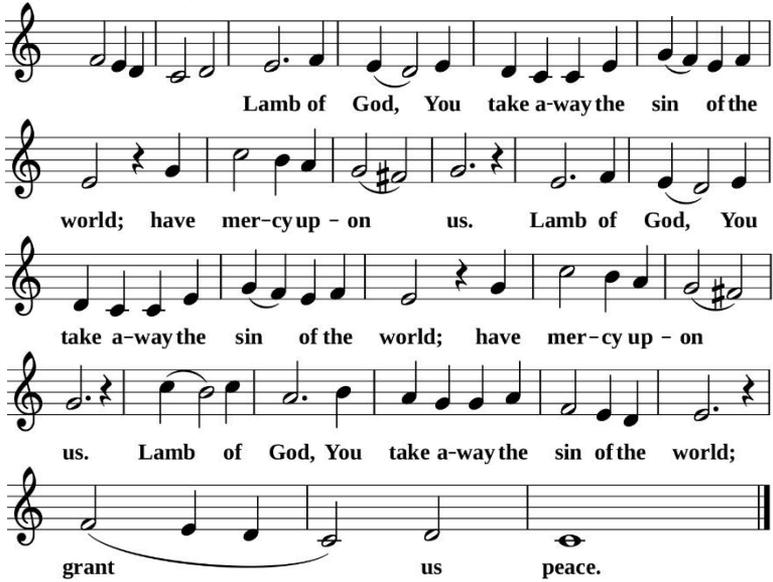
☐ Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread. And when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, “Take, eat. This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

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

The *Agnus Dei* – Latin for “Lamb of God.” As we approach the Table of Forgiveness, we want to be thinking about the Lamb of God who was sacrificed for us on Calvary’s cross.



Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy up - on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy up - on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

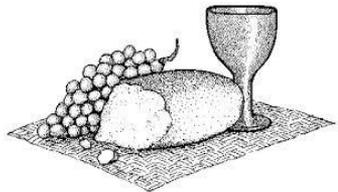
# Distribution of the Sacrament

## 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

*The Nunc Dimittis – Latin for “Now Dismiss.” Simeon’s words after seeing the Christ Child. (Luke 2:29-32)*

Thank the Lord; sing His praise; tell ev'ry one what  
He has done. Let all who seek the Lord re-joyce and  
bear Christ's ho - ly name. Thank the Lord;  
sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.  
Send us with Your prom-is - es, Lord; lead Your peo - ple  
forth in joy with shouts of thanks - giv-ing. Thank the Lord;  
sing His praise; tell ev'ry one what He has done. Al-le - lu - ia, alle-  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## 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 613:1,4 (TLH): Jerusalem the Golden**

**1. Jerusalem the golden, With milk and honey blest,  
Beneath thy contemplation Sink heart and voice opprest.  
I know not, oh, I know not, What joys await us there,  
What radiancy of glory, What bliss beyond compare.**

**4. O sweet and blessed country, The home of God's elect!  
O sweet and blessed country That eager hearts expect!  
Jesus, in mercy bring us To that dear land of rest,  
Who art, with God the Father And Spirit, ever blest.**

### *Worship at Mt. Zion*

We have a singular goal in our worship: “Walk prudently when you go to the house of God; and draw near to hear rather than to give the sacrifice of fools.” (Ecc. 5:1 NKJV)

Our service follows the historic Biblical style of using a liturgy. The liturgy is meant to give order and structure to the worship service. We try to keep our worship respectful in order to foster an atmosphere which allows us to focus on the power of God’s Word. Our service is also meant to be reflective so that each individual can hear, understand, and meditate upon the wonderful works of God! (Acts 2:11)

The Bible teaches that God creates and sustains faith in a person’s heart through the power of His Word: Romans 1:16: “For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes.” In our fast-paced society, meditative and reflective worship is sometimes considered outdated, irrelevant, or boring. Yet, God Himself says, “faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ” (Romans 10:17). God has not changed His method of reaching people with the hope of forgiveness simply because our society has changed. He remains the same and His Word remains powerful.

If the worship service seems strange to you, don’t give up right away! Stick with it, try to learn something new each week, and develop a habit of being present in God’s house. The ability to quietly listen and learn is an acquired skill that takes time and practice. Our prayer each week is that we grow in our ability to listen to God’s Word and thereby increase our faith in Jesus. We hope you will continue to join us!

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**WELCOME EVERYONE!** We pray that God's Word and our worship today will help you grow in the grace and knowledge of our Savior Jesus. We ask our visitors to please sign our guest book. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you've found it with us. Ask our Pastor about a free Bible study he offers to explain what we believe and teach. Where and when? Your convenience.

**THANK YOU** to everyone who attended the Church Fall Festival last Sunday afternoon! We had a number of visitor children stop by for games and treats. Thanks to all who helped provide snacks, plan activities, and setup the parking lot. Photos of the event can be seen at the Google photo link in yesterday's church email.

**ANNUAL ELECTION MEETING FOR 2022 CHURCH OFFICERS** is today immediately following the service. All Mt. Zion voters are encouraged to attend.

**A CLEVELAND AREA WORSHIP SERVICE** is today at 4pm at the Hughes' home in North Olmsted. Speak with Pastor if you're interested in attending.

**THIS SATURDAY (11/13) FALL MISSION WORKSHOP AT GETHSEMANE IN SAGINAW:** The Committee on Domestic Fields (CDF), a subcommittee of the CLC Mission Board, is hosting a fall mission workshop/webinar on Saturday, November 13 at 4 pm ET. The webinar will stream live on Zoom and include speakers from five different CLC congregations. Pastor Naumann will be leading the workshop in Saginaw. The theme is "Mission Myths" and covers 10 topics across a variety of different evangelism scenarios. Find more details [@lutheranmissions.org/cdf/](https://lutheranmissions.org/cdf/)

**CLC CALL NEWS:** Pastor Neal Radichel of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Mankato, MN, **has received** the call to Living Savior Lutheran Church, Eden Prairie, MN + Pastor James Albrecht of St. John's Lutheran Church, Okabena, MN, **has returned** the calls to Redeemer Lutheran Church, Bowdle, SD, and to Zion Lutheran Church, Ipswich, SD. + Pastor Rob Sauers of Luther Memorial Lutheran Church, Fond du Lac, WI, **is still considering** the call to Faith Lutheran Church, Manchester, MO.

**SERVING US THIS WEEK**

October Usher: Ben Mueller <> Church Cleaning: Ryans

**OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL**

Worship Attendance Last Sunday = 20 <> Bible Class/Sunday School = 15

Bi-Weekly Offerings Needed:	\$3,076.92	Total Offerings Needed YTD:	\$67,692.31
Bi-Weekly Offerings Received:	\$3,836.00	Total Offerings Received YTD:	\$64,285.98
Missions Offerings YTD (includes 10% of GB & individual offerings):			\$6,428.60
Maisie Wittorp Christian Education Memorial Fund:			\$1,385.00

**IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES AT MT. ZION**

<b>Today</b>	11am	Q4 Voters Meeting
	4pm	Cleveland Area Worship Service
<b>Tue. 11/9</b>	7pm	Board of Elders Meeting
	7:30pm	Church Council Meeting
	8:00pm	Board of Christian Ed. Meeting
	8:30pm	Outreach Committee Meeting
<b>Sat. 11/13</b>	4:00-	Fall Mission Workshop/Webinar
	6:00pm	Gethsemane Lutheran, Saginaw, MI
<b>Sun. 11/21</b>	11am-	Thanksgiving Potluck
	1:00pm	Church Christmas Decorating

**IN OUR PRAYERS <> ENCOURAGEMENT LIST**

*Ephesians 6:18 "Be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people."*

**Jackie McGruder** remains homebound as she continues to suffer from lupus, a chronic autoimmune disease that attacks tissues and organs. **Denise Troyan's** sister, Amy, is receiving treatment for cancer. **Carl and Michelle Ryan** are expecting a newborn baby girl in January 2022. **Dave Troyan's** mother, Lois, was in a serious car accident last week, breaking her pelvis and an ankle, and suffering trauma to the brain.