



Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 23, 2018



ZION

Evangelical Lutheran Church

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God's work. Our hands.

IN CHRIST'S NAME, WELCOME!

We extend a warm welcome to our guests. Please know you are included in Christ's own invitation to receive God's promise and presence in the "for you" of Holy Communion. Thank you for filling out the bulletin insert especially if you have prayer concerns. We also use this page to welcome and invite newcomers and guests into the events and activities at Zion.

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation. 2 Corinthians 5:17-18

We are Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, committed to being a loving and welcoming community of faith in Jesus Christ. As a community of God we welcome all.

We rejoice in the manner in which diversity enriches, nurtures, and challenges the life and ministry we share in Christ. We embrace actions and attitudes within the Church that assure access to Word and Sacrament regardless of gender identity, sexual orientation, socio-economic or marital status, physical or mental capacities, age or race. We are a Reconciling in Christ community. All are welcome!



WORSHIP RESOURCES

Online Bulletin You can download today's and previous bulletins to your PDA to view during worship or at other times. Simply go to www.zelc.org

Child Care We do not have a nursery attendant at this time. The nursery is available for parents who want to stay with their child during worship. Please put all toys away in the nursery when you leave.

Quiet Activity Bags Cloth bags with quiet activities are available for young children during worship. Our ushers would be happy to provide you with one.

Hearing Devices Please speak to an usher if you are in need of a hearing assistance device.

Worship Today

- 8:15 am Awakening Worship
- 9:15 am Education Hour
- 10:30 am Traditional Worship
- Noon Action Forum
- 1PM Golf Tournament

Church Events

- **Monday, September 24th**
 - * 9 Yoga-based exercise group
 - * 6:30-8:30 pm Girl Scout Troop
- **Tuesday, September 25th**
 - * 11:40 am LMS Chapel
 - * 3:00 pm Book Club
 - * 6:30-9:30 G/A Chorus
- **Wednesday, September 26th**
 - * 9 Yoga-based exercise group
 - * Noon—2pm LMS Staff Meeting
- **Thursday, September 27th**
 - * 6:30-8:30 pm Meditation Group
- **Friday, September 28th**
 - * 9 Yoga-based exercise group
- **Sunday, September 30th**
 - * 8:15 am Awakening Worship
 - * 9:15 am Education hour
 - * 10:30 am Traditional worship

For more information on these and other events go to www.zelc.org

GATHERING

Entrance Hymn

"God Is Here!"

Hymn No.526

Greeting

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

And also with you.

Hymn of Praise

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and



strength, and hon-or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



2 Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.



Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.
O God, our teacher and guide,
you draw us to yourself and welcome us
as beloved children.
Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition,
that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding
as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

WORD

First Lesson

Jeremiah 11:18-20
Today's reading tells
of the suffering of the
prophet Jeremiah,
who announced
God's word to Judah
but was met with
intense opposition
and persecution.
Jeremiah continues
to trust in God in the
midst of his
suffering.

¹⁸It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew;
then you showed me their evil deeds.
¹⁹But I was like a gentle lamb
led to the slaughter.
And I did not know it was against me
that they devised schemes, saying,
"Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,
let us cut him off from the land of the living,
so that his name will no longer be remembered!"
²⁰But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously,
who try the heart and the mind,
let me see your retribution upon them,
for to you I have committed my cause.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



Psalm 54

God is my helper; it is the Lord who sustains my life. (Ps. 54:4)

Spoken responsively

¹Save me, O God, by your name;
in your might, defend my cause.

²**Hear my prayer, O God;
give ear to the words of my mouth.**

³For strangers have risen up against me, and the ruthless have sought my life,
those who have no regard for God.

⁴**Behold, God is my helper;
it is the Lord who sustains my life.**

⁵Render evil to those who spy on me;
in your faithfulness, destroy them.

⁶**I will offer you a freewill sacrifice
and praise your name, O LORD, for it is good.**

⁷For you have rescued me from every trouble,
and my eye looks down on my enemies.

Second Lesson

James 3:13--4:3, 7-8a

The wisdom God gives unites our hearts and minds. Instead of living to satisfy our own wants and desires, we manifest this wisdom in peace, gentleness, mercy, and impartiality toward others.

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth.

¹⁵Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. ¹⁶For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. ^{4:}

¹Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? ²You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. ⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ^{8a}Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

This is the Word of the Lord.

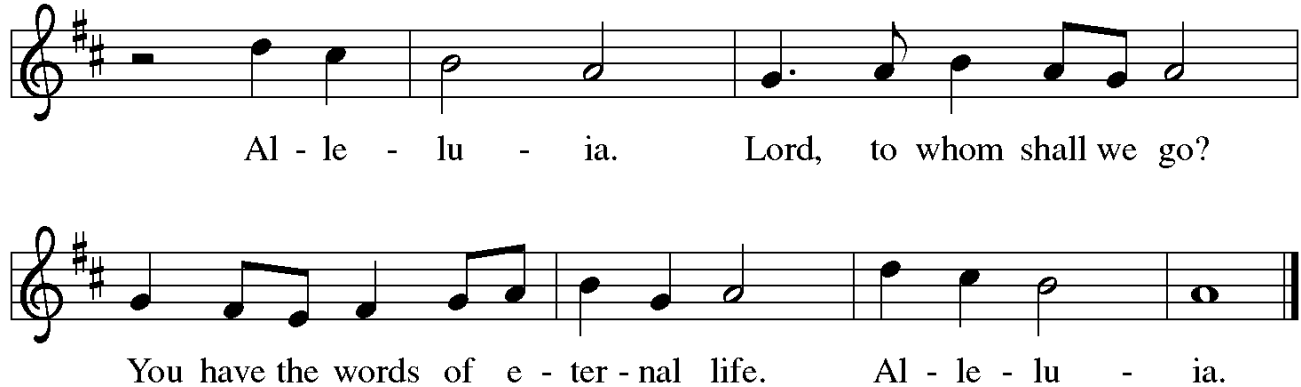
Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

All children are welcome to join Pastor Steve in the center aisle.



Gospel Verse



The Holy Gospel

Mark 9:30-37

Jesus' teaching and action in this text are directed to the church whenever it is seduced by the world's definition of greatness: prestige, power, influence, and money. The antidote to such a concern for greatness is servanthood.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁰[Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it;³¹ for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again."³² But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

³³Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?"³⁴ But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest.³⁵ He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all."³⁶ Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them,³⁷ "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Steven Klemz

"Because they are children"

A brief silence for reflection.

Hymn of Day

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

Hymn No. 815



Apostles' Creed

*I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.*

*I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's 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 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.*

The Prayers

IN OUR PRAYERS:

Christ's continued strength of healing for Rodney Schroeder, Linde Wrathall, Louise Nelson, Ron Finner, Terri Finner, Jennie Johnson, Leo Seegert, Berkley Foulks, Michael Chard. Continued healing with Lacy Foulks, Cindy Haverkost. Health and safekeeping for Mallory, Jaime Klemz Diachun, Alice Gardner, Beckie Supiano Schmall, Janel Strohacker Gazunis, Christy Hillock, Christina Eddy, Josslynn Hanson and all mothers with child. For those affected by Hurricane Florence. We pray for those in need of our prayers: Rowan, Charlie, Laurie, family of Oscar Pederson (Marion Ayers' brother) & all who mourn his death, family of Olivia Rodgerson, Emanuel Kyarra, Sanderson Family, Nancy Weber, David Pederson, Linda McGregor, Marie Gray, Lindsay, Mary Pat, John Bailey, Sue, Deborah, Liza, Corina Matonis, Ken & Teresa Lyons, the Peterson Family, Wesley Hawman, Steve Hayward, Kay Brown, Maryanna & Jon, Kathy, Linda, Stan, Gary, Duane, Jamie, Carla, Becky, Laurie DeKorver, Kevin & Lori Davidson & children, Jamie, Doris, Marsha McBride, Anna, Marilyn Wood, Chuck, Henri Schrecengost, Mary Ann, Susie, Mary, Günter, Hanan, Jackie, Debra Sanderson; for seminary education with Lisa Mensinger and Juan de Dios Lopez.

Each petition concludes, "Lord, in your mercy", and the people prayerfully respond, "**hear our prayer.**"

Prayer requests can be submitted using the bulletin insert or anytime during the week via email to the church office (office@zelc.org) or Pastor Steve (pastor@zelc.org).



The Sharing of the Peace

John 20 More than a greeting, we participate in Christ's gift of community.

The Peace of the Lord be with you. ***And also with you.***

The ministers and congregation signal their unity with each other in the family of Christ by sharing a moment of greeting with each other saying, "Peace be with you" and are seated when finished exchanging the peace.

Gathering of the Gifts



MEAL

Thank you for filling in the hospitality page (bulletin insert). It serves as an instrument for pastoral care, especially with the requested prayers. Please place the page in the offering plate.

If you give online, feel free to pick up a 'giving bookmark' found in the pew and place it in the offering plate.

If you would like to give online, please go to <http://www.zelc.org/giving> or scan the code to the left.

Anthem

Chancel Choir

"The Gift of Love"

Hal H. Hopson



Offertory Prayer

Let us pray.

God of life, you give us these gifts of the earth, these resources of our life and our labor. Take them, offered in great thanksgiving, and use them to set a table that will heal the whole creation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Light.

Amen.

Proper Preface

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

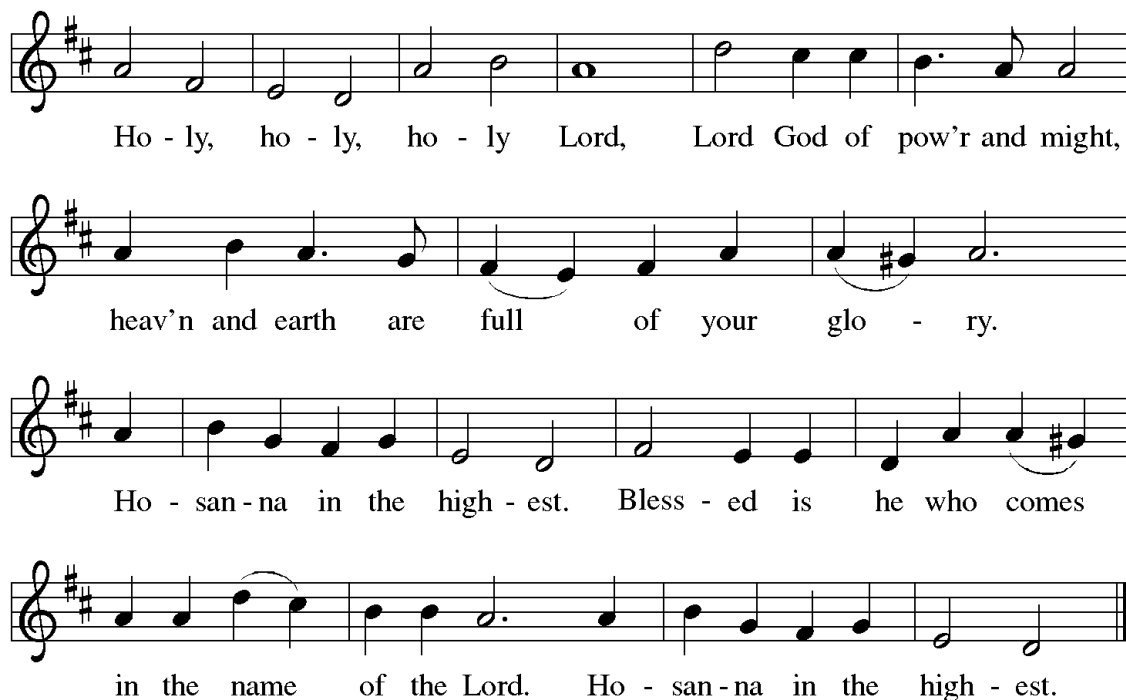
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Great Thanksgiving

It is indeed right and salutary....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n 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 - san - na in the high - est.



Thanksgiving at the Table

Before the Lord's Supper is shared, the presiding minister leads us into Thanksgiving. With the whole creation, we join the angels' song.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

***Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever.
Amen.***

Invitation to Communion

All are welcome. Speak to us, O Lord, in the breaking of bread, and make us one with you.

Thanks be to God.



Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on

us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Holy

Communion

In Christ's body and blood given to us, God forgives us and nourishes us for mission. We sing as the bread is broken and as the meal is shared. We ask God to send us in witness to the world.

To receive Holy Communion, please come down the center aisle.

Newcomers & Visitors: You are welcome to join us for Holy Communion. The wine may be received by dipping the bread in the cup, or eating the bread and drinking from the cup. Individual cups are available for those who desire. Grape juice is clear, individual cups of wine are red. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

If you would like to receive a blessing for yourself and/or your child, simply come forward with your hands folded, and the person serving the bread will offer you a blessing.

Communion Hymns

"Thy Holy Wings"
"Loving Spirit"
"Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service"

Hymn No. 613
Hymn No. 397
Hymn No. 712

After all have received, please remain seated until the Benediction.



Table Blessing

The body and the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep us in God's great grace.
Amen.

**Post Communion
Prayer**

Holy and compassionate God,
in bread and wine you give us gifts
that form us to be humble and courageous.
May your words come to life in our serving and in our witness,
that we might speak a living voice of healing and justice to all the world,
through Jesus Christ, our rock and our redeemer.
Amen.

Announcements**Benediction**

God, creator of all things, speaking reformation into being;
Jesus Christ, savior of the world, raising the dead;
Holy Spirit, living voice, calling and enlightening the church:
Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.
Amen.

Sending Hymn

"Jesus Loves Me!"

Hymn No. 595

Dismissal

Go in peace. Sound the good news.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

SERMON NOTES:

Lessons for next Sunday, September 30, 2018

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

- ♦ Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29
- ♦ James 5:13-20
- ♦ Mark 9:38-50

Small Groups & Bible Studies:

Women's Small Group, Alyce Gross,

Shepherd. Meets the first and third Mondays at 7pm in various homes. We are studying the Gospel of John. Contact Alyce at adgross1@msn.com.

Men's Bible Study—meets each Wednesday morning at 7:00am downstairs. Come have breakfast with us and discuss God's Word! We are studying the weekly scriptures from the Taking Faith Home bulletin insert.

Sunday Adult Bibles Study—Adult Open Forum Bible Discussion, all are welcome to discuss the current Sunday's lessons, focusing on the Gospel. We will meet at 9:15-10:15 across from the sanctuary.

Pastor Steve's Adult Bible Study—@ 9:15 AM

All are welcome to explore the ELCA draft social statement on Women and Justice. This study and discussion is a thoughtful participation of God's work in the world, especially as we discern what the church teaches about contemporary issues related to sexism and patriarchy in our society. It offers a way to be connecting through grace, as we are rooted in God's biblical claim of full and abundant life for all people.

Men's Small Group, Peter Staks, Shepherd

2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month at 7pm at various homes. peter@wardleycompanies.com. This group is studying Early Christian Family Tree.

Chancel Choir—Meets Sundays at 9:15 am in the sanctuary. Singing in a choir has tremendous benefits for physical and mental well-being. Prepare music to support the day's lessons, learn more about church music traditions, reduce stress, and have fun. Singers of all abilities are welcome.

Sunday Parent Drop-In Group—After dropping your kids in their Sunday school classroom, you are welcome to join other parents in the church kitchen for some coffee and conversation.

SUNDAY SCHOOL KICK- OFF!



Connecting This Week Recap

Two outside groups used our facility for meeting this week—still making connections in the community!

Building construction just about complete — update on back page.

How You Can Connect This Week

Help is needed to serve dinners for Family Promise hosted by Christ United Methodist Church, October 9 & 10. Contact Pastor Steve (pastor@zelc.org) or the church office if you are available.

Ushers Needed! This is a vital role in welcoming people to worship with us. Interested? Please contact the church office.

Greeters Wanted! Please use the sign-up sheet outside the church library to pick the Sundays that work with your schedule and be a greeter at Zion! It's a great way to meet congregational members you may not yet know.

CONNECTING THROUGH GRACE: **FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP**

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Matt 6:21

- **Yearly Operating Budget 2018: \$508,350.00**
- **Weekly Operating Budget: \$7,439.00**
- **Last Week's Offerings: \$5,590.00 = 57% Weekly**
- **Total Received this year: \$275,027.00 = 76.0% Yearly Budget**
- **September 16, 2018: 8:15 AM = 35 10:30 AM = 120**
- **Sunday school: 92**

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Just a small punch-list remains! With gratitude to God, we give thanks for the renovation of the building of

ZELC. We give thanks for the safekeeping of workers and children as a construction zone. We give thanks for the generosity of this community, that our thankfulness will translate into contributions to alleviate our debt. We give thanks for the Holy Spirit, ever building up the body of Christ.

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, October 13th Oktoberfest at Zion. More details to come. Want to help? Contact Jon Hall: jhh87@gmail.com.

Blessing of the Animals and Pets: All are welcome to bring their pets (including stuffed animals) for the blessing of the animals on Thursday, October 4, 6:00 -7:00 p.m. The custom is conducted in

remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi's love for all creatures. Bring your pet to the south lawn entrance at Zion, where Pastor Steve will offer a prayer of blessing to each of our animal companions who are connecting us with God's grace.

TODAY!

ACTION FORUM

September 23, 2018 @ Noon

'Immigration is Complex; Involvement is Greatly Needed'

Presented by Deb Elstad

All are welcome!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Blessing of the Animals
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4TH
6:00-7:00 PM
Bring your pet to the south entrance lawn area

Connecting through Grace
ZION
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TODAY'S WORSHIP

Pastor Steven A. Klemz — Preaching & Presiding Minister
David Chamberlin — Organist | Diane Gardner - Music Director
Susan Swidnicki — Children's Choir Director
Ann Marie Mogren + Bruce & Lois Stewart, Altar Guild
Ann Marie + Fred, Counters | Marci Hall + Lois Graham, Coffee hour

8:15 AM Awakening Worship

Rachel Kibler, Cantor | Volunteers needed, Ushers

10:30 AM Worship

Marsha Gilford, Assisting Minister
Doug Graham, Chuck Schmitt, John Krehbiel + a volunteer, Ushers

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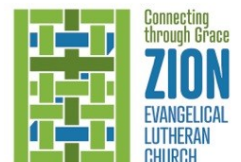
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