

22nd Sunday after Pentecost



**BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO KEEP
HIS TESTIMONIES, AND SEEK HIM
WITH ALL THEIR HEART.**



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EDUCATION FOR LIFE!
Good Morning and Welcome!

Prayer before worship: *O God, who is ever at work and ever at rest, may I be ever at work and ever at rest in you. For you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. —St. Augustine*

This Week's Prayer List – remember these in prayer: We pray for a portion of Zion's family and friends...Arnold and Barb Scholz; Tyler, Ashley, Brayden, Mayson, and Paisley Schulz; Evelyn Seton; Don and Rose Smith; Janet and Kevin Sons; and Jeff, Theresa, Owen, and Madalyn Sons. We pray for those under the care of a physician, undergoing treatment and therapy; for all difficulties meeting obligations, and a strong faith for every need.

Erwin Schmidt passed away on Wednesday, October 17th. His funeral is this afternoon with visitation starting at 12:30 PM and service starting at 2 PM. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Dartball starts this Tuesday! Game starts at 8 PM vs Watertown. Anyone 12 years old before September 1st, 2018 is eligible to play. If you would like to give it a try, come and join the fun!

Financial Statements are available for pick-up in the narthex. Save us a stamp and grab yours today!

Soup & Pie Supper still needs Ground Beef (100 lbs). Thank you for your help and support!

Trunk-or-Treat is this Friday and there is still time to get in on the action. Sign-up now and join in the fun as community families gather at Zion for some good, ol' fashioned Trick-or-Treating around the parking lot. Grab a load of candy and a lawn chair, pop your trunk, and see all the fun and creative costumes (sign-up in the narthex or just come out and join in). Concessions are available for purchase so if you want to just stop in for a burger and pop, you can do that as well.

P In the name of the Father † Son † Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Reflections on a Holy Life - Psalm 119:9-16

P How can a young man keep his way pure?

C By guarding it according to your word.

P With my whole heart I seek you;

C Do not let me wander from your commandments!

P I have stored up your word in my heart;

C I keep it so that I might not sin against you.

P Point out anything in me that offends you,

C Lead me along the path of everlasting life. (Ps. 139:4)

*I lay my sins on Jesus, The spotless Lamb of God;
He bears them all and frees us From the accursed load.
I bring my guilt to Jesus To wash my crimson stains
White in His blood most precious Till not a spot remains.*

*I lay my wants on Jesus, All fulness dwells in Him;
He heals all my diseases, My soul He does redeem.
I lay my griefs on Jesus, My burdens and my cares;
He from them all releases, He all my sorrows shares.*

*I rest my soul on Jesus, This weary soul of mine;
His right hand me embraces, I on His breast recline.
I love the name of Jesus, Immanuel, Christ, the Lord;
Like fragrance on the breezes His name abroad is poured.*

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with you there is forgiveness; therefore you are feared. (Ps. 130:3)

P O Lord, we gather to hear your holy Word and call upon call upon you in prayer and praise

C We consider our unworthiness and confess before you and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. We take refuge in your infinite mercy, seeking your grace for the sake of Jesus Christ: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

P God is faithful and just. He does not treat us as our sins deserve, but shows mercy to those who seek him. Trust in God and believe his word of pardon: In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

Hymn of Response #970 "Jesus, Name Above All Names"

*Jesus, name above all names,
Beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.
Immanuel, God is with us,
Blessed Redeemer, living Word.*

*Jesus, loving shepherd,
Vine of the branches, Son of God.
Prince of peace, Wonderful counselor,
Lord of the universe, Light of the world.*

*Jesus, Way of salvation,
King of kings, Lord of lords,
The way the truth and the Life,
Mighty creator, my Savior and friend.*

C Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes!

P With my lips I declare all the rules of your mouth.

C In the way of your testimonies I delight as much as in all riches.

P I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways.

C I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word.

P Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism you declared us to be your children and gathered us into your one, holy Church, in which you daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

P This is the Word of the Lord.

Ecclesiastes 5:10–20

C Thanks be you, O God!

Epistle Reading

P This is the Word of the Lord.

Hebrews 4:1–13

C Thanks be you, O God!

P The holy Gospel according to St. Mark, chapter ten.

Gospel Reading

Mark 10:23–31

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be you, O God!

Apostles' Creed

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn #595

“O Blessed Spring”

Sermon

A Word about Wealth

Mark 10:23-31

Wealth itself is not the issue but what wealth does.

1. As an anchor, it stabilizes; but it can also make us S_____.
2. Wealth opens many doors but keeps us from entering O_____.
3. God gives an abundance for all times, a wealth from C_____.

Hymn of Response #687

"Thine Forever, God of Love"

Thine forever! God of love, Hear us from Thy throne above;

Thine forever may we be Here and in eternity.

*Thine forever! Lord of life, Shield us through our earthly strife;
Thou, the Life, the Truth, the Way, Guide us to the realms of day.*

Offering

Prayers and Lord's Prayer

*Thine forever! Savior, keep These Thy frail and trembling sheep,
Safe alone beneath Thy care, Let us all Thy goodness share.*

*Thine forever! Thou our guide, All our wants by Thee supplied,
All our sins by Thee forgiven, Lead us, Lord, from earth to Heaven.*

Scripture to Remember - 2 Corinthians 5:14-15, 17-21

P Jesus died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves;

C We should live for Him who died for us and was raised again.

P Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come....

C And He has given us the ministry of reconciliation....

- P** So we implore others on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God.
- C** God made Him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in Jesus we might become the righteousness of God.
- P** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to you, O God!
- P** The Lord bless you † shine upon you † and give you peace.
- C** Amen.

Closing Hymn #665 vv 1, 3, 5

“Be Strong in the Lord!”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

2019 LCMS Youth Gathering is in Minneapolis on July 11-15. Any youth in the 9th -12th grade who wants to attend, please contact pastor. Check with lcmsgathering.com for info; our district is also looking for volunteers to help.

Dartball will be starting on October 23rd. Anyone 12 years old before September 1, 2018 is eligible to play. We play Tuesday evenings at local churches starting at 8 PM. Anyone interested in playing or checking it out contact Lynn Zellman or Herman Eggers.

Attention all foodies and “date night” enthusiasts: ZEL has been given an opportunity to try out a new fundraiser for free! If you find yourself going out to eat frequently or love to try new places, stop by the old scrip table after the service. For the price of \$15, you can enjoy 2-for-1 specials and 50% off dining at 166 area restaurants – places like Maynard's (Excelsior), Woody's (Waconia), Stick's Tavern (Dalgreen), Sawatdee (EP), The Saloon (Waconia), Tommy's Malt Shop (Chaska), Lisa's Place (Carver), and much more.

Sign-Ups are now available for anyone interested in being a reader for the old/epistle readings during church and/or a greeter before the church service. If this is something that interests you, please sign-up on the bulletin board, or shoot an email to the office. These opportunities are open to men, women, and confirmation-aged students.

Finances

Salary:

Beginning Balance (1/1/2018)	-\$66,153.75
YTD Income	*\$311,465.25
YTD Expenses	-\$290,598.63
Current Balance (10/10)	-\$45,287.13

Missions:

YTD Total (9/23)	\$5,955.00
Budgeted	\$5,475.00
Unbudgeted	\$480.00
2018 Pledged	\$7,500.00
2018 Goal	\$15,000.00

LHS:

Year to date total (9/23)	\$9,882.66
2018 Commitment	\$22,715.00
Per communicant member	\$55.00

Building/Repair Fund:

Account Balance (9/4)	\$47,481.20
Suggested household contrib.	\$550.00

*Includes a final increment of the Joyce Harms Trust (\$64,288), released to the salary fund at the January Voter's Meeting.

The Results Are In! New officers were voted on at the voters meeting this past Monday. Brian Borchardt will be taking over for Brian Honebrink as Elder and Jeff Sons will be taking over for Marlin Melcher as Trustee. Jon Dose, Todd Mesenbring were asked to continue as School Board Member, Head Usher and Church Secretary, respectively. Mike Bergs finished out Chris Dehning's term as chairman of the congregation and was voted to begin his first official term as chairman.

October 21st – October 27th

Sunday, 21st Sunday Service | 9:30 AM
Tuesday, 23rd Volleyball @ St. Joe's
Dartball vs. Watertown | 8 PM
Wednesday, 24th Women's Bible Study | 1 PM
Confirmation | 6:15 PM
Friday, 26th Chapel | 8:10 AM
Trunk-or-Treat | Set-up @ 6 PM
Trunk-or-Treat | Trunk-or-Treating @ 6:30 – 7:30 PM
Trunk-or-Treat | Concessions open until 8 PM

October 28th – November 3rd

Sunday, 28th Sunday Service w/communion | 9:30 AM
Tuesday, 30th Dartball @ Mayer | 8 PM
Wednesday, 31st Women's Bible Study | 1 PM
No Confirmation
Thursday, 1st Ladies Aid/LWML Meeting | 1 PM
Vball @ Cologne Academy
Friday, 2nd End of 1st Quarter
Chapel | 8:10 AM
Saturday, 3rd Vball Tournament @ MLHS

Announcements: Please have bulletin/newsletter announcements to the office by noon each Thursday/the third Friday of the month, respectively. Please include the exact verbiage you would like used, with your note to make it an easy and accurate transfer of information. Thank you for your help. If you would like me to forward info on, please email the exact info you would like forwarded. Thank you!

Attendance/Communion

October 7th 127
October 14th 158/118

Answers to Sermon Questions

1. Sink 2. Others 3. Christ.