

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost



I desire then that
in every place
the men should pray,
lifting holy hands
without anger
or quarreling;

• 1 Timothy 2:8 •



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Prayer Before Worship *Dear Lord, grant me wisdom. Sharpen my perspective and equip me for every task, in Jesus' Name, Amen.*

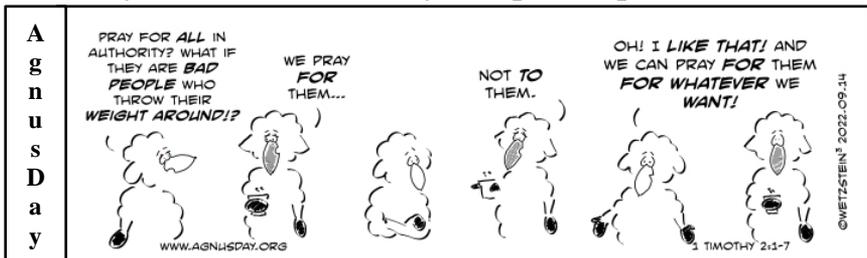
This Week's Prayer List We pray for a portion of Zion's family and friends...Ryan, Jill, Ruby, and Hank Rolf; Luke, Erin, Brady, Megan, and Brendan Rolf; James Rolf; Wesley Rolf. We pray for those: under the care of a physician, undergoing treatment and therapy, enduring hardships; for a strong faith for every need.

Zion Ladies Aid and LWML are hosting a Day Tour to the Burnsville area on Wednesday, November 30. The group will leave Zion at 9:00am, visit the Abdallah Candy Store/Factory, have lunch (and perhaps do some shopping) at the Cracker Barrel Country Store in Lakeville, then move to the Ames Center in Burnsville to see the Church Basement Ladies in their new hit performance, "*Plowin' Thru.*" We will return to Zion by 4:30pm. All are welcome to join and bring friends. This is not a "Zion only" event, so please grab a brochure or two from the narthex and send your registration form and check for \$65 to reserve your seat. Lunch at Cracker Barrel is at your own expense; but everything else (the play, bus, driver tip, etc.) is included in your registration fee!

Soup & Pie! Zion is gearing up for the Nov. 7th Soup & Pie Supper. A steering committee will gather today after church. See details in the insert or on the Zion Church Facebook page. "Many hands make light work!" Thanks for making this a success!

Bible Study – Thursday, 7pm * We resume our study, *Christians in a Woke World*, noting our Christian response to cultural Marxism. Join us!

"Pray for all... that we may live quiet & peaceful lives"



- P** Praise the Lord, my soul. **Psalm 103 & # 594**
C All my inmost being, praise his holy name.
P Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget not all his benefits:
C Who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,
P Who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love
and compassion,
C Who satisfies your desires with good things, so that your youth
is renewed like the eagles.

*God's own child, I gladly say it: I am baptized into Christ!
He, because I could not pay it, gave my full redemption price.
Do I need earth's treasures many? I have one worth more than any
That brought me salvation free, Lasting to eternity!*

- P** The Lord works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed.
C He made known his ways to Moses, his deeds to the people of
Israel.
P The Lord is compassionate and gracious,
C Slow to anger, abounding in love.
P He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever;
C He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to
our iniquities.
P For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
C So great is his love for those who fear him;
P As far as the east is from the west,
C So far has he removed our transgressions from us.
P As a father has compassion on his children,
C So the Lord has compassion on those who fear him;
P For he knows how we are formed,
C He remembers that we are dust.

*Sin, disturb my soul no longer: I am baptized into Christ!
I have comfort even stronger: Jesus' cleansing sacrifice.
Should a guilty conscience seize me, since my baptism did release me
In a dear forgiving flood, sprinkling me with Jesus' blood?*

*Satan, hear this proclamation: I am baptized into Christ!
Drop your ugly accusation; I am not so soon enticed.
Now that to the font I've traveled, all your might has come unraveled,
And, against your tyranny, God, my Lord, unites with me!*

- P** The human life is like grass: it flourishes like a flower of the field;
- C** The wind blows over it and it is gone; its place knows it no more.
- P** From everlasting to everlasting, the Lord's love is with those who fear him,
- C** and his righteousness is with their children's children—with those who keep his covenant and remember to keep his Word.
- P** The Lord has established his throne in heaven,
- C** And his kingdom rules over all.

*Death, you cannot end my gladness: I am baptized into Christ!
When I die, I leave all sadness to inherit paradise!
Though I lie in dust and ashes faith's assurance brightly flashes:
Baptism has the strength divine to make life immortal mine.*

*There is nothing worth comparing to this lifelong comfort sure!
Open-eyed my grave is staring: Even there I'll sleep secure.
Though my flesh awaits its raising, still my soul continues praising:
I am baptized into Christ; I'm a child of paradise!*

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- P** Let us pray.

Collect of the Day * O Lord, keep Your Church in Your perpetual mercy; and because without You we cannot but fall, preserve us from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Amos 8:4-7

- P** This is the Word of the Lord.

- C** Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

1 Timothy 2:1-7

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, chapter sixteen.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading

Luke 16:1-15

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Message *Sunday School to follow in Mr. M's classroom.*

Sermon Hymn # 665 (vv. 1-3)

“Be Strong in the Lord”

Sermon Truth: Know it, Speak it, Pray it 1 Timothy 2:1-4
One God. One Mediator. One Savior: Jesus Christ.

*Though Satan presume To test you and try,
In helmet and plume Your head shall be high;
Beset by temptation Be true to your Lord,
Your helmet salvation And Scripture your sword.*

*So wield well your blade, Rejoice in its pow'rs,
Fight on undismayed For Jesus is ours!
Then in Him victorious Your armor lay down,
To praise, ever glorious, His cross and His crown.*

Prayers & Lord's Prayer

P Bless the Lord, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word!

C Bless the Lord, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will!

P Bless the Lord, all his works, in all places of his dominion.

C Bless the Lord, O my soul!

P The Lord bless you * shine upon you * grant you peace.

C Amen

Closing Hymn # 537 (a capella, vv. 3-4)

“Beautiful Savior”

Finances

Salary:

Beginning Balance (1/1/2022)	\$61,721.74
YTD Income	\$252,554.77
YTD Expenses	-\$330,048.72
Current Balance (9/13)	-\$15,772.21

Missions:

Year to date total (6/28)	\$6,360.00
Budgeted	\$6,360.00
Non-budgeted	\$0
2022 Pledged	\$6,500.00
2022 Goal	\$15,000.00

LHS:

Year to date total (6/28)	\$19,037.66
2022 Commitment	\$21,395.00
Per communicant member	\$55.00

Building/Repair Fund:

Account Balance (8/28)	\$17,729.26
Suggested household contribution	\$550.00

Sun, Sept. 18th	Sunday Service 9:30
Wed, Sept. 21st	Confirmation
Thurs, Sept. 22nd	Woke Bible Study 7:00
Fri, Sept. 23rd	Chapel 8:10
	Softener Salt Order Pick Up
Sun, Sept. 25th	Sunday Service Communion 9:30
Mon, Sept. 26th	ZEL Meeting 6:30
Wed, Sept. 28th	Confirmation
Thurs, Sept. 29th	Woke Bible Study 7:00
Fri, Sept. 30th	Chapel 8:10

September 11th Attendance: 140; Communed: 115