

# Zion Lutheran

**Mission: Creating Community Through  
God's Love and Guidance**



**Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
September 22, 2024

## **ORDER OF SERVICE**

**(The assembly speaks the bold print)**

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### **PRELUDE**

Please respect this time before worship for those who want to pray quietly in the sanctuary. Once the prelude begins, please use that time to listen to the music and prepare for worship. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN#325**      **"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"**

### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,  
who forgives all our sin,  
whose mercy endures forever.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Gracious God,  
**have mercy on us.**  
**We confess that we have honored you with our lips,**  
**but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.**  
**The cravings at war within us**  
**cause conflicts and disputes.**  
**In our desire to be first**  
**we make distinctions among ourselves.**  
**We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.**  
**In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.**  
**Draw near to us with grace in time of need;**  
**and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ,**  
**our Savior and Lord.**  
**Amen.**

God promises to forgive our iniquity  
and to remember our sin no more.

By grace you have been saved.

In the name of Jesus Christ,  
the source of eternal healing,  
your sins are forgiven.

**Amen.**

### **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.**

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**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.**

### **FIRST READING**

Jeremiah 11:18-20

A reading from Jeremiah.

<sup>18</sup>It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew; then  
you showed me their evil deeds. <sup>19</sup>But 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!" <sup>20</sup>But 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.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM 54**

**Read Responsively**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## **SECOND READING**

James 3:13—4:3, 7-8a

A reading from James.

<sup>13</sup>Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. <sup>14</sup>But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. <sup>15</sup>Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. <sup>16</sup>For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. <sup>17</sup>But 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. <sup>18</sup>And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. <sup>4: 1</sup>Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? <sup>2</sup>You 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. <sup>3</sup>You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. <sup>7</sup>Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8a</sup>Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**GOSPEL READING**

Mark 9:30-37

The holy gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>30</sup>[Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it;<sup>31</sup>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."<sup>32</sup>But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.<sup>33</sup>Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?"<sup>34</sup>But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest.<sup>35</sup>He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all."<sup>36</sup>Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them,<sup>37</sup>"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**

Vicar Jake

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

"When Our World is Rent by Violence"  
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# When Our World Is Rent by Violence



1 When our world is rent by vio - lence and our lives are  
2 When our cit - ies stand for - sak - en and the poor must  
3 When our lives are burnt to ash - es and our hopes fade  
4 Raise up beau - ty from the ash - es; end our vio - lence;



marred by grief, when our songs of calm as - sur - ance  
beg for bread, when the pris - 'ner sits for - got - ten  
like a dream, when our sto - ries lose their mean - ing  
tend our peace. Give us vi - sions of a fu - ture



turn to cries of un - be - lief: God, we raise our  
and the home - less find no bed, God, we raise our  
and de - spair be - comes their theme, God, we raise our  
where all cap - tives find re - lease, where op - pres - sion



lam - en - ta - tion seek - ing ref - uge and re - lief.  
lam - en - ta - tion: wak - en jus - tice from the dead!  
lam - en - ta - tion: Come, Lord Je - sus, to re - deem!  
is e - vic - ted, and all works of ha - tred cease.

Text: David Bjorlin, b. 1984

Music: FORTUNATUS NEW, Carl F. Schalk, b. 1929

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## 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.**

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

### **PEACE**

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

### **OFFERING**

#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Blessed are you, O God,  
source of every gift of your creation.  
By these gifts and with our lives,  
help us to serve one another and all in need,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### **PREFACE**

### **HOLY HOLY HOLY**

**Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and**  
**might, heav - en 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.**

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

### 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.**

### 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.

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.

### **COMMUNION**

**COMMUNION HYMN #479** "We Come to the Hungry Feast"

### **TABLE BLESSING**

Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Holy God,  
you have welcomed us to this meal  
and fed us with dignity at your table.  
Send us now to welcome others  
and to be at peace with one another,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

God all mighty,  
God most merciful  
bless you, keep you,  
and give you peace.

**Amen.**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

**Creating Community through God’s Love and Guidance —  
thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**

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**9:30 am - 2:00 pm.**

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**Welcome!**

We invite visitors to complete the card in the pew and put it in the collection basket. Thank You!

**Announcements!**

**Today** is vote day after the worship service. The vote will be for the approval to go ahead and work with the developer to make true plans for the Affordable Housing Project. More information will be conveyed at the meeting. Please plan to stay after worship so you can make your vote count.

Each week there will be a Daily Discipleship, which is a take home Bible Study, on the tables at the back of sanctuary for you to take with you. It will also be on the website in the section where the weekly bulletin is.

Outdoor fall mum plants have been given & planted at Zion by Bonnie Arps, Diana Staedt and Gwen Schwandt, in loving memory of their husbands: Tom, Tom & Don.

Counting Your Blessings "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits." (Psalm 103:2). Make a list of the ways God has blessed you and consider how you can share those blessings with others.

**Blessing of the "Stuffed" Animals.** Children are invited to bring their favorite stuffed animal to worship on **Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>** for a special blessing during the Children's Sermon. They can also bring a picture of a living pet as well. Sorry, no live animals!

On Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 11 a.m. at First English Lutheran Church, 326 E North St., Appleton WI, Rev. Tim Krick, Senior Advisor, Congregational Engagement with Lutheran World Relief (LWR), is planning to share stories about how all of our love is making a difference around the world. Along with those stories, he will share about the depth and breadth of work that we all do through LWR and let us know how we can continue to be God's presence in the world. Tim is a former pastor at Christ the King in Combined Locks.

There is an educational event at Linwood Community on Monday, September 23, at 2 PM. The subject will be Hospice Care is Not What You Think It Is! Lisa Gering from Unity Hospice will share her expertise on how hospice care can enhance the quality of life for individuals and their families. Lisa will provide clarity and understanding surrounding hospice services, which are often misunderstood.

Grief Support groups are being provided for those who have lost a loved one in death. The meetings are on Wednesday morning from 10:00 to 11:30 AM at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. The group will meet for seven Wednesday morning sessions that started on Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Nancy Scheuerman from Prince of Peace at [nancy631@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nancy631@sbcglobal.net) or call the church office at 920- 739-5255 to indicate your interest or to hear more.

Special Worship Music and Celebrations at ZION.

October 27: Jazz Music --- Welcome Sunday

November 3: Bagpipe and Cello Music --- All Saints Sunday

December 24: String Quartet (4 pm) and Organ (6 pm)

January 4: Epiphany Walk and Brunch

Now is the Time (NIIT) is a five-session study of the ELCA's Declaration to People of African Descent which was approved in 2019. Each session is 1.5 hours long and will be offered online by members of the synod Racial Equity Team. The study is open to all women and men - you do not need to be a member of an ELCA church to participate. There are 2 choices offered for the fall. 1 - Sunday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00 for five weeks: September 29, October 6, 13, 20, and 27. This group is hosted by Women of the ELCA, but all are welcome. 2 - Monday evenings from 6:00 to 7:30 for five weeks: September 30, October 7, 14, 21, and 28. This group is hosted by Peace Lutheran in Kunesh/Green Bay, but all are welcome. The materials needed are free downloads. Click here: <https://elca.org/Resources/Racial-Justice>. For more information, contact Shirley Paulson [spaulson1949@gmail.com](mailto:spaulson1949@gmail.com). There is no cost to participate. To register, click here [s://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/9169495](https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/9169495).

Come join the Lunch Social group which meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 11:30pm. There will be a sign up in the narthex which will let you know where we are going. You can sign up on the sheet so we know how many are coming.

Lynn will be placing a gift card order on October 1st. If you are interested please see the narthex for her contact information so you can let her know you would like to place an order.

Remember Zion does benefit from your gift card purchases.

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**Sunday, September 22**

Jer 11:18-20; Ps 54

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a; Mark 9:30-37

Choir Rehearsal 8-8:45 am

**Worship Service 9:00 am**

followed by

Coffee Hour

Sunday School & Confirmation

**Lectionary 25 (Pentecost 18)**

Vicar Jake Czarnik-Neimeyer

Assisting Minister: Deb Reis

Musician: William Surtees

Opens: Jim Schley

Closes: Tammy Mossholder

Acolyte: Alexa Rusch

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**Wednesday, September 25**

Tower RingerZ Rehearsal 4:15pm

**Sunday, September 29**

Dan 10:10-14; 12:1-3; Ps 103:1-5, 20-22

Rev 12:7-12; Luke 10:17-20

Choir Rehearsal 8-8:45 am

**Worship Service 9:00 am**

followed by

Coffee Hour

Sunday School & Confirmation

**Michael and All Angels**

Pastor Karen Jewell

Assisting Minister: Tom Meltz

Musician: William Surtees

Opens: Gene Wiese

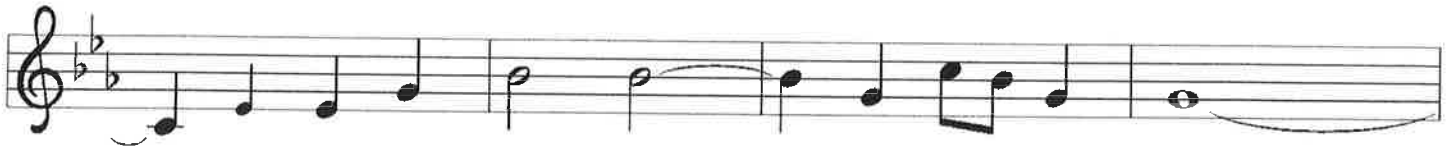
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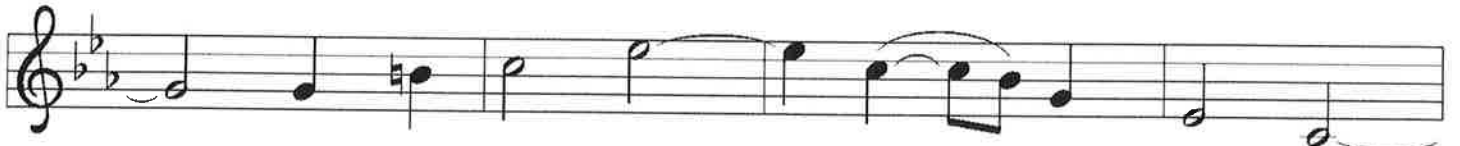
# I Want Jesus to Walk with Me



1 I want Je - sus to walk with me;  
2 In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;  
3 When I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;



I want Je - sus to walk with me;  
in my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;  
when I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;



all a - long my pil - grim jour - ney,  
when my heart is al - most break - ing,  
when my head is bowed in sor - row,



Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.  
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Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.

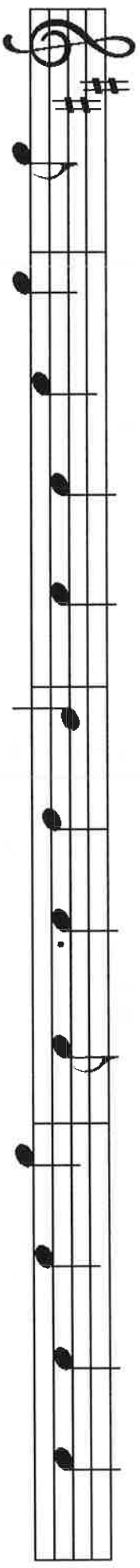
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Music: SOJOURNER, African American spiritual

# We Come to the Hungry Feast



- 1 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a word of peace.
- 2 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry for a world re - leased
- 3 We come to the hun - gry feast hun - gry that the hun - ger cease,



To hun - gry hearts un - sat - is - fied the love of God is  
 from hun - gry folk of ev - 'ry kind, the poor in bod - y,  
 and know - ing, though we eat our fill, the hun - ger will stay



not de - nied. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.  
 poor in mind. We come, we come to the hun - gry feast.  
 with us; still we come, we come to the hun - gry feast.

Text: Ray Makeever, b. 1943

Music: HUNGRY FEAST, Ray Makeever

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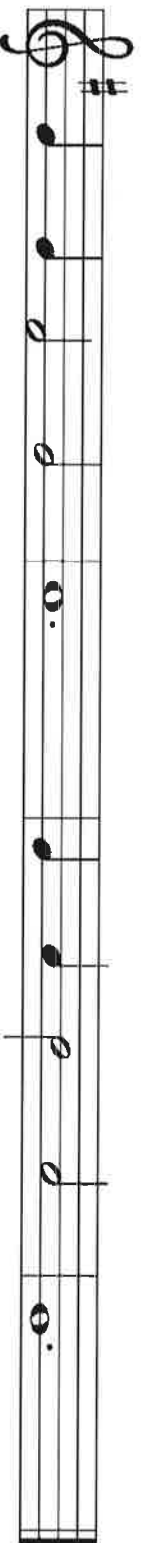
# Jesus, Still Lead On



1 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; and, al - though the  
 2 If the way be drear, if the foe be near, let no faith - less  
 3 When we seek re - lief from a long - felt grief, when temp - ta - tions  
 4 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; heav'n - ly lead - er,



way be cheer - less, we will fol - low, calm and fear - less;  
 fears o'er - take us, let not faith and hope for - sake us;  
 come al - lur - ing make us pa - tient and en - dur - ing;  
 still di - rect us, still sup - port, con - sole, pro - tect us,



guide us by your hand to the prom - ised land.  
 safe - ly past the foe to our home we go.  
 show us that bright shore where we weep no more.  
 till we safe - ly stand in the prom - ised land.

Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–1760; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813–1897, alt.  
 Music: SEELENBRÄUTTGAM, Adam Drese, 1620–1701

