

## Announcements

**WAYS TO GIVE AT ZION** – there are many ways to give financially to Zion - along with your offering envelope with cheque or cash inside, we accept e-transfer (sent to [zion.office@sasktel.net](mailto:zion.office@sasktel.net) – it is set up for auto-deposit) and we can also set up monthly withdrawals from your bank account. You can also donate to Zion through [canadahelps.ca](http://canadahelps.ca).

**EMERGENCY FOOD BINS** – Our emergency food bins at the back of the narthex are running low on items. Please donate what you can.

**TWO WAYS TO SUPPORT THE FAITH OF YOUNG PEOPLE:** If you would like to contribute to the Kinasao Campership Fund or the LCBI Student Bursary Fund, write a note on your offering envelope.

**LuMinHoS ANNUAL WALK-A-THON:** Saturday, Saturday, September 21, beginning at 10 am at Zion. More information & pledge sheets are available on the bulletin board at the back or at [luminhos.org](http://luminhos.org)

**DEATH CAFÉ:** every second Tuesday from 10:00 to 11:10 at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 812 Preston Ave. Donations of cookies or sweets welcome.

**COFFEE:** If you are willing to prepare after-church-coffee, there is a sign-up sheet on the table at the back. Thank you to all who serve in this way!

**GOOD SHEPHERD FUNDRAISER:** Sept 15, Somewhere Else Pub and Grill. Tickets \$50 each, through Eventbrite. Doors open at 5 pm, dinner at 6 pm.

**LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY FUNDRAISER SUPPER:** Saturday evening, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm at Smiley's Buffet in Saskatoon. "Come hear how the ministry of post-Secondary students is evolving and growing. You can enjoy a great meal at Smiley's, fellowship, entertainment, and have the opportunity to offer your prayers, stewardship and support." Contact Margaret Fast for tickets before September 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Squiracle Group** will reconvene on Tuesday, September 17, at 7:30 in the Richmond room at Luther Heights. "Allan will lead us as we view another episode of *Drive thru History, Acts to Revelation*. "

**LutherCare Foundation Power Breakfast:** Thursday, October 17, 7:30 am at Luther Riverside Terrace. No charge. Freewill offerings gratefully received. RSVP by October 9 to 306-649-6364 or [foundation@luthercare.com](mailto:foundation@luthercare.com).

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OFFICE HOURS: Mon – Fri 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

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**WELCOME to Zion!** If you would like more information about us, please fill in the communion card and give it to an usher. **All baptized Christians are welcome to commune.** If you do not commune, please come forward to receive the Lord's Blessing. If you receive communion in your pew, notify the usher. Grape juice is available in the middle of the tray. Gluten free wafers are available on request. Ushers will direct you to the altar.

**CAMP KINASAO Prayer Retreat:** September 27-29. Register at [kinasao.ca](http://kinasao.ca)

**YOUTH NIGHT:** Sept. 15, 5:30-8:00. Zion and St. Andrews.

**THE ORGAN WORKS OF TATE PUMFREY** is a concert of music for pipe organ that will be held at Knox United Church, Sunday, September 22, at 7:00 pm. Take is a young composer (born 1998) from Ottawa, who has a passion for sacred organ music. Everyone is welcome to come and meet Tate and hear his compositions. The performers are Diane Bestvater, Janet Weaver, and Renee deMoissac. Admission is by donation.

**IN OUR PRAYERS:** Derwin; Andrea; Nandari; Weldeyesus family; Mallory; Aaron; Samhara & Saraq; Don; Louise; Mary; Linda & Steven; Jennifer; Bereket & family; Alice; Gloria; Kaye; Doreen; Clara; Connie; Marilyn; Fred; Lorna; Walter; Betsy; Anne; Maureen; Illa & Gordon; Susan; Lara; Luana; Deanna & her family; Carolyn; Cliff; the Smith, Jahnke, Kelly, and Anderson families; Brenda; Dorothy; Lorna; Marlys, Syliva, Laurie, and all the family of Ivar Moen, in their grief; the Bergsma, Marzolf, and Hettler families, as they grieve Thor.

## Order of Service

### GATHERING

Prelude: "Pavane" – Tate Pumfrey

Welcome

**Confession & Absolution – ELW pg. 94**  
**Gathering Hymn: "God, Bless the Hands"**  
– ACS #1022

**Kyrie**

**Prayer of the Day:** (see front of bulletin)

### WORD

**First Lesson:** Isaiah 50:4-9a

**Psalm 116:1-9**

**Second Lesson:** James 3:1-12

**Gospel Lesson:** Mark 8:27-38

Sermon

**Hymn of the Day: "Oh, Praise the Gracious Power"**  
– ELW #651

**Apostles' Creed**

**Prayers of Intercession** (P: Hear us, O God.  
C: Your mercy is great.)

### COMMUNION

The Peace

**Offering:** "Take Our Gifts"

The Great Thanksgiving

Holy Lord

**The Lord's Prayer**

Lamb of God

**Communion: "Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song"**  
– ELW #808; "Have Thine Own Way"

Communion Blessing

### SENDING

Benediction

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**Sending Song: "Will You Come and Follow Me"**  
– ELW #798

Go in peace. Follow Jesus. **"Thanks be to God!"**

Postlude: "Scala Tangens Caelum" – Tate Pumfrey

**Isaiah 50:4-9a**

The Lord God has given me  
a trained tongue,  
that I may know how to sustain  
the weary with a word.  
Morning by morning he wakens,  
wakens my ear  
to listen as those who are taught.  
The Lord God has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious;  
I did not turn backward.  
I gave my back to those who struck me  
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;  
I did not hide my face  
from insult and spitting.  
The Lord God helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;  
therefore I have set my face like flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;  
he who vindicates me is near.  
Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand in court together.  
Who are my adversaries?  
Let them confront me.  
It is the Lord God who helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?

**James 3:1-12**

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will face stricter judgment. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is mature, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a such a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a

world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of life, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse people, made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth comes a blessing and a curse. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

**Mark 8:27-38**

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi, and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes and be killed and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

He called the crowd with his disciples and said to them, “If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 15, 2024

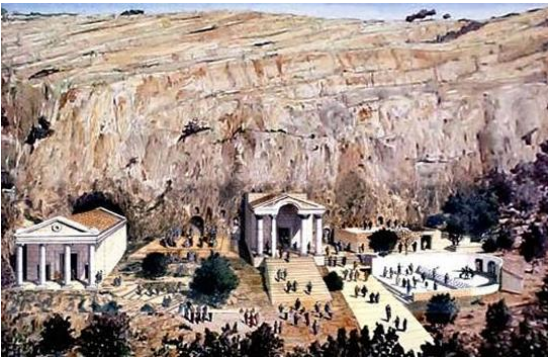
10:30 am

Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Prayer of the Day:

O God, through suffering and rejection you bring forth  
our salvation, and by the glory of the cross  
you transform our lives.

Grant that for the sake of the gospel  
we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross,  
and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.  
Amen.



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