

Announcements

Did you know we have 7 hearing headsets available at the sound booth? We invite anyone who may need them to utilize on Sunday mornings. As a point of note: any set of wired earbuds can be used; if you would like to bring your own pair from home, you can plug them in and use with the receiver!

“Save The Date”: The Lutheran Campus Ministry Fundraiser supper is set for Saturday evening, October 3rd with reception at 5 pm & supper at 6:00pm at Smiley’s Buffet in Saskatoon. Come to 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. Tickets are available at the Zion Office.

Kitchen: We hope you know you are welcome to use Heritage Hall kitchen when you have meetings, etc. and need to make snacks or coffee. Please leave the kitchen the condition you found it (which should be spotless with no dishes waiting to get washed or put away). Thank you!

Mailboxes: We are in the process of revamping the mailboxes therefore they are unavailable for use right now. Please do not put anything in the mailboxes or on top of them. Thank you!

Food Bins: Thank you for your donations to our food bins! In order to ensure we are complying with health regulations, please double-check expiry dates and also make sure all food is sealed, with original packaging (no bulk items).

On Sunday, September 27th, the Saskatoon Centre of the Royal Canadian College of Organists will be hosting an international artist performing at Knox United Church at 7 pm. More details can be found on the poster at the back of the Narthex. Admission is by donation (suggested \$25/adult).

An Evening in the Horn of Africa – A fundraising dinner in support of refugees is being hosted by Christ Church on Saturday, October 3 (515 28th St W). Admission by donation. Doors open at 5 pm with silent auction. Meal begins at 5:30 followed by music and storytelling.

Call to Prayer for Peace; an ecumenical and interfaith service. Sunday, September 20th at 7 pm at Wildwood Mennonite Church (1502 Acadia Dr).

We are pleased to welcome Catlin Hogan as a member of Zion!

October 23 – 25 – SK synod youth retreat at Kinasao. (Reformation Sunday) Register at kinasao.ca

WELCOME TO ZION! If you would like more information about us, please fill in the communion card and give it to an usher. All 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.

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In Our Prayers

Andrea; Nandari; Mallory; Don; Louise; Mary; Linda & Steven; Jennifer; Gloria; Kaye; Doreen; Clara; Connie; Marilyn; Fred; Lorna; Betsy; Anne; Maureen; Susan; Ron; Lara, for justice; Carolyn; Alice; Neil; Helen; Ron; Mary; Marie; Phyllis; Ina; Gordon; Ted; Dolores; Stan; Barb

Ways to Give at Zion: Along with your offering envelope with cheque or cash inside, we accept e-transfers to zion.office@sasktel.net. (Please fill out the ‘message’ field so we know where your donation should go. Thank you!) We can also set up monthly withdrawals from your bank account or you can donate to Zion through canadahelps.ca

The Lutheran Anglican Women are hosting a day of retreat, "Orienting Ourselves Towards God," a time of contemplative and centering prayer led by The Rev. Ana Gheysen. Redeemer Lutheran Church, Saturday, October 31, 9:30-4:30. Fee \$30, Bring your own lunch, contact Bev Otsuka (306) 227-9102 bevotsuka@gmail.com All are Welcome!

Saturday, November 21, 2026 - 9 am to 4 pm (with lunch). Congregational visioning retreat with Bishop Ali Tote. Please mark your calendars.

City Wide Youth Event October 21 – City Wide event with youth who are visiting Saskatchewan from Argentina. Supper and games at the House Property (511 3rd Ave N); 5 – 8 pm. Come and meet some youth from our Lutheran church in Argentina! We will make supper together and play some games. Great chance to meet folks from a different part of the world. Let the office know if you plan to attend!

Order of Service – Setting Three

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

Confession & Forgiveness – ELW pg. 94

Gathering Hymn – “Lord of Light” – ELW #688

Kyrie – ELW pg. 138

This is the Feast – ELW pg. 140

Prayer of the Day: (see front of bulletin)

WORD

First Lesson: Jonah 3:10-4:11

Psalms 145:1-8

Second Lesson: Philippians 1:21-30

Gospel Acclamation – ELW pg. 142

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 20:1-16

Sermon

**Hymn of the Day: “God’s Work, Our Hands”
– ACS #1000**

Apostles’ Creed

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

COMMUNION

The Peace

Offering: “In the Singing” – ELW #466

The Great Thanksgiving – ELW pg. 144

Holy Lord – ELW pg. 144

The Lord’s Prayer

Lamb of God – ELW pg. 146

**Communion: “Will you Let me be Your Servant”
– ELW #659; “Make me a Channel of your Peace”**

Communion Prayer

SENDING

Benediction

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Sending Song: “Rise Up, O Saints of God!” – ELW #669

Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: “Crofts 136” - Parry

Jonah 3:10-4:11

¹⁰ When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them, and he did not do it.

⁴ But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. ² He prayed to the Lord and said, “O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning, for I knew that you are a gracious and merciful God, slow to anger, abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from punishment. ³ And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.” ⁴ And the Lord said, “Is it right for you to be angry?” ⁵ Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

⁶ The Lord God appointed a bush and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort, so Jonah was very happy about the bush. ⁷ But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. ⁸ When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, “It is better for me to die than to live.”

⁹ But God said to Jonah, “Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?” And he said, “Yes, angry enough to die.” ¹⁰ Then the Lord said, “You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. ¹¹ And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left and also many animals?”

Philippians 1:21-30

²¹ For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. ²² If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me, yet I cannot say which I will choose. ²³ I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better, ²⁴ but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. ²⁵ Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, ²⁶ so that, by my presence again with you, your boast might abound in Christ Jesus because of me.

²⁷ Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel ²⁸ and in no way frightened by those opposing you. For them, this is evidence of their destruction but of your salvation. And this is God’s doing. ²⁹ For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ but of suffering for him as well, ³⁰ since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Matthew 20:1-16

“For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ² After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius for the day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴ and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. ⁵ When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. ⁶ And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around, and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ ⁷ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ ⁸ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ ⁹ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰ Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹ And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹² saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ ¹⁶ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 20, 2026
10:30 am
Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Prayer of the Day:
Almighty and eternal God,
you show perpetual lovingkindness to us your servants.
Because we cannot rely on our own abilities,
grant us your merciful judgement,
and train us to embody the generosity of your Son,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.



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