

## Zion Announcements:

**Hearing Assist Headsets:** 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!

**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).

**Visioning Retreat:** Saturday, November 21, 2026 - 9 am to 4 pm (with lunch). Congregational visioning retreat with Bishop Ali Tote. Please mark your calendars. **Please also take the opportunity to fill out the visioning survey circulated last winter if you have done yet done so. Paper copies are available at the back of the Narthex by the mailboxes. Thanks to those who have already filled it out!**

**Ways to Give at Zion:** Along with your offering envelope with cheque or cash inside, we accept e-transfers to [zion.office@sasktel.net](mailto: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](http://canadahelps.ca)

## Ecumenical Announcements:

**Lutheran Anglican Women's retreat: October 31, 2026, 9:30 am-4:30 pm.** All women are welcome to attend. Redeemer Lutheran Church, 812 Preston Ave., Saskatoon. Cost is \$30.00 and bring a bag lunch. More info can be found on the poster at the back of the Narthex.

**SICCC and the Prairie Center for Ecumenism:** Learn, Connect & Respond Together, an afternoon to learn, connect and discover ways to serve our community on **Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>**. Poster at the back has more info.

## City-Wide Announcements:

**Organ Concert:** Lost in the Wind on Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. More info on poster in the Narthex.

**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

## Inter-Lutheran Announcements:

**SK Synod Youth Retreat:** October 23 – 25 at Kinasao. Register at [kinasao.ca](http://kinasao.ca)

**LuMinHoS Hymn Sing:** Come enjoy music and singing on Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 7 pm at Rock of Ages Lutheran Church (130 Kingsmere Place). Free will offering to support our Saskatoon Lutheran Hospital Chaplaincy Ministry. Refreshments and goodies to follow!

**City Wide Youth Event:** October 21 with youth who are visiting Saskatchewan from Argentina. Supper and games at the House Property (511 3rd Ave N); 5 – 8 pm. We will make supper together and play some games.

**LutherCare Communities:** Looking for meaningful volunteer work? Would you like to engage in meaningful visitation? The Spiritual Care Division of LutherCare Communities is looking for volunteers who can assist in our faith-based programming. Please contact Rev. Lori James at [ljames@luthercare.com](mailto:ljames@luthercare.com) or at 306-649-6369 if you are interested.

**Squirrel:** will meet on Tuesday, October 20 at 7:30 pm in the Richmond Room

## Order of Service – Setting Three

### GATHERING

Prelude: Prelude on “St. Flavian” - Willan  
Welcome

**Confession & Forgiveness – ELW pg. 94**  
**Gathering Hymn – “You Servants of God” – ELW #825**  
**Kyrie – ELW pg. 138**  
**This is the Feast – ELW pg. 140**  
**Prayer of the Day:** (see front of bulletin)

### WORD

First Lesson: Isaiah 45:1-7  
**Psalm 90**  
Second Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10  
**Gospel Acclamation – ELW pg. 142**  
Gospel Lesson: Matthew 22:15-22  
Sermon  
**Hymn of the Day: “Take my Life, That I May Be” – ELW #685**  
**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: “Bread of Life from Heaven” – ELW #474;**  
**“I Received the Living God” – ELW #477**  
Communion Prayer

### SENDING

Benediction  
Announcements  
**Sending Song: “God of Grace and God of Glory” – ELW #705**  
Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.  
**Thanks be to God.**  
Postlude: “Rise Up, O Church of God” – arr. Pethel

**Isaiah 45:1-7**

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus,  
whose right hand I have grasped  
to subdue nations before him  
and to strip kings of their robes,  
to open doors before him—  
and the gates shall not be closed:

<sup>2</sup> I will go before you  
and level the mountains;  
I will break in pieces the doors of bronze  
and cut through the bars of iron;  
<sup>3</sup> I will give you the treasures of darkness  
and riches hidden in secret places,  
so that you may know that it is I, the Lord,  
the God of Israel, who call you by your  
name.

<sup>4</sup> For the sake of my servant Jacob  
and Israel my chosen,  
I call you by your name;  
I give you a title, though you do not know  
me.

<sup>5</sup> I am the Lord, and there is no other;  
besides me there is no god.  
I arm you, though you do not know me,  
<sup>6</sup> so that they may know, from the rising of  
the sun  
and from the west, that there is no one  
besides me;  
I am the Lord, and there is no other.

<sup>7</sup> I form light and create darkness,  
I make weal and create woe;  
I the Lord do all these things.

**1 Thessalonians 1:1-10**

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,  
To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord  
Jesus Christ:

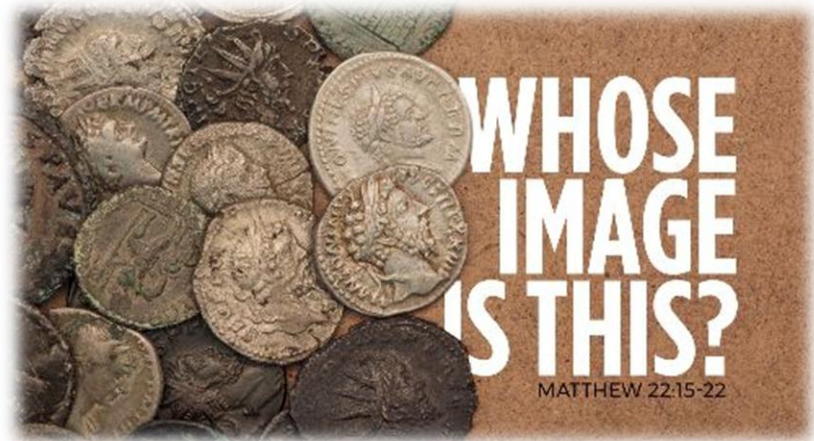
Grace to you and peace.  
<sup>2</sup> We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our  
prayers, constantly <sup>3</sup> remembering before our God and Father your  
work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord  
Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup> For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God,  
that he has chosen you, <sup>5</sup> because our message of the gospel came  
to you not in word only but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and  
with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we  
proved to be among you for your sake. <sup>6</sup> And you became imitators  
of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the  
word with joy from the Holy Spirit, <sup>7</sup> so that you became an example  
to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. <sup>8</sup> For the word of the  
Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia  
but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we  
have no need to speak about it. <sup>9</sup> For they report about us what kind  
of welcome we had among you and how you turned to God from  
idols to serve a living and true God <sup>10</sup> and to wait for his Son from  
heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from  
the coming wrath.

**Matthew 22:15-22**

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said.  
<sup>16</sup> So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians,  
saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way  
of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one, for  
you do not regard people with partiality. <sup>17</sup> Tell us, then, what you  
think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?” <sup>18</sup> But Jesus, aware  
of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you  
hypocrites? <sup>19</sup> Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought  
him a denarius. <sup>20</sup> Then he said to them, “Whose head is this and  
whose title?” <sup>21</sup> They answered, “Caesar’s.” Then he said to them,  
“Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s and to God  
the things that are God’s.” <sup>22</sup> When they heard this, they were  
amazed, and they left him and went away.

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost  
October 18, 2026  
10:30 am  
Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Prayer of the Day:  
Sovereign God,  
raise your throne in our hearts.  
Created by you, let us live in your image;  
created for you, let us act for your glory;  
redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
Amen.



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