

Saved by Grace - Solid in the Word - Here to Serve

✧ Called to be Christ's Community of Truth and Mercy ✧

Welcome!

...Be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ." Ephesians 5: 19-21



Holy Communion

Today we celebrate the Sacrament of our Lord Jesus Christ's true body and true blood. Reception of the Lord's Supper expresses not only fellowship with the Lord, but also fellowship and agreement with the teaching of the pastor and congregation. We want to express our sincere welcome to our guests and assure them that out of care for each person and a desire to be faithful to God's Word we follow the biblical practice of closed communion. **All guests are kindly asked to please speak with Pastor Gaunt before communing at our altar.** Normally, people from churches in fellowship with the LCMS, are welcome to partake. Those not communing, who so desire, may come to the altar to receive a blessing. So that the pastor knows you desire a blessing please cross your arms over your chest. Please pray with us that we might all be truly united in the teaching of our Lord's precious word. (For further study: 1 Cor. 11:17-34; Matt. 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 6:26-29.)

Prayers of the Church

Departed Loved One: Jim Prevette (Son-in-Law of Kevin and Melissa Hart) **Circuit Congregation** Faith, Hastings **Expectant Mother** + Becca Pettit (Granddaughter of Janie Hinrichs) **Health Issues** + Lisa Novak + Kellie Boutin + Andy Jacques + June Rose + Bill Fintel + Linda Parsons + Kara Nissen + Don Nissen + John Parsons + Dee Janssen **Missions** Wellspring Pregnancy Health Center, David Preus Family, Heartland Lutheran, Zion Classical Academy **Military** + Ross Peters + Gary Thompson

In His Service

Presiding Minister: Rev. Micah Gaunt
Organist: Dr. Phil Hesterman Cantor: Mr. David Witt
Altar Guild: October Brenda Christensen, Jackie Russell
Elders: Dick LeBeau, Dustin Russell, Derek Zeisler
Acolyte: Arnold Gaunt

Gifts of Time and Treasure

For more Financial Information see monthly newsletter.

A complete accounting of all financials are provided at each Quarterly Voters' Meeting. Questions? Jerry Blazer, Treasurer 402-303-0932

The Lord's Week

Sunday	Oct. 15	8:30am	Pre-Service Prayer (<i>West wing</i>)
		9:00am	Divine Service
		10:15am	Sunday School, Bible Study-opening
Monday	Oct. 16	11:00am	Senior Bible Study Village Diner
		7:00pm	L.W.M.L. Quarterly Meeting & Birthdays Donations cake mixes and frostings
Tuesday	Oct. 17	9:30am	Bible Study
Wed.	Oct. 18	5:30pm	Meal
		6:15pm	Catechetical Service
		7:15pm	Youth Group
Sunday	Oct. 22	8:30am	Pre-Service Prayer (<i>West wing</i>)
		9:00am	Divine Service
		10:15am	Sunday School, Bible Study-opening
		12:00pm	Human Care Quarterly Luncheon

Jesus' Incarnation Secures for Us Life, Forgiveness, and Healing

The Lord does not require us to ascend to Him; in mercy He descends to us (Gen. 28:10-17). The ladder in Jacob's dream was not for climbing; it was the means by which the Lord came to bless Jacob. This event finds its fulfillment in Christ who descended from His throne to save and bless us. By His incarnation He is the eternal bridge between heaven and earth. "The Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins" (Matt. 9:1-8). The Lord was present in the flesh to absolve the paralytic. Jesus also healed and restored this man's body. "For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation" (Small Catechism). The Lord still has power on earth to forgive sins. In holy absolution He raises up the new man (Eph. 4:22-28) and bestows the healing medicine which will bring about our resurrection on the Last Day. Thus we say with Jacob, "This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven!" (Gen. 28:17)



Prelude & Ringing of Bells

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Benediction

Hymn #660

Postlude

Announcements

P: *Go In Peace*

C: **Thanks Be To God!**

News and Notes of Interest

Divine Service: Sunday, Divine Service 9:00 A.M.
10:15 A.M. Sunday School, Bible Study -opening

Human Care Luncheon. On October 22nd, Human Care is hosting their quarterly luncheon after bible class. It's a great opportunity for fellowship and to talk about how we can serve people in our church and community. Please join us!

Birthdays 10/16 Lillian Shuler **10-19** Liza Grotelueschen
Baptismal 10/19 Hunter Fowler **10/21** Gwendolyn Gaunt
Wedding Anniversary 10/15 Dustin & Jackie Russell **10/16**
Ron & Annette Steiner **10/18** Shannon & Donna Fowler

Lifequote "For all who have been damaged by the sin of abortion—and for all who have been complicit by not speaking up in defense of innocent babies—repent, and then hear the sweet and comforting words of Jesus: 'Come to me, all who labor and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest' (Matthew 11:28). God give us courage to engage in the battle For Life!" • lutheransforlife.org

L.W.M.L. October Ingathering Gift Card Bucket To Help Seminary Students in St Louis and Fort Wayne. Thanks!

Firepit Fellowship. On Sunday, October 29th all members are invited to join the Gaunts in the front yard of the parsonage. No agenda except to visit and maybe make s'mores. We will have hot and cold drinks available. Come and go as you please from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. In the case of inclement weather, we will move to the fellowship hall.

3rd annual Cornucopia Dessert Auction will take place on November 10th, 2023, so gather your friends and buy a table. Please reply to this, or text Brook Huffman at 402.705.0220, to reserve your table today. Flyers available!

HLHS Sunday, November 12 is the annual Honoring His Harvest event with dinner and guest speaker Sue Ziegler school office 308-385-3900, or visit the HLHS website at <https://www.heartlandlutheran.org/>.

Zion Classical Academy is hosting a Family Engineering Night on November 14th from 5:45 - 7:30pm. It is open to all families in the community. It promises to be fun and educational experience for the whole family, registration forms are available in the narthex.

"Thanks to you, the **Wellspring BBQ** served over 425 people on October 1. Your continued financial support means that moms in need will continue to receive support and encouragement to choose life!" Mary, **Wellspring Pregnancy + Health Center**

The Congregation at Prayer

Speak aloud as much of this order of prayer as you are able

In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The 10 Commandments
The Apostles Creed
The Lord's Prayer

Other Readings for the Week: The Gospel Lesson on Monday, The Gospel Verse on Tuesday, The Epistle Lesson on Wednesday, The Gradual Verse on Thursday, The First Lesson on Friday & The Introit on Saturday.

Pray in response to the Catechism and/or Readings for the Week. What is God teaching you to thank Him for? What sin is He teaching you to confess? What is God teaching you to ask for? You may also pray this week's Collect, as well as for the prayers of the church (found in the bulletin).

May the almighty and most merciful God, Father, ✠ Son and Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us. Amen.

Hymn- #708 "Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart"

Next Week's Readings: Isaiah 55:1-9, Ephesians 5:15-21, Matthew 21: 33-44.

Week of Sunday, Oct. 15 (Midweek Service Oct. 18th)
The Second Article

And (I believe) in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord...
From thence He will come to judge the living and dead.
What does this mean?

That I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

Bible Verse

To whom does God promise eternal life?

I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. (John 11:25-26).

Question

Why did Jesus free me from sin, death, and the devil?

Bible Reading

Luke 24:36-53

Luther's Small Catechism for Kids: p. 52-54

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity
Divine Service Setting 1

October 15 th
9:00am



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