

*Mt. Zion Ev.
Lutheran Church*

*One thing
is
needful*



LUKE 10:42

The 9th Week after Pentecost

Sunday, August 11th & Monday, August 12th

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Welcome to our family of faith! Large Print Editions of our bulletin and hymnal, as well as assistive listening devices are available by asking an usher. Please feel free to ask for help or if you have any questions. We are glad you are here!

IF YOUR CHILDREN BECOME RESTLESS: our church basement is equipped with an audio feed of the church service. Please feel free to make use of that service if you need a place to settle the children down before returning upstairs.

A FAVOR PLEASE: Please take a moment to fill out the ivory colored attendance card found in each pew or chair for our church records (guests and members alike). The cards will be collected around the time that the offering is taken after the sermon. Thank you for your help!

BIBLE TEXT: While our lessons are printed in the bulletin, you may appreciate reading them in their context from our pew Bibles; if so, note that the page number for each lesson is included.

THE ALTAR PARAMENTS are GREEN (symbolizing health and growth in a plant) during the Pentecost season reminding us that the Spirit, through His tools of God's Word and the Sacraments, gives us Jesus' saving work and connects us to God for a life of real purpose; for real life and health are in Him! By faith, we have this life in Him. SO we now bear fruit for Him!

THEME OF THE DAY

So much can distract us from spending time with God & listening to His voice. Living God's way means giving the Word of God central place in our lives as 'the one thing needful!'

Opening Hymn: 284 How Precious Is the Book Divine

Order of Service: Today, we follow the ***New Common Service with Communion***, found in the blue Christian Worship Handout (**CWH**) you received as you entered today.

Prayer of the Day: Grant us, Lord, the spirit to think and do what is right, that we, who cannot do anything that is good without you, may by your help be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. (*Congregation speaks: Amen*)

THE WORD OF THE DAY

OLD TESTAMENT: GENESIS 18:1-14 (found on page 12 of your pew Bibles)

The Lord appeared to Abraham near the great trees of Mamre while he was sitting at the entrance to his tent in the heat of the day. Abraham looked up and saw

three men standing nearby. When he saw them, he hurried from the entrance of his tent to meet them and bowed low to the ground. He said, "If I have found favor in your eyes, my lord, do not pass your servant by. Let a little water be brought, and then you may all wash your feet and rest under this tree. Let me get you something to eat, so you can be refreshed and then go on your way—now that you have come to your servant." "Very well," they answered, "do as you say."

So Abraham hurried into the tent to Sarah. "Quick," he said, "get three seahs of the finest flour and knead it and bake some bread." Then he ran to the herd and selected a choice, tender calf and gave it to a servant, who hurried to prepare it. He then brought some curds and milk and the calf that had been prepared and set these before them.

While they ate, he stood near them under a tree. "Where is your wife Sarah?" they asked him. "There, in the tent," he said. Then one of them said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife will have a son."

Now Sarah was listening at the entrance to the tent, which was behind him. Abraham and Sarah were already very old, and Sarah was past the age of childbearing. So Sarah laughed to herself as she thought, "After I am worn out and my lord is old, will I now have this pleasure?"

Then the Lord said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and say, 'Will I really have a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too hard for the Lord? I will return to you at the appointed time next year, and Sarah will have a son." (NIV2011)

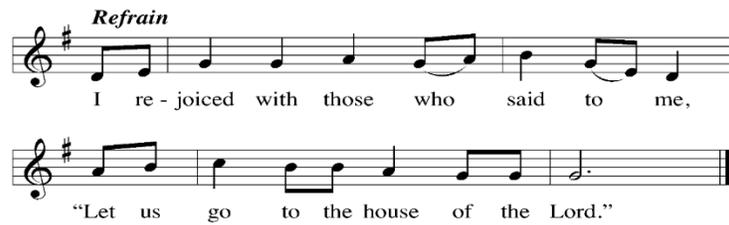
Psalm of the Day: We join to sing **Psalm 122** from the Worship Supplement. [**NOTE:** The Psalm Cantor will sing the 1st phrase & **the Congregation will sing the 2nd phrase in each couplet.** We ***all join together to sing 'Glory be to the Father' & the Refrains.***]

Refrain

Psalm Tone

(Refrain: cf. above)

*I rejoiced with those who said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the Lord."
Our feet are standing in your gates,
O Jerusalem.*



(Refrain: cf. above)

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:

**“May those who love you be secure.
May there be peace within your walls
and security within your citadels.”**

(Refrain: cf. above)

For the sake of my brothers and friends,

I will say, “Peace be within you.”

For the sake of the house of the Lord our God,

I will seek your prosperity.

***Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.***

(Refrain: cf. above)

EPISTLE: COLOSSIANS 1:21-29 (found on page 954 of your pew Bibles)

Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. But now he has reconciled you by Christ’s physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation— if you continue in your faith, established and firm, and do not move from the hope held out in the gospel. This is the gospel that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a servant.

Now I rejoice in what I am suffering for you, and I fill up in my flesh what is still lacking in regard to Christ’s afflictions, for the sake of his body, which is the church. I have become its servant by the commission God gave me to present to you the word of God in its fullness — the mystery that has been kept hidden for ages and generations, but is now disclosed to the Lord’s people. To them God has chosen to

make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ. To this end I strenuously contend with all the energy Christ so powerfully works in me. (NIV2011)

Verse of the Day: *Alleluia. My Word will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. Alleluia. (Isaiah 55:11b cf. NIV)*

GOSPEL/SERMON TEXT: LUKE 10:38-42 (found on page 843 of your pew Bibles) - *After the gospel is announced, we join to sing: "Glory be to you O, Lord" (twice)*

As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said.

But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!"

"Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things, but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her." (NIV2011) / We join to sing: *'Praise be to you, O Christ' (twice)*

The Nicene Creed: also found in the blue *CW* handout

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, He came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

Hymn of the Day: 290 One Thing's Needful

Sermon by Pastor Scott Bergemann on Luke 10:38-42
'The One Thing Needed'

Our Joyful Response: We join to sing '*Create in Me*' found on page 5 in the blue CWH

Our Offerings: The offering is a chance for God's people to respond to God's love by giving to carry on the ministry He has entrusted to us. If you are a visitor, please do not feel obligated to give an offering. We are truly pleased that you have joined us for worship, so we could share the gospel with you! Please come again!

Attendance Card Collection: Please take a moment to fill out the attendance card found in each pew (guests & members alike). The cards will be collected right after the offering baskets have been passed through in the 2nd basket that comes around after the offering. Thank you!

Prayer of the Church – by pastor, concluding with the Lord's Prayer *together* (below):

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.

The Sacrament: We continue with the preparations for receiving the Lord's Supper as found *in the very middle of the blue CW handout*, right side, under the Lord's Prayer.

The Distribution: If you are a guest or visitor, you may be interested and relieved to know that we do not seek to impose our practice of Holy Communion upon you. In fact God's Word makes it clear that He intends this sacrament only for those who have been made familiar in advance with the sacrament (1 Corinthians 11:27-30), and who have previously expressed their *fellowship* with the group they are taking it with, since it is a public confession of oneness in faith

(1 Corinthians 10:17 & 11:24-26); that is what is meant by the Scriptural practice of “close communion”. If you are a guest or visitor and have not had the chance to express common faith and a public declaration of fellowship with us, please observe today’s communion service and speak with Pastor after the service or during the week; he’d be delighted to help you appreciate a “close” relationship with our congregation. Communicant member of our sister WELS or ELS congregations are welcome, but please announce your intent to commune with us to pastor or an usher before the service. A ‘Personal Preparation for Holy Communion’ tool can be found on page 156 at the front of Christian Worship; this is an excellent tool for ‘examining ourselves’ prior to communing, as a Christ commands (1 Corinthians 11:28).

Distribution Hymn: 315 & 317

Thanksgiving: After the Distribution, we continue on *the inside back cover of the blue handout (CWH)*, right column, with the singing of ‘*Song of Simeon*’ together.

Closing Hymn: 293 God’s Word is Our Great Heritage

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*Thank you for worshiping with us.
Go with God’s Word in your hearts and minds!*

<p>Our Mission Here at Mt. Zion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> † Grow in God’s Word † Gather around His Word and Sacrament † Go into our community and the world with the good news of eternal life through faith in Jesus Christ. 	
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Please feel free to return this *Worship Folder* to the Ushers at the door as you leave today for use in the next service, unless you want to take it home for devotional purposes. Thank you!

<i>Mt Zion’s Attendance Information</i>		
<i>Our Growth in God’s Word . . .</i>		
<i>Attendance:</i>	<i>Sunday Attendance</i>	<i>124</i>
	<i>Monday Attendance</i>	<i>54</i>
	<i>Bible Study Attendance</i>	<i>38</i>

Special Thanks Today to Our . . .

- † **Organist:** Margaret Kohlstedt
- † **Elders:** Dan Krueger & Bill Demo
- † **Cantor:** Jonathon Becker
- † **Ushers:**
 - **8:00am – Team 03** – Dick Gentz, Pete Behrens, Leon Keune, Aaron Kopp & Brent Artus
 - **10:45am - Team 09** – Keith Mentink, Kyle Carson, Fred Harmeyer, Arnold Zillmer & Mark Zillmer
- † **Bible Study Goodies:** Behrens & Y. Jeske
- † **Landscaping Team: Team 04** – Les Bailey & Casey Haun

Up Coming Servants. . .

- † **Organist:** Kendra Neumann
- † **Ushers:**
 - **8:00am – Team 04** – Tim Becker, Jonathon Becker, Jerry Harbin & Noah Knautz
 - **10:45am - Team 10** – Bill Demo, Jeff Gentz & Andy Peters
- † **Bible Study Goodies:** Haertel & Demo
- † **Landscaping Team: Team 05** – Eugene Perry & Jared Perry

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August 11th, 2019

THIS WEEK AT MT. ZION

- Sunday** Communion Service – 8:00am
Summer Sun. School / Bible class – 9:15am
Communion Service – 10:45am
- Monday** Communion Service – 6:30pm
- Tuesday** Bible Class – 10:00am
- Wednesday** CAP Class – 7:00pm
- Sunday** Worship Service – 8:00am
Summer Sun. School / Bible class – 9:15am
Worship Service – 10:45am
- Monday** Worship – 6:30pm
Elders Meeting – 6:30pm



Bible Study Topics This Week

- † **Sunday** – Prayer: A Direct Line to the Creator
- † **Tuesday AM** – *Drive Through History - The Gospels*
- † **Wednesday CAP** – His Hand Among the Nations

ALL ARE WELCOME !

ANNOUNCEMENTS...



Choir Resumes – Mt Zion's Choir is open to all confirmed members of Mt Zion (teens and adults) and will begin a new year of praising God on Monday, September 9th. The Choir practices for about an hour after Monday night church (so at 7:30pm). A sign-up sheet is on the back table for those who are interested; please sign up by September 1st. Join us as we lift our voices in praise to our great God and loving Lord!

Member Boxes – Twice a year we re-organize the Member Boxes here at Mt. Zion; and it's that time again!! Your box has probably been moved; so please make sure to double check that you are grabbing the items from *your* new box. Also note, if you



have a child who has graduated High School and is living at home, he/she will be given their own Member Box! This is our way of welcoming them as adults! Thank you.

Scrip Schedule – Shoreland Scrip will be available TODAY between services in the narthex. Please see the person at the table in back of church to purchase your Scrip. For your planning there will be NO Scrip August 18th; but we will have it August 25th. Remember, you can always purchase Scrip at the SLHS office on Mondays from 8-9am, and Thursdays from 8:30-9:30am. You can also fill out a form and give it to Niki Neumann; she will fill it at work during the week and get your cards to you.

Giving Statements & Attendance Reports – Your 2019 (Year-to-Date) Giving Statement and a Quarterly Attendance Report for your family are in your member boxes this week. Included with your Giving Statement was a letter, explaining some of the things you MAY notice on your statement; you will also notice a Giving Graph on the back of the letter. Please look over your statement (and the letter included) as well as your attendance report and inform the church office assistant (office@mtzionwi.org) if there are any questions about either one. Take this time to make sure the church has your address correct also. If not, please email the church office. Thank You!

NEW Phone Directory – Mt. Zion has published a NEW Phone Directory!! Please find your family and make sure all the contact information we have is correct. IF there are any changes or adjustments that need to be made, simply fill out the included form (found on the back page) and put it in Amanda's folder on the church office door OR email the changes to the office (office@mtzionwi.org).

Golf Outing – On Sunday, August 25th at 1pm at Kenosha Muni Golf Course, all are invited to play in our season ending Mt Zion golf outing; it will be a best ball format, so all skill levels are welcome. The cost is \$17.50 for 9 holes and a cart; sign-up by **THIS Monday, August 12th**. Golfers are asked to bring a raffle prize valued at c.\$20 for drawings. Contest prizes and fellowship will follow at Union Park Tavern, with a delicious chicken/burger dinner for purchase; spouses or family members are welcome to sign-up for just the dinner. Questions? Contact Tracy Kopp at 262-496-9292.



Could You Lend a Hand – On Wednesday and Thursday September 4th and 5th, our board of properties will be stripping and waxing the fellowship hall before the full slate of classes and events start the next week. If you could lend a hand both or either nights, we could GREATLY appreciate it! That is a big room and with lots of hands, it will go easier and faster. If you can help or have questions, contact Scott Therriault (terio1960@hotmail.com). Thanks for considering it.



Will YOU Train for Ministry? – Starting this fall, we will offer a church leadership program to help people meet God's qualifications for leadership in His Kingdom. This series of classes, in addition to helping you grow in faith and knowledge of God's Word, would prepare you to serve as a future elder, deaconess, member of our church council, or officer in our women's ministry organization (WICS) right here at Mt Zion. OR if you've ever thought about serving God more

fulltime (as a pastor, staff minister, parochial school teacher, etc.), which is a HUGE need right now, this curricula prepares for that step too; but you don't have to enter fulltime ministry to take this class – it also serves as an effective leadership training course for our work right here. These classes will meet once/wk for 90 minutes, on a day and time that's best for those enrolled; there is homework between classes. ***Would you be interested in training for leadership in God's church in the future?*** If so, speak with Pastor Neumann by August 20th, so we can schedule the 1st class. Please pray about and for this!

Healthy Marriage Seminar – Pick up a brochure on the table in our church entryway for more information on this WELS workshop coming to our area in September. Marriage maintenance matters!

NEW Fall Women's Bible Study – Starting on Thursday, September 5th at 6:30pm, we will be offering a NEW study as part of our Women's Bible study and prayer group. The new study is called: *Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World* by Joanna Weaver. Based on the familiar Bible account, the author wrote this book for every women who's ever felt that she isn't godly enough, loving enough, or doing enough; she points us to Scripture to teach us how to walk closer to Jesus, so our faith grows and we are strengthened for serving His way with less stress and greater joy. The cost is c.\$10/study (actual cost based on number of participants), and payment should be brought to the 1st class in the conference room (upstairs in the education wing, next to the church library) on September 5th. Sign up by Sunday, August 25th on the table in the church entryway. Questions? Contact the group leader, Niki Neumann at nichole.neumann@gmail.com or 262-652-7215.

Fall CAP Class – If I mention a great humanitarian, who comes to your mind? Do you think of more recent charity supporters like Bill Gates, Warren Buffet, or Oprah Winfrey, or do you think of those of old who spent their lives serving others, like Mother Teresa, Martin Luther King Jr., or Mahatma Gandhi? The dictionary defines a humanitarian as *'someone who has concern for or helps to improve the welfare and happiness of others, especially to alleviate suffering.'* Well, that makes the title of the book we will study this fall so appropriate: GOD – The Ultimate Humanitarian (by Rev. Mark Cares of Truth in Love Ministries). Join us on Wednesday nights this fall starting September 11th (at 7pm) as we begin a 10-week course which will work through this new book and Bible study which focusses us on the ways that God blesses us each day of our life. What a perfect preparation for Thanksgiving this year! The cost for the materials (a textbook and workbook) is \$15/attendee (family members can share a textbook, but each attendee needs a workbook which is \$2). Sign up by August 26th.

Sunday School Set to Begin w/ Something NEW – Starting September 8th as Sunday school starts up again, we will be offering the kids a healthy snack and water or juice in the church basement. Many schools now do this to 'kick start' the brain for optimal performance; & it works to help them concentrate on the task at hand (the adults know this from having their goodies during bible study)! So right after 1st service ends (or at 9am if you plan to stay for 2nd service), your children should meet downstairs in the church basement; there a SS teacher will hand out the snack. After it is consumed, the kids will go into the church for a devotion. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex or at our website to ensure we know about any allergies. Any questions? Please contact Amanda in the office.

Nursery Care during Sunday School and Bible Study – To help our parents with little ones attend Sunday morning Bible class or teach Sunday school, we will once again be offering nursery care from 9:15-10:15am in the church basement for those who attend bible study or teach Sunday school, starting September 8th. Volunteers are being sought out. If you would like to help for 1 week, please let Pastor Neumann know (PastorN@mtzionwi.org). Thanks for supporting our parents growth!



Opening Service - Let us praise and thank God for the blessings of students, teachers, staff, and a new year of grace! On Wednesday, August 21st at 8AM, Shoreland invites you to their opening service. They will install 4 new teachers, Mr. Alex Moore, Mr. Lyle Timm, Ms. Andrea Oppermann, and Mrs. Jean Avery. God's blessings to Shoreland's faculty as they serve Christ in their calling this new school year!

Bus Drivers Wanted - SLHS is in need of bus drivers for before/after school routes, and to and from extra-curricular activities. For more information about bus drivers, please contact Scott Zondag at zondags@slhs.us.

Pacer Patron Kenosha County Fair Booth - Join us at the Kenosha County Fair! During the August 14th -18th festivities Shoreland will be operating a food booth to benefit the Pacer Patrons. If you would like to help in the booth please contact Joy Strutz at home 262-898-3244, cell 262-989-7772 or pacers@slhs.us.

OYC Treasurer Needed – Oasis Youth Center, our WELS urban outreach to youth, is looking for a new Treasurer. The Treasurer sits on the OYC Board (therefore a confirmed male, 18 or older is required), attends the monthly meetings, and oversees the OYC Bookkeeper. A detailed description will be provided, upon request. If this is something you're interested in, please contact Russ Pearson (262-496-3757 / RLPearson67@gmail.com) or Amy Haun (262-909-7579 / OYCKenosha@gmail.com).



Teen Parent Meeting – On Sunday, September 8th we will meeting in the conference room at 10:15am to discuss bible study times, hang out times, and youth rally. Please plan to attend, we will start promptly at 10:15 and ending at 10:40 to prepare for 2nd service. Questions? Contact Pastor B

VBS: A Huge Thank You ...

Heart-felt thanks to LuAnn M. and Pam S. for the delicious snacks, and to all who donated food for our snacks; to Vicki B for the wonderful explanation of our movies; to Michelle A. for the fun crafts; to Amanda B and Amanda B for teaching preschool; to Allie N. and Katie L. for assisting with preschool; to Nikki L. for putting preschool crafts together; to Zach N. for teaching the bible story; to Chantell S., Donna L, Tricia N. and Jason W. for being a crew leaders; and to Billy F. and Jade J. for leading fun games!

Thirty-seven children had a great week filled with songs, games, crafts and most importantly *Jesus!* Thanks to all of you for your hard work!

"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it." Proverbs 22:6

