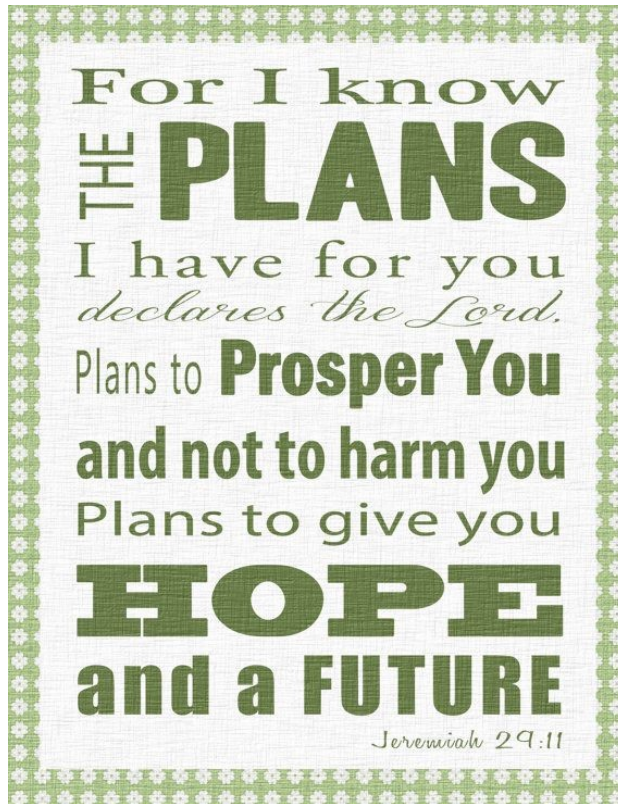


**Sunday Morning Worship**  
Time after Pentecost  
November 8, 2020



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## INTRODUCTION

*Today the prophet Amos calls for justice to roll down like waters. Paul urges us to encourage one another with the promised coming of the Lord. Jesus tells the parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids. Surrounded by the faithful of every time and place, we celebrate Christ's coming in our midst in the word of life and the feast of victory—the marriage feast of the lamb.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRELUDE

*Blessed Assurance*

Arr. Bottomley

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Holy One,

C: **we confess that we are not awake for you. We are not faithful in using your gifts. We forget the least of our siblings. We do not see your beautiful image in one another. We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community. Open our hearts to your coming, open our eyes to see you in our neighbor, open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.**

P: Beloved, we are God's children, and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us. Through + Jesus you are forgiven, by Jesus you are welcome, in Jesus you are called to rejoice! Let us live in the promises prepared for us from the foundation of the world.

C: **Amen.**

## HYMN Red hymnal #632 ( vs. 1-4 )

*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

## KYRIE

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

**P:** For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

**P:** Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**

*Refrain* **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.**

**1. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

*Refrain* **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.**

**2. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

*Refrain* **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.**

**3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

*Refrain* **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.**

## **GREETING / PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

**P:** Let us pray . . .

**C: O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **THE WORD**

**FIRST READING: Amos 5:18-24**

**Doug Jacobs**

**R:** <sup>18</sup>Alas for you who desire the day of the LORD! Why do you want the day of the LORD? It is darkness, not light; <sup>19</sup>as if someone fled from a lion, and was met by a bear; or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall, and was bitten by a snake. <sup>20</sup>Is not the day of the LORD darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? <sup>21</sup>I

hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. <sup>22</sup>Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. <sup>23</sup>Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. <sup>24</sup>But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## **SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**

**Doug Jacobs**

R: <sup>13</sup>We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. <sup>14</sup>For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. <sup>15</sup>For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. <sup>16</sup>For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup>Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. <sup>18</sup>Therefore encourage one another with these words.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

C: **Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.**

**Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.**

**Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.**

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

P: The Gospel according to **Matthew 25:1-13**

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

P: [Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>1</sup>"Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. <sup>2</sup>Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. <sup>3</sup>When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; <sup>4</sup>but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. <sup>5</sup>As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. <sup>6</sup>But at midnight there was a shout,

'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' <sup>7</sup>Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. <sup>8</sup>The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' <sup>9</sup>But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' <sup>10</sup>And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. <sup>11</sup>Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' <sup>12</sup>But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' <sup>13</sup>Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.  
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON** Pastor Jeff Glawe

**HYMN #244**

*Rejoice, Rejoice Believers*

## **RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD**

### **APOSTLE'S CREED**

P: Let us confess our faith.

C: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **PRAYERS** (*Response after each petition*)

P: Lord in your mercy,  
C: **Hear our prayer . . .**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

C: **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.**

### **OFFERING—INVITATION—God’s Work Continues**

#### **OFFERING SONG**

**C: Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to Thee;  
take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

**Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold:  
take my intellect and use every power as thou shalt choose.**

**Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to Thee;  
take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

#### **BLESSING**

**P: May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad!**

**The blessing of God, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always.**

**C: Amen.**

#### **HYMN #891**

*God Bless Our Native Land*

#### **DISMISSAL**

**P: What is the mission of Zion Lutheran Church?**

**C: The mission of Zion Lutheran Church is: “Serving Christ through serving others.”**

**P: Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.**

**C: Thanks be to God.**

#### **POSTLUDE**

*Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying*

Arr. Bottomley

*Prayer concerns for Zion's prayer chain may be submitted  
to the church office by calling 1 937 667-3110 or e-mail.*

## 10/31 & 11/1

**Total Attendance:** 76

Unified Giving: \$6,423.00

Building Fund: \$ 675.00

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:** August 2020

Unified Giving: \$17,075.50

Expenses: \$21,969.24

Building Fund Giving : \$ 2,103.85

Mortgage Payment: \$ 2,500.00

**Building Fund Balance:** \$30,470.38

If you desire more detailed financial information there are ten copies of the balance sheet and income statement for the month of August 2020, on the table as you leave the fellowship hall. If you have any questions please bring them to our next Council meeting.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **MISSION OF THE MONTH**

In November, a Christmas tree, decorated with paper ornaments, will appear in the Fellowship Hall. You are invited to take one or more ornaments from the tree, purchase the item(s) written on the ornament(s), and return them to the tree by the designated date. The gifts for children should **not** be wrapped as the parents enjoy doing that for their children. Watch the bulletins in November for more information.

### **POINSETTIA ORDERS**

Poinsetia orders will need to be placed a little earlier this year. The cost is \$7.00 each. An order for is in this weeks bulletin. Order forms will also be available on the table outside the fellowship hall. Orders can be placed Nov. 7 through Nov. 30. Orders and payment may be placed in the offering plate or dropped off at the church office.

### **2021 WALL CALENDAR SALE**

This sale is to benefit the Zion Youth Group. We have sold them in the past and the price is \$7.00. Please watch for the calendars.

## **ESTIMATE OF GIVING CARD 2021**

There are estimate of giving cards next to the offering plate in the back of the fellowship hall. Make sure when you fill one out that you specify by week, month or year. Also, please include your name. Thank you!

## **CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT PARTY**

**When: Tuesday, November 10**

**Time: 10:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m.**

Women of Zion - and men who like to do creative handcrafts too - join with Lilian Nichols' polymer clay friends in making small ornaments for Hospice Christmas trees. There are 200 trees given out and they all need ornaments. There are lots of little jobs to do - you don't have to use polymer clay! There are ribbons to tie, hooks to make up, who knows what - bring your ideas and items to make up ornaments. This will be fun, bring your own lunch. Time is from 10:30 until at least 2:30. Come when you can, stay as long or as short a time as your schedule will allow. For further information contact Lilian Nichols at 937-510-3905.

## **ALTAR FLOWERS**

We have a new florist in Tipp City. We will resume ordering altar flowers for services on Dec. 5 & 6. The following people are signed up:

**Dec. 6** Pat Cowan

**Dec. 13** Mary Rogers

**Dec. 20** Dean & Lilo Myers

**Dec. 24** Jeff & Jacque Mitchell

**Dec. 27** Earl & Cindy Moore

\* A 2021 Flower Chart will be posted in December.

## **Staff**

Pastor Jeff Glawe, *Pastor*; Terri Darrah, *Choir Director*;  
Lori Sebastian, *Organist*; Jackie Glawe, *Christian Education Director*;  
Linda Short, *Office Manager*; Susan Rambeau, *Treasurer*; Tina Putnam, *Sexton*