

**October 27, 2024**

**Reformation Sunday**

*Pastoral*   
**Installation**

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## **WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP CELEBRATION!**

Thanks for coming to be with us at Zion Lutheran Church. If you are visiting with us for the first time, will you please fill out a visitor card, available in the pew rack in front of you, and drop it in the offering plate. Whether this is your first visit or you worship here regularly, we are delighted that you chose to share with us. We worship together on Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 10:00 a.m. If you have a “prayer request” or a “praise report”, please let the pastor know. God bless you on your journey of faith.

## **INTRODUCTION**

*Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.*

**PRELUDE** *Fortress and Foundation – A Worship Suite for Solo Trumpet and Piano* Arr. Shackley  
*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God, Built on the Rock, The Church's One Foundation*  
Trumpet & Flugelhorn Linda Holt

## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**HYMN Red hymnal #654**

*The Church's One Foundation*

## **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

**P:** Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**C:** **Amen.**

**P:** Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

**P:** Gracious God,

**C:** **have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.**

**Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

C: **Amen**

### **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 together the Prayer of the Day.

C: **Almighty God, through your Son Jesus Christ you gave the holy apostles many gifts and commanded them to feed your flock. Inspire all pastors to proclaim your word diligently and your people to receive it willingly, that finally we may receive the crown of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

### **KYRIE Red hymnal #120**

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 Red hymnal #121**

C: **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. 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. Glory to God in the highest, and**

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

**CHANCEL CHOIR** Director Bill Jones  
Composer: R. Kevin Boesiger

*Be My God*

## THE WORD

### FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

R: <sup>31</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. <sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

R: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM: Psalm 46

R: <sup>1</sup>God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

**C: <sup>2</sup>Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**

R: <sup>3</sup>though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

**C: <sup>4</sup>There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.**

R: <sup>5</sup>God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken; God shall help it at the break of day.

**C: <sup>6</sup>The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away.**

R: <sup>7</sup>The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

**C: <sup>8</sup>Come now, regard the works of the LORD, what desolations God has brought upon the earth;**

R: <sup>9</sup>behold the One who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

C: <sup>10</sup>**"Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."**

R: <sup>11</sup>The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

## **SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28**

R: <sup>19</sup>Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup>For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

<sup>21</sup>But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, <sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, <sup>23</sup>since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; <sup>24</sup>they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; <sup>26</sup>it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus. <sup>27</sup>Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup>For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Red Hymnal #124**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,**

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

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,**

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

P: The Holy Gospel according to **John 8:31-36**

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: <sup>31</sup>Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." <sup>33</sup>They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?" <sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who

commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**SERMON** Pastor Bob Abrams, Assistant to the Bishop

**HYMN** Red hymnal #574

*Here I Am*

## **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.**

## **INSTALLATION OF PASTOR JAREN SUMMERS**

### **PRESENTATION**

P: Having been authorized by the church to install Jaren Summers our co-worker in the gospel, as Pastor of Zion Lutheran Church I now ask for certification of this call.

*Denise:* After prayerful deliberation, we, of Zion Lutheran Church, have called Jaren Summers to serve as a minister of word and sacrament in the position of Pastor.

I present Jaren Summers and this letter certifying the call.

## ADDRESS AND QUESTIONS

P: *A reading from John:* Jesus said, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." (*John 20:21-23*)

*A reading from Matthew:* Jesus said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (*Matthew 28:18-20*)

*A reading from First Timothy:* Set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Attend to the public reading of scripture, to exhorting, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you through prophecy with the laying on of hands by the council of elders. Put these things into practice, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress. Pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching; continue in these things, for in doing this you will save both yourself and your hearers. (*1 Timothy 4:12-16*)

Jaren Summers, in the presence of this assembly will you commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility, in the confidence that it comes from God through the call of the church?

*Pastor Summers:* I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you preach and teach in accordance with the holy scriptures and with the confessions of the Lutheran church?

Will you carry out this ministry in harmony with the constitutions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America?

*Pastor Summers:* I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you be diligent in your study of the holy scriptures and faithful in your use of the means of grace?

*Pastor Summers:* I will, and I ask God to help me.

Trusting in God's care, will you love, serve, and pray for God's people, nourish them with the word and sacraments, and lead them by your own example in faithful service and holy living?

*Pastor Summers:* I will, and I ask God to help me.

Will you give faithful witness in the world, that God's love may be known in all that you do?

*Pastor Summers:* I will, and I ask God to help me.

Almighty God, who has given you the will to do these things, graciously give you the strength and compassion to perform them.

**C: Amen.**

*Please Stand*

P: People of God, will you receive Jaren Summers as a messenger of Jesus Christ sent to serve all people with the gospel of hope and salvation? Will you regard Jaren Summers as a servant of Christ and a steward of the mysteries of God?

**C: We will, and we ask God to help us.**

P: Will you pray for Jaren Summers? Will you help and honor Jaren Summers in carrying out this ministry? In all things, will you strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?

**C: We will, and we ask God to help us.**

P; Jaren Summers the office of Pastor of Zion Lutheran Church is now committed to you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

P; The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make you complete in everything good so that you may do God's will, working in you that which is pleasing in God's sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever.

**C: Amen.**

*Linda:* You have been called to be among us to baptize, to teach, and to forgive sins.

*Deb:* You have been called to be among us to proclaim the good news.

*Tim:* You have been called to be among us to preside at the Lord's supper.

P: People of God, I present to you Jaren Summers, your Pastor. Let us welcome Jaren Summers in the name of Christ.



**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH** (*Response after each petition*)

P: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer....

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

**OFFERTORY SONG #674** *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy:  
bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and  
heard. Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word  
around: loaves abound! Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER / WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**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.

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION** (*All who confess Jesus as their Lord and Savior  
and believe in the real presence of Christ in the sacrament are invited to receive  
Holy Communion.*)

**COMMUNION HYMNS Red Hymnal #673, 471 and 880**

**BLESSING**

P: God all mighty, God most merciful + bless you, keep you, and give you  
peace.

C: Amen.

**HYMN Red hymnal #504**

*A Mighty Fortress*

**DISMISSAL**

P: What is the mission of Zion Lutheran Church

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

P: Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*Postlude in C*

Arr. Hopson

*The altar flowers are given to the honor and glory of God by  
Susie Gray in memory of Lodema Gray.*

*The flowers in front of the altar flower pedestals are  
in memory of Larry Nichols*

*Prayer concerns for Zion's prayer chain may be submitted  
using a 'Prayer Request' card from the pew rack.*

### **In Helpful Service**

Preacher	Bob Abrams
Presiding Pastor	Jaren Summers
Acolyte	Noah Garvic
Reader	Richard Geiman
Communion Assist.	Bob Keppel
Usher	Garry Yunker
Greeters	Dale & Debbie Rudisill

**Total Attendance: 10/19 & 10/20:106**  
**Unified Giving: \$1,890.00**

**Sunday School: Adults:15**  
**Youth & Children: 4**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A HUGE THANK YOU to the Call Committee** for all of your hard work and dedication over the past two years to find a pastor for Zion; Linda Holt, Bob Keppel, Bill DeVenio, Maddie Lopez & Jessica, Carla Frame and Tim Rambeau.

**HOSTING CHARLIE BROWN THANKSGIVING** We will be offering the attendees of the Winter's Yuletide Gathering on **November 9th** a respite with a fun, classic movie and lunch in the Fellowship Hall. We need volunteers to show our guests Zion hospitality. A sign-up sheet is in the fellowship hallway. Kids who wish to participate need to sign up as well.

**A FLOWER CHART** for 2025 has been posted. Our florist has been charging us \$40 for 2 bouquets for the last 4 years, which is extraordinarily inexpensive. Prices have gone up on everything, including the price she pays for flowers, so she needs to raise the price to \$45, which is still much cheaper than you can get 2 bouquets anywhere.

**NOVEMBER TIDINGS** are now available in the Narthex.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** Please check the poster for this year to see if you ordered flowers but have not paid. If the date is NOT highlighted in yellow, please remit \$40 to cover the cost.

**HOSPICE ORNAMENTS** Lil Nichols' clay class is again creating ornaments for Miami County Hospice Christmas trees on November 12<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. You are invited to join in the tradition of making ornaments to donate. You can make them or put string or hangars on them, if you aren't creative. Come when you can and stay as long as you like. The time includes a pot luck - everyone brings in a dish to share and they fellowship during lunch. Please let Lil know if you would like to join the fun at 937-510-3905. She is keeping a sign-up sheet for food.

**FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION** is the first Sunday of every month. Donations of non-perishable food items can be placed in the green barrel in the Walnut Street entrance. Needy Baskets picks up the items and distributes the food to those in need in our community.

**THANK OFFERING** will be collected in the back of the church by the Women of Zion. Money will be used to support the Good Samaritan Fund here at Zion which assists those in our community who need help paying rent, utilities, medical, gas etc.

**OCTOBER MISSION OF THE MONTH:** *Operation Christmas Child*

We are again be filling shoeboxes with school supplies, hygiene items, fun toys and notes of encouragement, which will be delivered to children in need around the world to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way.

Please pick up an empty box (or two) and a "How to Pack a Shoebox" brochure located in the narthex (or you can use a regular shoebox or buy a container.) Please include \$10 to cover the cost of shipping. If you pay by check, please make it payable to Samaritan's Purse.

If you want to help out but are unable to shop or prefer not to you can also help by making a donation to help with gifts and shipping.

Please have boxes filled and returned by **Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Any questions contact Deb Keppel.

**2025 CALENDAR SALES** benefiting the 2027 (and beyond) Youth Gathering will be on sale beginning today! Please order and put payment in the envelope on the work room table. The last day to order them is **Monday November 18th**. If you want a calendar, please order and **pre-pay the \$10**. Make checks payable to Zion Lutheran Church.

**THANKSGIVING DINNER & ANNUAL MEETING** will be **November 17th at 5:00** pm. The church will provide the turkey, gravy, rolls, water, coffee & cider. There is a sign-up sheet posted in the fellowship hallway. We need to know how many are attending and what food you will be contributing. We need 8 people to sign up to make 5 pounds of whipped potatoes and 8 people to sign up to make enough dressing for 10 people. We also need other vegetables and fruit or dessert. Please bring your own table service. The Congregational Meeting will begin at 6:30.

**INSTALLATION BANNERS**

**Left Banner::** Martin Luther was led by the Holy Spirit to nail the Ninety-five Theses to the door of Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany. This action was the flame that ignited what would become the Protestant Reformation. May the Holy Spirit also give us the courage to pray, "Here I am Lord, send me."

**Right Banner:** Luther referenced Holy Scripture to interpret his seal. The black cross reminds us we are saved from sin and death because of Jesus' sacrifice. The red heart reminds us we live because Jesus shed his blood for us. The white rose reminds us that our faith is a gift which gives us comfort, joy, and peace. The blue background reminds us of the hope of heaven. The gold ring reminds us of the endless, precious joy of heaven in Jesus Christ.

**THIS WEEK AT ZION**

<b>Sunday, October 27</b>		Randall Residence Outreach
<b>Monday, October 28</b>	10:30 am	Mission Quilts
	3:30 pm	TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)
	6:30 pm	Scouts
<b>Tuesday, October 29</b>	10:00 am	Mission Quilts
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting
<b>Wednesday, Oct. 30</b>	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal

**Staff**

Jaren Summers, *Pastor*; Bill Jones & Susie Gray, *Choir Directors*;  
 Lori Sebastian, *Organist*; Jessica Dorn, *Christian Education Director*;  
 Annette Calicoat, *Office Admin*; Sue Rambeau, *Treasurer*;  
 Tina Putnam, *Custodian*