



The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost + August 21 2011 AD + 9:00 and 11:00 AM

“Who Do You Say That I Am?”



A Prayer Upon Entering Church

God of surpassing greatness, enthroned upon the praises of your people, fill our hearts with your love and unite our voices with the praise of all creation so that you may be honored and glorified by everything that has breath; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Welcome. Who is Jesus? The apostles and the prophets confess that He is the Son of the Living God who was sent into this world to suffer, die, and be raised from the dead so that sin, death, and the devil might have no more power over us. Upon this confession, confirmed by Christ and with Himself as the cornerstone, the foundation of the Church was and continues to be built.

Parents: Children are welcome at our services. For parents who desire it, a nursery with an attendant is downstairs.

PRELUDE

“Built on a Rock”
“Regent Square”

... Hobby
... Parks

RINGING OF THE BELLS

Please stand.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Please kneel.

(silence for reflection)

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church, and by the authority of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

Please stand.

ENTRANCE HYMN

“Christ is Made the Sure Foundation” green hymnal #367
(alternate tune)

*Our people
are taught
that they
should highly
prize the Ab-
solution as
being God’s
voice and
pronounced
by God’s
command.
~The
Augsburg
Confession,
Art. XXV*

GREETING

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and
Fa - ther: We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly
Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God: You
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the
Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the
Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a -
lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,

You are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus Himself as the cornerstone....In Him you are built together spiritually into a dwelling place of God.

~Ephesians 2:20, 22



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray . . . Almighty God, whom to know is everlasting life: grant us to know your Son, Jesus, to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may boldly confess him to be the Christ and steadfastly walk in the way that leads to life eternal; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

Please be seated.

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 51:1-6

¹“Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the LORD: look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. ²Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, that I might bless him and multiply him. ³For the LORD comforts Zion; he comforts all her waste places and makes her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. ⁴“Give attention to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation; for a law will go out from me, and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait. ⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 138

L: I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with 'my whole heart;*
before the gods I will 'sing your praise.

**C: I will bow down toward your holy temple and 'praise your name,*
because of your 'love and faithfulness;**

L: for you have glori'fied your name*
and your word a'bove all things.

**C: When I called, you 'answered me;*
you increased my 'strength within me.**

L: All the kings of the earth will praise 'you, O LORD,*
when they have heard the words 'of your mouth.

**C: They will sing of the ways 'of the LORD,*
that great is the glory 'of the LORD.**

L: Though the LORD be high, he cares 'for the lowly;*
he perceives the haughty 'from afar.

**C: Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you 'keep me safe;*
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; |
your right 'hand shall save me.**

L: The LORD will make good his pur'pose for me;*
O LORD, your love endures forever; |
do not abandon the works 'of your hands.

SECOND LESSON Romans 11:33—12:8

^{11:33}Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! ³⁴“For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?” ³⁵“Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?” ³⁶For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen. ^{12:1}I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. ³For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, ⁵so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. ⁶Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; ⁷if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; ⁸the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

VERSE

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 16th chapter.

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

¹³Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” ¹⁴And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” ²⁰Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

*The reason why Peter is called the rock is the faith that he has just shown in his confession. He has made vocal the faith of the disciples: and it is upon faith in Jesus as the Messiah that the group Jesus has formed will endure....As long as this faith endures, the power of death will not have power over the (Church)
~John L. McKenzie, 1968 A.D.*

THE APOSTLES' CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. 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

Please be seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Built on a Rock” green hymnal #365

SERMON

“Who Do You Say That I Am?”

Please kneel.

PRAYERS

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

P: . . . Lord, in your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen**

Please be seated.

OFFERING

*While the offerings are received, please pass in your row the **Friendship Register**, and add your name(s). If you are a guest or visitor, please include your address.*

VOLUNTARY

“How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds”

... Willan

Please stand.

*I believe that by my own understanding or strength I cannot believe in Jesus Christ my Lord or come to Him, but instead the Holy Spirit has called me through the gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, made me holy, and kept me in the true faith, just as He calls, gathers, enlightens, and makes holy the whole Christian church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one, common, true faith.
~The Small Catechism, The Apostles' Creed, The Third Article*

Father in heaven, you fatten nature for its winter fast which shows the folly of our fear as we work for daily bread. Accept these offerings made in hope and lead us to glory in your faithful care. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
 ~Eugene Lehrke, 1999 A.D.

OFFERTORY

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our
 cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that
 we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and
 dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble
 with your pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

P: Let us pray . . . Merciful Father,

C: **we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING


P: The Lord be with you.

And al - so with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE 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

*Wherever and whenever Christians gather about the table of the Lord to share one common food, one common fellowship, one common hope for a better life, the new world-community is seen in miniature, and in part the prayer is answered which pleads: Thy Kingdom come Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
~Berthold Von Schenk, 1945 A.D.*

THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION



☐ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of
God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION HYMNS

“Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray” green hymnal #225

“How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds” green hymnal #345

Please stand after all have received the sacrament.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



☐ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev - 'ry - one what
he has done. Let ev - 'ry - one who seeks the Lord re -
joice and proud - ly bear his name. He re - calls his prom - is -

In your Sacrament, O Lord, you have cleansed and strengthened us by your all-sufficient grace. Come with us now, help us with our work, and lead us to salvation. We bless you now and evermore. Amen.



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Pour out on us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



SILENT PRAYER

POSTLUDE

“The Church’s One Foundation” ... Ore

+ **Soli Deo Gloria** +
To God alone be glory

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**A Prayer
Upon Leav-
ing Church**
God of glory
and power,
happy indeed
are those who
have put their
trust in you:
Shine the
brightness of
your light
upon us, that
we may love
you always
with a pure
heart and
praise you
forever;
through your
Son, Jesus
Christ our
Lord. Amen.

✠ HOLY COMMUNION ✠

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Zion in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord therefore invites to His altar baptized Christians who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Children may receive the sacrament after completing first communion class. Zion holds this class at the end of the child's 4th grade year.

Distribution: You may receive the Supper at either the altar rail or the chapel. To commune at the chapel, please proceed down the center aisle with the other communicants, and inform the usher at the front pew that you desire to commune at the chapel.

Communion Cards: Both members and visitors are asked to use a "Communion Registration" card. This enables our pastors to provide ministry and personal attention within the Zion family. When visitors include a church name and city on the card, we will mail it to that church.

Today's Participants:

Presiding Pastor: Rev. Steven Gjerde

Preaching Pastor: Rev. Ted Gulhaugen

Guest Organist: Rodney Riese

Lector: (9:00) Kathy LaPorte

(11:00) Jim Rosenberg

Radio Announcer: (9:00) Scott Schubring

Acolyte: (9:00) Hunter Thorn

(11:00) Ben Schubring

Elder: (9:00) Marlene Kroening

(11:00) Dave Gisselman

Ushers: (9:00) Marty Dettmering; Rita Falk; Mark and Shelley Gehrke;

Grace Mueller

(11:00) Al Lippert; Herbert Zahrt

Communion Assistants:

(9:00) Kathy LaPorte; Grace Mueller

(11:00) Mark Campbell; Donna Nuernberg

Altar Guild: Lynn McGonagle; Debra Thomas

For You This Week

August 20—28, 2011

Sharing God's Blessings

- Sunday's Radio Broadcast is sponsored in loving memory of Lorinda Boelter by Karen and Richard Merlau.

Bible Study in the Church Hall

- Sunday, 10:15 a.m., Study in Acts of the Apostles
- Tuesday, 9:00 a.m., Matthew 18:15
- Thursday, 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast; Ezekiel 34:25

Midweek Worship with Holy Communion

10:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. John 1:43-51 (St. Bartholomew)

At Zion This Autumn: Living the Life

- Since Jesus is the Life, what is living?
- Why did God create us as we are?
- What is the Christian's place in creation?
- How do we pray in the battle between life and death?
- What do Lutherans teach about procreation and family?

These questions and more will be addressed in Zion's fall educational emphasis: "Living the Life." Look for these upcoming opportunities:

- Sunday morning study, "A Small Catechism on Human Life"
- Weekday study, "Readings from Dietrich Bonhoeffer"
- Sermon Series on Daily Vocation (October)

More information to follow!

Ushers for Saturday Night

More ushers for Saturday night worship are needed. Please contact the church office if you are interested.

Lutheran CORE

Lutheran CORE, or "Coalition for Renewal," is a network of Lutheran congregations dedicated to classical Christian doctrine, morality, and life (www.lutherancore.org). Like traditional mission societies or charitable networks, it works within existing Lutheran denominations (such as the ELCA and Missouri Synod) to connect churches like Zion with like-minded congregations for the sake of mission and spiritual support. Zion's church council has recommended that Zion begin relating to CORE. Further education of Lutheran CORE and its mission will take place this autumn.

Bread Baking Fundraiser on Friday, August 26

To place your order, please sign up on the order form in the church office; or, call the church office by Thursday, August 25. If anyone would like to volunteer to be a kitchen helper, please call Phyllis, 715-675-2630.

Sunday School Begins Soon!

Classes start on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 9:15 a.m. All children are welcome. Watch the newsletter and mailings for more information. **Sunday School teachers, substitutes, and helpers** are needed.

Confirmation Immersion

Baptized children who have reached a point of faith maturity (around 7th grade or older) are welcome to start classes in the Lutheran catechism this fall. Classes are typically held on Wednesday evenings and begin in mid-September; exact dates will be coming soon.

**Ladies Aid
Guest**

Speaker
On Thursday, September 8 at 1:30 p.m. in the church hall, Zion Ladies Aid invites anyone to join them to hear an excellent speaker. Marianna Ruprecht, who has recently retired from NTC, will tell us about her former career, teaching inmates at the Marathon County Jail. This is an opportunity for us to hear how we can help others at the Jail to improve inmates' lives through education.

**Every
Sunday**

The Wausau Daily Herald may be purchased in the narthex or near the church office to benefit Zion youth.

New Opportunities: Zion's Choir Season Begins In August

If you have ever considered joining the choir, here is a great opportunity to try it for four weeks: in preparation for the Hymn Festival on September 25 (see page 10 of the August newsletter), Zion's choir, the Kantorei, will have the privilege of being under the direction of Michael Burkhardt for some of the rehearsals and for the festival! **Our first rehearsal** will be Thursday, August 25 at 6:30 p.m. in the south balcony. For another opportunity to experience choir, the **Zion Kantorei will hold an Open House** in conjunction with their rehearsal on Thursday, September 29 at 6:30 p.m. Additional voices are needed in all sections of the choir. Please consider adding your voice to Zion's Kantorei this season! For more information, please contact Ginni Giese, Kantor at 715-848-7286. **Also, refer to the bulletin insert in this week's bulletin.**

August Missions of Zion: Bishop's Resource Fund and Neighbor's Place

Bishop's Resource Fund: Zion's goal is \$1,000.00.

Neighbors' Place: Zion's goal is \$1,000.00.

Zion Youth Fellowship on Facebook

Starting in September, Zion will maintain a page on Facebook for its youth members. The page will include daily/weekly devotions, faith questions, and updates about church events. The aim of youth ministry is never to separate youth from the larger congregation, but to help them find their place within it. Keep watch for more information.

Beginning Sunday School? Attend "FIRST STEPS"

Zion's children begin Sunday School when they are 4 years old. To help them and their families prepare for Sunday School, **"First Steps"** will take place on **Wednesday, September 7, at 5:00 p.m.** in the church hall. First Steps allows parents and children to preview the Sunday School experience. First Steps includes: A Meal, Story Time; Meet Your Teacher and Class Space. To sign up or receive more information, please call the church office (715-848-7286).

Host a Student

Northcentral Technical College is looking for hosts to house foreign exchange students for the upcoming school year. Call Chris Knight 715-803-1038 for more information; or refer to the yellow flyers on the bulletin boards around church.

Also, on Sunday, August 28 at 10:00 a.m. in the church hall, a brief 5-10 minute presentation of ethnic dancing will be given by four Central American students, to focus interest of hosting students.

September 1st

Concordia Guild will resume their meetings on Thursday, September 1 at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall. Guests are welcome to attend. The speaker is Linda Glazner, Chairperson of Open Door's Board of Directors. Open Door is a temporary place for inmates released at 5:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. from the Marathon County Jail. Coffee, seasonal clothing, and information on housing, employment, etc. is provided to the released inmates.

THIS WEEK AT ZION:

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- Sat. 5:15 pm Communion Service
- Sun. **PENTECOST 10**
9:00 am Communion Service, broadcast on WSAU Radio
10:15 am Bible Study
11:00 am Communion Service
- Tues. 7:30—9:00 am Head Start Meeting in church hall
9:00 am Adult Bible Study
10:30 am Staff Meeting
6:30 pm Elders Team
- Weds. **ST. BARTHOLOMEW**
10:00 am Communion Service in chapel
6:30 pm Communion Service in chapel
- Thurs. 7:00 am Men's Bible Class
6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal
- Fri. Bread Baking Fundraiser in church kitchen
- Sat. 5:15 pm Communion Service
- Sun. **PENTECOST 11**
9:00 am Communion Service, broadcast on WSAU Radio
10:15 am Bible Study
11:00 am Communion Service

ATTENDANCE: 8/13, 14 & 17:

<u>Saturday 5:15 pm:</u>	59
<u>Sunday:</u>	
9:00 am	110
11:00 am	56
<u>Wednesday:</u>	
10:00 am	12
6:30 pm	<u>3</u>
Total:	240

Young at Heart

... meets on Wednesday, Aug. 31 at 1:30 p.m. in the church hall. Enola Gaulke and Bernice Roeder are the hostesses. Any adult 60+ years is welcome to attend.

Zion Singles Retreat

... for all single adults (unmarried, divorced, widows and widowers), **Saturday, Sept. 17**, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Anthony's Retreat Center in Marathon City. What does it mean to follow Jesus as a single person? Explore the answer with Zion's pastors. Lunch is provided. Cost: \$10. Call the church office (715-848-7286) to sign up.

Zion Lutheran Church

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Those who trust in the Lord shall be like Mount Zion,
which cannot be moved, but abides forever. (Psalm 125:1)

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