



# ZION NEWSLETTER

ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMS)  
*SERVING THE LORD FAITHFULLY  
IN DOWNTOWN COLUMBUS  
SINCE 1882.*

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COLUMBUS OH 43206

Zion Newsletter

November 2025

Serving Christ &  
Serving You:

### Pastor

Rev. Wes Hromowyk

Please use Pastor's Cell phone  
to contact him: [do not leave a  
message on his office phone.](#)

### Secretary

**NEW Office Hours are:**  
**Tuesday work from home**  
**Wednesday & Thursday**  
**9:00AM - 3:00PM**

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### A Theological Insight of "The Hunter's Story"

In the deer hunting community, the month of November is known as "Rut-vember"; those first few weeks of the month when you are most likely to see deer in daylight (and when most deer get hit by cars!). In pagan lore, it is almost universally understood that when a man or group of hunters are successful, there is some form of cosmic coincidence that made it all possible. Native American and Inuit culture, for example, believe the animals "present themselves" for harvest. The ancients asserted such things as, "The stars or celestial bodies were aligned" or ascribe success to ancestral intervention. The spirit of the American frontier lives on today with sentiments such as, "I was just at the right place at the right time." Ask any hunter about a successful encounter in the woods and the reply is almost always universally the same: there's a story to it with personal meaning far beyond the historical events themselves. It is always an intricate culmination of preparation, time, effort, and the right split-second that usually leaves the person speechless in the moment, and only in hindsight, upon careful reflection, are all the pieces artistically woven together.

I could give you countless examples of personal anecdotes like this, but what's far more interesting is how this all ties together theologically. Since there is such a universal experience for hunters across all times and places, there must be *some* truth to it. Consider Isaac's question on one of the hills in the land of Moriah when he asks his father, "**Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?**" Abraham said, "**God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son**" (Gen 22:7b-8a). Abraham in that moment confessed and believed that God would provide the animal for harvest/the offering at just the right moment.

The concept of "right moment" is designated as a separate word in the original language of the New Testament. Whereas *chronos* is sequential time, hence the word chronology in English, *kairos* is the circumstantially coincidental time that English has a hard time describing. We understand the concept as something like "the timing was just right."

The most common thread of experience for hunters in all times and places is that they were just at the right place at the right time. As someone once famously said, "Success is when preparation meets opportunity." You can sit on stand for a hundred hours without seeing the game you're pursuing, but then it all comes together in the twinkling of an eye.

Animals have always been biblically understood as God's gifts. We believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth (Gen 1:1). The works of God in creation include the land, animals, and all that we have. While we may be landowners or animal keepers (as pets or on farms), ultimately God "owns" them all. We are given to be stewards for a time.

When a man is hunting, while he relies on his skills and knowledge of the land and the animal itself, the biggest aspect of a successful hunt is completely out of his control. A man cannot force the animals to walk by him or come to his calls. The creatures simply go about their daily lives.

So, how do we explain the "hunter's experience" when words cannot describe how "timing is everything" without repeating more cliches? **Psalm 50:10-11** records the word of the Lord saying, "**For every beast of the field is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills. I know all the birds of the hills, and all that moves in the field is mine.**" The animals are His. He knows their movements. He knows their habits. He knows when and where they will move next. He knows what man can only guess at. All the scouting in the world does not guarantee success. Instead, God provides at His right moment.

If the hunter hopes to be successful, he should pray that the Lord Who owns the beasts of the field and knows all the birds of the hills, would send by one of them. And then, when all the preparation meets an opportunity, and success is reached, he can boldly confess that the Lord provided for Himself the animal for the harvest. It's far more enchanting to credit chance, it's far more romantic to ascribe it to ancestral mediation, but it's not proper for Christians to speak this way. Instead, confess Christ! Give Him the praise and thanksgiving. A blessed "Rut-vember" to you all!

In Christ,

Pastor Hromowyk

# Worship Schedule

Thank you to our Altar Guild members serving for the month of **NOVEMBER**



## All Saints Day

**Sunday, November 2, 2025;**

**Setting 3 with Holy Communion**

**Sermon (Pastor Hromowyk)**

### Lessons:

Rev 7: 9-17; 1 John 3: 1-3 ; Matt 5: 1-12

### Hymns:

677 - "For All the Saints"

676 - "Behold a Host, Arrayed in White"

### Distribution Hymns:

633 - "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

507 - "Holy, Holy, Holy"

678 - "We Sing for All the Unsung Saints"

670 - "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"

336 - "Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending"

## ALL SAINTS' DAY



*In remembrance of the sainted,  
who have been called to the Church Triumphant since last All Saints Day:*

*Hugo Hasz & Lois Fankhauser*

## Trinity 21

**Sunday, November 9, 2025;**

**Setting 3 with Holy Communion**

**Sermon (Rev. Dan Burfiend CTSFW)**

### Lessons:

Genesis 1:1--2:3; Ephesians 6:10-17; John 4:46-54

### Hymns:

533 - "Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure Eternal"

607 - "From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee"

### Distribution Hymns:

615 - "When in the Hour of Deepest Need"

575 - "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

660 - "Stand up, Stand up for Jesus!"

665 - "Be Strong in the Lord"

668 - "Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You"



**If you have to miss the Sunday service, please watch the recorded service  
on Zion's YouTube channel at**

**Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church Columbus, OH - YouTube**

## Trinity 22

**Sunday, November 16, 2025; Setting 3**  
**Setting 3 with Holy Communion**  
**Sermon (Chaplain Bell)**

### Lessons:

Micah 6:6-8; Phil. 1: 3-11 Matt. 18:21-35

### Hymns:

913 "O Holy Spirit, Enter In"

611 "Chief of Sinners Though I Be"

### Distribution Hymns:

637 "Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord"

614 "As Sure as I Live," God Said

642 "O Living Bread from Heaven"

### Distribution Hymns:

821 "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"



## Last Sunday of the Church Year

**Sunday, November 23, 2025;**  
**Setting 3 with Holy Communion**  
**Sermon: (Pastor Hromowyk)**

### Lessons:

Isaiah 65:17-25; 1 Thess. 5:1-11; Matthew 25:1-13

### Hymns:

662 - "Onward Christian Soldiers"

516 - "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying"

### Distribution Hymns:

621 - "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

878 - "Abide with Me, Fast Falls the Eventide"

898 - "The Ancient Law Departs"

672 - "Jerusalem the Golden"



## Thanksgiving Eve

**Wednesday, November 26, 2025;**  
**Matins at 11:00/Evening Prayer at 7:00**  
**Sermon: (Vicar Mars)**

895 - "Now Thank We All Our God"

785 - "We Praise You, O God"

892 - "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"



**\*Thanksgiving offerings will be  
 designated for the Faith Men's Mission.**

**Sunday School Fourth Quarter Offerings are going to:  
 LSS Faith Mission**

**Mission  
 Offerings**



## First Sunday in Advent

Sunday, November 30, 2025;

Setting 3 with Holy Communion

Sermon: (Pastor Hromowyk)

### Lessons:

Jeremiah 23:5-8; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 21:1-9

### Hymns:

442 - "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

332 - "Savior of the Nations, Come"

### Distribution Hymns:

622 "" Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared"

335 - "O Bride of Christ, Rejoice"

337 - "The Night Will Soon Be Ending"

343 - "Prepare the Royal Highway"

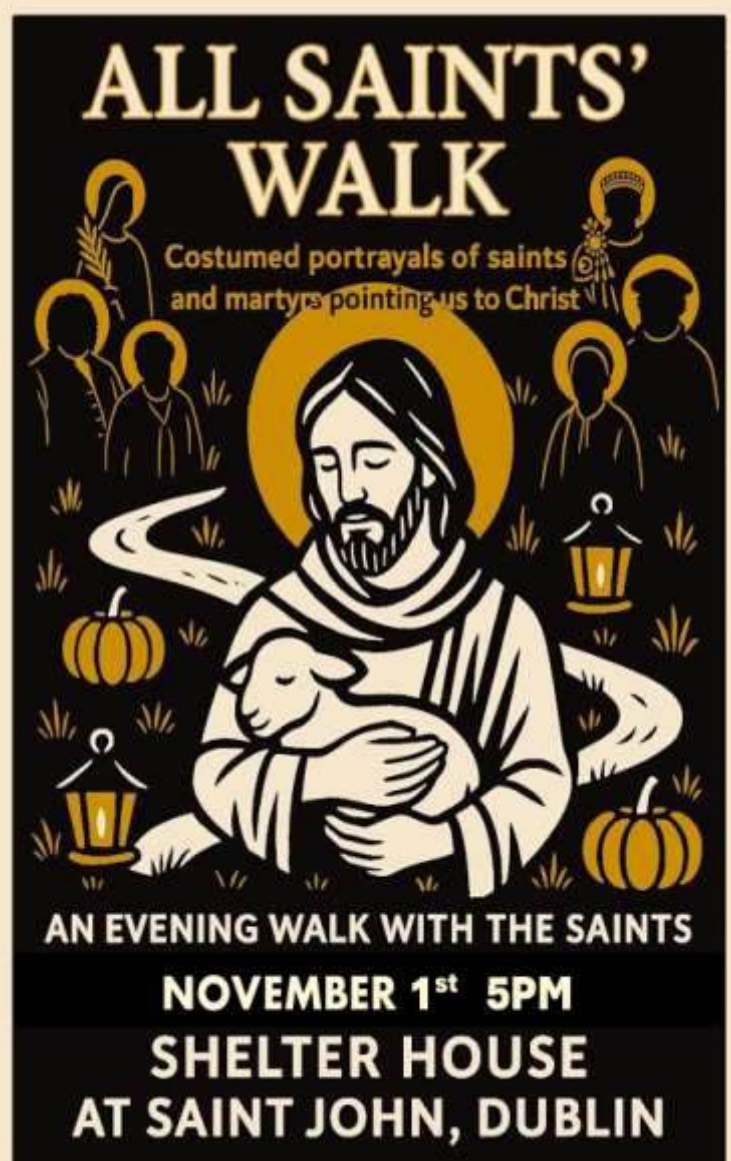


*Are you Interested  
in Building Connections  
With the Women at Zion?  
Join Us at a Brunch*

**WHEN:** Saturday, Nov. 8, 2025, from 10 am -12 pm

**WHERE:** Here, in the Family Room

R.S.V.P. by Sunday, Nov. 2



# Worship ATTENDANCE

Sunday, September 28  
Worship - 174  
Holy Communion - 145  
Sunday School - 109

Wednesday, October 1  
Worship - 32  
Holy Communion - 29

Sunday, October 5  
Worship - 185  
Holy Communion - 149  
Sunday School - 99

Wednesday, October 8  
Compline Worship - 30

Sunday, October 12  
Worship - 225  
Holy Communion - 169  
Sunday School - 113

Wednesday, October 15  
Compline Worship - 24

Saturday, October 18  
Worship - 60  
Holy Communion - 45

Sunday, October 19  
Worship - 37  
Holy Communion - 30

Wednesday, October 22  
Compline Worship - 22

Sunday, October 26  
Worship - 196  
Holy Communion - 178

Marathon Weekend

Reformation

Welcome  
we're glad you're here



- ♥ Those sick and suffering:
- ♥ Those Who have lost loved ones:
- ♥ Those serving in the military: Our shut ins:
- ♥ Expectant Parents:
- ♥ Parents of newborn babies:

If you would like to submit a prayer request: Contact the church office via e-mail at [office@zionlcms.org](mailto:office@zionlcms.org) or phone at (614)444-3456.

*\*Please offer prayers for both the expectant parents and their babies.*

*\*Please use this prayer list in your daily prayers.*

## Sunday School Classes

In assigned classrooms 9:30 AM for children ages 3 through high school,  
**Sundays, Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.**

## Adult Bible Class

In the Fellowship Hall; 9:30 AM  
**Sundays, Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.**

## Beverage and Pastry Note:

The Board of Parish Activities provides Coffee, Tea, Hot Chocolate, Ice Water and Doughnuts during the Adult Bible Class, in the Fellowship Hall downstairs. Please join us each Sunday morning.



## Wednesday Night Service & Bible Study

The First Wednesday Service, beginning at 7:00 PM, will be Divine Service, Setting Three, with Holy Communion. The remaining Wednesdays, **(Except Nov. 26 - Thanksgiving Eve Services at 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM)** will be Compline, beginning at 7:00 PM. There is a Bible Study following the Services, in the Family Room. Private Confession & Absolution are available from 6:15-6:45 PM, in Pastor Hromowyk's Office, all Wednesdays unless otherwise noted on the calendar.



## LCMS-U Bible study meets Mondays, at 6:00PM at OSU in the Ohio Room.

All who attend OSU or surrounding universities are welcome to join.

Plan to meet for Bible study and fellowship.

**Please contact Vicar Mars with any questions.**

**Keep an eye out for planned activities and meals!**





## Saint Michael & All Angels Day

We had our 1st "Slaying of the Dragon" in commemoration of St. Michael & All Angels Day, on Sun., Sept. 28. It was pretty cool and the kids (& Pastor Hromowyk) really enjoyed it! This will be an annual event, for sure!



**A BIG  
Thanks!**

### CAN TABS FOR GOOD

to all of you who are collecting pull tabs from cans. The collected tabs were given to Ronald McDonald House Charities. A thank you for the donation was sent from Ronald McDonald House Charities to Zion. Let's keep collecting the tabs. A container for the tabs is on a table in Fellowship Hall. The money Ronald McDonald House Charities obtains from the tabs, helps pay the electric bills for the House. This is an easy way to help the families of children who are staying at the Ronald McDonald House while their children are being treated at Children's Hospital.



Please consider serving those less fortunate by giving a few hours of your time.



**LSS Food Pantry**  
**1460 South Champion Ave.**  
**Columbus, OH 43206**

Volunteer Parking is located in the lot on Frebis across from the pantry. Please enter through the door marked "Volunteers enter here" located on Frebis Ave.

These are email addresses for the different officers and committees at Zion. If you need to reach them, send them an email and it will be forwarded to each member of that group.

elders@zionlcms.org  
lcmsu@zionlcms.org  
evangelism@zionlcms.org  
pastorh@zionlcms.org  
stewardship@zionlcms.org  
treas@zionlcms.org  
trustees@zionlcms.org  
sssuper@zionlcms.org  
activities@zionlcms.org  
churchofficers@zionlcms.org  
education@zionlcms.org



**Stay CONNECTED!**



### Gottesdienst —The Journal of Lutheran Liturgy

We have a quarterly subscription for 10 copies which are available for you to take home to read and then return when finished. They are located on the table outside of the family room.

## NEW ADDITIONS!! ZION'S CHURCH LIBRARY NEW ADDITIONS!!



### RELIGIOUS REFERENCE

Counseling and Confessions The Role of Confession and Absolution in Pastoral Counseling authored by Walter J. Koehler.

Creeds, Councils, and Christ from Concordia Theological Seminary Press.

The Spirit of Mediaeval Philosophy Gifford Lectures 1931 thru 1932 authored by Etienne Gilson.

Symposium on Seventh Century Lutheranism Selected Papers Volume 1 from Lutheran Brotherhood.

### BIOGRAPHY

He Sets the Captive Free authored by Corrie ten Boom.

The Rabbi Who Found Messiah The story of Yitzhak Kaduri authored by Carl Gallups.

*\*When leaving a donated item to the library Please put your name on the donation. If I cannot use the item and have no donor name, I will donate the item to the Big Sisters Big Brothers Big Book Nook.*

## GREETERS:

**Please help greet your fellow church family members & guests!**

Just call the Zion Office and we'll help you find a date & time that works for you.

Thank you so much for volunteering your time to welcome our members & guests in this way.

You are all such a blessing!

### Using Our God-Given Gifts

As members of the Zion, we are uniquely blessed with a diverse array of gifts and talents. These gifts, bestowed upon us by God's grace, are not merely for our own benefit but for the building up of the body of Christ and the service of our community. Romans 12:6-8 reminds us, "We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully."

In light of this scripture, we are called to identify and nurture our gifts, understanding that each one of us has a vital role to play within our congregation and beyond. The diversity of our talents, whether they lie in leadership, teaching, encouragement, or mercy, reflect the multifaceted nature of God's work. By embracing and exercising these gifts, we contribute to the unity and strength of our church, serving as a living testament to God's love and grace.

Let us remember that the exercise of our gifts is an act of worship and obedience to God. It is through our willingness to serve others that we glorify Him and fulfill His purpose for our lives. Therefore, let us not hold back or underestimate the value of our contributions. Each act of service, no matter how small it may seem, is significant in the eyes of the Lord and has the power to make a profound impact.

As we move forward, I encourage each of you to prayerfully consider the talents God has entrusted to you. Seek opportunities to use these gifts within our congregation and our wider community, knowing that you are an integral part of God's plan. Together, let us continue to build a strong, vibrant, and faithful church, where every member is encouraged and equipped to serve in their unique capacity, all for the glory of God.

Stewardship Board

ST. JOHN DUBLIN INVITES  
YOUR YOUTH TO

# FRIENDS GIVING

Join us for a time of food, fun and fellowship with other youth groups in the wider Columbus area. All Middle and High Schoolers welcome to attend!

**NOVEMBER 8**  
4-6 pm

**ST. JOHN DUBLIN**  
6135 Rings Rd  
Dublin, OH 43016

Please RSVP by 11/2  
Register on Church Center Signups




## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

**Sunday, January 4<sup>th</sup> is the  
Children's Christmas Program &  
Epiphany Service starting at 4PM  
Followed by a Potluck**

Come, Join the Fun!  
Sign up to bring your favorites to share for the Potluck following the program.

**Rehearsals will begin  
Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>.**

Sign-up sheets to participate will be in the Fellowship Hall.  
**SEE YOU THERE!!!**



### From the Board of Parish Activities—Events Coming!!



**It is time to sign up to provide  
Soup Suppers, 6:00-6:45 PM,  
prior to our  
Wednesday night Advent Worship Services.**

Individuals are asked to please sign up to provide soup, bread, dessert and drinks; and set up, serve and clean up. For each of the Soup Suppers, there are slots for 8 people to sign up; the average attendance for the Soup Suppers is 35-40 people.

**There will be a sign-up sheet on the table inside the front doors and on the kitchen counter in the Fellowship Hall, starting in November; there are 3 Wednesdays (December 3<sup>rd</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>). Thank you.**

Please note that the soup bowls, soup spoons, and napkins are all disposable and are available in the church kitchen for use at all the soup suppers.



*Come and celebrate our service members and remember our veterans!*



**Veterans Day Presentation and Potluck  
Sunday, November 9 following the 10:30  
Service at Zion**

**Lutheran Social Services Food Pantry  
Thankful Holiday Meal Bags**

The Lutheran Social Services Network of Hope provides hope and healing for people in crisis. The LSS Food Pantries serve people in need by offering a source of nourishment to families who are food insecure. Active in hunger relief since 1927, the LSS Food Pantries operate a 12-county food pantry system, one of Ohio's largest. Our pantries provide emergency food to 3,800 families each month.

Our holiday traditions are deeply intertwined with food. But tough choices - between food or medicine, food or utilities, food or transportation, and even food or housing - mean that many of our neighbors struggle to enjoy the festive meal that graces the Thanksgiving table. You can help by donating Thankful Holiday meal bags to help families in need celebrate Thanksgiving! Bags are distributed to families with a turkey, bread and produce for their Thanksgiving meal.

**Bags should contain (only)**

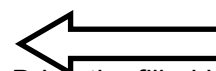
- ♥ 1 box of instant mashed potatoes (13.75 oz. size)
- ♥ 2 cans of fruit (suggestions: peaches, applesauce, pears)
- ♥ 3 cans of green beans
- ♥ 2 cans of corn
- ♥ 2 cans of pumpkin
- ♥ 1 can of cranberry sauce
- ♥ 1 box or bag of stuffing mix
- ♥ 1 gravy packet
- ♥ 1 boxed dessert mix



**Here's how YOU can help!**

1. Pick up a reusable bag, which will be available beginning on **Reformation Sunday, on a table in the Fellowship Hall.**

2. Take the bag home and fill it with the listed items.



3. Bring the filled bags back to Zion and place in the designated area at the back door.

**Deadline is Sunday,  
November 16, 2025.**

4. The bags will be delivered to the Food Pantry.



Volunteers needed to change the beautiful outdoor banners Zion has on High Street.

These banners reflect the church year and are changed accordingly.

Changing them does require getting on a ladder.

This is another way to help spread God's word!

Thank you for considering this opportunity. Please contact the office for more information.



### **Usher Training**

Zion will be holding Usher Training on the following dates and times:

#### **Usher Training Date**

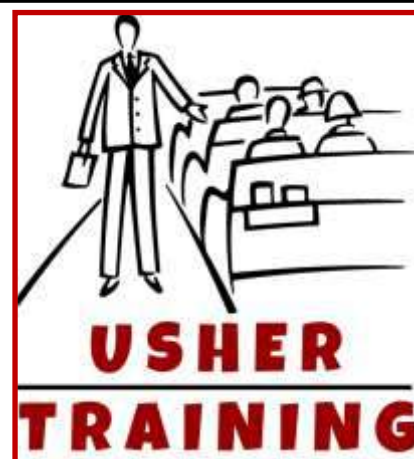
**Sunday, *November 2* from 12:00 - 1:00 PM**

#### **Alternate Training Date**

**Sunday, *November 23* from 12:00 - 1:00 PM**

#### **Purpose -**

- ***Ushering Essentials • Ushering Gaps • Security Procedures •***
- ***Updated Electrical Panel Use Questions***





**OHIO MARCH FOR LIFE** – Friday, October 3 at the Ohio Statehouse. As you can see from the picture, we had a small group who attended the Rally and March this year. Thank you to those who attended and marched in support of all God-given life.

**FALL 40 Days for Life** – Four members of the Life Team prayed and sang in front of Planned Parenthood on Main St. the morning of October 4 during the Fall 40 Days for Life campaign.

***Life Thought** - God is defined by life! He identifies Himself as the great “I am” (Exodus 3:14), the true and living God. Jesus also teaches us that not only is God the living God, He is also the God of the living (Luke 20:38)! The Lord of life values the lives of all people so highly that He gives life to all people; He died to rescue all people from their slavery to sin, death, and the devil regardless of their size, age, or condition; and He promises resurrection and everlasting life to all who believe in Him.*



**Higher Things 2025:  
“All Things New”  
July 29 – August 1, 2025**

Five High school youth attended the summer **Higher Things youth conference hosted at Calvin University** in Grand Rapids Michigan in July 2025. The conference had 770 Attendees from 79 Churches. The conference registration includes meals, lodging, and all conference activities.

***Each day had time for:***

• Worship / Prayer Offices • Education / Catechesis • Fun & Free Time

***For Worship***, we participated in 2 Divine Services (Setting 3 and Setting 1), 2 Matins Services, 2 Vespers Services, 3 Evening Prayer Services, and 3 Compline Services.

***For Education***, we attended 4 Plenary Sessions (1-hour Large Group Bible Study), 1 Ask-the-Pastor Panel, and 5 Breakaway sessions (45-min each) covering a variety of topics.

***For Free Time***, we participated in a Lego Master challenge, rock wall climbing, gaga ball tournament, swimming, archery tag, and other fun activities to choose from each day.

Everyone enjoyed conference, had fun, and learned a lot! It was great to be with so many other youth that appreciate confessional Lutheran liturgy, hymnody, and teaching.

**Thank you to the congregation for your support of the youth.**

The next Higher Things conference will be in June or July of 2026. **If you know a high school student that would be interested in joining us next summer, please let us know as soon as possible.** We will submit early registration in December.



## Church History - Timeline #1 *(submitted by Sherry Palmer)*

### The Journey toward the beginning of Zion - 1847-1872

**April 26, 1847** – The formal adoption of "The Constitution of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio, and other States" at Chicago, Illinois, by 15 congregations, consisting of 6,000 people, served by 12 pastors, the Rev. Dr. C.F.W. Walther, president.

**1847:** Gold was discovered in California, the French Nation was having their problems, and finally did overthrow their king, Louis Philippe. The United States was a growing nation and there was quite an influx of German and Prussian immigrants coming into the new country. Hundreds moved to the small central Ohio city of Columbus. **There were two factions of these Protestant Christians from Europe – some were Lutherans who believed in the Holy Scriptures as interpreted in the Augsburg Confession and there were others who leaned toward the teachings of Zwingli and Calvin, known generally as the founders of the Reformed Church.** Because of the situation – adherents of the two beliefs coming to Columbus at the same time and settling in the south end of Columbus (now known as German Village) and **joining St. Paul's United Lutheran and Reformed Church at Mound and High Streets** – it became necessary for the Rev. Conrad Mees, pastor of St. Paul's, to sever connections with the Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio and other States.



The members of St. Paul's United Lutheran and Reformed Church who believed in the strict Lutheran doctrine and wished to remain with the Joint Synod, organized a new church, which was later to be known as the **German Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Congregation**, with the Rev. Chrisian Spielmann as their leader. Rev. Spielmann was then a professor in the Joint Synod seminary in Columbus. The new Lutheran congregation began holding regular services **January 28, 1848**. In this era times in Columbus were very hard and money was scarce. Therefore, there was no church building anticipated for some time, and so **services were held in the seminary building at South High and Sycamore streets**. Even to start a new congregation was thought by the people of Columbus a "way out" idea, but despite all the conversation and speculations, **there were 44 people who did start the new church.**

A **Constitution** was adopted which stated that the preaching and teaching of the church was to be in accord with the Evangelical Lutheran Church and that the pastor must always be a member of the Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States. (the pastor must be a member of the American Lutheran Church, grandchild of the Joint Synod) **Only those persons who accept the confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and live an exemplary Christian life can be received into membership of Trinity Lutheran Church. It would not tolerate the preaching in English.**

**February 1849**, the congregation (**Trinity**) **rented the building** of the Independent Protestant Church on East Mound Street for their worship services at \$120.00 per year. As the congregation grew, the rent increased, until at the end of eight years the rent was raised to \$200.00 per year.

In **1849** there was no money for janitorial services, so members of the congregation served one month at a time. Later a janitor was hired for a salary of \$16.00 per year.

In **1852** a choir director was engaged at a salary of \$25.00 per year. Creation of this position shows how much the congregation has always treasured good sacred music.

**April of 1856** a lot was purchased on the northeast corner of Third and Fulton Streets for a price of \$2,300.00. In June the congregation voted to erect a two-story church 56 x 120 feet. The first floor was to serve as a school room, both for parochial school and Sunday School. The corner stone was laid in July – 8.5 years after the organization of the congregation. There is no record of the exact cost of the church, but it has been estimated that the total cost, including lot, came to \$12,685.09.

**July 28, 1856**, the cornerstone was laid at Third and Fulton. Its first pastor, Rev. W. F. Lehmann, was also a professor at the Lutheran Theological Seminary.



In **1863**, the first organ was installed at a cost of \$1,100; and about the same time a short-lived parochial school was established.

**March 29, 1863**, the vestry passed the following resolution: *That henceforth no one shall be received as a member of this congregation who belongs to a secret society, and that no one shall remain a member of this congregation who, being a member, joins such a society.*

**June 16, 1872**, the congregation, by a strong majority, endorsed the resolution of the vestry regarding secret societies. On September 22, the congregation, on the petition of Professor Lehmann and the Synod, resolved to dismiss their pastor, with great reluctance and heartfelt gratitude for his faithful services during nearly 26 years, henceforth to serve as Professor of Theology in the Capital University, only.



## Church History - Timeline #2 (submitted by Sherry Palmer)

### The Journey toward the beginning of Zion - 1872-1882

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**June 1873**, Rev. R. Herbst, of Hamilton, Ohio was called as his successor at a salary of \$1,200 a year.

***Rev. Richard Arnold Ferdinand Herbst** was born in Cologne, Germany, Jan. 31, 1828. At the age of 20 he came to New York. After he had graduated from Harvard University he carried on mission work in Castle Garden among the immigrants. From there he came to Columbus to prepare himself for the ministry at Capital University. In 1856 he was ordained and in succession served congregations at Marysville, Reading, Cincinnati, and Hamilton, OH. In 1873 he came to Columbus as pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church.*



**1876**, the spire was built, at a cost of \$3,470. Three bells were placed in the new tower; the largest bell was a gift from Mr. Nick Schlee and the two smaller ones were contributed by the young people of the congregation.

**1880** Rev. Herbst's son became assistant pastor without additional salary.

**1880** a doctrinal controversy on the question of predestination began between the Lutheran Synod of Missouri and that of Ohio, the former leaving the old landmarks of the genuine Lutheran faith and following to a great extent in the footsteps of John Calvin. The Ohio Synod, not wishing to give up its old standards of pure doctrine, separated from the Missouri Synod with which it had been united in the Synodical Conference, a general body of Lutherans. This controversy aroused discussion in the Trinity congregation also, but Rev. Herbst, siding with Missouri, frustrated the attempt of the congregation to take a decided stand for Ohio, to which Synod it belonged.

**1882**, a meeting was held in which Rev. Trebel, president of the Western District of the Ohio Synod, presided. There were present 103 voting members or heads of families. It was decided by 71 against 32 votes that the congregation stand by the Ohio Synod. Rev. Herbst having shortly before severed his connection with the Ohio Synod, his office was, according to the constitution of the congregation, declared vacant. It was resolved, therefore, to have another meeting in 2 weeks for the purpose of electing a new pastor at Trinity.

**June 18, 1882**, a considerable number of Trinity people withdrew their membership and under the leadership of Pastor Herbst they established Zion Lutheran Church.

**June 25, 1882** – Purchase, rededication service of St. Paul's Protestant Church at Third and Mound Streets to "The Evangelical Lutheran Zion Church" (cost \$6,000).



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**Sunday, November 2 - "The Way Out" (1 Corinthians 10:13)**

**Sunday, November 9 - "The Lead of Life" (Luke 20:27-40)**

**Sunday, November 16- "The Name on the Front" (Romans 12:5-6)**

**Sunday, November 23 - "An Unlikely King" (Philippians 2:5-11)**

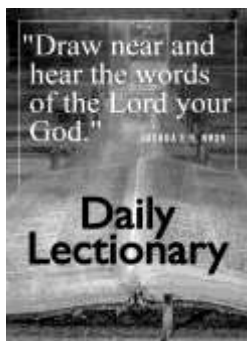
**Sunday, November 30 - "Rise and Shine" (Romans 13:11)**

### Together in God's Word:

Listed below are  
an Old Testament and a  
New Testament reading  
for each day of the week,  
for the month of

### NOVEMBER

Join with your family of faith  
in this daily time with God.



20 Nov.	Dan. 1:1-21; Matt. 28:1-20
21 Nov.	Dan. 2:1-23; Rev. 18:1-24
22 Nov.	Dan. 2:24-49; Rev. 19:1-21
LAST SUNDAY	Dan. 3:1-30; Rev. 20:1-15
24 Nov.	Dan. 4:1-37; Rev. 21:1-8
25 Nov.	Dan. 5:1-30; Rev. 21:9-27
26 Nov.	Dan. 6:1-28; Rev. 22:1-21
27 Nov.	Is. 1:1-28; 1 Peter 1:1-12
28 Nov.	Is. 2:1-22; 1 Peter 1:13-25
29 Nov.	Is. 5:1-25; 1 Peter 2:1-12
ADVENT 1	Is. 6:1--7:9; 1 Peter 1:13-25

01 Nov.	Deut. 34:1-12; Matt. 21:1-22
ALL SAINTS	Jer. 1:1-19; Matt. 21:23-46
03 Nov.	Jer. 3:6--4:2; Matt. 22:1-22
04 Nov.	Jer. 5:1-19; Matt. 22:23-46
05 Nov.	Jer. 7:1-29; Matt. 23:1-12
06 Nov.	Jer. 8:18--9:12; Matt. 23:13-39
07 Nov.	Jer. 11:1-23; Matt. 24:1-28
08 Nov.	Jer. 20:1-18; Matt. 24:29-51
TRINITY 21	Jer. 22:1-23; Matt. 25:1-13
10 Nov.	Jer. 23:1-20; Matt. 25:14-30
11 Nov.	Jer. 23:21-40; Matt. 25:31-46
12 Nov.	Jer. 25:1-18; Matt. 26:1-19
13 Nov.	Jer. 26:1-19; Matt. 26:20-35
14 Nov.	Jer. 29:1-19; Matt. 26:36-56
15 Nov.	Jer. 30:1-24; Matt. 26:57-75
TRINITY 22	Jer. 31:1-17 & 23-34; Matt. 27:1-10
17 Nov.	Jer. 33:1-22; Matt. 27:11-32
18 Nov.	Jer. 37:1-21; Matt. 27:33-56
19 Nov.	Jer. 38:1-28; Matt. 27:57-66



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# ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>2 All Saints Day Observed</b> 8:00 & 10:30 Worship, Setting 3 with Holy Communion 9:30 Sunday School /Adult Bible Class 12:00 - 1:00 Usher Training 12:30 - 2:00 Catechism Class	<b>3</b> 6:00 LCMS-U @ OSU Ohio Room	<b>4</b> 7:00 Elders' Meeting 	<b>5 Ash Wednesday</b> 6:15 Private Confession & Absolution/Pastor's Office 7:00 Divine Service Setting 3 w/ Holy Communion 7:45 Bible Study; Fellowship Hall	<b>6</b> 9:30-11:30 Donation Room 6:30 Handbell 7:30 Cantores Domini	<b>7</b>  Staff Day Off	<b>1</b> 5:00 All Saints' Walk <b>8</b> Womens' Brunch 10:00 Vicar on vacation
<b>9 Trinity 21 (Seminary Sunday)</b> 8:00 & 10:30 Worship; Rev. Dan Burfield-CTSF Setting 3 with Holy Communion 9:30 Sunday School /Adult Bible Class Noon Veterans Remembrance Potluck 4:45 - 6:15 Catechism Class Vicar on vacation	<b>10</b> 6:00 LCMS-U @ OSU Ohio Room 7:00 Life Team Meeting	<b>11</b> Winkler at Ebenezer	<b>12</b> 6:15 Private Confession & Absolution/Pastor's Office 7:00 Compline Service; Sanctuary 7:45 Bible Study; Fellowship Hall	<b>13</b> 10:00 Ladies' Aid 6:30 Handbell 7:30 Cantores Domini	<b>14</b> Staff Day Off	<b>15</b> LCMS-U Raking Leaves 
<b>16 Trinity 22</b> 8:00 & 10:30 Worship; Setting 3 with Holy Communion 9:30 Sunday School /Adult Bible Class Noon LCMS-U Lunch 4:45 - 6:15 Catechism Class Deadline for Thankful Bag Drop-off Pastor Out of Town	<b>17</b> 6:00 LCMS-U @ OSU Ohio Room	<b>18</b> 6:30 All Boards 8:00 Parish Planning	<b>19</b> 12:30-4:00 Zion Food Pantry Day 7:00 Compline Service; Sanctuary 7:45 Bible Study; Fellowship Hall December Newsletter Deadline	<b>20</b> 6:30 Handbell 7:30 Cantores Domini	<b>21</b> Staff Day Off 	<b>22</b> 
<b>23 Last Day of Church Year</b> 8:00 & 10:30 Worship, Setting 3 with Holy Communion 9:30 Sunday School /Adult Bible Class 12:00 Catechism Test Day 12:00 - 1:00 Usher Training	<b>24</b> 6:00 LCMS-U @ OSU Ohio Room	<b>25</b> 	<b>26 Thanksgiving Eve</b>  Thanksgiving Worship Service 11:00AM Matins 7:00PM Evening Prayer	<b>27</b> 	<b>28</b> LCMS-U - Bowling Staff Day Off	<b>29</b> 

## Psalm 34

*Taste and See That the Lord Is Good  
I will bless the Lord at all times.*

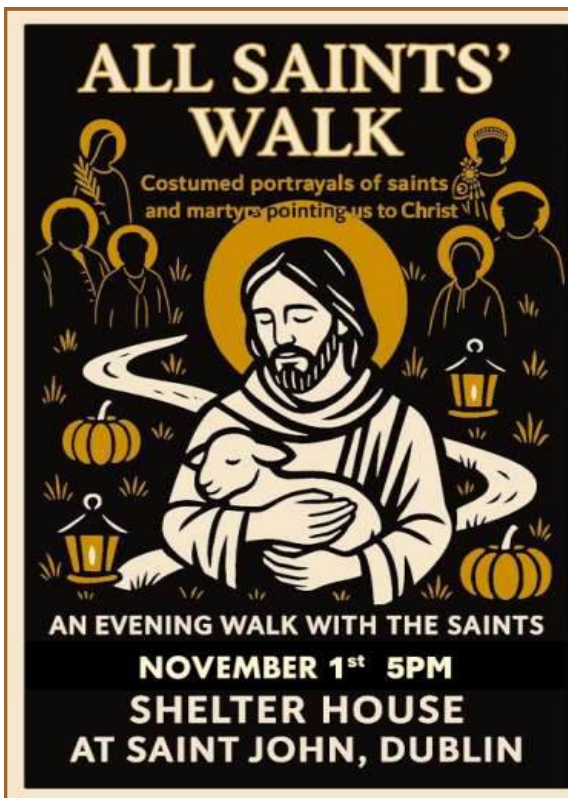


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*"The Lord is great in Zion; and He is high above all  
the people."  
Psalm 99:2*



**We hope you can join us for this fun  
& timely event. Last year was a  
huge success and lots of fun!  
We can't wait to see who is  
represented this year!**