

**“the Ancient of Days was seated.  
The court was seated, and books were opened.”  
Daniel 7:9 & 10**

ZION EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH, MONROE, MI

(Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod)

IN JESUS' NAME WE WELCOME YOU!

LAST JUDGEMENT

November 8, 2020

**WELCOME TO ZION.** It is our hope and prayer that the message you hear today from God's Word will strengthen your faith and fill your heart with the peace only God can give and the joy we have in believing that JESUS CHRIST is our Savior from sin.

**WORSHIP FOCUS:** God will judge the world justly.

OPENING HYMN: CW 208

“Great God, What Do I See and Hear”

END TIME

208 Great God, What Do I See and Hear



1 Great God, what do I see and hear? The end of  
2 The dead in Christ shall first a - rise At that last  
3 But sin - ners filled with guilt - y fears Be - hold his  
4 O Christ, you died, and yet you live; To me ac -



things cre - a - ted; The judge of man-kind shall ap - pear  
trum - pet's sound - ing, Caught up to meet him in the skies,  
wrath pre - vail - ing, For they shall rise and find their tears  
count your mer - it, My par - don seal, my sins for - give,



On clouds of glo - ry seat - ed. The trum - pet  
With joy their Lord sur - round - ing. No gloom - y  
And sighs are un - a - vail - ing; The day of  
And cleanse me by your Spir - it. Be - neath your



sounds; the graves re - store The dead which they con -  
fears their souls dis - may; His pres - ence sheds e -  
grace is past and gone; They trem - bling stand be -  
cross I view the day When heav'n and earth shall



tained be - fore: Pre - pare, my soul, to meet him!  
ter - nal day On those pre - pared to meet him.  
fore his throne, All un - pre - pared to meet him.  
pass a - way, And thus pre - pare to meet you.

Text: *Psalms and Hymns*, Sheffield, 1802, st. 1, alt.; William B. Collyer, 1782-1854, st. 2-4, alt.  
Tune: ES IST GEWISSLICH (87 87 887) Klug, *Geistliche Lieder aufs new gebessert*, Wittenberg, 1535.

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C: Who made heaven and Earth.**

P: Let us confess our sins to our Holy Triune God.

**C: Almighty God, Our Heavenly Father,**

**We have sinned against you**

**Violating your will, in our thoughts, with our words, by our actions.**

**Dear Christ, Our Savior**

**We have sinned against you**

**Hating what you love, in our thoughts, with our words, by our actions.**

**Holy Spirit, Light Divine,**

**We have sinned against You**

**Loving what you forbid in our thoughts, with our words, by our actions.**

**Forgive us because of Jesus.**

P: In the place of, and by the command of our Lord, Jesus Christ,

I, a called and ordained minister of Christ, forgive you all your sins.

By the mercy of God, we are redeemed by Jesus Christ.

Let us rest in His peace, ✠ in the name of the Father, the Son  
and the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray:

Lord God Almighty, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that we may always look forward to the end of this present evil age and to the day of your righteous judgement. Keep us steadfast in true and living faith and present us at last holy and blameless before you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

*STAND*



**M:** O Lord, o - pen my lips.



**C:** And my mouth shall de - clare your praise.



**M:** Has - ten to save me, O God.



**C:** O Lord, come quick - ly to help me.



**M:** The Lord be with you.



**C:** And al - so with you.

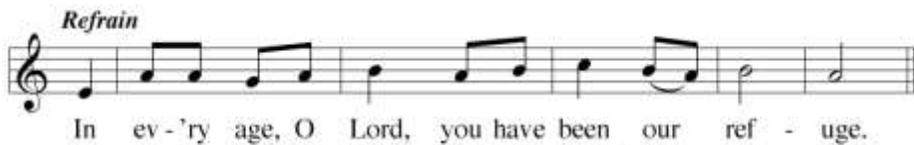
**P:** Lord God, grant us your Holy Spirit that we may hear and believe your Word. Cleanse our minds and renew our hearts that we may live for you here and hereafter; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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

Concerning the times and dates, brothers, there is no need to write to you, <sup>2</sup>for you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. <sup>3</sup>When people are saying, "Peace and security," destruction will suddenly come on them, like labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will certainly not escape. <sup>4</sup>But you, brothers, are not in the dark so that this day takes you by surprise like a thief, <sup>5</sup>for you are all sons of the light and sons of the day. We do not belong to the night or the darkness. <sup>6</sup>So then let us not sleep like everyone else, but rather let us remain alert and sober. <sup>7</sup>To be sure, those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, get drunk at night. <sup>8</sup>But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet. <sup>9</sup>You see, God did not appoint us for wrath, but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>10</sup>He died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. <sup>11</sup>Therefore, encourage one another and build each other up, just as you are also doing. (EHV)

## PSALM 90

CW pg. 79



Lord, you have been our dwelling place\*  
throughout all generations.

Before the mountains were born  
or you brought forth the earth and the world,\*  
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

For a thousand years in your sight are like a day  
that has just gone by,\*  
or like a watch in the night.

*Refrain*

You have set our iniquities before you,\*  
our secret sins in the light of your presence.

You turn mortals back to dust.\*  
You sweep them away in the sleep of death.



The length of our days is seventy years—  
 or eighty, if we have the strength;\*  
 yet their span is but trouble and sorrow.

Teach us to number our days aright,\*  
 that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

*Refrain*

Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love,\*  
 that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.

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

*Refrain*

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**Second Lesson**

**Matthew 25:31-46**

<sup>31</sup>“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. <sup>32</sup>All the nations will be gathered in his presence, and he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. <sup>33</sup>He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. <sup>34</sup>Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. <sup>35</sup>For I was hungry and you gave me food to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me. <sup>36</sup>I was lacking clothes and you clothed me. I was sick and you took care of me. I was in prison and you visited me.’ <sup>37</sup>“Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you a drink? <sup>38</sup>When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or lacking clothes and clothe you? <sup>39</sup>When did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?’ <sup>40</sup>“The King will answer them, ‘Amen I tell you: Just as you did it for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it for me.’ <sup>41</sup>“Then he will say to those on his left,

‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire, which is prepared for the Devil and his angels. <sup>42</sup>For I was hungry and you did not give me food to eat. I was thirsty and you did not give me anything to drink. <sup>43</sup>I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, lacking clothes and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not take care of me.’ <sup>44</sup>“Then they will also answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or lacking clothes or sick or in prison and did not serve you?’ <sup>45</sup>“At that time he will answer them, ‘Amen I tell you: Just as you did not do it for one of the least of these, you did not do it for me.’ <sup>46</sup>And they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.” (EHV)

P: Alleluia. Watch therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. Alleluia. (Matthew 24:42 RSV)

HYMN: CW 240

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

WORSHIP AND PRAISE

240 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise



1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
 3 All life you en - gen - der in great and in small,  
 4 Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,



In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
 Not want - ing nor wast - ing, you rule in your might,  
 Of all life Be - friend - er, the true Life of all.  
 Your an - gels a - dore you, all veil - ing their sight.



Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, O An - cient of Days,  
 Your jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove,  
 We blos - som and flour - ish in rich - ness and range;  
 Our prais - es we ren - der; oh, lead us to see



Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, your great name we praise!  
 Your clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
 We with - er and per - ish, but you nev - er change.  
 The light of your splen - dor, your love's maj - es - ty!

Text: W. Chalmers Smith, 1824–1908, abr., alt.  
 Tune: ST. DENO (11 11 11 11) Welsh folk tune, alt.

<sup>9</sup> I continued to watch until thrones were set up, and the Ancient of Days was seated. His clothing was white as snow, and the hair on his head was like pure wool. His throne was flames of fire. Its wheels were blazing fire. <sup>10</sup> A river of fire flowed out from his presence. Thousands upon thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him. The court was seated, and books were opened. (EHV)

## “HERE COMES THE JUDGE”

### RESPONSIVE PRAYER

P: Out of the depths we cry to you, O Lord; O Lord, hear our voices.

**C: Let your ears be attentive to our cries for mercy.**

P: Heavenly Father, we confess with sorrow that we have sinned and deserve only your anger and punishment.

**C: If you kept a record of our sins, we would surely be lost.**

P: We confess with joy that your unfailing love has redeemed us.

**C: Our hope is in you and in your full redemption.**

P: Around us we see the birth pangs of the last days: war, famine, earthquakes, false prophets, spiritual apathy.

**C: Use these signs to remind us that we do not know the day or hour when Christ will come again.**

P: Keep us faithful to your Word; send your Spirit to strengthen our faith so that we are always prepared for your Son's return as judge.

**C: Make us faithful to your Word, and cause many more to put their hope in you before the end comes.**

P: Build our fellowship of love as brothers and sisters in faith.

**C: Help us support one another when trials and troubles come our way.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

P: Hear us, O Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

*Silent prayer.*

P: Heavenly Father, we eagerly wait for Jesus to come again and make all things new. May he find us, whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life, faithfully enduring to the end, through the power of your Holy Spirit.

**C: Come, Lord, Jesus. May your grace be with us. Amen.**

**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.**

**PRAYER**

**P: Lord God Almighty , so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that we may always look forward to the end of this present evil age and to the day of your righteous judgement. Keep us steadfast in true and living faith and present us at last holy and blameless before you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**C: Amen.**

**BLESSING**



**M: The grace of our Lord + Je - sus Christ and the love of God**



**and the fellowship of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.**



**C: A - men.**

WORSHIP AND PRAISE

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Oh, Worship the King



1 Oh, wor - ship the King, all - glo - rious a - bove;  
 2 Oh, tell of his might; oh, sing of his grace,  
 3 This earth, with its store of won - ders un - told,  
 4 Your boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?  
 5 Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,



Oh, grate - ful - ly sing his pow'r and his love,  
 Whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py, space,  
 Al - might - y, your pow'r has found - ed of old,  
 It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,  
 In you do we trust nor find you to fail.



Our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,  
 His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,  
 Es - tab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,  
 It streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,  
 Your mer - cies, how ten - der, how firm to the end,



Pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.  
 And dark is his path on the wings of the storm.  
 And round it has cast, like a man - tle, the sea.  
 And sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.  
 Our Mak - er, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er, and Friend!

Text: Robert Grant, 1779–1838, abr., alt.  
 Tune: HANOVER (10 10 11 11) William Croft, 1678–1727.



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**WORSHIP FOR NOVEMBER:** Zion Elders and Council have decided at this time that with still being in Phase 4 of COVID-19 we are going to maintain the current worship schedule. So there will be no Sunday School, Adult Bible Class or Youth Group. **Wednesday worship at 7:00 p.m., Sunday worship at 8:30 & 10:30 a.m., and Tuesday, Nov. 10 @ 1:30 p.m.** We will review the schedule each month and let you know if/when it changes. Council reviewed it on Oct. 15 for November. The Worship schedule will be reviewed on November 19 for December. Thank you for your patience.

**ZION REMEMBRANCE/MEMORIAL SERVICE** — We hope you can join us for our annual Remembrance/Memorial Service on Wednesday, November 11th at 7 p.m. and Sunday, November 15th at 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. At these services, we will remember the following members who went to heaven during the past year (November, 2019 to October, 2020):

**John Oerther II**  
**Millie Hughes**  
**Drake Post**  
**Dave Sieler**

**Ann Kull**  
**Charles Lemerand**  
**Hazel Burchette**  
**Beverly Kirkpatrick**

**CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS** — We will again be decorating the church for Christmas with poinsettia plants “*in memory of*” or “*for blessings received*” from members and friends of our congregation. Your response has been overwhelming in the past. This year’s suggested donation is \$11.00 per plant. There are envelopes in the west foyer for your donations. Please complete the outside of the envelope and place it, along with your donation inside, in the church/school office. **Deadline to order is Sunday, November 15th.** A list of memorials/blessings will be in the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day bulletins. Please call the office @ 242-1378 if you have any questions.

**COMING UP AT ZION ....**

Sunday	8:30 & 10:30 a.m. Worship with MLS Choir
Tuesday	1:30 p.m. Worship Service (IC)
Wednesday	7:00 p.m. Worship Service (IC)
Sunday	8:30 & 10:30 a.m. Remembrance/Memorial Worship (IC)

# PRE-CALL MEETING

Plan to attend this  
**CONGREGATIONAL Meeting with**  
**WELS Michigan District President Pastor Gene Sims on**  
**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8 at 3:00 p.m.**

The purpose of this meeting is for Pastor Sims to gather information, insight, and input from Zion in order to prepare call lists for Zion to call an associate pastor.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8 at 3:00 p.m.** is scheduled  
for our Pre-Call Meeting.

### Offerings for Week Ending 11/01/20

	General Fund		Missions	
Weekly	Budgeted	\$8,733	Budgeted	\$782
	Received	\$10,650	Received	\$1,190
		\$1,917		\$408
Year to Date	Budgeted	\$384,253	Budgeted	\$34,419
	Received	\$318,652	Received	\$29,237
		(\$65,601)		(\$5,182)

### NOVEMBER VOLUNTEERS

	Nov. 4 & 8	Nov. 11 & 15	Nov. 18 & 22	Nov. 25	Nov. 26	Nov. 29
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	Deborah Hill					
<b>USHERS</b>	<u><b>Nov. 4</b></u> Alan Bober Jeremy Robinson Jacob Robinson William Robinson  <u><b>8:30 a.m.</b></u> Ray Chandonnet Erich Freiny Bob Trowbridge Dave McKenzie  <u><b>10:30 a.m.</b></u> Joe Koch Joe Schmeling Dave Bengé Aaron Bengé	<u><b>Nov. 11</b></u> Rich Heusman Jeff Heusman Klaus Koenig Juergan Koenig Matt McCormick  <u><b>8:30 a.m.</b></u> Tony Affholter Dan Fuerstenberg Mark Fuerstenberg Tim Fuerstenberg  <u><b>10:30 a.m.</b></u> Alan Bober Jeremy Robinson Jacob Robinson William Robinson	<u><b>Nov. 18</b></u> Russ Vitale Keith McBee Dave Krueger Marc Kipf  <u><b>8:30 a.m.</b></u> Rob Krueger Martin Meier Ralph Naveaux  <u><b>10:30 a.m.</b></u> Rich Heusman Jeff Heusman Klaus Koenig Juergan Koenig Matt McCormick	<u><b>7:00 p.m.</b></u> Rob Krueger Martin Meier Ralph Naveaux	<u><b>10:00 a.m.</b></u> Ray Chandonnet Erich Freiny Bob Trowbridge Dave McKenzie	<u><b>8:30 a.m.</b></u> Tony Affholter Dan Fuerstenberg Mark Fuerstenberg Tim Fuerstenberg  <u><b>10:30 a.m.</b></u> Joe Koch Joe Schmeling Dave Bengé Aaron Bengé