

Zion Lutheran Church, Glen Rock, PA
Twenty Third Sunday after Pentecost
LBW Holy Communion Setting Two
Sunday, November 17, 2019

*We stand as we are able.

Introduction to the day

The end is near. There is no doubt about it. The warnings are dire. The tone of today's texts is ominous. But the baptized know how to live in the "meantimes." The baptized are strengthened for the living of these days in word and sacrament. The baptized rally around the invitation of the apostle: "Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right."

PRELUDE: "Liebestraum" Liszt

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (LBW p. 77)**

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

Amen.

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.

Amen

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.

Most merciful God,

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

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 of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

***ENTRANCE HYMN “Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies” (LBW 265)**

***APOSTOLIC GREETING (LBW p. 78)**

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

***KYRIE (LBW p. 78)**



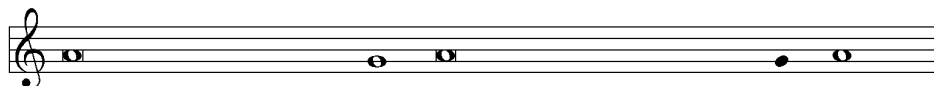
A In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



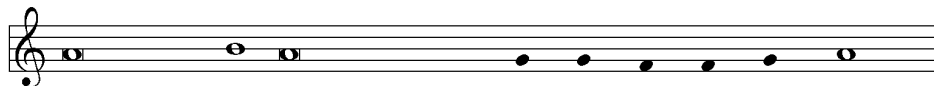
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.

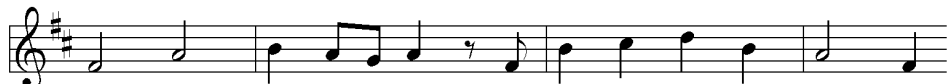


A Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. **C** A - men

***HYMN OF PRAISE (LBW p. 79)**



A Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.



B 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,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men

***PRAYER OF THE DAY (LBW p. 82)**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Lord God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that, always keeping in mind the end of all things and the day of judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of life here and may live with you forever in the world to come, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

ANTHEM: "Soon and Very Soon"

FIRST LESSON: Malachi 4:1-2a

¹See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ^{2a}But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 98

¹Sing to the LORD | a new song,
for he has done | marvelous things.

²**With his right hand and his | holy arm
has he won for him- | self the victory.**

³The LORD has made | known his victory;
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight | of the nations.

⁴**He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the | house of Israel,
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory | of our God.**

⁵Shout with joy to the LORD, | all you lands;
lift up your voice, re- | joice, and sing.

⁶**Sing to the LORD | with the harp,
with the harp and the | voice of song.**

⁷With trumpets and the sound | of the horn
shout with joy before the | king, the LORD.

⁸**Let the sea make a noise and all | that is in it,
the lands and those who | dwell therein.**

⁹Let the rivers | clap their hands,
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, when he comes to |
judge the earth.

**¹⁰In righteousness shall he | judge the world
and the peo- | ples with equity.**

SECOND LESSON: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

⁶Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. ⁹This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹²Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living.

¹³Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S TIME WITH PASTOR

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (LBW p. 83)**



GOSPEL: Luke 21:5-19

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 21st chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁵When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, ⁶“As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.”

⁷They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” ⁸And he said, “Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is near!’ Do not go after them.

⁹“When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.” ¹⁰Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

¹²“But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; ¹⁵for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your souls.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON (LBW p. 83)

***HYMN OF THE DAY: “Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending” (LBW 27)**

***NICENE CREED (LBW p. 84)**

With the whole church, we confess our faith.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven;

by the power of the Holy Spirit

**he became incarnate from the virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

***THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (LBW p. 85)**

United with the saints of every time and place, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

Faithful God, when we question the future, you reveal the hope of victory through your Son, Jesus Christ. Give us the wisdom to rely on your words and the courage to witness to your love and faithfulness. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God our joy, the seas and the hills shout your praise. Inspire us to sing a joyful song to you as we work to preserve and protect your marvelous creation. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God our ruler, you judge the world with righteousness and the people with equity. Grant perseverance to world leaders and elected officials, so that they never grow weary in doing what is right. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Gracious God, you offer peace to fearful hearts. Heal the hurts of all those who suffer injustice and persecution, those who spend months and years in prisons and in hospitals, and for anyone in need today (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God our song, thank you for worship leaders, artists, and musicians who create works of praise and prayer. Guide them in their leadership, and empower them to lift up new voices and works of art among the assembly. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Everlasting God, as we await the dawn of the new heaven and the new earth, we give thanks for your beloved who have died in Christ. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Rejoicing in hope, we lift our prayers to you, most gracious Lord, trusting that you have received them in your care.

Amen.

***PEACE (LBW p. 86)**

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

COLLECTION

OFFERTORY

***OFFERING (LBW p. 86)**



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles-sing. 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.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER (LBW p. 87)**

Let us pray.

Merciful Father,

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

***DIALOGUE (LBW p. 87)**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

***PREFACE (LBW p. 88)**

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



***THANKSGIVING (LBW p. 89)**

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:

Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled all creation with light and life;

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations.

You rescued Israel, your chosen people.

Through the prophets you renewed your promise;

and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son,

who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom

and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup

we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup

we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power

to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit,

the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection,

that we who receive the Lord's body and blood

may live to the praise of your glory

and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place,

and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest

until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

Through him, with him, in him, in the u-ni-ty
 of the Ho-ly Spir-it, all hon-or and glo-ry is
 yours, al-might-y Fa-ther, now and for-ev-er. A-men

***LORD'S PRAYER (LBW p. 92)**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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.

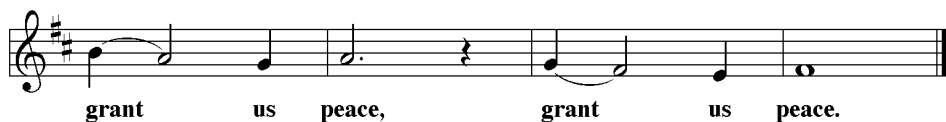
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

***COMMUNION HYMN (LBW p. 92)**

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;



COMMUNION (LBW p. 92)

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**
The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.**

COMMUNION HYMN: “Come with Us, O Blessed Jesus” (LBW 219)

*POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND CANTICLE (LBW p. 92)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen**



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (LBW p. 94)

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

*BLESSING (LBW p. 95)

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. **Amen**

***SENDING HYMN: “Awake, O Sleeper” (WOV 745)**

***DISMISSAL (LBW p. 95)**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE: “Sarabande from the Partita in C Minor” Bach

Today’s communion bread and wine are presented to the Glory of God, by Jeff & Pam Hoffman.

Today’s altar flower arrangement is presented in memory of Roger Roser, by Evelyn & Dennis Roser.

SCRIPTURE TEXT FOR SUNDAY 11/24/19

Jer 23:1-6, Psalm 46, Col 1:11-20, Luke 23:33-43

INFORMATION FOR OUR GUESTS

- ❖ **Restrooms** are located on the level of the Upstairs Fellowship Area very close to the steps on the right hand side of the stage, and in the hallway at the top of the steps on the left hand side of the stage.
- ❖ **We offer a Nursery** for young children who are still learning to take part in worship, and may need some time outside of the sanctuary.
- ❖ **We have two rockers in the back of the sanctuary** for those who want to rock little ones or who may need a different seating option other than a pew. Please feel free to use the rockers as you need.
- ❖ **We hope you find us gracious and welcoming** on behalf of the Lord Jesus Christ.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS FOR TODAY

Greeters.....Terry Smith, Sheree Sidler
Acolyte.....Allison Fisher
Assisting Minister.....Alice Simmons
Lector.....Marilyn Cox
Offering Ushers.....Tom Bailey, Carrie Miller,
Renate Shiles, Don Miller
Communion Usher.....Carrie Miller
Communion Assistant.....Donna Price
Nursery.....McCullough family
Social Time.....Beegle family
Offering Depositors.....Tom Bailey, Carrie Miller
Counters.....Marilyn Cox, Sandy Fair

PRAYER REQUESTS

Mary Bailey, Linda Beegle, Floyd Dell, Betty Gaither, Mike Gemmill, Shannon Hildebrand, Karen Landis, Don Miller, Jim Ream, Steve Scott, Bryan Sellers, Susette Stallard

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today is the last day to order poinsettias for Christmas Eve. Payment can be submitted at a later date, but the order for poinsettias must be placed tomorrow morning.

Next week's Loose Change Offering will benefit the York County Food Pantry.

The Glen Rock Community Thanksgiving Service will be held Wednesday, November 27 at 7 P.M. at New Hope (Fissel's) United Church of Christ, 3426 Fissels Church Rd. Pastor Paul Haack will be preaching. New Hope is asking those attending the Community Thanksgiving Service to bring a non-perishable food offering to the service that will go to Southern Community Services, along with the evening's regular offering.

The Visitation Team is collecting items for Zion's VIP Christmas goodie baskets. Items needed are: Hershey kisses, hand lotion, chapstick, and homemade cookies in small bags. The team is also collecting birthday cards for Mardella Shepperd's December birthday and Christmas cards for all of Zion's VIPs. VIPs include: Joyce Bosley, Floyd Dell, Margaret Fritz, Norma Innerst, Arlene Kapp, Tanya Krout, Dorothy Lentz, Paul and Mardella Shepperd and Susette Stallard. Everything is needed by Sunday, December 8th.

Your cards and letters for Tanya Krout must be sent to her in a plain white envelope without any embellishments.

The address is:

Smart Communication/PADOC

Tanya Krout/006199

SCI Cambridge Springs

PO Box 33028

St. Petersburg, FL 33733

The Giving Tree for the Southern Community Services Project Elves is up and decorated. Please choose a tag(s) to give joy to our sponsored family with 4 children. All unwrapped gifts must be at Zion no later than December 8th. Thank you for your anticipated generous support.

There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday, 12/8/19, immediately after worship, to vote on the 2020 Proposed Budget.

Save the date: Caroling to Zion's VIPs will take place on Friday, Dec. 13th.
More info will be announced later.

Most worship services are recorded. Audio recordings of the lessons and sermons can be found on Zion's website www.zionglenrock.org.

Pre-reader and reader versions of the children's bulletin can be found in the Hanover St. vestibule on a weekly basis.

Additional parking, during worship services and events at Zion, is available in the Glen Rock Ambulance Club parking lot.

If you desire pastoral care or conversation, please contact Pastor Katie Brantner at 717-420-0779.

PERSONNEL here at ZION

Pastor Paul Haack, Stated Sunday Supply Pastor
Pastor Katie Brantner, Interim Pastoral Care Coordinator.....717-420-0779
Nick Galinaitis, Music Director
Brenda Davis, Administrative Assistant
Delores Hickman, Custodian
Chad Fisher, Sexton.....717-235-3641
Joy Keller-Brown, Council President.....717-235-7044

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Joy Keller-Brown, Donna Price, Bill Ream, Tom Bailey, Susan Hengst, George Brown, Carrie Miller, Edgar Davis and Gevene Harden

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday, 9:30am-12:30pm

ZION'S SCHEDULE for THIS WEEK

Sunday, 11/17

9:00 AM Liturgy of Word & Sacrament
-Children's Church begins after Children's Time with the pastor
10:15 AM Social Time
10:30 AM Adult Sunday School

Monday, 11/18

8:00 AM Samaritans Sewing Group
7:30 PM AA

Tuesday, 11/19

6:30 PM Christian Ed Committee

Thursday, 11/21

6:45 PM Choir Rehearsal

ZION’S SCHEDULE for the NEXT WEEK

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10:15 AM Social Time

10:30 AM Adult Sunday School

6:15 PM Youth Group

Monday, 11/25

8:00 AM Samaritans Sewing Group

7:30 PM AA

Wednesday, 11/27

7:00 PM Community Thanksgiving Eve Service at New Hope (Fissel’s)

Thursday, 11/28 - Thanksgiving

Office closed

Friday, 11/29

Office closed

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- Acolyte.....Robert Harden
- Assisting Minister.....Donna Price
- Lector.....Pam Hoffman
- Offering Ushers.....Tom Bailey, Carrie Miller,
Dave Seitz, Jeff Brown
- Communion Usher.....Dave Seitz
- Communion Assistant.....Jeff Brown
- Nursery.....Felicia Ernst, volunteer needed
- Social Time.....Jeff & Pam Hoffman
- Offering Depositors.....Tom Bailey, Carrie Miller
- Counters.....Tom Bailey, Terry Smith