# The Feast of St. Michael and All Angels

24 September A+D 2023



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And the dragon and his angels fought back, but he was defeated
and there was no longer any place for them in heaven.

Revelation 12:7-8

# ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH TOMBALL, TEXAS



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Welcome to Zion! If this is your first time with us, here are a few tips to assist you:

- Large print bulletins including the entire order of worship and hymn texts are available upon request.
- Children's coloring bags are available for ages 6 and under upon request.
- If you are unfamiliar with liturgical worship, please see the laminated booklet in the hymnal rack, which explains our liturgy and its origins in Scripture.
- Children are encouraged to attend the service with their families, but a nursery with a changing area is provided in the narthex if you need to step out briefly. The service can be heard in this room.
- Individual pew cushions are available in the narthex.

Communion policy: At Zion Lutheran Church, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is celebrated in accordance with the Holy Scriptures that tell us Christ's same body and blood given and shed on the cross is what we receive in, with, and under the bread and wine. This divine mystery is given for us that we may have what Christ's own words declare: forgiveness. If you agree with this view as the clear teaching on Holy Scripture and are a communicant member of an LCMS church, you are welcome to join us in today's celebration of the Lord's Supper. If you are not an LCMS communicant member and time permits, please speak with the pastor prior to the service concerning your communing during the service. Otherwise, we ask you to refrain from communing with us at this time for your own protection. As Saint Paul says, "He who does not discern the body rightly, eats and drinks judgment to himself," (1 Cor. 11:29). You are, however, invited to speak with the pastor after the service (or anytime at your convenience) regarding our practice and your desire to commune at this altar in the future.

# Bible Study Opportunities

# Sunday Morning – 9:30 AM

Everyone meets in the Family Center Gym for an opening devotion.

1 John led by Pastor Hull (Family Center Gym)

Children's Lessons led by our Sunday School teachers – ages 2 and up (upstairs classrooms)

# Wednesday Morning - 9:30 AM

The Gospel According to St. Matthew led by Pastor Hull (Parish Hall)

# The Feast of St. Michael and All Angels (Observed)

24 September A+D 2023

Divine Service Setting 1

LSB 151

Stand and face the processional cross when the processional hymn begins.

**Processional Hymn** 

"Christ, the Lord of Hosts, Unshaken"

LSB 521

Confession and Absolution

LSB 151

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- 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.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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 you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the H Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

#### Service of the Word

#### Introit

Psalm 103:20-22; antiphon: v. 1



Bless the LORD, O my soul,\*

and all that is within me, bless his | holy name!

Bless the LORD, O you his | angels,\*

you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word!

Bless the LORD, | all his hosts,\*

his ministers, who | do his will!

Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his do- | minion.\*

Bless the LORD, O my soul!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

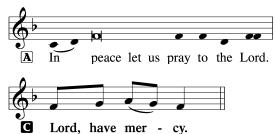
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Bless the LORD, O my soul,\*

and all that is within me, bless his | holy name!

Kyrie LSB 152



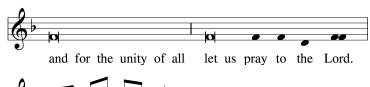


A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.





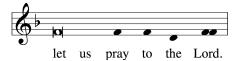
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,







For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise







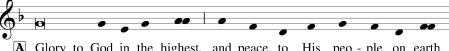


Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra-cious Lord.



# Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 154



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.

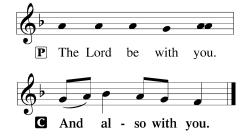


C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



# Salutation and Collect of the Day

LSB 156



**P** Let us pray.

Everlasting God, You have ordained and constituted the service of angels and men in a wonderful order. Mercifully grant that, as Your holy angels always serve and worship You in heaven, so by

Your appointment they may also help and defend us here on earth; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

Old Testament Daniel 10:10–14: 12:1–3

<sup>10</sup>And behold, a hand touched me and set me trembling on my hands and knees. <sup>11</sup>And he said to me, "O Daniel, man greatly loved, understand the words that I speak to you, and stand upright, for now I have been sent to you." And when he had spoken this word to me, I stood up trembling. <sup>12</sup>Then he said to me, "Fear not, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your heart to understand and humbled yourself before your God, your words have been heard, and I have come because of your words. <sup>13</sup>The prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me twenty-one days, but Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I was left there with the kings of Persia, <sup>14</sup>and came to make you understand what is to happen to your people in the latter days. For the vision is for days yet to come. . . ."

<sup>1</sup>"At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. <sup>2</sup>And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. <sup>3</sup>And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

**Gradual** *Psalm 91:11; 103:1* 

He will command his angels con- | cerning you\* to guard you in | all your ways.

Bless the LORD, | O my soul,\*
and all that is within me, bless his | holy name!

Second Reading Revelation 12:7–12

<sup>7</sup>Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, <sup>8</sup>but he was defeated and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. <sup>9</sup>And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. <sup>10</sup>And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. <sup>11</sup>And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death.

<sup>12</sup>Therefore, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to you, O earth and sea, for the devil has come down to you in great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!"

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Stand and face the processional cross as it is carried to the center of the nave for the Gospel reading.

#### Alleluia and Verse

LSB 190; Revelation 12:11



They have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testi- | mony,\* for they loved not their lives even | unto death.



Holy Gospel Matthew 18:1–11

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the eighteenth chapter.



<sup>1</sup>At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" <sup>2</sup>And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them <sup>3</sup>and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. <sup>4</sup>Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>5</sup>"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, <sup>6</sup>but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea.

<sup>7</sup>"Woe to the world for temptations to sin! For it is necessary that temptations come, but woe to the one by whom the temptation comes! <sup>8</sup>And if your hand or your foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to be thrown into the eternal fire. <sup>9</sup>And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire.

<sup>10</sup>"See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven. <sup>11</sup>For the Son of Man came to save the lost."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Turn to face the processional cross as it is carried back to its place.

Nicene Creed LSB 158

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,

whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life \(\frac{1}{2}\) of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer LSB 422

On my heart imprint your image,
Blessed Jesus, king of grace,
That life's riches, cares, and pleasures
Never may your work erase;
Let the clear inscription be:
Jesus, crucified for me,
Is my life, my hope's foundation,
And my glory and salvation!

Sermon Rev. Harrison Goodman

Stand

## Prayer of the Church

Sit

Hymn

"Jesus, Brightness of the Father"

TLH 257



Offerings may be placed in the plate located near the reception desk in the narthex.

# Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 160



P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God ... with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus LSB 161





LSB 162

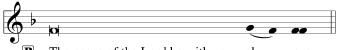
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

#### The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

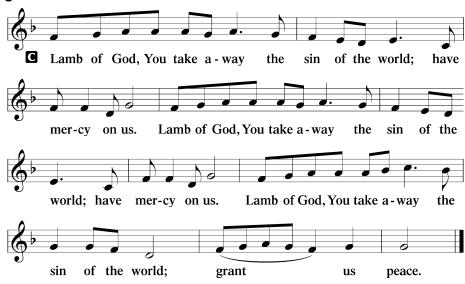
Pax Domini LSB 163



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



# **Agnus Dei**



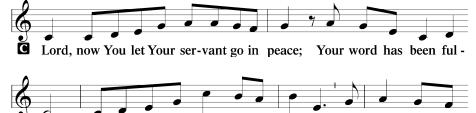
Sit

If you are a visitor, please see our communion policy on the inside cover of the bulletin.

Distribution	"Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"	LSB 670
	"Consider How the Birds Above" <i>Hymn of the Month</i>	LSB 736
	"I Walk in Danger All the Way"	LSB 716
	"O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe"	LSB 666

Stand

# Nunc Dimittis LSB 165



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre-



#### **Post-Communion Collect**

LSB 166

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



# **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.



Please turn to face the processional cross as it moves through the nave during the closing hymn. Once the cross exits the nave, you may turn to face the front.

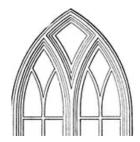
**Closing Hymn** 

"We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God"

LSB 941

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Today we observe the feast day of Saint Michael and All Angels. The Revelation to St. John says, "Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, but he was defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven." What a blessing to know that St. Michael and the angels of God were the ones attacking the dragon, meaning the devil, rather than waiting for him to attack. They threw him out of heaven. Now the devil roams around the earth, like a roaring lion, seeking to devour us. He desires to have our life and our soul. On

our own we succumb and we fail. However, we are not alone. Saint Michael and all God's angels fight for us. They fight not with sword and might, but overcome the dragon by the blood of the Lamb and the Word of the Gospel. We may rest assured that Saint Michael and all the messengers of God fight for us by proclaiming publicly that all sins are forgiven in the blood of Jesus and the good news of the resurrection means life for all who are in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

# Serving Today – September 24,2023

Elders	Ernie Hama	Ernie Hamann and Jon Schulz	
	8:00 AM	10:45 AM	
Ushers	Ronald Luedke Lonny Hull	Leroy Fehrle J.B. Mayfield	
Acolytes	Audrey Damron Jamie Hull	Eden Hamilton Sophia Kutzer	
Crucifers	James Damron	Volunteer	
Interpreter for the deaf		Chris Hamilton	
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Altar Guild Tahnee Stall and Erika Spannagel

**Counters** Tom and Francine Kersey

# News and Announcements

**Thank you** to Rev. Harrison Goodman for preaching and teaching the adult Bible class for us today! Pastor Goodman was the main speaker for the Higher Things youth retreat this weekend. He is the Content Executive for Higher Things.

The 2023-2024 Music Season will kick off on Thursday, October 5! The handbell choir will meet from 5:30-6:15, and the adult choir will meet from 6:30-7:30. We could use ringers AND singers! If you are interested, please contact Lynea Sander by next Sunday, October 1. Anyone 6th grade and up is welcome to ring (no experience needed), and the adult choir is for high school and up. If you are an instrumentalist high school level and up, please let Lynea know if you would like to play for special services. Please consider serving the church with music, and help us make a joyful noise to the Lord!

Children's color bags are back: They in the narthex for all children 5 and under. Please return the bags after service to the basket

**Trunk or Treat is Coming!-** Mark your calendars for this year's Spooktacular Trunk or Treat! Sunday October 29th from 1-4PM in the church parking lot- More details to come as we get closer! If you are interested in helping, please see Erika Spannagel!

**Reformation Celebration!** Mark your calendar for the 506th Reformation Celebration with Burgers, Brats, and Beards! There will be food for all ages as well as cards, dominoes, checkers and a beard growth contest! We would also love some homemade goodies and sides, so please sign up for one in the Narthex! Bring your family and friends and join us at 12:30PM on October 29th in the Family Center!

**Financial Secretary Position Open:** Interested in serving as the Financial Secretary at Zion? Pick up a flyer in the narthex with the complete explanation of responsibilities. In short, the Financial Secretary receives, deposits, and records all monetary receipts of the congregation; serves as a signatory on all congregational accounts; submits a written report of all receipts to the Treasurer weekly; and recruits counter teams. If you are interested in serving in this position or would like further information, please contact President Mike Stall at (713) 828-3184 or m stall@comcast.net.

Offering Counters Needed: We are in dire need of offering counters! This is a fairly simple duty that helps the church in a big way. A team of two counters per week serves one Sunday per month and count the offerings after church, input the numbers into a spreadsheet, and drop the offerings off at the bank (just around the corner from church). This is great for anyone with financial experience or even retail experience closing out a cash register, but no experience is truly required as training is provided. If you are interested in helping, please contact the church office by leaving a message at (281) 351-5757 or email zion@ziontomballtx.org.

**Head Trustee Position Open:** We are in need of a Head Trustee/Chairman of the Board of Trustees! The Chairman serves a term of 2 years with a maximum of two consecutive terms; regularly participates in the Divine Service and educational opportunities offered at the congregation; administers and

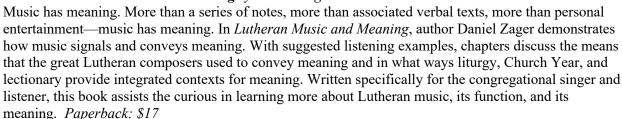
maintains all property belonging to the congregation; makes contracts for buildings or services as required and approved; and administers a board of up to 4 trustees approved by church council. A complete explanation of responsibilities from the church constitution is available on a half-sheet flyer in the narthex. If you are interested in serving in this position or would like further information, please contact President Mike Stall at (713) 828-3184 or m stall@comcast.net.

# Book Table Spotlight

# The narthex book table has been updated again!

See below for our new books and a list of other books available.

# NEW: Lutheran Music and Meaning by Daniel Zager



# NEW: A Little Book on Prayer by Martin Luther, translated by Matthew C. Harrison

Many Christians struggle with prayer even though it's an essential part of the Christian life. "What should I pray for?" they may wonder. "How should I pray?" "What if my mind wanders?" "What if I get stuck praying the same thing every day?" When asked by his barber and good friend Peter Beskendorf for some practical guidance on how to pray, Martin Luther responded by writing this brief treatise, first published in 1535. This edition is a modern translation that brings us Luther's practical instruction, using his ITCP method: 1. Instruction; 2. Thanksgiving; 3. Confession; 4. Prayer. This method anchors prayer in the catechism or other biblical texts, but allows the Holy Spirit to prompt thoughts via the Word, which may be chased more freely by the mind at prayer. Readers will find their prayer lives refreshed and invigorated as they become more comfortable raising supplications to God.

# Paperback: \$5

# NEW: Extra Nos: Discovering Grace outside Myself by FLAME

A deeply personal account of one man's faith, *Extra Nos* recounts hip-hop Christian rapper FLAME's journey from Calvinism to Lutheranism. After a serious car accident when he was 16, FLAME dedicated his music to Christian doctrine. Follow his path of being discovered as an artist to attending Concordia Seminary. In *Extra Nos*, FLAME dissects the misguided lyrics he used to write and details the truth he found in Lutheranism. While FLAME's faith journey and life may be unique, readers will recognize the forgiveness, kindness, and healing nature of Lutheranism. Grammy-nominated FLAME has released nine albums since 2004. After three years of studying Lutheran theology at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, FLAME became confessionally Lutheran. In 2020, he was received into the Lutheran Church and proceeded to write his EP *Christ for You* on the sacraments. *Paperback: \$17* 

#### **Book Table Basics**

The Lutheran Study Bible

Hardback Edition: \$60

The Treasury of Daily Prayer

Regular Edition: \$55 | Deluxe Edition: \$85

The Lutheran Service Book

Pew Edition: \$30 | Personal/Gift Edition: \$50

Concordia: The Lutheran Confessions –

# A Reader's Edition

Hardback: \$40

#### Other Books Available

Kloria Hymn Books for Children

Board Books: \$8 | Picture Books: \$15

The Joy of Eternal Life by Paul Gerhardt

Paperback: \$40

You may pay by check or cash. Envelopes are available on the book table. Please label the envelope and/or check "book table." Book descriptions are taken from cph.org.

# This Week at Zion

Today – 9/24	Divine Service	8:00 AM
•	Sunday School / Bible Classes	9:30 AM
	Divine Service	10:45 AM
Wednesday – 9/27	Wednesday Morning Bible Class	9:30 AM
·	Confirmation Class	4:45 PM
	Senior Youth Night	6:30 PM
Thursday $-9/28$	Handbell Choir	5:30 PM
·	Adult Choir	6:30 PM
Friday – 9/29	Sew and Sews	9:30 AM
Saturday – 9/30	Confession and Absolution Service	4:30 PM
Sunday $-10/1$	Divine Service	8:00 AM
·	Sunday School / Bible Classes	9:30 AM
	Divine Service	10:45 AM

# Last Week - September 17, 2023

# **Offerings**

Fund	Last Week	Year To Date
General Fund Offerings	7,748	332,148
General Fund Budget	9,090	345,420
Difference	(1342)	(13,272)
Missions	0	396
Church Improvement Fund	790	14,410
	24896	38,389

# Attendance

Sunday 8:00 AM: 77 10:45 AM: 115 Bible Class and Sunday School: 91

Next Week - October 1, 2023

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Readings: Genesis 28:10-17, Ephesian 4:22-28, Matthew 9:1-8

**Hymns:** 611, 708, 610, 734, 609, 627, 746, 797