

Zion Evangelical-Lutheran Church of Detroit

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HOLY MASS is celebrated every Sunday and Wednesday at 10am, and on holy days as announced.

COMMUNICANTS are baptized Christians who have been instructed in and publicly confess the Evangelical-Lutheran Faith. If you desire to commune, please speak with the Pastor before approaching the Altar.

THE DIVINE OFFICE is prayed in the Chapel of the Holy Incarnation in the Rectory. **MATINS:** Daily at 8:45am (except when there is a morning Mass); **VES-PERS:** Tuesday/Thursday at 6:30pm.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION is taught every Sunday and Wednesday following Holy Mass.

SUNDAY SCHOOL for children ages 3-12 is from September through May. Lessons are Bible-story based and activities are designed to reinforce the biblical lesson.

PRIVATE ABSOLUTION is available on Saturdays from 9:15-10am and by appointment.

PASTORAL CONSULTATION based on the Holy Scriptures is available from the Pastor. An appointment is necessary.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM is for infants and adults, and may be arranged by contacting the Pastor for an appointment.

COUPLES DESIRING HOLY MARRIAGE should contact the Pastor before finalizing the wedding date. Biblical instruction in Holy Marriage is required. All marriages are conducted by the Pastor according to Zion's usual order.

NEW MEMBERS are received by Baptism, Confirmation, Transfer or Profession of Faith. Instruction in Luther's Small Catechism and Private Absolution are required for all new members. Please ask the Pastor for further details.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND are visited regularly by the Pastor with the Scriptures and Sacrament. Please contact the Parish Office if you know of any parishioner in need of pastoral visitation.

PARISH OFFICERS **DEACONS:** William Gramzow, Thomas Habitz, Jr., Michael Anderson **TRUSTEES:** Silas Gray, Paul Snoes; **PARISH EDUCATION:** Shirley Cross, Robert Kelly III, Sarah Braden **ENDOWMENT BOARD:** Fr. Mark Braden (chairman) Tom Habitz, Jr., Paul Snoes, Alan Kroske; **OFFICERS OF THE VOTERS:** Thomas Habitz, Jr. (chairman), Alan Kroske (vice-chairman), Pamela Ruffin (secretary), Paul Snoes (treasurer), Jessica Chavez (financial secretary).

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS Adult Choir, Altar Guild, Children's Choir, Jubilate Deo Women's Choir, St. Seraphim Prayer Guild, Society of St. Samuel (Altar Boys), Usher Club, Zion Endowment Board.

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"THE LORD HAS CHOSEN ZION;
HE HAS DESIRED HER AS HIS DWELLING PLACE"



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Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 16, 2018

Life Overcomes Death



Death surrounds us everywhere. It is good to know and believe, then, that Our Lord is our life and salvation. He surrounds us all the more, and gathers us at His Holy Mass with all those living and departed who trust in Him. May His grace, extended to you in today's Feast, more than supply all your wants and desires of Him.

The Theme of Today's Liturgy Daily we cry to Our Lord for His ready and constant mercy (*Introit*). Our prayer is that His grace be so plenteous that it always goes before us and follows

after us (*Collect*). Only then will we not lose heart in our trials, crosses, and heartaches (*Epistle*). For regardless of what chastening or wounds He may send, Our Lord delivers and redeems us from death (*Old Testament*). So our trust is that Our Lord not only gives what is best, but also will forsake us never (*Chief Hymn*).

The Sermon She did not seek His help. There is no evidence that she had lived a life of faith. No good works on her part are presented as proof of a Christian life. So we learn much about God from the account of the widow of Nain. The Lord sees her. He has compassion on her. He works a miracle. He turns her grief into joy. So it is that God comes to each of us. By nature we merit no attention from God other than His wrath. But He sees you. He has compassion on you. He works a miracle. He turns your grief into joy. And you too can proclaim "God has visited His people."

The Holy Eucharist The love of Our Lord is contained within His Body and Blood in the Blessed Sacrament. Here is where Our Lord approaches us and gives us the same Life he gave the dead man.

The Readings Job 5.17-27; Ephesians 3.13-21; St. Luke 7.11-17

The Hymns for Today's Mass

Processional Hymn	590
Chief Hymn	517
Offering Hymn	589
Distribution Hymns	310; 597
Retiring Processional Hymn	407

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Seventeenth Week After Pentecost

Sep 16—23

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Holy Mass for the Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost Today, 10a, Church
 Bible Study Sun, 11:30a, Undercroft
 Sunday School Sun, 11:30a, Rectory
 Matins Mon, 8:45a, Chapel
 Adult Catechesis..... Mon, 7p, Rectory
 Matins Tue, 8:45a, Chapel
 St. Michael Committee Meeting..... Tue, 6p, Rectory
Holy Mass for Ember Wednesday Wed, 10a, Chapel
 Bible Study Wed, 11a, Rectory
 Matins Thr, 8:45a, Chapel
 Vespers..... Thr, 6:30p, Chapel
 Adult Catechesis..... Thr, 7p, Rectory
Holy Mass for St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist..... Fri, 10a, Chapel
 Matins (*Ember Saturday*) Sat, 8:45a, Chapel
 Private Confession and Absolution..... Sat, 9:15a, Chapel
Holy Mass for the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost Sun, 10a, Church
 Bible Study Sun, 11:30a, Undercroft
 Sunday School Sun, 11:30a, Rectory
 St. Michael Conference Rehearsal..... Sun, 7p, Church

IN OUR PRAYERS Michael Anderson, Gloria Bailey, Nellie Bolton, Linda Buskirk, Lela Casey, Gladys Cline, Anna Dalton, Fr. Erich and the Fickel family, Henry Frey, Bill Gramzow, Nancy Gramzow, Latoya Davis Gray, Drucilla Huddleston, Florine Kaiser, Lawrence Kasner, Richard Kelly, Erika Phares and the Phares family.

GREATER DETROIT ZONE LWML FALL RALLY Sunday October 7, from 2 to 4 p.m., at Ascension of Christ Lutheran Church in Beverly Hills. All Ladies of the church are welcome to attend. Registration is \$10 due by October 4th. You can register by email at smvboyle@gmail.com or call 248-320-3413. If you wish to attend or have any questions please speak to Janet Stechholz.

GIFTS AND DONATIONS from Linda Buskirk to the St. Michael's Conference in honor of Drucilla Huddleston's birthday

THE PSALM FOR THIS WEEK IS PSALM 102. PRAY IT EVERY DAY!

When we are overwhelmed with our cross or temptation, or with the distresses and trials we endure for the sake of Christ, then we beg God both to hear our prayer and to answer us speedily (vv. 1-2). We feel as if we are about to die, as if our troubles are eating us alive, and as if everyone is lined up against us (vv. 3-11). Yet our faith and confidence is based in Our Lord's past kindnesses and in His promised mercy (vv. 12-22). So our prayer is that our God once again come through for us—that he strengthen and preserve us, that He continue His faithfulness toward us (vv. 23-28).