



ZION'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Defiance, Ohio

Holy Cross Day

Sunday, September 14, 2025 — 9:45 a.m.

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THE MINISTERS ARE THE PEOPLE

September 14, 2025 9:45 A.M. WORSHIP

Preaching
Musician
Lector:
Altar Care

Pastor Tom Zulick
Neal Deniston
Marion Hanson
Kate Frank

Ushers
Fellowship Hour
Offering Collectors

Bill & Cindy Wendell
GWOH Brunch
Cindy Wendell &
Donna Schindler

AV Team: Doug Eis, Sandy Eis, Stormy Gutman, Angela Gutman, and Shaun Holley

— We Gather To Hear God's Word —

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

GATHERING HYMN "God's Work, Our Hands" ACS Book #1000

GREETING

KYRIE Red Book Setting 8, pg. 184

HYMN OF PRAISE "This is the Feast...Worthy is Christ" Red Book Setting 4, pg. 149

PRAYER OF THE DAY

We sit

FIRST READING: **Numbers 21:4b—9**

RESPONSIVE READING: **Psalms 98:1—4**

SECOND READING: **1 Corinthians 1:18—24**

We stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Alleluia" Red Book Setting 4, pg. 151

GOSPEL: **John 3:13—17**

We sit

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HOMILY "The Wisdom of God" Pastor Tom Zulick

We stand

HYMN OF THE DAY "There in God's Garden" Red Book #342

— We Respond to God's Word —

NICENE CREED		Red Book Setting 1, pg. 105
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION		
SHARING OF THE PEACE		
<i>We sit</i>		
OFFERTORY HYMN	"Let the Vineyards"	Blue Book Setting 5, pg. 35
<i>We stand</i>		
OFFERTORY PRAYER		
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING		
SANCTUS		
EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER IV		
THE LORD'S PRAYER		Red Book Setting 4, pg. 154
<i>We sit</i>		
AGNUS DEI	"Lamb of God"	Red Book Setting 4, pg. 154
DISTRIBUTION	"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"	Red Book #335
	"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"	Red Book #324
<i>We stand</i>		
POST COMMUNION CANTICLE	"Thankful Hearts"	Blue Book Setting 5, pg. 40
POST COMMUNION PRAYER		
BLESSING		

— We Go To Live God's Word —

SENDING HYMN	"Go to the World"	ACS Book #991
DISMISSAL		

To be added to the prayer chains, please contact:
ePrayers: office@zionslutheranchurch.com

WE PRAY...For: Amy Donahue, Sandy Hupp, David Shafer, Linda Street, John Nawarskas, John Lieswyn, Shelley Anderson, Marilyn McDowell, Curtis Shafer, Carole Engel, Mary Keel, Cherie Ferguson, Becky Mohr, Mary Boals, Jessica (Kitty) Morris, Gabby Lyon, Paul and Tom Young, and the Roger Engel Family.

For the men and women of our military both here and abroad: Especially, Dan Bostelman, Scott Clippinger, Jeremy Horstman, Andrew Mullett, Zachary Price, Benjamin Mullett, Tyler Rogers, Erika Rogers, and Matthew Rogers.

THIS WEEK AT ZION'S

Sunday, Sept. 14	8:45 am	Adult Forum
	9:00 am	Sunday School (PreK—4th)
	9:45 am	Sunday Worship Service
	11:00 am	GWOH Brunch
	7:30 pm	AA Group
Monday, Sept. 15	6:00 pm	Council Meeting
	7:00 pm	Barbershoppers
Wednesday, Sept. 17	10:30 am	Dulcimers
	12:00 pm	AA Group
	6:30 pm	Christian Mystics
Thursday, Sept. 18	9:00 am	Men's Fellowship
	5:00 pm	TOPS 1811
Sunday, Sept. 21	8:45 am	Adult Forum
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	9:45 am	Sunday Worship Service
	11:00 am	SIC
	7:30 pm	AA Group

Sunday, September 7, 2025 Attendance & Collection

Attendance 67	Ministry Fund	\$2,915.00
YouTube TBD	Building Improvements	\$ 25.00

In order to meet our weekly budget guidelines, the Ministry Fund needs \$3,041.75 each week.

TODAY WE CELEBRATE the Eucharist, the meal of the baptized children of God. All who have been baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are invited at the table. White grape juice is available for those who prefer it. Indicate so by placing your right hand across your chest. Gluten-free wafers are also available.

— Announcements —

If you haven't already done so, please turn in your reservation donation for the Festival of Tables. Place in offering plate or turn in to the office. (checks made payable to Zion's.) A donation of \$15 is suggested.

From September 14th–30th we will be collecting (any size) children's underwear, diapers and socks, and (2T-6T) boys pajamas, for the "Children's Lantern Supplies of Hope Drive". Thank you for your ever generous giving.

The United Way is hosting a Pulled Pork Dinner Fundraiser on Friday, September 19th (see bulletin board in Narthex for more information).

Pantry donations needed for September are dish soap, toothpaste, and shaving cream.