



ZION'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Defiance, Ohio

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, September 7, 2025 — 9:45 a.m.

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THE MINISTERS ARE THE PEOPLE

September 7, 2025 9:45 A.M. WORSHIP

Preaching
Musician

Pastor Tom Zulick
Neal Deniston

Usher
Fellowship Hour

John Diehl
Lois Doddt &
Regina Snyder
Angela Gutman &
Marsha Leaders

Deacon:
Altar Care

Doug Eis
Karen Graf

Offering Collectors

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

"Take My Life; That I May Be"

Red Book #685

GREETING

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Glory to God"

Red Book Setting 4, pg. 148-149

PRAYER OF THE DAY

We sit

FIRST READING: **Deuteronomy 30:15—20**

RESPONSIVE READING: **Psalms 1**

SECOND READING: **Ephesians 3:14—21**

We stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"Alleluia"

Red Book Setting 4, pg. 151

GOSPEL: **Luke 14:25—33**

We sit

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HOMILY

"What is Most Important?"

Pastor Tom Zulick

We stand

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

Red Book #798

— We Respond to God's Word —

APOSTLES' CREED

Red Book Setting 1, pg. 105

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

SHARING OF THE PEACE

We sit

THE CHILDREN'S LANTERN PRESENTATION

Mr. Steve Heilshorn

OFFERTORY HYMN

"Let the Vineyards"

Blue Book Setting 5, pg. 35

We stand

OFFERTORY PRAYER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

SANCTUS

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER V

THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

We sit

AGNUS DEI

"Lamb of God"

Red Book Setting 4, pg. 154

DISTRIBUTION

"Where Charity and Love Prevail"

Red Book #359

"Oh Jesus, I Have Promised"

Red Book #810

We stand

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

"Thankful Hearts"

Blue Book Setting 5, pg. 40

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING

— We Go To Live God's Word —

SENDING HYMN

"Life High The Cross"

Red Book #660

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, 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. 7	8:45 am	Adult Forum
	9:45 am	Sunday Worship Service (Children's Lantern Presentation)
	7:30 pm	AA Group
Monday, Sept. 8	12:00 pm	Book Club
	7:00 pm	Barbershoppers
Tuesday, Sept. 9	6:00 pm	Worship & Music
Wednesday, Sept. 10	10:30 am	Dulcimers
	12:00 pm	AA Group
	4:30 pm	Pantry Distribution & Meal
	6:30 pm	Christian Mystics
Thursday, Sept. 11	9:00 am	Men's Fellowship
	5:00 pm	TOPS 1811
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 Event
	7:30 pm	AA Group

Sunday, August 31, 2025 Attendance & Collection

Attendance 54	Ministry Fund	\$ 2,745.00
YouTube 20	Building Improvements	\$ 15.00

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 —

Next Sunday, September 14th, there will be NO Fellowship Hour. Instead, immediately following worship service, GWOH is hosting a brunch (free will offering). All funds will go to The Children's Lantern. PLEASE JOIN US!!

We will be collecting supplies from September 14th–30th for the "Children's Lantern Supplies of Hope Drive". Items to collect are underwear, diapers & socks (any size) and boys pajamas (2T – 6T).

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

The Filling Homes Festival of Tables event is September 27th. SIGN UP DEADLINE IS THIS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10th

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