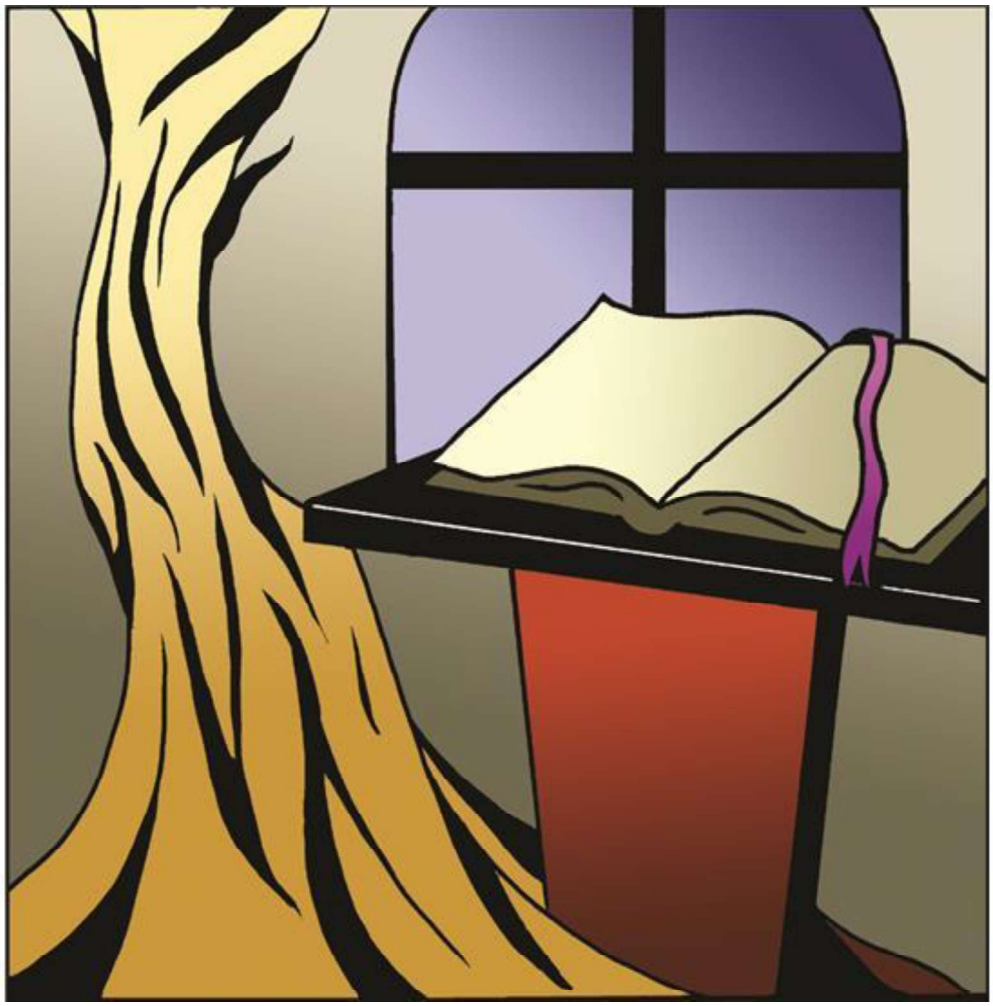


ZION'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Defiance, Ohio

Reformation Sunday

Sunday, October 25, 2026 – 9:45 a.m.

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~ This Week at Zion's ~

October 25, 2026 9:45 a.m. Worship

Preaching	Pastor Tom	Ushers	Colleen Holley & Angela Gutman
Assisting Minister	Helena Morris		
Musician	Neal Deniston	Altar Care	Sue McKibben
Lector	Vern Mullett	Fellowship Hour	Linda Hardy
Acolyte	Lucy Epple	Offering Collectors	Marsha Leaders & Sue McKibben
Crucifier	Marty Frank		

AV Team: Doug Eis, Sandy Eis, Stormy Gutman, Angela Gutman

~ We Gather To Hear God's Word ~

"Be still, and know that I am God." (Psalm 46:10)
We invite everyone to enter the sanctuary with a spirit of prayerful silence.
Let us prepare our hearts to hear God's Word without distractions.

GATHERING SONG	"We Are an Offering"	Red Book #692
INVOCATION		
COFESSION AND FORGIVENESS		
OPENING HYMN	"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"	Red Book #503
GREETING		
HYMN OF PRAISE	"Glory to God"	Red Book Setting 4, pg. 148
PRAYER OF THE DAY		
We sit		
FIRST READING: **Jeremiah 31:31-34**		
RESPONSIVE READNG: **Psalm 46**		
SECOND READING: **Romans 3:19-28**		
We stand		
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION	"Be Not Afraid"	Red Book #388
GOSPEL: **John 8:31-36**		
We sit		
HOMILY	"Freedom of the Christian"	Pastor Tom Zulick
We stand		
HYMN OF THE DAY	"The Church's One Foundation"	Red Book #654
APOSTLES CREED		Red Book Setting 1, pg. 105

~ We Respond to God's Word ~

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH		
SHARING OF THE PEACE		
We sit		
OFFERTORY HYMN	"Let the Vinyards"	Red Book Setting 5, pg. 35
OFFERTORY PRAYER		
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING		Red Book Setting 4, pg. 152
SANCTUS		Red Book Setting 4, pg. 153
EUCHARSTIC PRAYER V		
THE LORD'S PRAYER		
We sit		
AGNUS DEI	"Lamb of God"	Red Book Setting 4, pg. 154
DISTRIBUTION	"By Grace We Have Been Saved"	W&P #25
	"We All Are One in Mission"	Red Book #576
We stand		

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE	"Thankful Hearts"	Blue Book Setting 5, pg. 40
POST COMMUNION PRAYER		
BLESSING		

~ We Go To Live God's Word ~

CLOSINNG HYMN	"Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"	Red Book #843
POSTLUDE	"Go in Peace and Serve The Lord"	W&P #46

October 18, 2026 Attendance & Collection

Sunday Attendance:	63	Ministry Fund	$ 2,050.00
Youtube Views:	48	Building Fund	$ 20.00

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.

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

WE PRAY…For:

Members: John Lieswyn, Barb Jones, Linda Wagner, John Jacob, Elaine Davis, Michael Mullett, Shawn Faryniarz, and Joe Wendell.

Non-Members: Amy Donahue, Linda Street, John Nawarskas, Shelley Anderson, Curtis Shafer, Mary Keel, Julie Logan, Becky Mohr, Clara Zimmerman, Dawn Mack, J.C. Winstead, Aza Ferguson, and Kelly Jones.

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, Erika Rogers, Matthew Rogers, Evan DeTray, and J.C. Winstead.

~ Lutheran History ~

Simon and Jude, Apostles – Little is known about Simon and Jude. In New Testament lists of the apostles, Simon the "zealot" or Cananaean is mentioned, but he is never mentioned apart from these lists. Jude, sometimes called Thaddeaus, is also mentioned in lists of the Twelve. At the last supper Jude asked Jesus why he had chosen to reveal himself to the disciples but not to the world. A traditional story about Simon and Jude says that they traveled together on a missionary journey to Persia and were both martyred there.

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Sunday, Oct. 25	8:45 am	Adult Forum
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	9:45 am	Worship Service
	7:30 pm	AA Group
Monday, Oct. 26	7:00 pm	Barbershoppers
Wednesday, Oct. 28	12:00 pm	AA Group
	6:00 pm	Bell Choir
	6:00 pm	Bible Study w/Pastor Tom
Thursday, Oct. 29	9:00 am	Men's Fellowship
	5:00 pm	TOPS Group
Sunday, Nov. 1	8:45 am	Adult Forum
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	9:45 am	Worship Service
	7:30 pm	AA Group