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All Saints' Sunday – Sat., Oct. 31st, 5 p.m. & Sun., Nov. – 1st, 9 a.m.
Divine Service, Setting Three, p. 184
Hymns: 679, 941, 677, 661, 676
Sermon: "Blessed in Christ"
Text: Revelation 7:9-17; Matthew 5:1-12

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Welcome guests! We are glad that you are here and pray that you will be blessed through the hearing of Christ's Word. We invite you to fill out the card in the pew before you leave and place it in the offering plate. Please return to worship with us again!

Guests and the Lord's Supper - Out of faithfulness to our Lord's Word and in love for all those who desire to commune, we practice closed communion. Our altar is open to those baptized Christians who confess oneness with us in doctrine, are communicant members of our congregation or sister congregations of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and are not under church discipline in another congregation. **If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, please speak to Pastor Koch before approaching the altar.**

Saturday Attendance:	19	Communed:	19
Sunday Attendance:	58	Communed:	51

Weekly Amount Needed for Budget:	$4,893.27
Amount Received Last Week:	$2,344.65

THIS WEEK AT MT. ZION

BAKE SALE	SATURDAY	4:30 PM
	SUNDAY	8:30 AM
PRIVATE ABSOLUTION	SATURDAY	4:15-4:45 PM
	SUNDAY	8:15-8:45 AM
DIVINE SERVICE	SATURDAY	5:00 PM
	SUNDAY	9:00 AM
SUNDAY SCHOOL & BIBLE CLASS	SUNDAY	10:20 AM

Guest Pastors - This weekend we welcome the Rev. John Taggatz from Grace, Oak Creek (Sat.) and the Rev. Dr. Aaron Moldenhauer of Concordia Wisconsin (Sun.) to preach and lead us in divine service and Bible class. We thank them for being here and for their Word and Sacrament ministry in Pastor Koch's absence. Pastor is leading a tour in the Holy Land and will return on November 8th.

The flowers at the foot of the cross are in loving memory of all those we name in The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed. If your loved one was remembered, please see a member of the Altar Guild after the service to receive your flower.

Bible class today will be an examination of what Scripture says about shame. "Shame" captures part of the brokenness of sin connected to but different from guilt. Understanding shame helps us to understand ourselves and our God better, especially when we see that God's answer to shame is the glory of Christ with which he will crown us. This presentation will be a summary of Dr. John Kleinig's book "Shame and Glory." Please stay for this helpful study!

Pastor Koch is leading a tour to the Holy Land and Egypt. He will return on November 8th. He will be able to be reached by phone (414-795-9005) or email (pastor.koch@gmail.com). In case of emergency, Pastor Fabrizius can be reached at 414-469-4880.

Thank you to Clara Ellis who is covering secretarial duties during Sara's absence. We appreciate your help!

Thanksgiving Service - We will have our Thanksgiving service this year at 6:30 p.m. on Thanksgiving Eve, November 25th. Please be sure to set aside time to come and give thanks to our God for all His gifts to us in both body and soul.

2027 Offering Envelopes – If you received offering envelopes for 2026 but would like to switch to only online giving for 2027, please let Sara know. She will be preparing offering envelopes in early November. Thank you!

Copies of the November calendar and Daily Bible Readings are on the narthex table.

Focus on Stewardship - *Matthew 5:7 – "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy."* This is one of many Bible passages that remind us that we reap what we sow. Likewise, what God puts into us (His own love, mercy, kindness and generosity) — flows back out of us. It all starts with His self-giving.

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About Today's Readings

"A great multitude … from all tribes and peoples and languages" cry out, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne" (Rev. 7:9–17). Faith-filled saints from every place and time with unified voices eternally magnify the Lamb of God. As His beloved children, we, too, "shall see him as he is" (1 John 3:1–3). Joined with the throng of angels and myriad saints, we shall "serve him day and night in his temple" (Rev. 7:9–17). In our earthly tension vacillating between saint and sinner, faith and doubt, sacred and profane, we earnestly seek Jesus to calm our fears, comfort our spirits and forgive our sins. The Holy Spirit, through faith in Christ, propels us forward, fortifying us in Word and Sacrament, to our eternal home. In the midst of our constant struggle as believers, we need to be blessed. And so we are. The poor in spirit, the meek, the hungry, the thirsty, the merciful, the pure and the persecuted are all blessed, and we will most certainly inherit the kingdom of heaven (Matt. 5:1–12)