



Welcome

July 11 & 12, 2026

I was glad when they said to me, let us go into the house of the Lord.

Psalm 122: 1

Practice of Holy Communion

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes. Because Holy Communion is a confession of faith, which is confessed at this altar, we request that only those who are members at Zion or another LCMS congregation take part today. Please speak to a pastor if you have questions about this. The center of the tray holds non-alcoholic wine. If you would like the option of a gluten free wafer, please let pastor know before the service.

Retable flowers are given in thanksgiving for another birthday for Mark Wesson on July 14th from his loving wife, Beth Wesson.

Zion's 3rd Annual Fish Fry this **Tuesday, July 14th** at the pavilion beginning at 5:00PM. Please join us! The Elders will be joyfully frying fish for dinner. Invite your friends to enjoy an evening of fellowship and maybe some yard games.

Camp T-shirts have arrived! If you ordered camp T-shirts, please pick them up off the table in the narthex. Thank you. See you at camp 😊

Serving this Weekend

Church attendance last weekend:

Saturday: 63

Sunday: 73

Serving today:

Altar Guild: Jessica Fick

Organist: Phil Bright

Saturday Elders: Charles Smith & Troy Sova

Ushers: Kolton Tanney, Martin Gentle, Bill Kohn

Sunday Elders: Matt Fitchett & Zach Varner

Ushers: Andrew & Steve Schumacher, Aiden Boyat

Installation of Officers: This Sunday the following elected officers will be installed to serve at Zion: Vice Chairman, Greg Wirsing; Board of Elders, Alan Brown, Don Hilbrandt, Troy Sova, & Mark Treiber; Board of Trustees, Daniel Panzner & Jason Rosenbrock; Asst. Financial Chair, Brenda Jammer; Asst. Financial Secretary, Sheryl Jammer; Board of Christian Day School, Chad Bender & Barb Schoehnerr; Cemetery Committee, Dave Fritz; Board of Youth, Sullivan Whalen; Board of Parish Ed., Becky Fick; and Recording Secretary, Diana Hebel. Thank you for serving.

Steward's Corner: God's Word is clear that our good works do not save us. God saves us by grace through faith (Ephesians 2:8-9). The faith that saves us is even a gift. By the work of the Holy Spirit through Word and Sacraments, God creates in us new hearts with the desire to do good works. It is God Who enables us to do good works, and He is the one who prepares those good works for us beforehand. The Apostle Paul wrote, "We are His workmanship created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them" (Ephesians 2:10). God has good works already planned for us. These good works are God's gifts to us as they give us the opportunity to share God's love within us with others. May God continue to stir us to share His love to all people.

Versiti Blood Center of Michigan is having a Blood Drive at Williams Township Hall in Auburn on Wednesday, July 22nd, 1:30-6:00pm. You can reserve a spot by calling 866-642-5663 or visiting https://donateblood.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/11639789. Thank you for sharing some time and donation.

Immanuel Lutheran 2nd Annual Golf Outing: Immanuel Lutheran will be hosting their 2nd Annual Fellowship Classic Golf Outing on **Saturday, July 18th** at Green Hills Golf Course in Pinconning. This outing is not only a great day of golf and fellowship, but it also supports the ongoing ministry and mission of the Church and School. We would be honored to have you participate. We have online registration forms available for easy access to getting involved. Whether you're an experienced golfer or just looking for a great way to support another local faith-based community, we'd love to have you with us! If you have any questions,

please email us at communications@immanuelbaycity.com.

Golfer Registration: <https://forms.gle/nxrT2D7YBZSwsmap7> Sponsorship Form:

<https://forms.gle/M7FVG7xcczcXsDU19> Volunteer Form:

<https://forms.gle/Cq5Veqa8PkvHB59h7>

We also have a Facebook event with all the details -

<https://www.facebook.com/share/1QF2rfzBbr/>

EUCHRE! Join us to raise funds for this next year's 7/8th grade Class Trip on Saturday, July 18th at 6:30pm. Cost is \$5 per person and bring quarters for Euchres. Snacks and drinks available. RSVP to Julie List or the office.

Calendar of Events

Sat 11 Worship w/communion 5:30 PM

Sun 12 Worship w/communion 9:00 AM (*Installation of Officers*)

Sunday Morning Coffee & Cookies

Adult Bible Study

Office hours for July 13-17

Tuesday-Thursday 8:00 AM-3:00 PM

Sat 18 Outdoor Worship 5:30 PM

Holy Hops & Pops Fellowship

Euchre 6:30 PM

Sun 19 Worship 9:00 AM

Sunday Morning Coffee & Cookies

Adult Bible Study

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The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 11 & 12, 2026

Divine Service Setting Four

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Greeting Time

Those in attendance are invited to greet those seated near them. As the bell rings, please return to your seat for the opening hymn.

Ringin' of the Bell

♪ "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

LSB #549

- 1 All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all.
- 2 Crown Him, ye martyrs of our God,
Who from His altar call;
Extol the stem of Jesse's rod
And crown Him Lord of all.
Extol the stem of Jesse's rod
And crown Him Lord of all.
- 3 Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
Ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all.
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all.
- 4 Hail Him, ye heirs of David's line,
Whom David Lord did call,
The God incarnate, man divine,
And crown Him Lord of all.
The God incarnate, man divine,
And crown Him Lord of all.

- 5 Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall,
Go, spread your trophies at His feet
And crown Him Lord of all.
Go, spread your trophies at His feet
And crown Him Lord of all.
- 6 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,
On this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all.
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all.
- 7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all.
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all.

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Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 103:15–19; antiphon: v. 8

P The LORD is merciful and gracious,

C slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

P As for man, his days are like grass;

C he flourishes like a flower of the field;

P for the wind passes over it, and it is gone,

C and its place knows it no more.

P But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him,

C and his righteousness to children's children,

P to those who keep his covenant

C and remember to do his commandments.

P The LORD has established his throne in the heavens,

C and his kingdom rules over all.

C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P The LORD is merciful and gracious,

C slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Kyrie

LSB 204

♪ **C** Lord, have mercy;
Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.

1 To God on high be glory
 And peace to all the earth;
 Goodwill from God in heaven
 Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
 We praise and bless You, Father;
 Your holy name, we sing—
 Our thanks for Your great glory,
 Lord God, our heav'nly King.

2 To You, O sole-begotten,
 The Father's Son, we pray;
 O Lamb of God, our Savior,
 You take our sins away.
 Have mercy on us, Jesus;
 Receive our heartfelt cry,
 Where You in pow'r are seated
 At God's right hand on high—

3 For You alone are holy;
 You only are the Lord.
 Forever and forever,
 Be worshiped and adored;
 You with the Holy Spirit
 Alone are Lord Most High,
 In God the Father's glory.
 "Amen!" our glad reply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 55:10–13

¹⁰"For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven
 and do not return there but water the earth,
 making it bring forth and sprout,
 giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
¹¹so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
 it shall not return to me empty,
 but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
 and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.
¹²"For you shall go out in joy
 and be led forth in peace;

the mountains and the hills before you
shall break forth into singing,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

¹³Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
and it shall make a name for the LORD,
an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Romans 11:33, 36

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!
For from him and through him and to him are all things.
To him be glory forever. Amen.

Epistle

Romans 8:12–17

¹²So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. ¹³For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 7:36–50

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventh chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

³⁶One of the Pharisees asked [Jesus] to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and took his place at the table. ³⁷And behold, a woman of the city, who was a sinner, when she learned that he was reclining at table in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster flask of ointment, ³⁸and standing behind him at his feet, weeping, she began to wet his feet with

her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head and kissed his feet and anointed them with the ointment. ³⁹Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what sort of woman this is who is touching him, for she is a sinner." ⁴⁰And Jesus answering said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." And he answered, "Say it, Teacher."

⁴¹"A certain moneylender had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. ⁴²When they could not pay, he cancelled the debt of both. Now which of them will love him more?" ⁴³Simon answered, "The one, I suppose, for whom he cancelled the larger debt." And he said to him, "You have judged rightly." ⁴⁴Then turning toward the woman he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. ⁴⁵You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not ceased to kiss my feet. ⁴⁶You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. ⁴⁷Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven—for she loved much. But he who is forgiven little, loves little." ⁴⁸And he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." ⁴⁹Then those who were at table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this, who even forgives sins?" ⁵⁰And he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

- 1 Jesus sinners doth receive;
Oh, may all this saying ponder
Who in sin’s delusions live
And from God and heaven wander!
Here is hope for all who grieve:
Jesus sinners doth receive.
- 2 We deserve but grief and shame,
Yet His words, rich grace revealing,
Pardon, peace, and life proclaim;
Here our ills have perfect healing.
Firmly in these words believe:
Jesus sinners doth receive.
- 3 Sheep that from the fold did stray
No true shepherd e’er forsaketh;
Weary souls that lost their way
Christ, the Shepherd, gently taketh
In His arms that they may live:
Jesus sinners doth receive.
- 4 I, a sinner, come to Thee
With a penitent confession.
Savior, mercy show to me;
Grant for all my sins remission.
Let these words my soul relieve:
Jesus sinners doth receive.
- 5 Oh, how blest it is to know:
Were as scarlet my transgression,
It shall be as white as snow
By Thy blood and bitter passion;
For these words I now believe:
Jesus sinners doth receive.
- 6 Now my conscience is at peace;
From the Law I stand acquitted.
Christ hath purchased my release
And my ev’ry sin remitted.
Naught remains my soul to grieve:
Jesus sinners doth receive.
- 7 Jesus sinners doth receive;
Also I have been forgiven;
And when I this earth must leave,
I shall find an open heaven.
Dying, still to Him I cleave:
Jesus sinners doth receive.

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Sermon

Forgiveness: Relief from Debt & Regret

Installation of Officers (*Sunday only*)

Stand

Prayers of the Church

- For Sally Goodsell (sister of Esther Gerzeski), Roxanne and Sergii Boilore (daughter and grandson of Esther Gerzeski), Austin Huebner and family, Lee Davis, Lori Peters, Valerie Walter, Diana Mansfield (daughter of Ed & Augusta Etelamaki), Ron Murphy, Polly Oates (sister of Ed Etelamaki), Diana Hebel, Kathy Dowd (friend of Eileen Rosenbrock), Herb Leinberger, John Bartys, Wheston Behmlander (nephew of Deb Shufelt), Randy Bigford (1968 Zion Confirmation Class), Tom Kowalkowski, Valerie Satkowiak, Glenn Kohn (brother of Dean Kohn), June DuRussel, Catherine Riker, Sarah Olker (niece of Susan Klauer), Barb Gehoski, Cheryl Riske, Marian Brattin (relative of Ed & Augusta Etelamaki), Ross Koch, Susan Westphal, Bill Harrington (son of Mary Maul).

- For blessings and celebration of Shirley Atton's 94th birthday.
- For all who serve this country, here and beyond our borders.
- For those suffering with mental illness and for their loved ones.
- For peace in all war-torn countries.

Sit

Offering- To give online, go to zionauburn.com and click on the "Donate" tab.

(At this time, we ask that members as well as guests sign the pew book.)

Stewardship Verse

Luke 7:37-38 "And behold, a woman of the city, who was a sinner, when she learned that he was reclining at table in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster flask of ointment, and standing behind him at his feet, weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head and kissed his feet and anointed them with the ointment."

Stand

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 208

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 208

C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;

Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.

Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;

Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei

LSB 210

C 1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Distribution Hymns

♪ "By Grace I'm Saved"

LSB #566

- 1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and boundless;
My soul, believe and doubt it not.
Why stagger at this word of promise?
Has Scripture ever falsehood taught?
No! Then this word must true remain:
By grace you too will life obtain.
- 2 By grace! None dare lay claim to merit;
Our works and conduct have no worth.
God in His love sent our Redeemer,
Christ Jesus, to this sinful earth;
His death did for our sins atone,
And we are saved by grace alone.
- 3 By grace God's Son, our only Savior,
Came down to earth to bear our sin.
Was it because of your own merit
That Jesus died your soul to win?
No, it was grace, and grace alone,
That brought Him from His heav'nly throne.
- 4 By grace! This ground of faith is certain;
As long as God is true, it stands.
What saints have penned by inspiration,
What in His Word our God commands,
Our faith in what our God has done
Depends on grace—grace through His Son.
- 5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble,
In tribulation's furnace tried,
By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,
The Father's heart is open wide.
Where could I help and strength secure
If grace were not my anchor sure?
- 6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;
In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
For though I know my heart's condition,
I also know my Savior's voice.
My heart is glad, all grief has flown
Since I am saved by grace alone.

- 1 The tree of life with ev'ry good
In Eden's holy orchard stood,
And of its fruit so pure and sweet
God let the man and woman eat.
Yet in this garden also grew
Another tree, of which they knew;
Its lovely limbs with fruit adorned
Against whose eating God had warned.
- 2 The stillness of that sacred grove
Was broken, as the serpent strove
With tempting voice Eve to beguile
And Adam too by sin defile.
O day of sadness when the breath
Of fear and darkness, doubt and death,
Its awful poison first displayed
Within the world so newly made.
- 3 What mercy God showed to our race,
A plan of rescue by His grace:
In sending One from woman's seed,
The One to fill our greatest need—
For on a tree uplifted high
His only Son for sin would die,
Would drink the cup of scorn and dread
To crush the ancient serpent's head!
- 4 Now from that tree of Jesus' shame
Flows life eternal in His name;
For all who trust and will believe,
Salvation's living fruit receive.
And of this fruit so pure and sweet
The Lord invites the world to eat,
To find within this cross of wood
The tree of life with ev'ry good.

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Stand

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 211

- 1 O Lord, now let Your servant
Depart in heav'nly peace,
For I have seen the glory
Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles
Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people,
Your chosen Israel.
- 2 All glory to the Father,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,
God's triune name resounding
Through all eternity.

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C Amen.

♪ “On What Has Now Been Sown”**LSB #921**

1 On what has now been sown
Thy blessing, Lord, bestow;
The pow’r is Thine alone
To make it sprout and grow.
Do Thou in grace the harvest raise,
And Thou alone shalt have the praise!

2 To Thee our wants are known,
From Thee are all our pow’rs;
Accept what is Thine own
And pardon what is ours.
Our praises, Lord, and prayers receive,
And to Thy Word a blessing give.

3 O grant that each of us,
Now met before Thee here,
May meet together thus
When Thou and Thine appear
And follow Thee to heav’n, our home.
E’en so, amen, Lord Jesus, come!

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Next week’s readings: Isaiah 44:6-8, Romans 8:18-27, & Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43