

## BLESSING

The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you, God the Son save you, and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead. The holy Trinity bless you ☩ and grant you a faithful and courageous heart now and forever. **Amen.**

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name. **Amen.**

## SENDING

## BENEDICTION

**HYMN #890** — *Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory*

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the harvest.

Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** — 5 PM & 10:30 AM **Jill Sousek**

8 AM *Battle Hymn of the Republic* by Beverly Heling & Jill Sousek



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# 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

NOVEMBER 9, 2025

**WELCOME TO ZION**

**PRELUDE** — 5 PM & 10:30 AM **Jill Sousek**

8 AM *United States Service Songs* by Beverly Heling & Jill Sousek

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

*The sign of the cross ☩ may be made in remembrance of Baptism.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.  
*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Faithful God, you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life. **Amen.**

Hear the good news: God the Faithful One loves you, ☩ in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free. **Amen.**

**HYMN #888** — *O Beautiful for Spacious Skies*

## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And, also with you.**

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## MUSIC — 8 AM *This is My Country* by Beverly Heling & Jill Sousek

10:30 AM *Song for the Unsung Hero* by ZION Choir

## WORD

### FIRST READING — *Job 19:23-27a*

O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book! O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever! For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth; and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

### SECOND READING — *2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17*

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

### GOSPEL — *Luke 20:27-38*

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus and asked him a question, “Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third

married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.”

Jesus said to them, “Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## CHILDRENS' SERMON

### THE SERMON — Pastor Scott Ludford

### HYMN #887 — *This Is My Song*

## APOSTLES' CREED

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

*Petitions conclude...* name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

## THE OFFERING

### OFFERING VOLUNTARY — 5 PM Jill Sousek

8 AM *God Bless America* by Beverly Heling & Jill Sousek

10:30 AM *God Bless America* by ZION Choir

## COMMUNION

## THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### LORD'S PRAYER [TRADITIONAL]

### COMMUNION VOLUNTARY — 5 PM Jill Sousek

8 AM *America, the Beautiful  
& My Country, 'Tis of Thee* by Beverly Heling & Jill Sousek

10:30 AM *Unspoken* by ZION Choir