

SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE
OCTOBER 29, 2022
ZION LUTHERAN, TAMAQUA, PA

Note: Pastor White will ask for prayer requests at the start of this evening's service. Worshipers are also invited to add their own prayers during Prayers of the People.

GATHERING

Prelude: "Reformation Song" by Bob Kauflin and Tim Chester

Video: The Protestant Reformation in a Nutshell

Gathering Song: "A Mighty Fortress" – Reawaken Hymns

Welcome – Pastor Cindy White

Temple Talk – Michael Haspe – Zion visions

Gathering Words – Please remain seated

This is the day the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it

When we need to climb a tree to look for help, Christ proclaims,

"I am coming to your house today."

When we feel lost and have nowhere to turn, Christ assures us,

"I am coming to your house today."

Christ is coming. Christ is with us even now.

Worship the Lord with joy and praise.

Gathering prayer

Stand at your watchpost and wait for the Lord. A vision has been promised at the appointed time. It speaks of the end and does not lie. Stand at your watchpost and wait.

Let us pray together: **God of promised vision, we await your word of hope. As we stand at our watchposts, come to us in our need, for we are weary and heavy laden. As we await your reply to our pleas for mercy, respond to our longing for friendship, for we are beaten down by hatred and violence. Zeal for your endless love consumes us, even as we await the promise of our salvation. Come to our homes this day, and abide in our hearts each hour, through the glory of your Son. Amen.**

Sharing of Peace

May the Peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Godsightings:

Where have you seen God at work in your life?

THE WORD (Matthew 6:1)

Gospel reading – Please remain seated

The word of God cannot be chained.

Let us listen for that word— for it proclaims grace and love; it heals our souls.

A reading from Matthew: **6** “Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven.

The Gospel of Our Lord`

Praise to You, O Christ!

Today’s message – Pastor Cindy White

Song of Praise – “Blessed Assurance” – Alan Jackson

Praise & Prayer

The Offering Moment

Let us pray: **God of many blessings, may the offering we bring before you now be a sign of our commitment to live your vision and to share your generosity with our world. Come to us, abide in our homes, and work within these offerings, that all may know your love and justice. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

(Note: Worshipers are also invited to add their own prayers at this time.)

God calls us to be a praying people. Let us join in prayer, offering our praise, thanksgiving, and concerns to God ...

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayers

The Lord’s Prayer – Spoken

The sending

A Prayer for World Peace

Sung: “World Peace Prayer”

Benediction

And all God’s people say

Thanks be to God.