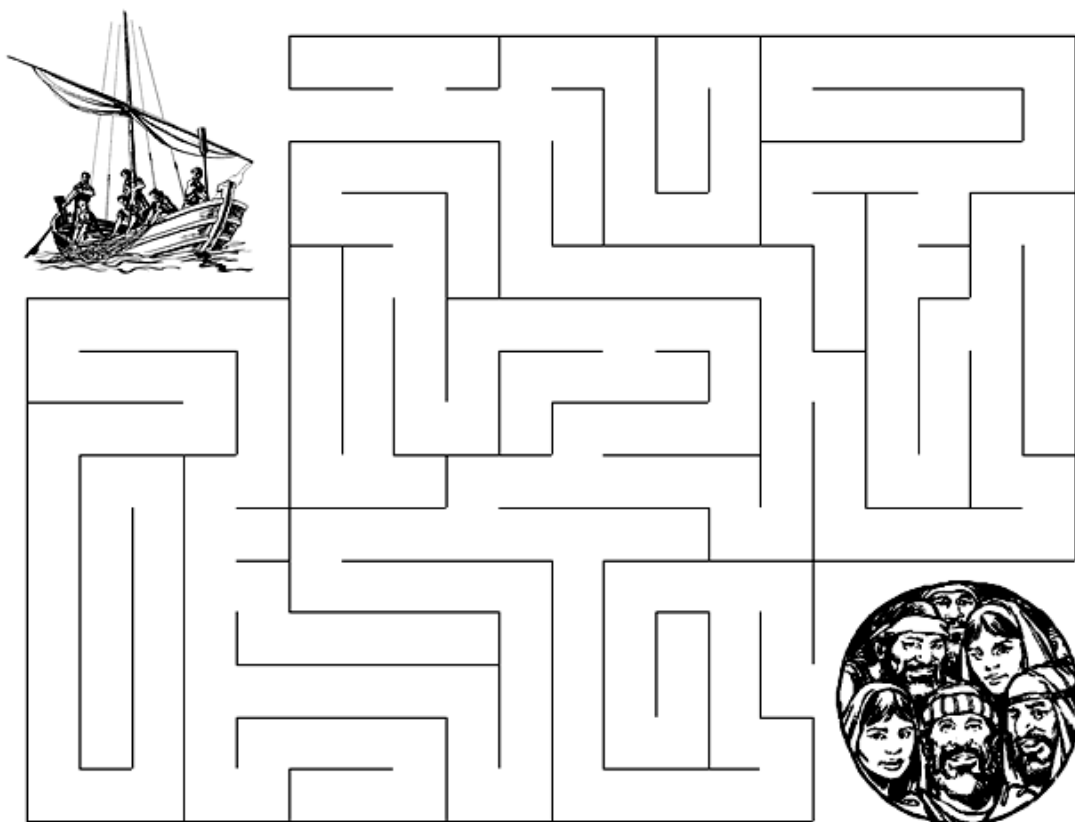
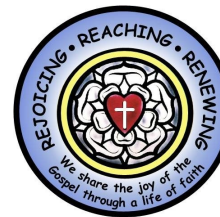


# Jesus Feeds the Multitude Maze

Help Jesus and the disciples find the way to the crowd.



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August 2, 2026 ✚ Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

*In today's first reading God invites all who are hungry or thirsty to receive food and drink without cost. Jesus feeds the hungry multitude and reveals the abundance of God. At the eucharistic table we remember all who are hungry or poor in our world today. As we share the bread of life, we are sent forth to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry.*

✚ GATHERING ✚

### Prelude

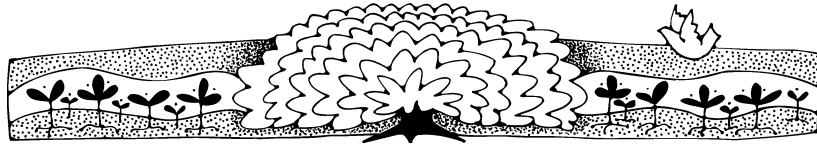
*(The prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for worship.)*

### Welcome

Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church in Albion! We offer a warm welcome to all who are worshipping in person or by way of Facebook Live. We hope that you encounter a word of God's grace and love in this worship service.

**Holy Communion** will be celebrated today. At the table of our Lord Jesus Christ, God nourishes faith, forgives sin, and calls us to be witnesses to the Gospel. All who are baptized and believe in the real presence of Christ are welcome to share in the Lord's meal. Holy Communion will be distributed in person or by pre-packaged elements. If you are uncomfortable coming forward, please pick up the communion elements as you enter worship. We will partake of the sacrament as directed by the pastor within the worship service. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak with an usher. Gluten Free wafers are available on request.





## The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

### Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

When we claim to be without sin,  
we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**But if we would confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just,  
will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Today we hear about how much God can do with even the smallest gifts.  
Let us confess our sins to our gracious and merciful God,  
who never withholds his love and forgiveness from us.

*(Silence for meditation and self-examination.)*

Most merciful God,  
**we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.**  
**We doubt we have enough to share abundantly.**  
**We forget that you can do so much with even the smallest amount.**  
**For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.**  
**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,**  
**so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,**  
**to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Our God is not mean-spirited or vengeful.  
God takes whatever we give and multiplies it for the sake of all.  
He has given us his Son to die for us  
and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins.  
As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ,  
and by his authority, I therefore declare to you  
the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father,  
and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Thanks be to God that everyone who thirsts is given water;**  
**everyone who hungers is fed; and everyone who sins is forgiven.**  
**Amen.**

Tyson Zander Coakes

Amber Coakes

Bob Coakes

Charlie Coakes

Levi Coakes

Mikayla Jaras

Roxanne Kardell

Ron Coakes

Zondee Coakes

Buddy Warner

Darlene Warner

Pauline Durre



Amen

Baby Boy

Bible

Bless

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Child of God

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## Tyson Word Search

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Oil  
Parents  
Peace  
Pray  
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Sacrament  
Sacred

Seeds  
Smiles  
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Story  
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Zion Lutheran Church





*TODAY we celebrate  
the gift of God's grace as  
Tyson Zander Coakes  
is baptized in the name of  
the Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit.*

*Tyson was born on  
Friday, April 10, 2026 at 2:29pm.  
He weighed 8lbs., 3oz.  
and was 21" long.*

*Loving Parents: Amber & Bob Coakes*

*Big Brothers:  
Charlie & Levi Coakes*

*Godmothers:  
Mikayla Jaras & Roxanne Kardell*

*Grandparents:  
Zondée & Ron Coakes  
Darlene & Buddy Warner*

*Great Grandparent:  
Pauline Durre*

*May God continue  
to bless them all with His  
abundant love and grace.*



## Opening Hymn

## All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

#461



1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad-ly; ho-ly man-na is our bread.  
2 All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers; seek-er, be a wel-come guest.  
3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth-er, Je-sus Christ is liv-ing bread.



Come from wil-der-ness and wan-d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.  
Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.  
Come from lone-li-ness and long-ing. Here in peace we have been fed.



You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.  
We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.  
Blest are those who from this ta-ble live their days in grat-i-tude.



Taste and see the grace e-ter-nal. Taste and see that God is good.  
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## Opening Litany

In the deserted places of our lives, O Lord,  
you come bringing food to satisfy our bodies and our souls.  
**You nourish us with life-giving gifts.**

In places where people are starving for food and thirsting for water,  
**you fill many mouths with something hearty to eat  
and something cool to drink.**

In places where there is a lack of faith, O Lord,  
**you feed us with the words of Scripture,**  
**which restore our faith in you.**

In places where sin leaves us lost, alone and afraid, O Lord,  
**you feed us with the bread and wine of Holy Communion.**

In places where the Gospel message has not yet been heard, O Lord,  
**you pour out your Spirit upon preachers and teachers**  
**and flow through the hearts of new believers.**

In places where anger and distrust  
 leave a bitter taste in our mouths, O Lord,  
**you pour out your love upon us and renew our joy in serving you.**

In all the places, O Lord, where you satisfy hunger and quench thirst,  
**may we rejoice greatly and shout out with thanksgiving.**

Praise be to you, O Lord, for you made streams in the wilderness  
 and brought forth fruit from dry ground.  
**Praise be to you, O Lord,**  
**for the miracle of life and the gifts that sustain it! Amen.**

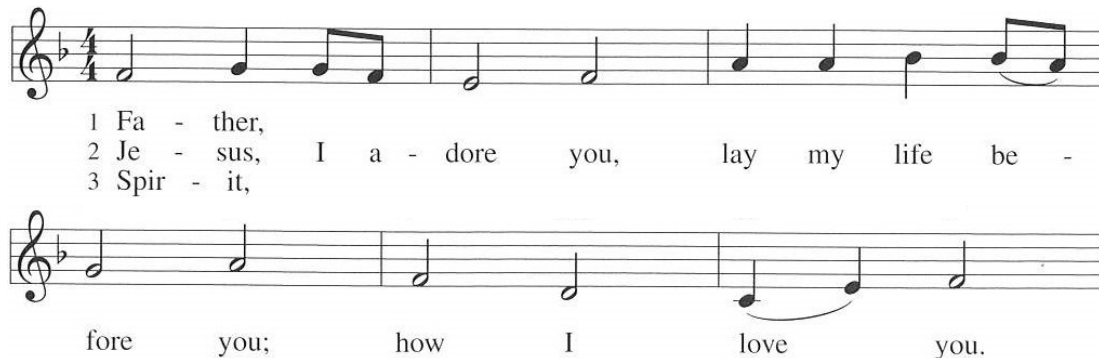
### Apostolic Greeting

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.**

### Hymn of Praise

#### *Father, I Adore You*

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### Sending Hymn

#### *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

#674



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a shout of joy:  
 2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he sets the tone,  
 3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.  
 teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.  
 gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im - man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where!

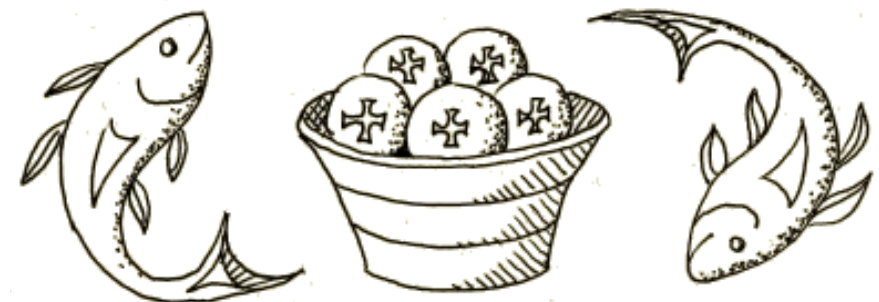


Je - sus lives a - gain, earth can breathe a - gain, pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

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### Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**







so when you call your fam-'ly, Lord, we fol - low and re - joice.  
 that you should count us wor-thy, Lord, to share this heav'n-ly food.  
 Do not one cup, one loaf, de-clare our one - ness in the Lord?  
 whom all the world can - not con-tain comes in our hearts to dwell.  
 to serve each oth - er in your name in truth and char - i - ty.

### Table Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ,  
 strengthen you and preserve you unto eternal life. **Amen.**

### Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray... *(A brief silence is kept.)*

Compassionate God,  
**through the gifts of bread and wine**  
**our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.**  
**Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,**  
**may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.**  
**We ask this in the name of Jesus,**  
**through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever. Amen.**

✠ SENDING ✠

### Announcements

### Benediction

God all mighty, God most merciful,  
 bless us, keep us, and grant us peace.  
 In the name of the Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**



### Prayer of the Day

Let us pray... *(A brief silence is kept.)*

Glorious God,  
**your generosity waters the world with goodness,**  
**and you cover creation with abundance.**  
**Awaken in us a hunger for the food**  
**that satisfies both body and spirit,**  
**and with this food fill all the starving world;**  
**through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

✠ WORD ✠

### First Reading

Isaiah 55:1-5

*God invites Israel to a great feast at which both food and drink are free. God also promises to make an everlasting covenant with all peoples, with promises that previously had been limited to Israel. As David was a witness to the nations, these nations shall now acknowledge the ways in which God has glorified Israel.*

*A reading from Isaiah.*

<sup>1</sup>Ho, everyone who thirsts,  
 come to the waters;  
 and you that have no money,  
 come, buy and eat!  
 Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.  
<sup>2</sup>Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,  
 and your labor for that which does not satisfy?  
 Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,  
 and delight yourselves in rich food.  
<sup>3</sup>Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live.  
 I will make with you an everlasting covenant,  
 my steadfast, sure love for David.  
<sup>4</sup>See, I made him a witness to the peoples,  
 a leader and commander for the peoples.  
<sup>5</sup>See, you shall call nations that you do not know,  
 and nations that do not know you shall run to you,  
 because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel,  
 for he has glorified you.  
**The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21**

*Let us read Psalm 145 responsively.*

<sup>8</sup>The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
<sup>9</sup>**LORD, you are good to all,  
and your compassion is over all your works.**

<sup>14</sup>The Lord upholds all those who fall  
and lifts up those who are bowed down.  
<sup>15</sup>**The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD,  
and you give them their food in due season.**

<sup>16</sup>You open wide your hand  
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.  
<sup>17</sup>**You are righteous in all your ways  
and loving in all your works.**

<sup>18</sup>You are near to all who call upon you,  
to all who call upon you faithfully.  
<sup>19</sup>**You fulfill the desire of those who fear you;  
you hear their cry and save them.**

<sup>20</sup>You watch over all those who love you,  
but all the wicked you shall destroy.  
<sup>21</sup>**My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD;  
let all flesh bless God's holy name forever and ever.**

**Second Reading**

Romans 9:1-5

*This begins a new section in Paul's letter in which he will deal with the place of Israel in God's saving plan. He opens by highlighting how Israel's heritage and legacy include being God's children, having God's covenants, being given God's law, participating in worship of God, and receiving divine promises.*

*A reading from Romans.*

<sup>1</sup>I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—<sup>2</sup>I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. <sup>3</sup>For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. <sup>4</sup>They are Israelites, and to them belong the

Leader or All



Our Lord's bod - y let us take to - geth - er,  
Je - sus' blood poured let us drink to - geth - er,  
In the pres - ence of our Lord we gath - er,  
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**Distribution Hymn**      *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart*      #484

Refrain



You sat - is - fy the hun - gry heart with gift of fin - est wheat.



Come give to us, O sav - ing Lord, the bread of life to eat.



- 1 As when the shep-herd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice;
- 2 With joy - ful lips we sing to you our praise and grat - i - tude
- 3 Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ out-poured?
- 4 The mys - t'ry of your pres-ence, Lord, no mor - tal tongue can tell:
- 5 You give your-self to us, O Lord; then self - less let us be,

*The Hymn continues on the next page.*

**Agnus Dei**

**Lamb of God**

*Family of God*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace. Grant us peace.

**Distribution**

If you are joining us from home or are taking communion from your seat:  
*The body of Christ, given for you. Amen.*  
*The blood of Christ, shed for you. Amen.*

**Distribution Hymn**

**Come, Let Us Eat**

#491

Leader or All

1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,  
2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,  
3 In Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest,  
4 Rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word,

All

come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.  
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in Je - sus' pres - ence now we meet and rest.  
rise, then, to spread a - broad God's might - y word.

adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; <sup>5</sup>to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Alleluia Verse**

*Family of God*

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! The Lord\_ our\_ God be  
blessed! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Your Word\_ brings\_ righ - teous-ness. With  
all your works, we praise you! Ex - alt your Name for - ev - er! Al - le -  
lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Sing al - le - lu - ia!

**Holy Gospel**

Matthew 14:13-21

*After John the Baptist is murdered, Jesus desires a time of solitude. Still, his compassion for others will not allow him to dismiss those who need him, and he is moved to perform one of his greatest miracles.*

*The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 14<sup>th</sup> Chapter.*  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup>Now when Jesus heard [about the beheading of John the Baptist], he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. <sup>14</sup>When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. <sup>15</sup>When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for

themselves.”<sup>16</sup> Jesus said to them, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.”<sup>17</sup> They replied, “We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.”<sup>18</sup> And he said, “Bring them here to me.”<sup>19</sup> Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds.<sup>20</sup> And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full.<sup>21</sup> And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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

## Children’s Time Sermon

### Baptismal Hymn

### Borning Cry

#732



1 “I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I’ll be there when you are old.  
2 “When you heard the won - der of the Word I was there to cheer you on;  
3 “In the mid - dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no lon - ger young,



I re - joiced the day you were bap - tized to see your life un - fold.  
you were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long.  
I’ll be there to guide you through the night, com - plete what I’ve be - gun.



I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;  
If you find some - one to share your time and you join your hearts as one,  
When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you shut your wea - ry eyes,



in a blaze of light you wan - dered off to find where de - mons dwell.”  
I’ll be there to make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun.”  
I’ll be there as I have al - ways been, with just one more sur - prise.”

Great is the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

God of all who struggle,

you wrestled with Jacob until daybreak.

Open the eyes of all who fight all night,

to learn if their battle is indeed with you.

Visit the hearts of any who limp because of an old wound,

to understand if that wound was part of your redemption.

As you gave Jacob a new name,

and as in baptism you seal each one of us with your name

as your adopted children,

bless those who search to find their true identity

or to discover who you truly want them to be.

Come among all who are oppressed,

that they may see you face to face and in you find life and hope,

until the day when your glory is fully revealed

and you are all in all, ever one God,

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, our living Lord. **Amen.**

### Lord’s Prayer

*Let us pray together as Jesus taught us...*

**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,**

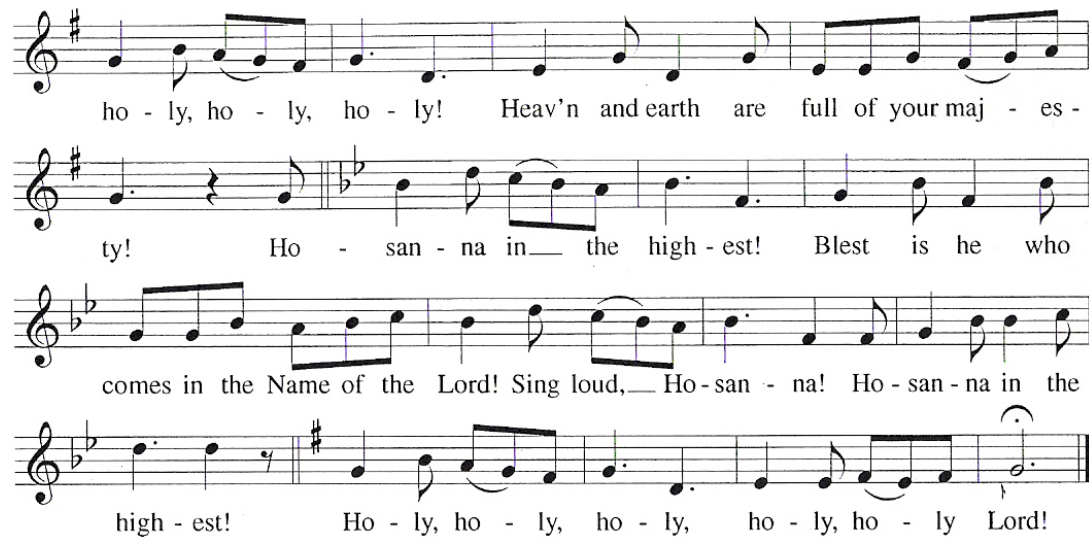
**but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,**

**forever and ever. Amen.**







### Eucharistic Prayer & Words of Institution

Out of nothing, God of mercy, you made your creation;  
 and out of slavery and wilderness you called your chosen people.  
 Out of flesh and blood and dust and ashes  
 you summon us to be your church.  
 Send your Holy Spirit upon us now,  
 that we may become holy, even as you are holy.  
 Sanctify this bread and wine,  
 that they may transform our hearts and minds and souls and voices  
 as they become for us the body and blood  
 of your blessed Son our Lord;  
 who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks;  
 broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying:  
*"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
 do this in remembrance of me."*  
 After supper he took the cup.  
 Again, he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying,  
*"Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant,  
 which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
 Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."*



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### ✠ LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

#### The Sacrament of Holy Baptism for *Tyson Zander Coakes*

In Baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death  
 by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
 We are born children of a fallen humanity;  
 by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God  
 and made members of the church, the body of Christ.  
 Living with Christ and in the communion of saints,  
 we grow in faith, love and obedience to the will of God.

*Parents & Godparents:*

We present ***Tyson Zander Coakes*** for Holy Baptism.

Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God,  
 do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ?

*Parents:* We do.

As you bring your child to receive the gift of baptism,  
 you are entrusted with responsibilities:  
 to live with him among God's faithful people,  
 bring him to the word of God and the Holy Supper,  
 teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,  
 place in his hands the Holy Scriptures,  
 and nurture him in faith and prayer,  
 so that your child may learn to trust God,

proclaim Christ through word and deed,  
care for others and the world God made,  
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help your child grow in the Christian faith and life?  
*Parents:* We do.

Godparents, do you promise to nurture ***Tyson Zander*** in the Christian  
faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit and to help him  
live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?  
*Godparents:* We do.

People of God, do you promise to support ***Tyson Zander***  
and pray for him in his new life in Christ?  
**We do.**

### Profession of Faith

I ask you all to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin,  
and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?  
**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?  
**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?  
**I renounce them.**

Do you believe in God the Father?  
**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?  
**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell.  
On the third day he rose again;**

✠ MEAL ✠

### Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God,  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**



### Proper Preface

It is our delight and our privilege  
to lift our hearts to you, our Lord and God,  
because in this Eucharistic feast  
you give us the pattern of our salvation.  
In the inadequacy of loaves and fishes  
we see our paltry offerings from the gift of your creation;  
but just as in incarnation, cross, and resurrection  
you took, and blessed, and broke,  
and shared our human nature in Jesus,  
so he took, and blessed, and broke,  
and shared the loaves and fish  
to be an overwhelming banquet of glory for your hungry people.  
Through the abundance of twelve baskets left over  
you restore Israel's twelve tribes to service in your kingdom,  
and you invite us to share your feast, with angels and archangels,  
and all the company of heaven,  
singing the hymn of your unending praise.

### Sanctus

***Holy, Holy, Holy***

*Family of God*



*The Sanctus continues on the next page.*

*Jesus loves YOU! this we know, for the Bible tells us so;  
little ones to him belong, they are weak but he is strong.  
Yes, Jesus loves YOU, yes, Jesus loves YOU,  
yes, Jesus loves YOU, the Bible tells us so.*

Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you always.  
And also with you.

✠ OFFERING ✠

Offering Response

Family of God

1. Your vine - yards, O the Lord, may and they  
(2.) gath - er the hopes and the

bear fruit for you. Please fill our cup full of your  
dreams of all here; U - nite them in pray'r with these

bles - ing, we pray. And gath - er a har - vest from  
of - f'rings we bring. Pre - side at our ta - ble, and

what you have sown, That we may be fed with the  
grant us, we pray, A fore - taste of your prom - ised

bread of life. 2. Now come. A - men.

he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Prayers of the People

P With bold trust in God's unfailing provision,  
we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.  
*A brief silence.*

A For your church in every place,  
that it satisfies those who hunger for your word.  
Bless the ministry of readers, translators, Bible study leaders,  
and writers, that God's word is broken open and shared with all.  
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

P For your wondrous creation and all the bounty it provides,  
that your creatures are fed and nourished.  
Bless the work of farmers, farmworkers, those who fish,  
and all whose labor brings your abundance to our tables.  
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

A For your children in every nation,  
that they learn to love justice and live in harmony.  
As this week we remember the atomic bombings  
of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, keep us mindful of the horrors of war;  
draw our hearts instead toward your reign of love, hope, and peace.  
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

P For all who cry out with great sorrow and unceasing anguish,  
that they are comforted. Feed all who struggle with food insecurity;  
have mercy on all who are suffering in body, mind, and spirit,  
*especially...*  
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

A For this congregation, that it bears faithful witness  
to the abundance and joy of life in you.  
Bless all your faithful people gathered here,  
that they may become blessings for this community.  
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

P Here other intercessions may be offered either aloud or in silence.  
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

A With thanksgiving for the faithful who now rest in your mercy,  
that their witness continues to inspire the church.  
By their example, may we trust your promises in life and in death.  
Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

P Receive our prayers and answer, O God, as you have promised.  
All this we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

### **Thanksgiving at the Font**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We give you thanks, O God,  
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters  
and by your Word you created the world,  
calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood  
you delivered Noah and his family,  
and through the sea you led your people Israel  
from slavery into freedom.

At the river your Son was baptized by John  
and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free  
from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word,  
that those who are washed in the waters of baptism  
may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
now and forever. **Amen.**

**Tyson Zander Coakes** is baptized in the name of the Father,  
and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen. Tyson Zander, you belong to Christ,  
in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia.**

Let us pray. *(A brief silence is kept.)*  
We give you thanks, O God,  
that through water and the Holy Spirit  
you give your daughters and sons new birth,  
cleanse them from sin and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain **Tyson Zander** with the gift of your Holy Spirit:  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and might,  
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,  
the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

**Tyson Zander**, child of God,  
you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit  
and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

Council Rep.: Jesus said, I am the light of the world.  
Whoever follows me will have the light of life.  
Let your light so shine before others  
that they may see your good works  
and glorify your Father in heaven.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.  
**We welcome you into the body of Christ  
and into the mission we share:  
join us in giving thanks and praise to God  
and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**