All members are invited to participate in a conversation about the **"Future Direction of Wayne Zion"**. *(All meetings will follow church service in the Social Hall during fellowship)*

First Town Hall Meeting ~**November 8th** - Introduction and Define "Traditional"

Second Town Hall Meeting ~**November 22nd** - Status and Direction of the ELCA and the Challenges of Finding a Traditional Pastor in the ELCA

Third Town Hall Meeting ~**December 6th** - What are Our Alternatives?

Fourth Town Hall Meeting ~**December 13th** - Straw Poll Regarding Direction



See Social Hall bulletin board for needs this month

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE/LESSON



Seeking members on the second Sunday of each month to share God's message with our children. See clipboard in entryway.

TRANSITION PRAYER GROUP/TEAM

All members can join the prayer group/team following worship every Sunday morning in the sanctuary praying for the call committee, council, staff and Pastor Phil Jorgensen as he provides pulpit supply.



Begins Sunday
November 22nd



Watch for the Giving Tree

Correct contact 319 350-3504 for Rhonda Michels

WAYNE ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

November 8, 2026

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Guest Pastor: Catherine Burroughs
Ministers: All Members

INTRODUCTION

Today the prophet Amos calls for justice to roll down like waters. Paul urges us to encourage one another with the promised coming of the Lord. Jesus tells the parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids. Surrounded by the faithful of every time and place, we celebrate Christ's coming in our midst in the word of life and the feast of victory—the marriage feast of the Lamb.

* *Denotes the invitation to stand as you are able.*

PRELUDE ***My Country, 'Tis of Thee*** *PD* Men of the Church
Steve Carlson, director and Mark Dirks, guitar

GATHERING

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** **P. 94**

GATHERING SONG
Blessed Assurance st. 1 *PD* **ELW 638**
Pete Temple, accompanist

GREETING and *Kyrie* **P. 147**
Canticle of Praise **P. 148**

PRAYER OF THE DAY Today's Readings Insert

WORD

FIRST READING Amos 5:18-24 Kathy Harms, lector
Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 70 *the congregation will speak the bold verses*

SECOND READING 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

*** GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** **P. 151**

*** GOSPEL** Matthew 25:1-13
Glory to You, O Lord.
Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Kathy Harms

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY
Blessed Assurance st. 2 *PD* **ELW 638**

*** APOSTLES' CREED** **P. 105**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION
God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

PEACE

NOISY COIN OFFERING

*** PRESENTATION OF OFFERING**
Praise and Thanksgiving st. 3 *OL#13262* **ELW 689**

*** OFFERTORY PRAYER**

*** LORD'S PRAYER** **P. 154**

SENDING

*** BLESSING**

SENDING SONG
Blessed Assurance st. 3 *PD* **ELW 638**

DISMISSAL
Go in peace. Encourage one another.
Thanks be to God.

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**HONORING ALL
WHO HAVE SERVED**

THANK YOU!

Prayer Requests

Paul Siebels, Kay Jamison, Jean Kuehl, Nic Moine's mom, Ed Green, John Blessman, friend of John Lacock's, Ivan Eden, Ron Andreesen, Merwyn Scheckel, Carlene Sievertsen's husband, Junelle Benter, Mark Hein, Carol and Glenn Hein, John Leytem, Shawn's dad, Sharon Hall, Kay Kuhns, Linda Siebels, Kalinda Stadtmueller, Sandy Jensen, Stephen Ministers and their care receivers and others we name in our hearts and known to our Lord who suffer.

Military: Zach Yates and Dalton Holub

HAPPENINGS AT WAYNE ZION

November 9 1:00 pm Staff Meeting
November 10 6:30 pm Council Meeting
November 11 6:00 pm Confirmation and Youth Group
6:45 pm Bell Choir
November 12 9:00 am Jones County Moms Group
6:30 pm Table Talk @ Lubben's Winery
November 15 8:00 am Bible Study
9:00 am Communion Service
10:15 am Children's Music
10:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Adult Choir
November 16 1:00 pm Staff Meeting
November 17 9:00 am Useful Hands (Quilting Group)
November 18 6:00 pm Confirmation and Youth Group
6:45 pm Bell Choir
November 19 *Newsletter Articles Due*
November 22 8:00 am Bible Study
9:00 am Worship Service
10:00 am Town Hall Meeting #2
10:15 am Children's Music
10:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Adult Choir

Lighting The Way
A Memorial Luminary Tribute
Saturday, December 5th, 2026
4-7 pm
City Hall sidewalk (200 E. First Street)
Luminary bags with the details are located in the Social Hall