PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

In our Hearts and Prayers: Leah Heiman (daughter of Rhonda Behrends), Vernell Helm, Jim O'Neal, Bobbie Schonaerts, our homebound and in senior living, our Fredericksburg community, our nation, and the military.

The November Special Concern is Tunnel to Towers Foundation. They have been helping America's heroes by providing mortgage-free homes to Gold Star and fallen first responder families with young children and by building specially-adapted smart homes for catastrophically injured veterans and first responders.

Estate Planning Symposium set for November 10…William Mumfrey, CPA, a local lawyer, will present a free symposium on Estate Planning at Zion on Tuesday, November 10 at 10am in the Fellowship Hall. The symposium will end at 12 noon followed by a light lunch. The seminar will include a discussion on Trusts, Power of Attorney, the importance of Guardianship directives and the need to plan that what you earned in life will go to those you wish to inherit. Please RSVP to Christi at 830-997-2195 if you are planning to stay for lunch.

Thank you for your contributions of $1,668. **Attendance:** 84

ASSISTANT & LECTOR – Rhonda Behrends (Robert Menking – names)

USHERS – Perry & Cris Strackbein, Dan & Judy McGookey, Donna Oehler, Sandy Schmidtzinsky (Acolyte – usher)

MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK

TODAY – Nov 1	10:15am	Adult SS – Adult SS Rm & Youth SS – Fell Hall
	2:00pm	***Der Stadt Friedhof Dedication – Cemetery***
MON – Nov 2	**10:00am**	**Sarnecki Funeral & Reception**
	6-9:00pm	*Astronomers Mtg – Fell Hall*
TUES – Nov 3	5:30pm	Choir Practice
WED – Nov 4	**8:00am**	**Men's Breakfast – Adult SS Rm**
	9:00am	**WELCA Bible Study – Conf Rm**
	6:00pm	**Worship Mtg – Sanctuary**
		NO Parish Ed Mtg & NO Property Mtg
THURS – Nov 5	*9:30am*	*Heritage Place Communions*
	10:30am	*Enchanted Rock Communions*
FRI – Nov 6	**6-9:00am**	**Turkey Prep – Kitchen**
SAT – Nov 7	**8-5:00pm**	**Thanksgiving Meal Prep – Kitchen**
SUN – Nov 8	9:00am	Worship with Communion
	10:15am	Youth SS – Youth Choir Rm & NO Adult SS
	10:15am	**2nd Sunday Group Gathering – Library**
	11:00am	**Thanksgiving Meal – Fell Hall (FREE)**



ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
Fredericksburg, Texas

All Saints Sunday – November 1, 2026

Video on Zion's YouTube Channel at 9:00AM

(go to www.zion-lutheran.com/youtube)
Broadcast on KNAF (910AM) at 10:30AM

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Pianist – Sheri Robinson; Choir Director – Rhonda Behrends

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P=Presider **R=Responses** *Please stand, as you are able

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We exist to share the Joy of Jesus by providing multiple opportunities for all people to encounter God through diverse worship, authentic love and intentional acts of service. We Share the Joy. We Worship, Love and Serve.

GATHERING

Before worship, you are invited to light one votive candle in memory of your loved ones….they are located up front near the baptismal font.

BELLS AND WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *"Precious Memories"* by J.B.F. Wright & Lonnie B. Combs
"Precious Lord, Take My Hand" by George N. Allen & Thomas A. Dorsey

***GATHERING HYMN** *"For All the Saints"* (vs.1,3,4,5,7) **HYMN NO. 422**

**For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine,
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
and hearts are brave again and arms are strong.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful servants cometh rest;
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897

SENDING

***BENEDICTION**

P The holy Trinity, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God, today and always.

R Amen.

***SENDING HYMN** *"All Hail the Power of…"* (vs.1,2,4,5,6) **HYMN NO. 634**

**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.**

**O seed of Israel's chosen race now 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.**

**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.**

**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.**

**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.**

Text: Edward Perronet, 1726-1792, sts. 1-4; J. Rippon, *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787, sts. 5-6

***DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Encourage one another.

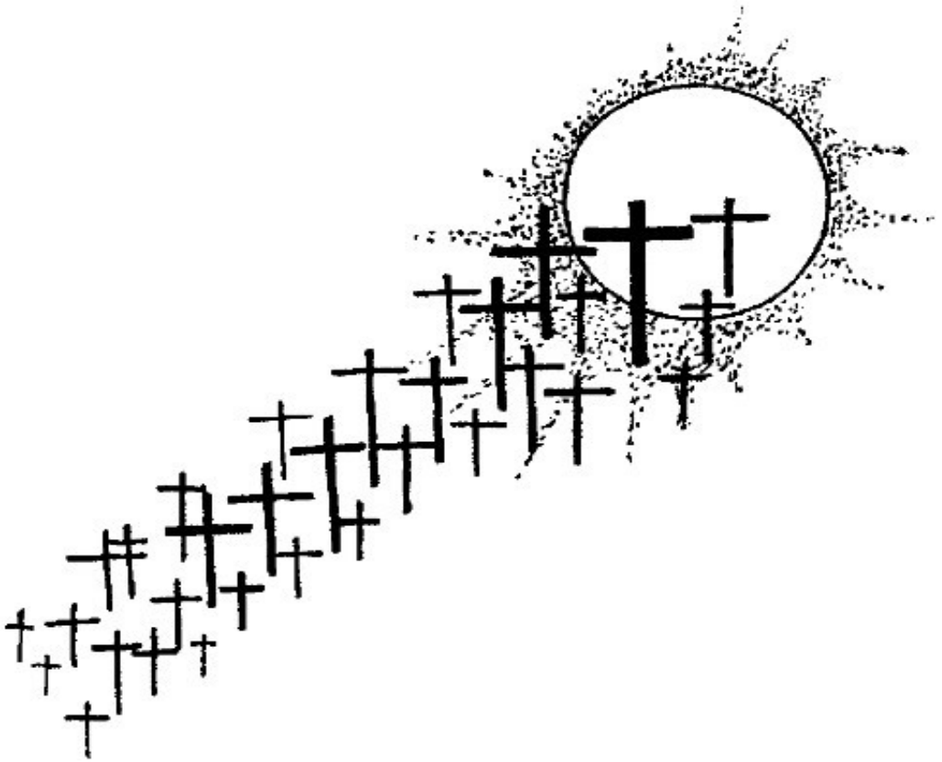
R Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *"When the Saints Go Marching In"* by Virgil O. Stamps & Luther G. Presley

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(List of names read while Sheri plays softly.)

"Shall We Gather at the River" by Robert Lowry
"Near to the Heart of God" by Cleland B. McAfee
"Kum Ba Yah" ~Traditional African Spiritual
"One Day" by Charles H. Marsh & J. Wilbur Chapman



***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A Holy God, we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever.

R Amen.

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (based on Revelation 1:4-8)

A Grace and peace to you from the one who is,
R who always was, and who is still to come;
A from the sevenfold Spirit before his throne; and from Jesus Christ.
R He is the faithful witness to these things,
A the first to rise from the dead,
R and the ruler of all the kings of the world.
A All glory to him who loves us
and has freed us from our sins by shedding his blood for us.
R He has made us a Kingdom of priests for God his Father.
A All glory and power to him forever and ever! Amen.
R Look! He comes with the clouds of heaven.
A And everyone will see him—even those who pierced him.
And all the nations of the world will mourn for him.
R Yes! Amen!
A "I am the Alpha and the Omega—the beginning and the end,"
says the Lord God.
R "I am the one who is, who always was,
and who is still to come—the Almighty One."

***HYMN OF PRAISE** *(Sung)* **HYMNAL p. 149**

A This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

R Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray…Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

R Amen.

ALL SAINTS DAY RECOGNITION

P We honor the memories of those saints of Zion Lutheran Church who went to be with the Lord since last All Saint's Day.

(Ring bell & light a candle for each name)

THEODORE LEE SULTEMEIER
Mar 24, 1942—Jan 20, 2026
STANLEY EWALD ERNST
Jun 7, 1935—Feb 1, 2026
KAREN JANE SNOWDEN
Oct 15, 1952—Feb 15, 2026
ELFRIEDE MARTHA RAGLAND
Aug 29, 1929—Mar 5, 2026
EMMA ADILA STOTZ
Dec 25, 1925—Mar 28, 2026
KATHRIN TEWICH
Jun 12, 1936—Apr 24, 2026
MONTYNNE DOWNS BROWN
Sept 26, 1937—May 25, 2026
RONALD KEITH GANT
Apr 24, 1953—Aug 11, 2026
RUTH MATHILDA SARNECKI
Jan 8, 1930—Oct 19, 2026

P We rejoice for those saints of Zion Lutheran Church baptized in the last year.

OTTO LANGFORD SMITH
Born: July 19, 2023 Baptized: Apr 26, 2026
JOHANNES FREDERICK SMITH
Born: July 23, 2025 Baptized: Apr 26, 2026
EVERETT CHARLES EGLY
Born: Feb 19, 2026 Baptized: Aug 16, 2026
RHYS EVERETT LABRIE
Born: Aug 30, 2026 Baptized: Oct 18, 2026

P Here is a call for the endurance of the saints, those who keep the commandments of God

R and hold fast to the faith of Jesus.

P And I heard a voice from heaven saying, "Write this: Blessed are the dead who from now on die in the Lord."

R "Yes," says the Spirit, "they will rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them."

*HYMN *"Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!"* (vs.2) HYMN NO. 413

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.
Text: Reginald Heber, 1783-1826, alt.

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

R 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

*DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

All are welcome to share the body and blood of Jesus that are present in the bread and wine of communion. If you do not wish to participate, you may still come forward for a blessing. **If you desire a gluten free wafer and/or white grape juice, please hold up two fingers to the server.**



***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

A Let us confess our faith, the faith in which we baptize, in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

R I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. 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. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

God in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

MEAL

OFFERING *"When They Ring Those Golden Bells"* by Dion de Marbelle

*** THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** *(Spoken)*

P The Lord be with you.

R And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

R We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is our duty and delight…join their unending hymn:

SPECIAL MUSIC *"Fly Away Medley"* arr. By Mosie Listor ***Chancel Choir***

***PEACE**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R And also with you.

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING Revelation 4:1-11

After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this." 2 At once I was in the spirit,[a] and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! 3 And the one seated there looks like jasper and carnelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. 4 Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. 5 Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God, 6 and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal. Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and back: 7 the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. 8 And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing,

"Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was and is and is to come."
9 And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, 10 the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives forever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing, 11 "You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."

L The Word of the Lord.

R Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Revelation 5:1-14

Then I saw in the right hand of the one seated on the throne a scroll written on the inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals, 2 and I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" 3 And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it. 4 And I began to weep bitterly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. 5 Then one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep. See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David,

has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals." [6] Then I saw between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders a Lamb standing as if it had been slaughtered, with seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. [7] He went and took the scroll from the right hand of the one who was seated on the throne. [8] When he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell before the Lamb, each holding a harp and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. [9] They sing a new song: "You are worthy to take the scroll and to break its seals, for you were slaughtered and by your blood you ransomed for God saints from every tribe and language and people and nation; [10] you have made them a kingdom and priests serving our God, and they will reign on earth." [11] Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, [12] singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" [13] Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" [14] And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

L The word of the Lord.

R Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



P The holy gospel according to Revelation, the 22nd Chapter.

R Glory to you, O Lord.

***GOSPEL Revelation 22:1-7, 16-21**

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb [2] through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month, and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. [3] Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the

Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; [4] they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. [5] And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever. [6] And he said to me, "These words are trustworthy and true, for the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place." [7] "See, I am coming soon! Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book." [16] "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." [17] The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. [18] I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to that person the plagues described in this book; [19] if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away that person's share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book. [20] The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! [21] The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

P The gospel of the Lord.

R Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON *"Revelation"* ***Rev. Jonathan Mollenkopf***

***HYMN OF THE DAY** *"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"* **HYMN NO. 631**

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n, to earth come down!
Fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, oh, breathe thy loving Spirit into ev'ry troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit; let us find thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty, to deliver; let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee!
Changed from glory into glory, till in heav'n we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise!