

The Messenger

The Monthly Newsletter of Zion Lutheran Church, Columbus, WI



Worship Times:

Thursday Evening 6:30 PM

Sunday Morning 8:00 & 10:30 am

Sunday Bible Class and Sunday School 9:15 am

Holy Communion

Often we have a hard time believing that we are loved. Men and women who have a keen awareness of their flaws will wonder if anyone can really love them. So we have a need to not only hear that we are loved, but also to receive tangible assurance of that love.



If we need that assurance from our fellow human beings, how much more do we need that assurance in our relationship to God?

God knows us so well. He knows how we feel. He knows what we need. Not only does he tell us in his Word that he loves us, he also gives us personal assurance of that love.

How does he do that? He does so in what Christians call *Holy Communion* or *The Lord's Supper*. In this special meal Jesus gives us bread that isn't just bread. He tells us, "This is my body." He also gives us wine to drink that isn't just wine. He says, "This is my blood."

Now before anyone gets grossed out, this isn't some kind of weird cannibalism. It's

bread and wine that looks, smells, and tastes like bread and wine. Yet, in a way that we can't perceive or comprehend, Jesus tells us that with the bread and wine, his body and blood are really present in this Supper.

Here's why this is such a great gift. You may think, "I know that Jesus forgives all those other people out there, but I'm not really sure that he can forgive me." In Holy

Communion, Jesus comes to you personally and says, "I love you. Your sins are all forgiven. You want proof? Here's the price I

paid for you on the cross. This is my body which was sacrificed for you. This is my blood which I shed for you."

Whenever we receive the Lord's Supper, we remember Jesus' saving, self-sacrificing love for us, and we personally receive not only assurance of that love, but we also receive his forgiveness.

Trunk or Treat



- Costume Contest for Kids and Adults
- Games and snacks
- Trunk or Treat in the Church Parking Lot
- Everyone welcome for some extra Halloween Fun!

OCTOBER 31 6:00-7:30

Zion Lutheran Church

October 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Symposium Worship with Holy Communion Grades 1st-4th Sing *Sunday School 9:15 am Adult Bible Study 10:30 am Worship with Holy Communion	2 Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Symposium *SonBEAMS CC Meet BLAC 8:00 am 4:00 pm	3 Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Symposium Faculty Bible Study 7:00 am	4 Catechism *VB Home vs St. John's, Baraboo 4:00 pm 4:00 pm	5 *School Picture Day Ladies' Aid Meeting Worship 2:00 pm 6:30 pm	6 Bible Breakfast 6:00 am	7
8 FH Reserved Jr. Choir & Handclimbers Worship with Lakeside Choir *Sunday School 9:15 am Adult Bible Study 10:30 am Worship with Lakeside Choir	9 CC Meet Raindate BLAC *SonBEAMS *Board of Ed Meeting 8:00 am 6:30 pm	10 Red Cross Blood Drive Faculty Bible Study *Zion Forensics Night Stewardship Board 7:00 am 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	11 Catechism *VB Home vs St. John's, Juneau Council Meeting 4:00 pm 4:00 pm 6:30 pm	12 Worship with Holy Communion 6:30 pm	13 K4-2 Pumpkin Patch Field Trip Bible Breakfast 6:00 am	14
15 Worship with Holy Communion *Sunday School 9:15 am Adult Bible Study 10:30 am Worship with Holy Communion	16 8:00 am 11:00 am *SonBEAMS *LLHS Visit	17 7:00 am 6:00 pm Faculty Bible Study *PATZ meeting	18 4:00 pm Catechism	19 6:30 pm Worship	20 6:00 am 6:30 pm Bible Breakfast Regional Forensics Meet	21
22 Worship *Sunday School 9:15 am Adult Bible Study 10:30 am Worship Grades K4-K5 Sing 10:30 am	23 8:00 am *SonBEAMS	24 7:00 am 5:30 pm 3rd and 4th Field trip to Camp Randall Faculty Bible Study 8th Grade LLHS Information Night @ LLHS	25 12:30 pm 4:00 pm End of 1st Quarter *Early Release, Teacher Inservice Catechism	26 6:30 pm *No School- Teachers' Conference Worship with Holy Communion	27 6:00 am *No School- Teachers' Conference Bible Breakfast	28
29 8:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 10:30 am 10:30 am Worship with Holy Communion *Sunday School Adult Bible Study Worship with Holy Communion Grades 5th-8th Sing	30 8:00 am *SonBEAMS	31 7:00 am Faculty Bible Study				Items with * take place at school.

7 Questions for Kurt and Lucy Zander

1. *How did you meet and marry?*

My sister Marcia set us up. We were married by Pastor Cares on Sept. 22, 1984. We just had our 33rd anniversary.

2. *How about a quick run-down on your kids and your family?*

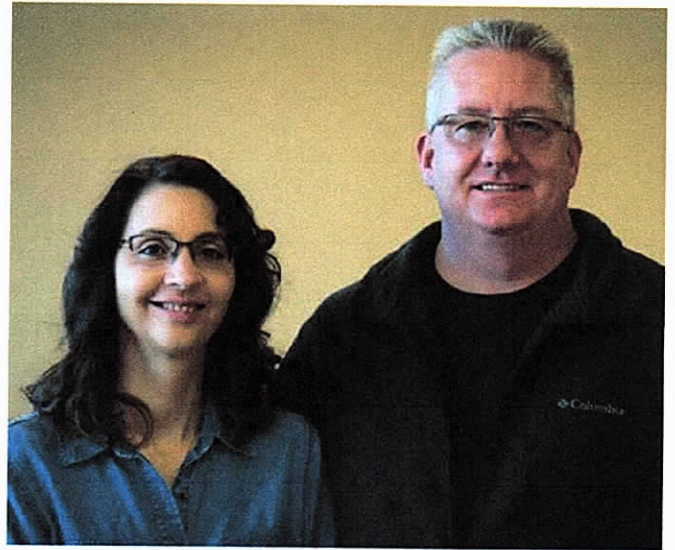
We have three children: April, Valerie and Zachary. April lives in Illinois with her husband Milton and two children Matilda and Nixon. Valerie lives in Wyoming with her husband Bob and two children Hailey and Emma. Zach lives in Ohio with his wife Stephanie and is working on his PhD in Polymer Chemistry.

3. *You both come from families with lots of kids. How has that influenced you as adults?*

We are the youngest of our families; we been to many weddings, and we have many nieces and nephews.

4. *Do each of you have a favorite work story to tell? At least tell us where you work and how many years.*

I have worked at Columbus Community Hospital in maintenance for 5 years.



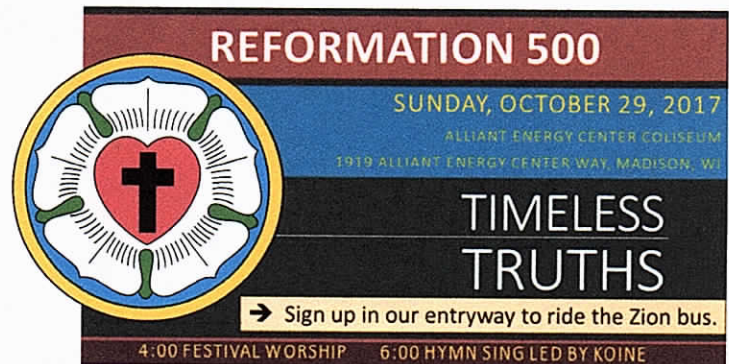
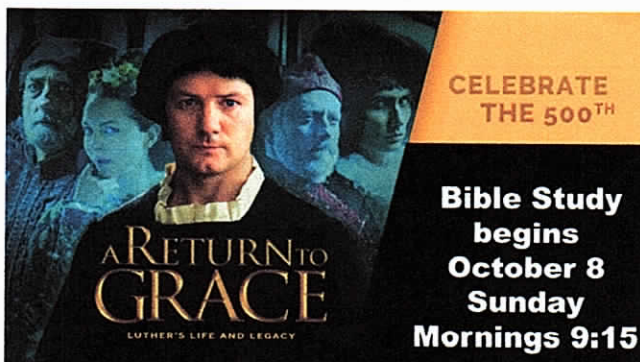
Lucy has worked for Lyco Manufacturing for the last 3 years.

5. *If you have a day off together, what is your favorite thing to do?*

Fishing. Lucy loves gardening.

6. *How did you come to be a part of Zion? I was born and raised in Columbus and have been a Zion member for 53 yrs. Lucy has been a member for 33 yrs.*

7. *You've seen your church change over the years. As you think about the next few years, what are your hopes for our future?*
To continue to grow and have a new school next to the church.



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Council Names and Numbers

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Craig Lathrop, Family Ministry	Unlisted

Our Mission

The mission of Zion
Evangelical Lutheran Church
and School is to preach and
teach God's saving Word in
all its truth and purity.

Get in Touch

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Greeter Schedule



October 1

8:00am — E10	10:30am — L7
Gene & Elaine Beier	Wayne & Darlene Powers

October 8

8:00am — E11	10:30am — L8
Harold & Delphine Schaefer	Otto & Sheree Mattke

October 15

8:00am — E12	10:30am — L9
Waldamar Vick	Bev Herold & Nicole Henning

October 22

8:00am — E13	10:30am — L11
Leo & Audrey Fischer	John & Sarah Brey

October 29

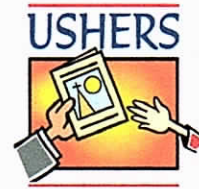
8:00am — E14	10:30am — L12
John & Jane Evers	Nils & Lara Johansson

If you are interested in being added as a greeter or need to be removed from the schedule, please contact Melody Krakow at (920) 210-6323.



August Church Attendance

Date	Total
3/6	375
10/13	363
17/20	352
24/27	314



October 1

8:00am - <u>Team E8</u>	10:30am - <u>Team L2</u>
Mike Vick (C)	Dale Schultz (C)
Troy Kehoe (A)	Daniel Schultz
Dale Schilling	Matt Ganser
Logan Kehoe	Dylan Schultz
Jake Boness	Michael Hallberg
Brian Peck	Nathan Hallberg
	Henry Tews

October 8 & October 15

8:00am - <u>Team E1</u>	10:30am - <u>Team L3</u>
Jeff Henning (C)	Jim Kluetzman (C)
Daryl Berndt (A)	Matt Huber (A)
Leo Fischer	Dave Harle
Matt Weidner	Michael Uttech
Rodney Hacht	Gabe Uttech
Mark Tiedt	Rodney Cooley
	Gary Schuhmacher

October 22 & October 29

8:00am - <u>Team E2</u>	10:30am - <u>Team L4</u>
Delmar Vick (C)	Bruce Zander (C)
Dale Gajdosik	Kurt Zander (A)
Randy Vick	Kane Browskowski
Kenneth Schulz	Wyatt Browskowski
Eric Turnquist	Bradley Sennhenn
Eliot Turnquist	Neal Sennhenn
	Mike Sommer

If you have any questions about the schedule, would like to be added as an usher or won't be able to serve any longer as an usher, please call Julie Doyle at (608) 846-5103.

Video Team Schedule

October 2017

1	Phil Manteufel
8	Matt Greiling
15	Mark Lindell
22	Gary Schuhmacher
29	Randy Koehn



Membership



Membership Changes

Accept: Melissa Childs and daughter Alicia

Transfer: Gabriel Ibisch, Rebecca Lim, Ryan Reyes

Ministrations

Baptisms:

8. Dixie Rae Krueger, daughter of Joshua Krueger & Eve Baker. Born 7/8/17. Baptized 8/12/17.

9. Benjamin Heim, son of Andrew & Miranda Heim. Born 7/25/17. Baptized 8/13/17.

10. Finn Liam McDonald, son of Spencer & Jenna McDonald. Born 6/3/17. Baptized 8/18/17.

11. Aliya Mae Vanderwerff, daughter of Christian & Danielle Vanderwerff. Born 8/19/16. Baptized 8/20/17.

12. Camdyn John Vanderwerff, son of Christian & Danielle Vanderwerff. Born 2/10/15. Baptized 8/20/17.

13. Jaelynn Jo Vanderwerff, daughter of Christian & Danielle Vanderwerff. Born 12/7/12. Baptized 8/20/17.

14. Gideon Joel Vandenberg, son of Alex & Stephanie Vandenberg. Born 8/20/17. Baptized 8/20/17.

Deaths:

10. Lorraine Beers. Born 4/22/1927. Died 8/19/2017.

Messenger Deadline

Please submit your Messenger articles by **October 20th**.

Contact Sue Henning at (608) 225-4853 or

suehenning25@gmail.com if you have any questions.



Russell

Hundley	1st	94 years
Waldamar Vick	3rd	86 years
Ruth Altschwager	13th	93 years
Wayne Powers	15th	83 years
Adeline Voss	16th	88 years
Harold Beitz	23rd	81 years
William Nehmer	26th	88 years

Zion Ladies Society

Fall greetings to everyone from Zion's Ladies Society. At our meeting at 2:00 pm on Thursday, October 5th, Pastor Wilke will not only present our devotion, but will also tell us about his recent trip. All ladies of the congregation are invited even if you are not a member of our group.



Ladies Aid

LPS Fall Play: "Writing a Will Can be Murder"

Luther Preparatory School in Watertown, WI would LOVE for you to join them in October for the live production of their fall play "Writing a Will Can be Murder." To make a reservation and **JOIN THEM on either Thursday, Oct. 19th or Friday, October 20th for one of the matinee productions**, please contact TRACY SCHMIDT at schmidta@lps.wels.net OR call the Luther Preparatory School office at [920-261-4352](tel:920-261-4352) and ask for Tracy. They would love to have you!

Elders Board Report

The Elders Board has been visiting straying members throughout the summer. Sadly, there are way too many for us to get to. Once again, we ask you to make use of the directory and encourage those you have not seen in some time.



We all must also remember to be encouraging in our daily lives and conversations. When we show our love for God in public, people notice and, many times, want that same feeling. When we talk bad about our church, or anything to do with our congregation, who would want to be a part of that? It's OK to disagree with some things that are going on; it's just biblical to go to the proper people to talk about it. *"If a believer does something wrong, go, confront him when the two of you are alone."* (Mathew 18:15a GW) It is very unbiblical to complain behind people's backs and in groups. *"Brothers and sisters, do not slander one another. Anyone who speaks against a brother or sister or judges them speaks against the law and judges it. When you judge the law, you are not keeping it, but sitting in judgment on it."* (James 4:11 NIV)

We are to talk to them alone. Please try to make all of your conversations encouraging ones. Whether we like it or not, we are walking, talking billboards for our congregation. In a town this small, most people know whether we attend church or not, and if we do, they know which one we go to. Make it a positive experience! A good verse to always have on our mind is Psalm 19:14 - *"May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer."* (NIV 84)

Alpha Life Resource Center Fall Gala

Join us for the Alpha Life Resource Center Fall Fundraiser Gala and Silent Auction on Saturday, September 23 at Windwood of Watertown Country Club, W5710 County Road CW, for an evening of appetizers, refreshments, fun and shopping that helps enable our Gospel-driven ministry to those in need in the church and community. Your support makes it possible for God's truth on life, pregnancy, parenting, marriage and relationships to be shared with hundreds of people each year.

The event starts as doors open at 4:30 p.m. with punch, hors d'oeuvres and cash bar while you shop the silent auction and socialize. It continues with entertainment, coffee and dessert.

Ticket pricing is \$25 per person in advance or \$30 the event day. Checks should be made payable to Alpha Life Resource Center, 313 E. Main Street, Watertown, WI 53094. Phone: 920-261-9207. Tickets may be purchased at the center during open hours (please call for times), from any board member or on our website using PayPal at <http://www.alphalifecenter.org/gala.html>.

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
Financial Statement
August 2017

	August 17	<i>Estimated Monthly Budget</i>	Fiscal Year to Date Jul - Aug 17	Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
Church Library Donation	-		-	
Extra Synod Missions Income	-		210.00	
General Fund Offerings	44,116.59		100,180.08	
LLHS Building Income	190.00		383.00	
Other Donations	316.00		1,994.01	
Other Receipts	31.35		36.35	
Substitute Teaching Reimbursement	-		-	
<i>Transferred from Undesignated</i>	-		-	
WLCFS Income	270.00		558.00	
WLIM Income	160.00		330.00	
Total Income	45,083.94		103,691.44	
Expense				
ACH fee	10.50		42.70	
Apartment Rent	635.00	635.00	1,270.00	7,620.00
Called Workers Salaries & Taxes	27,370.45	28,229.75	53,028.76	338,757.00
Church Supplies	39.43	208.33	587.81	2,500.00
Convention/Cont' Education	80.00	66.67	80.00	800.00
Copier	-	283.33	1,013.91	3,400.00
Elders Board	-	29.17	-	350.00
Family Ministry Board		358.33	-	4,300.00
Guest Pastor	-	58.33	-	700.00
Health Insurance	6,729.00	7,150.00	13,458.00	85,800.00
HRA Savings	2,023.00	2,016.67	4,046.00	24,200.00
Custodial	1,063.39	1,225.00	2,069.39	14,700.00
LLHS Building Expense	190.00		383.00	
LLHS Expense	2,205.82	2,250.00	5,008.99	27,000.00
Maintenance	2,562.25	2,204.17	3,818.41	26,450.00
Meditations	-	125.00	349.00	1,500.00
Mileage	486.76	358.33	574.51	4,300.00
Miscellaneous	-	16.67	-	200.00
Organists	358.95	282.67	629.23	3,392.00
Outreach Board	-	291.67	-	3,500.00
Payroll Expenses	232.64	241.67	462.99	2,900.00
Pension Insurance	-	2,445.00	-	29,340.00
Postage and Delivery	61.31	116.67	127.78	1,400.00
Secretaries	2,257.26	2,033.33	3,893.95	24,400.00
Stewardship Board	375.30	391.67	771.85	4,700.00
Substitute Teaching	-		-	
Sunday School/VBS	-	233.33	-	2,800.00
Synod Mission Expense	4,411.65	4,666.67	10,227.99	56,000.00
Telephone & Internet Expense	250.25	258.33	500.50	3,100.00
Utilities	3,151.62	3,093.75	6,512.37	37,125.00
WLCFS Expense	270.00		558.00	
WLIM Expense	160.00		330.00	
Worker Comp/Liability Insurance	-	1,066.67	-	12,800.00
Worship	327.66	316.67	419.35	3,800.00
Total Expense	55,252.24	60,652.83	110,164.49	727,834.00

Zion Lutheran Church - Estate Funds Report

Report for the Month of:

August 2017

Previous Month Assets	\$264,921.75
Total Transactions	-\$3,464.22
Total Current Assets	\$261,457.53

New Church/School Total
\$170,131.89
checking/savings

		----- Monthly Statements -----			
Accounts	Undesignated Checking	Undesignated Savings	NEW Church/School Fund Savings	NEW Church/School Checking	Explanation
Previous Balance	\$244.30	\$62,956.84	\$175,541.88	\$704.27	
Monthly Transactions*	\$850.04	\$1,800.00	(\$6,127.76)	\$13.50	
Current Balance	\$1,094.34	\$64,756.84	\$169,414.12	\$717.77	
Transactions	(\$150.00)	\$2,800.00	(\$4,623.38)	\$3,400.00	
	8-21-17 Loan Marks	8-11-17 Deposit	American National Bank church loan	8-21-17 transfer from NCS savings	
	Transfer from Undesignated Savings	8-21-17 Transfer to Undesignated Checking			
	\$1,000.00	(\$1,000.00)	\$1,458.00	(\$3,386.50)	Check # 2226
	9-1-17 Interest		8-7-17 Deposit		
	\$0.04		\$1,725.00		
			8-21-17 Deposit		
			\$1,779.00		
			8-21-17 Transfer to NCS Checking		
			(\$3,400.00)		
			8-28-17 Deposit		
			\$1,177.00		
			8-30-17 Deposit		
			\$380.00		
			American National Bank church loan		
			(\$4,623.38)		
Monthly Transactions TOTAL	\$850.04	\$1,800.00	(\$6,127.76)	\$13.50	
TOTAL TRANSACTIONS	(\$3,464.22)				

Interest Received	\$0.04
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Notes:
Check #2226 was the final payment for the roof on the bell tower.

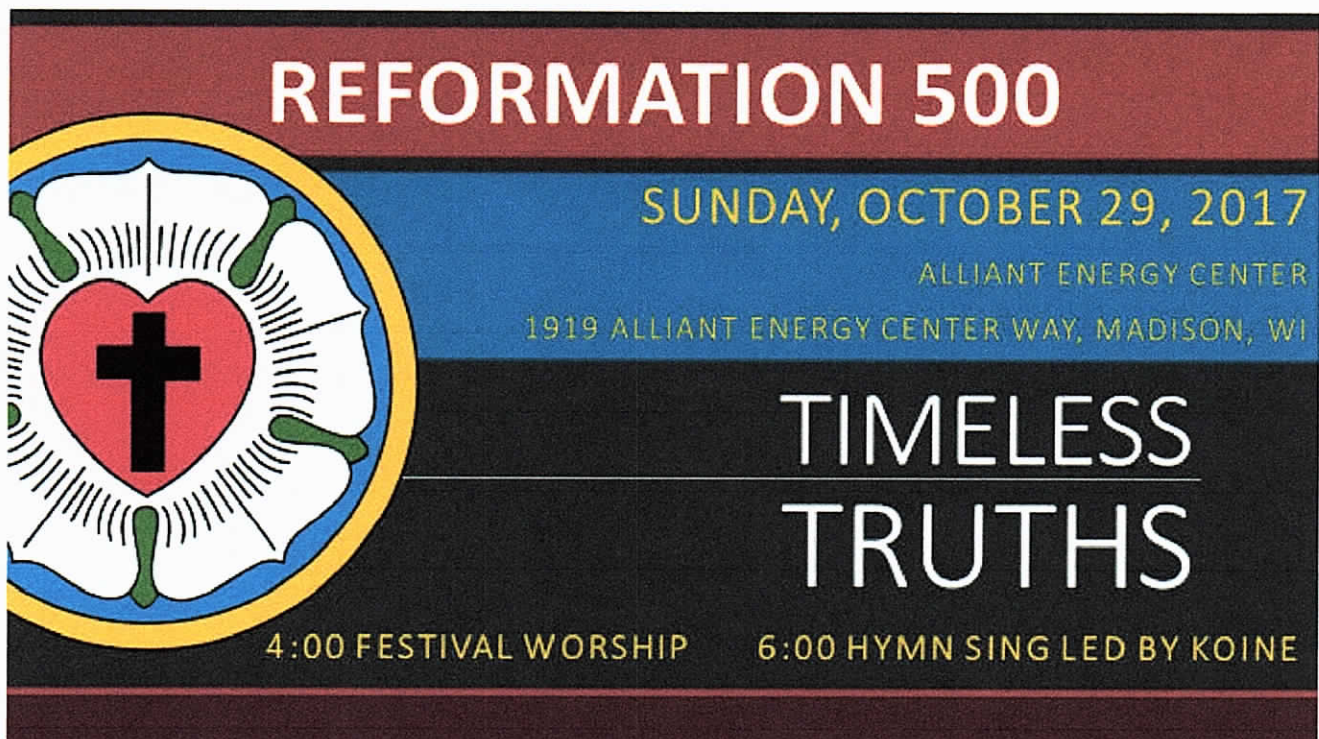
REFORMATION 500

A once in a lifetime celebration for Christians in a Lutheran Church is coming up at the end of this month, the 500th Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation. To mark the occasion, all of our congregations in WI west of Watertown are participating in a worship service and concert at the Alliant Energy Center (Formerly Dane County Coliseum) on October 29, 2017. Everyone is welcome. The afternoon includes:

- Worship featuring our Lutheran choirs and music ensembles from all over WI.
- Offering to support future called workers and WELS Bible Translation
- Concessions between Service and Concert
- Concert by Koine

More information on bussing from our area will become available in the coming weeks.

For more information, contact Pastor Schwartz or visit search Facebook for "Reformation 500, Madison, Wisconsin October 29, 2017."



The poster features a circular logo on the left side, depicting a white lily flower with a red heart in the center containing a black cross. The background is divided into horizontal bands of dark red, blue, and black. Text is displayed in white and yellow/gold colors.

REFORMATION 500

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2017

ALLIANT ENERGY CENTER
1919 ALLIANT ENERGY CENTER WAY, MADISON, WI

TIMELESS TRUTHS

4:00 FESTIVAL WORSHIP 6:00 HYMN SING LED BY KOINE

kids page

Sign of grace

Make this sign to hang on your wall as a daily reminder of God's amazing gift of grace.

What you need:

- White poster board
- Large wooden letters that spell GRACE
- Painter's tape
- Tempura paint
- Paper plates
- Paintbrushes
- Colored pens or markers

What you do:

1. Place the poster board on the ground (outside, if possible).
2. Put tape on the back of the letters and secure them to the board. No tape should be visible.
3. Paint and draw all over the poster board. Be creative with splatters, handprints and so on.
4. When paint is dry, remove the letters and hang up the poster.

PUZZLE

The gift of grace

God's grace is a free gift, not something we can earn on our own. How do we have this gift?

Directions: Complete the Bible verse by placing the capital letters from the gifts on the blanks below.

F	U	O	R	L	t	A	s	W	v	w	G
I	x	V	p	E	N	M	q	O	S	a	r
E	r	S	e	G	R	m	A	C	E	d	T
R	U	n	T	H	T	H	R	k	O	U	G
H	j	J	E	S	f	U	S	u	C	O	H
R	b	I	y	p	S	T	J	O	i	H	N

" _____ the _____ was _____
 through _____ ; _____ and
 _____ came _____
 _____ ."

_____ 1:17, NIV

Answer: "For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ." John 1:17, NIV