Zion Lutheran Church



April 3rd, 2022 **Fifth Sunday in Lent**



Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church & Preschool!

Thank you for joining us in worship of the Lord. We would love to get to know you, and for you to learn more about our church family at Zion. We cordially invite you to talk with Pastor Grimenstein, our Elders, or any of our church members to learn more about our fellowship. At our website -- **zlcb.org** – you can find out more about the many worship, Christian education, and fellowship opportunities at Zion.

Communion Statement

We believe that in the Lord's Supper, Christ's physical body and blood are present in the bread and wine (1Cor. 11:23-25). We also believe receiving the Lord's Supper is an act of church fellowship. Scripture cautions that those who receive without recognizing Christ's body and blood will bring judgment upon themselves (1 Cor. 11:27-29). Therefore, out of love to our guests, we invite to our altar to receive the Lord's Supper those who are baptized, confirmed, repentant members of Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod congregations or sister congregations. If you are visiting us today from another Christian denomination, we welcome you to come to the altar to receive a baptismal blessing. Please signify by crossing your arms over your chest upon kneeling.

In preparation to receive the Lord's Supper in a worthy manner please consider reading "Christian Questions with their Answers" on Page 329-330. If you are interested in exploring membership, please talk with Pastor Grimenstein after the service, or call the church office.

Opening Hymn – Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain

- Come to Calv'ry's holy mountain, Sinners, ruined by the fall; Here a pure and healing fountain Flows for you, for me, for all, In a full, perpetual tide, Opened when our Savior died.
- 2 Come in poverty and meanness, Come defiled, without, within; From infection and uncleanness, From the leprosy of sin, Wash your robes and make them white; Ye shall walk with God in light.
- 3 Come in sorrow and contrition, Wounded, impotent, and blind; Here the guilty, free remission, Here the troubled, peace may find. Health this fountain will restore; They that drink shall thirst no more.

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They that drink shall live forever;
'Tis a soul-renewing flood.
God is faithful; God will never
Break His covenant of blood,
Signed when our Redeemer died,
Sealed when He was glorified.

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- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit - Psalm 3:3-6; antiphon: v. 8



- P Salvation belongs | to the LORD; your blessing be on your | people!
- But you, O LORD, are a shield a- | bout me, my glory, and the lifter | of my head.
 I cried aloud | to the LORD, and he answered me from his | holy hill.

I lay | down and slept;

I woke again, for the LORD sus- | tained me.

I will not be afraid of many thousands of | people who have set themselves against me | all around.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son and to the Holy | Spirit;

- as it was in the be- | ginning, is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
- P Salvation belongs | to the LORD; your blessing be on your | people!



Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading – Isaiah 43:16–21

Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings forth chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: "Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild beasts will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches, for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself that they might declare my praise."

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Faith Bell Choir – *Go to Dark Gethsemane* (8:00 am) **Men's Choir** – *A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth* (10:30 am)

Epistle Reading – Philippians 3:8–14

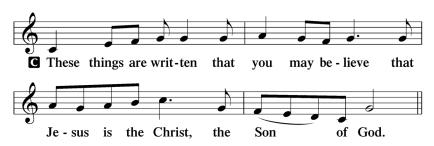
Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as

rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Verse



Holy Gospel

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twentieth chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus] began to tell the people this parable: "A man planted a vineyard and let it out to tenants and went into another country for a long while. When the time came, he sent a servant to the tenants, so that they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. And he sent another servant. But they also beat and treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. And he sent yet a third. This one also they wounded and cast out. Then the owner of the vineyard said, 'What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.' But when the tenants saw him, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir. Let us kill him, so that the inheritance may be ours.' And they threw him out of the

vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others." When they heard this, they said, "Surely not!" But he looked directly at them and said, "What then is this that is written:

'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone'?

Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him."

The scribes and the chief priests sought to lay hands on him at that very hour, for they perceived that he had told this parable against them, but they feared the people. So they watched him and sent spies, who pretended to be sincere, that they might catch him in something he said, so as to deliver him up to the authority and jurisdiction of the governor.

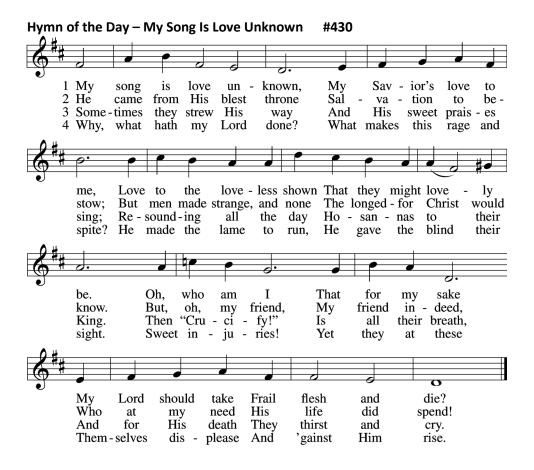
- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His 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.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,

and the life + everlasting. Amen.



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They rise and needs will have
 My dear Lord made away;
 A murderer they save,
 The Prince of Life they slay.
 Yet cheerful He
 To suff'ring goes

That He His foes From thence might free.

6 In life no house, no home
My Lord on earth might have;
In death no friendly tomb

But what a stranger gave. What may I say? Heav'n was His home But mine the tomb Wherein He lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing, No story so divine! Never was love, dear King, Never was grief like Thine. This is my friend, In whose sweet praise I all my days Could gladly spend!

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Sermon

Prayer of the Church

P ... Lord in your mercy.

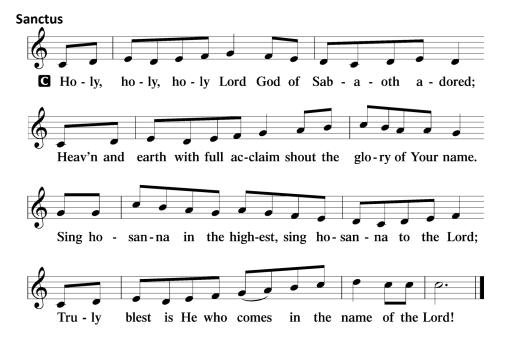
C ... Hear our prayer.

Gathering of Offerings

Service of the Sacrament

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all

eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

At Your command, Abraham prepared to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice on the mountain; yet, in mercy You provided a ram as a substitute. We give You thanks that on Calvary You spared not Your only Son but sent Him to offer His life as a ransom for many.

As we eat and drink His body and blood, grant us, like Abraham our father, to trust in Your promise now fulfilled in Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer

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.

The Words of Our Lord

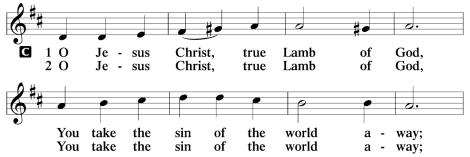
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

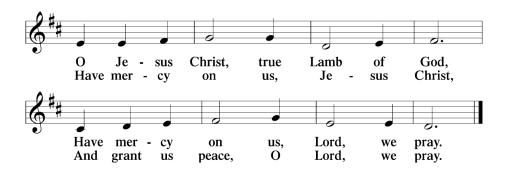
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

Agnus Dei



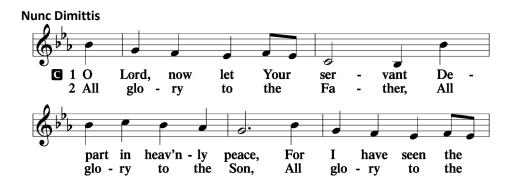


Distribution

If you are visiting us today from a Christian denomination outside the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, we welcome you to come to the altar to receive a baptismal blessing. Please signify by crossing your arms over your chest upon kneeling.

Distribution Hymns

Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way	#857
Christ, Our Human Likeness Sharing	#847
Jesus, I Will Ponder Now	#440





Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus and Benediction

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.
- The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and

 → give you peace.
- C Amen.



Prayer Requests for Family & Friends

The Church:

- -For our homebound members: Tom Bicusky, Florence Boehme, Lois Dittmer, Joan Cisko, Dottie Heslop, Vince Kimberland, Gladys Cimarolli, and Ron Valentino.
- -Healing for: Barb Fisher, Dale Hesse, Mike Wallace, Paisley (a young friend

of Joan Cisko), Darrell Molinari, Jennifer Meyer, Joanne Garloff, Neil Ackerman, Richard Hultman, Rose, Rita Sheldon, Dennis Finney, Pastor Bob McCanless, Grant German, Albert Hatala, Eva Bukovitz, Al Riske, Kami Snow, Ruth Rostron, Judy Graziano, Alyssa Mance, Shannon Mance, Marian Siek, Dave Hutula, and Mabel Granke.

- -For our missions/missionaries, especially Rev. Phil & Deaconess Rachel Jaseph and The Siberian Lutheran Mission Society.
- -For all who care for loved ones with illnesses.
- -For the ministry of Zion Lutheran Sunday School and Preschool.

The World:

- -For peace in Ukraine.
- -For an end to the pandemic, and for the safety of all who are fighting it.
- -For an end to abortion and human trafficking.
- -For the youth in our community.

Our Nation:

- -For our leaders and government officials.
- -For those in foster care and those looking to adopt.
- -For the disabled, unborn and aged.
- -For those whose work it is to protect us.
- -For godly care of the earth.



† Service Participants **†**

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Edward Grimenstein

Music Director: Mark Killinger

Organist: Doug Krantz

The Elders: Bill Bishop, Roger Diederich

The Acolyte: Decklan Pasquini (8:00)

Jeremy Dyczewski (10:30)

The Ushers: Shane Bryant, Bill, Ken & Will Schrag (8:00)

Susie Bishop, Mike Kozak, John & Luke Lemonivch (10:30)

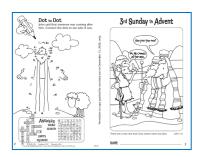
Altar Guild: Janet & Marian O., Megan P., Barb O., Diana S.

ALTAR FLOWERS & ETERNAL LIGHT are given by Zion to the Glory of God.



EASTER LILLIES may be purchased to beautify the sanctuary for Easter Sunday. TODAY is the last day to order – see order forms on the round table in the Narthex.

PARENTS ... children's activity pages are available in the baskets at both church entrances. They reinforce the concepts and themes for that week's worship service in a kid-friendly format. Use them during church, or take them home to use later! Also, be sure to guide your child through the "Kids in the Divine Service" page found on the last page of each bulletin.

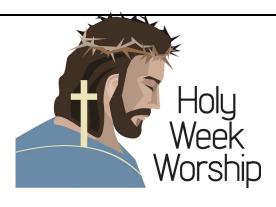


Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (3/27) – 45 (8 am); 77 (10:30 am) Mid-Week Worship Attendance (3/30) – 16 (2 pm); 48 (7 pm) Plate Offerings (3/27) – \$2187 Online Offering (3/27) – \$10,625

Online giving is available on Zion's website at www.zlcb.org/donate

This Week at Zion	
SUN 4/3	8:00 AM – Worship 9:15 AM – Adult/Teen Bible Study & Children's Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship
MON 4/4	6:00 PM – 1 st Year Confirmation 7:00 PM – 2 nd Year Confirmation
TUE 4/5	
WED 4/6	2:00 PM – Lenten Worship 6:00 PM – Dinner in Fellowship Hall (Council) 7:00 PM – Lenten Worship
THU 4/7	7:00 PM – Elders' Meeting
FRI 4/8	
SAT 4/9	
PALM SUNDAY SUN 4/10	8:00 AM – Worship 9:15 AM – Adult/Teen Bible Study & Children's Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship



Maundy Thursday

Thursday, April 14th — 2:00 & 7:00 pm

Good Friday

Friday, April 15th — 2:00 & 7:00 pm (Prelude Music begins at 1:30 & 6:30)

Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 17th — 8:00 & 10:30 am *Buffet breakfast btwn services -- sign up in Narthex*



A Service of Praise & Thanksgiving Commemorating the Anniversary of our Synod

Redeemer Lutheran Church Oakmont Sunday, May 1st at 3 PM

Sponsored by Pittsburgh Area Lutheran Ministries (PALM)

SPECIAL GUEST PREACHER
Rev. Dr. David Stechholz
Bishop Emeritus, English District-LCMS

Reception Sponsored by Concordia Lutheran Ministries

Join Us!

Join us for the return of... ZION'S EASTER BREAKFAST!

Easter Sunday April 17th Join us in The Fellowship Hall in between services

Where do you fit? Volunteers are needed:
make egg casseroles (recipe & pan provided),
make fruit salad (bowl provided), help set-up,
help clean up, help serve

RSVP on the sign up at the back of the church or email events@zlcb.org



This Week in Sunday School

A recap of today's SS teaching for Zion parents & students

BIBLE VERSE

The Lord has risen!

SCRIPTURE SNAPSHOT

The women who witness Christ's burial are the first to witness His resurrection. With great joy, they run to tell His disciples that Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

TAKING IT HOME

- On the Go—When springtime comes, many new flowers sprout from the ground after being dead through the winter. Compare these sprouting seeds to Jesus' resurrection.
- At Mealtime—On Good Friday, there was an earthquake (Matthew 27:51–52). On Easter morning, another earthquake happened (Matthew 28:2). What did each earthquake do?
- Something to Do—Sing your favorite Easter hymns. Accompany them by shaking plastic eggs filled with dry rice.
- Before Bed—Pray together that God would give you hope and joy in His resurrection and the empty tomb.



KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE

Why do we have a week called "Holy Week"?

Why would we refer to a week as being holy? The word "holy" means that it is from God. That's why we call the Bible "holy." It isn't just any book. It is God's living Word given to us for our salvation! The same goes for Holy Week. This is "God's Week." This is the week in the Church Year when Jesus actually paid for our sins and won our salvation!



There are particular days during Holy Week that are extra special. During Holy Week we celebrate Palm Sunday, when Jesus went to Jerusalem and people celebrated His arrival; Maundy Thursday, when Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper; Good Friday, when Jesus died on the cross; and Holy Saturday, when we await His resurrection on Easter Sunday!











Parents:

During worship, help your children to look for other things in the church that are considered holy (i.e. God's Word, the Sacraments, etc.). Ask them: "How does God use these things to give us His forgiveness?"

