Zion Lutheran Church



April 17th, 2022 **Easter Sunday**



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 – Jesus Christ is Risen Today

- 1 Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!
- 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

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- 3 But the pains which He endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured; Alleluia! Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!
- 4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia! Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

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- ightharpoonspire In the name of the Father and of the ightharpoonspire Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **G** 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 - Exodus 15:2a, 6, 13, 17-18; antiphon: v. 1b



- P I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed | gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown in- | to the sea.
- The LORD is my strength | and my song, and he has become my sal- | vation.

Your right hand, O LORD, glorious | in power, your right hand, O LORD, shatters the | enemy.

You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you | have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your ho- | ly abode.

You will bring them in and plant them on your own | mountain, the place, O LORD, which you have made for | your abode, the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have es- | tablished.

The LORD will reign forever and | ever.

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

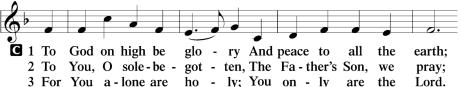
as it was in the be- | ginning, is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

P I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed | gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown in- | to the sea.



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

Gloria in Excelsis





Good-will from God in heav - en Pro- claimed at Je-sus' birth!

O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.

For - ev - er and for - ev - er. Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing— Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo-ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo-ry. "A-men!" our glad re-ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

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

Almighty God the Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading - Isaiah 65:17-25

"Behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create: for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem

and be glad in my people;

no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it

an infant who lives but a few days,

or an old man who does not fill out his days,

for the young man shall die a hundred years old,

and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them;

they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit;

they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain

or bear children for calamity,

for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD, and their descendants with them.

Before they call I will answer;

while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall graze together;

the lion shall eat straw like the ox,

and dust shall be the serpent's food.

They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain,"

says the LORD.

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

Quartet – I Know that My Redeemer Liveth (8:00 am) **Choir** – Resurrection (10:30 am)

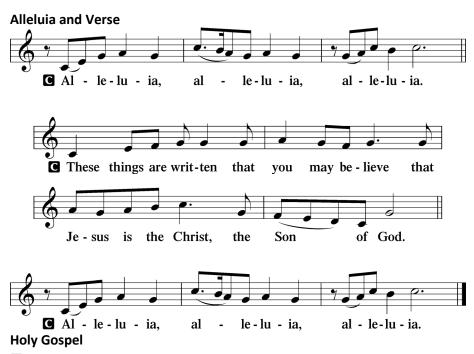
Epistle Reading – 1 Corinthians 15:19–26

If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-four chapter

G Glory to You, O Lord.

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living

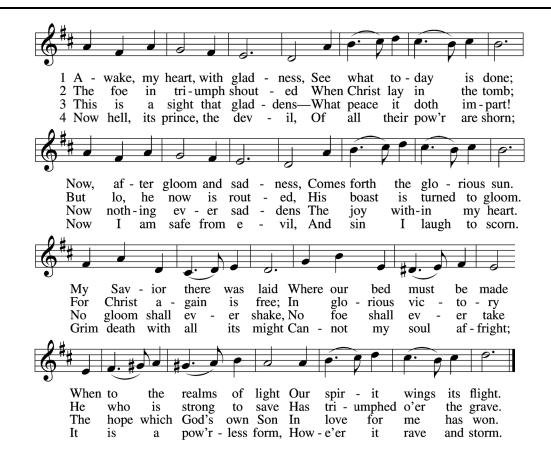
among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." And they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.

- 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.



Cont'd.

5 The world against me rages, Its fury I disdain; Though bitter war it wages, Its work is all in vain. My heart from care is free, No trouble troubles me. Misfortune now is play, And night is bright as day.

- 6 Now I will cling forever
 To Christ, my Savior true;
 My Lord will leave me never,
 Whate'er He passes through.
 He rends death's iron chain;
 He breaks through sin and pain;
 He shatters hell's grim thrall;
 I follow Him through all.
- 7 He brings me to the portal That leads to bliss untold,

Whereon this rhyme immortal
Is found in script of gold:
"Who there My cross has shared
Finds here a crown prepared;
Who there with Me has died
Shall here be glorified."

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Sermon

Prayer of the Church

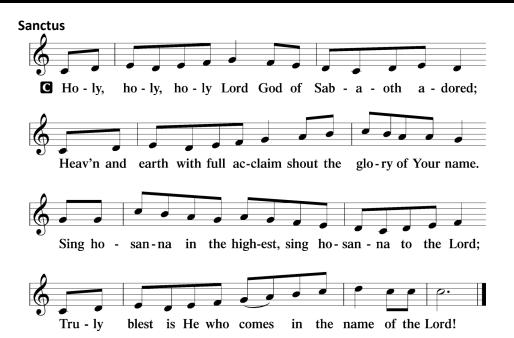
P ... Lord in your mercy.

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.
- 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.

For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. By His death, He has redeemed us from bondage to sin and death, and by His resurrection, He has delivered us into new life in Him.

Grant us to keep the Feast in sincerity and truth, faithfully eating His body given into death and drinking His life's blood poured out for our salvation until we pass through death to the promised land of life eternal.

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.

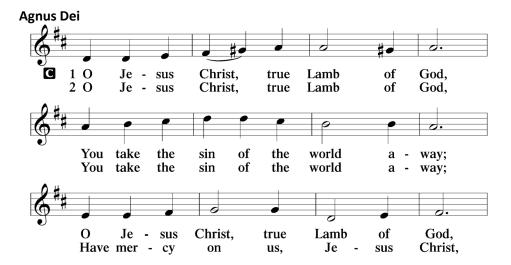
The Words of Our Lord

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.





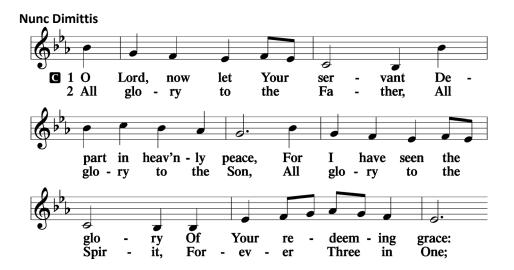
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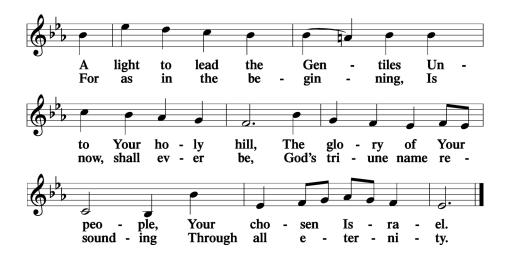
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Grace Bell Choir – Thine is the Glory (8 am) **Faith Bell Choir** – Jesus Christ is Risen Today (10:30 am)

Distribution Hymns

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing	#633
Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won	#490
The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done	#464





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.

Closing Hymn – I Know that My Redeemer Lives

1 I know that my Redeemer lives;
What comfort this sweet sentence

What comfort this sweet sentence gives! He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ever-living head. 2 He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save;

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- He lives all-glorious in the sky; He lives exalted there on high.
- 3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to plead for me above; He lives my hungry soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
- He lives to grant me rich supply;
 He lives to guide me with His eye;
 He lives to comfort me when faint;
 He lives to hear my soul's complaint.
 - He lives to silence all my fears;
 He lives to wipe away my tears;
 He lives to calm my troubled heart;
 He lives all blessings to impart.

- He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;
 He lives and loves me to the end;
 He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing;
 He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death; He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to His name!He lives, my Jesus, still the same;Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:I know that my Redeemer lives!



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: Christopher Buhler, Millie Thielet, Jen Fitzgerald, Barbara & Kara Koski, 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 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)

Lizzie Lemonovich (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 Oelschlager

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by the Pasquini family in celebration of Ava's 17th birthday and by Paul & Terry Hayes to the Glory of our Risen Lord.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by the Kozak family in memory of loved ones.

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!



If your young child becomes fussy during Worship, a Nursery Room for children 3 and under is available in the lower level near the Fellowship Hall (Room 101). Parent supervision is

required. In addition, the Family Care Room in the back of the sanctuary is equipped with a nursing chair and changing station items.

ALL-CHURCH VOTERS' MEETING NEXT SUNDAY

<u>AFTER SECOND SERVICE</u> in the Fellowship Hall. Stay up-to-date with the happenings at Zion. Lunch will be served.

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (4/10) – 72 (8 am); 76 (10:30 am) Plate Offerings (4/10) – \$2378 Online Offering (4/10) – \$1540 Online giving is available on Zion's website at www.zlcb.org/donate

Easter Lilies Donated By



Carl & Karen Bauer -- In Memory of Loved Ones, in Honor of Children/Grandchildren

Bishop Family – In Memory of Richard Wible, Bill Bishop Jr. and Dorothy Smelko

Shane & Sandy Bryant -- In Memory of Paul D. Hayes

Tom Erbrecht -- Parents Norm & Helen Erbrecht

Sam & Joanne Garloff -- In Memory of Sam's Grandmother, Evelyn, and Joanne's Brother, Michael

Clara Hayes — In Memory of Parents William & Clara
Phillips

Bobbie Hoelle -- In Memory of Beloved Husband, John and in honor of Jacque Oelschlager

Paula Jones -- In Memory of Harry Jones

Kacvinsky Family – In Honor of Our Risen Savior!

Alleluia!

Janet Oelschlager & Family - In Memory of Loved Ones

Mary Lou Rilee — In Memory of Loved Ones

Tim & Rita Sheldon -- In Memory of Loved Ones

Bob & Diana Schmidt -- In Memory of Parents

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SUN 4/17	8:00 AM – Worship Easter Buffet Breakfast in Fellowship Hall 10:30 AM – Worship
MON 4/18	No Music practices or Confirmation
TUE 4/19	
WED 4/20	2:00 PM – Worship 7:00 PM – Worship
THU 4/21	7:00 PM – Council Meeting
FRI 4/22	
SAT 4/23	
SUN 4/24	8:00 AM – Worship 9:15 AM – Adult/Teen Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship All-Church Voters' Meeting (lunch served)

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

As the new Co-Directors of Zion's Sunday School program, we have enjoyed getting better acquainted with many of our Sunday school children and their families! We are so grateful for our families' participation in this important program that teaches children what the Bible says about the love of God in Christ Jesus.



A Couple of Reminders:

• Sunday School classes meet from 9:15 to 10:15 in the school classrooms (SS will not meet on Easter Sunday due to the Easter Breakfast between services.) Please do your best to arrive before 9:15 so that students and teachers have all the time necessary to learn the Bible lessons, engage in discussion, and complete themed crafts. Thank you for helping your child to be on time!

• Our last class of the Sunday School year will be Sunday, June 12th. We will have a special party on that Sunday ... details to come!

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!



If all Jesus had to do was die, then why is Easter such a big deal?

Easter is a very important day. Easter is the day that we celebrate Jesus' resurrection from the dead.

After Jesus was crucified, His disciples were very sad. It seemed like their God and friend had been defeated and killed. They had forgotten that Jesus told them that He would rise from the dead. They must have thought Mary Magdelene was crazy when she told them that Jesus had appeared to her at the tomb where He was buried. But her story was true! Jesus was

Later, Jesus appeared to His disciples many times to prove it. And that's just what He did, He proved it! By His resurrection, He proved to the world that He was victorious over death and paid for our sins completely. Now, the first words you hear in church on Easter Sunday are: "The Lord is risen. He is risen indeed! Alleluia!"

alive! He had risen from the dead!





Parents: Help your children to recognize the different places in our worship service which speak of Jesus' resurrection (the Creed is a good example). Point out some of the symbols in the church that might aid in their understanding of the resurrection. Remind them that we join in His resurrection through our Baptism!

