

# Zion Lutheran Church



March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
Palm Sunday

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by The Klemash Family in Memory of Loved ones and Roxanne Burgh in Memory of Loved ones.

**ETERNAL LIGHT** is given by Bernice DeBoe in loving memory of nephews Eugene Marinelli & Anthony Marinelli.

**THIS WEEK'S FAVORITE BIBLE VERSE...**is from **ALAINA OELSCHLAGER**. Romans 12:1-2 NIV Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God – this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will.

**FAMILY CARE ROOM...**for the convenience of our members and guests, the small room in the narthex/lobby is now available for anyone needing a few moments of privacy for nursing needs, calming young children, personal time outs, mild couching spells, etc. The room includes a few chairs, a changing station, a lockable door, privacy film on the window (coming soon) but no toys and **no soundproofing**.

**EASTER BREAKFAST...**Join us on Easter Sunday for Breakfast in the fellowship hall between services. Enjoy a yummy breakfast and fellowship!

**LESSON SEVEN TAKEAWAYS** from Women's Bible Study on Forgiveness: 1. Luther wrote that the entire life of believers is to be one of repentance. 2. The prodigal son was **spiritually lost** because of his badness but repented and found his place in the kingdom of God; however, his unforgiving, older brother remained spiritually lost in his won goodness. 3. There's nothing we can do to make God love us less or more than He already does.

**WELCOME CENTER!** Are you a guest or visitor looking for information about Zion? Hello and welcome to Zion! Stop by the table in the foyer after the service and we'll try to help.

**CHURCH NURSERY:** Is available for kids age 0-2 during the 10:30 Service! The Nursery ("Little Lions") is in the lower level of the building. (If you need help locating the nursery, please ask an Usher or Greeter for assistance.)

**NEED PRAYER?** Stephen Ministers and Elders will be available to pray with or for you following the Service in the Chancel area.

**TODAY'S GOSPEL READING AND SERMON** will be posted to the ZLCB.org website later today. For an archive of older sermons, visit [www.zlcb.org/sermons](http://www.zlcb.org/sermons)

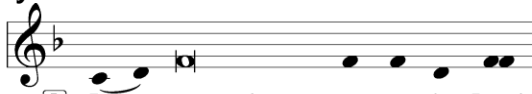
- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.
- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**
- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. 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

- P** Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the LORD!\*  
We bless you from the house | of the LORD.
- C** **Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O | ancient doors,\*  
that the King of glory | may come in.  
Who is this King of | glory?\***  
**The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in | battle!  
Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O | ancient doors,\*  
that the King of glory | may come in.  
Who is this King of | glory?\***  
**The LORD of hosts, he is the King of | glory!**
- P** Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the LORD!\*  
We bless you from the house | of the LORD.

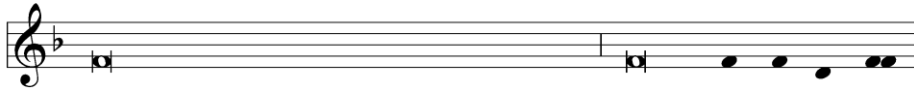
# Kyrie



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**G** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**G** Lord, have mer - cy.



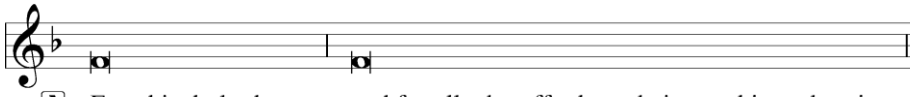
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



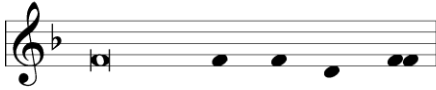
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**G** Lord, have mer - cy.



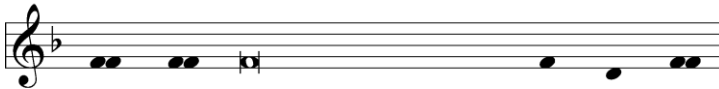
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## Old Testament Reading – Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

Behold, your king is coming to you;

righteous and having salvation is he,

humble and mounted on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war horse from Jerusalem;

and the battle bow shall be cut off,

and he shall speak peace to the nations;

his rule shall be from sea to sea,

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;

today I declare that I will restore to you double.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle – Philippians 2:5-11

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup>and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Verse for Lent



☐ Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra - cious and



mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in



stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

## Holy Gospel

☐ The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the eleventh chapter.

☑ **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.'" And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. And some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!"

☐ This is the Gospel of the Lord.

☑ **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Sermon**

**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.**

**Prayer of the Church**

**☩** ...Let us pray to the Lord

**☩ Lord have mercy.**

**Offering**

*If you are visiting with us this morning, know that your presence here means far more to us than any gift of money you could make; please do not hesitate to let the plate pass you by. Please stop by the welcome desk on your way out of church this morning.*

**Offertory – 8:00 am – Grace Ringers – All Glory Laud and Honor  
10:30 am – Adult Choir – Hosanna! Blessed is He**



## Offertory



**C** What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to



me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the



courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

## Service of the Sacrament

### Preface



**P** The Lord be with you.



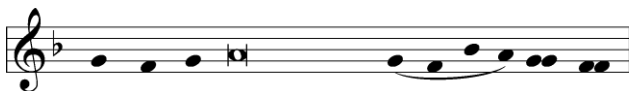
**C** And al - so with you.



**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**C** 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, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

- P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** **Amen.**

### **The Words of Our Lord**

- P** 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  $\text{✠}$  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  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

- C** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

- P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion,

Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

### Lord's Prayer

**C** 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.

### Pax Domini



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**C** A - men.

### Agnus Dei



**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have

mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

## Sharing of Peace

### Distribution

*We welcome to the Lord's Table all who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God, can examine themselves spiritually and believe they receive the true body and blood of the Lord Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and as a profession of their faith. If you hold a profession of faith that differs from that of our congregation, please speak to the Pastor before the start of the service before communing.*

*We believe the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine.*

*We believe Christ offers the forgiveness of sins in the Lord's Supper, but that the Lord's Supper is not necessary for salvation.*

*We believe the Lord's Supper remembers the death of Christ and proclaims his death until he returns.*

*We believe the Lord's Supper is a statement of unity in the body of Christ; we do not believe it creates that unity.*

*During the distribution, you are encouraged to sing the Distribution Hymns, pray, or meditate on the words "this is my body... this is my blood, given for you."*

*The cups at the center of the Individual Communion tray contain diluted wine for those with alcohol sensitivities.*

### Distribution Hymns

**My Hope is Built on Nothing Less** #576

**Your Table I Approach** #628

**Thine Forever, God of Love** #687

## Nunc Dimittis



**C** Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful-



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre-



pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -



veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

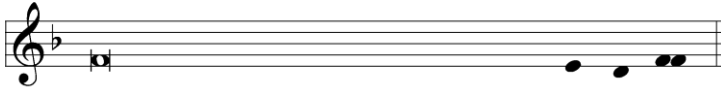
## Post-Communion Collect

**A** 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.

## Benediction



**P** 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** A - - men.

## Closing Hymn – No Tramp of Soldiers’ Marching Feet

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## Prayer Request for Family & Friends

### ***The Church:***

-**For our homebound members:** Tom Bicusky, Ruth Miller, George and Florence Boehme, Lois & Henry Dittmer, Norm and Helen Erbrecht, Irene Bourg, and Don Jones.

-**Healing for:** Janet Hickey, Jack Oelschlager, Florence Boehme, Gloria Godfrey, Marian Siek, Sarah & Michael Erbrecht, Gladys Cimarolli, Joyce Wood, Cletus Kroeger, Ruth Miller, Nancy Spotti, Aly Mance, Deana Thielet, Bill Koester, Nancy Koester, Dave Hutula, Roxanne Burgh, Ryan McCaffrey, Mary Lou Neill.

-For our missionaries, especially Pastor Wokoma.

-For all who care for loved ones with illnesses.

-For the ministry of Zion Lutheran Preschool.

### ***The World:***

-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 those affected by the recent hurricanes.

- For godly care of the earth.



† *Service Participants* †

Pastor:	Rev. Dr. Edward Grimenstein
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
The Organist:	Sandra Quinlan
The Elders:	Mike Kroeger & Bill Bishop
The Acolyte:	Matt Liberatore (8:00) Max Gresh (10:30)
The Greeters:	Max & Jean Ma (8:00) Robb & Alaina Oelschlager (10:30)
The Ushers:	Bob Schmidt, Megan Pasquini Wayne & Barb Oechslein (8:00) John & Kari Gresh Dwight & Andy Weldon (10:30)
Altar Guild:	Janet & Marian Oelschlager
Nursery:	Megan Meyer & Jodi Fitzgerald

**Last Week in Worship**

Sunday Worship Attendance (3/18) – 217

Wednesday Attendance (3/21) – 31

Wednesday Offering (3/14) - \$573.00

Sunday Offering (3/18) - \$5,111.00

~Online giving is now available by going to the Zion web site: [www.zlcb.org](http://www.zlcb.org)~

# March 25<sup>th</sup> – April 1<sup>st</sup>

<p><b>SUNDAY</b> 3/25 Palm Sunday</p>	<p>8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM – Sunday School &amp; Adult Bible' Study 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion</p>
<p><b>MONDAY</b> 3/26</p>	<p>6:00 PM – First Year Confirmation 7:00 PM – Second Year Confirmation</p>
<p><b>TUESDAY</b> 3/27</p>	<p>6:15 PM – Grace Bell Choir 7:15 PM – Adult Choir 7:15 PM – Women's Bible Study 8:00 PM – Faith Bell Choir</p>
<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b> 3/28</p>	
<p><b>THURSDAY</b> 3/29</p>	<p>10:00 AM – Bible Study 7:00 PM – Maundy Thursday Service</p>
<p><b>FRIDAY</b> 3/30</p>	<p>7:00 PM – Good Friday Service</p>
<p><b>SATURDAY</b> 3/31</p>	
<p><b>SUNDAY</b> 3/1 <i>Christ is Risen!</i></p>	<p>8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM – Easter Breakfast 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion</p>



Concordia Lutheran Ministries will hold its 13<sup>th</sup> annual fashion show and luncheon at the Butler Country Club on Saturday, May 12. The event includes more than 50 auction baskets, a vendor mall and the fashion show. Concordia operates more than a dozen senior living facilities and community care centers in the Pittsburgh region, and proceeds from the event benefit the Good Samaritan Endowment Fund - Concordia's charitable care fund.

Tickets are \$40 and include a hot lunch (Chicken Romano, twice-baked potatoes, baby glazed carrots and triple layer lemon cake), valet parking and the fashion show. Tickets purchased by April 1 will be discounted to \$37. Fashions will be presented by several of our loyal vendors, including La Perla, LuLaRoe, Diane's Boutique, and Me and My Shadow.

For reservations, call 724-352-1571, ext. 8363, or register online at the Concordia Lutheran Ministries website -- [www.concordialm.org](http://www.concordialm.org), under the "Events & News" tab.

# LIFE'S STORMS HAPPEN.... AND AT SHIPWRECKED VBS, KIDS LEARN THAT JESUS RESCUES US.

OUR ADVENTURE IS JUNE 25<sup>TH</sup> – 29<sup>TH</sup> FROM 9AM – NOON. WE NEED LOTS OF VOLUNTEERS WHO WILL GIVE THEIR TIME, TALENTS AND LOVE TO KIDS AND THEIR FAMILY & FRIENDS.

**LEADERSHIP:** WHAT COULD BE MORE FUN THAN LEADING GAMES WITH KIDS OR ACTING GOOFY IN A SKIT OR SNAPPING FUN PHOTOS? PLEASE CONSIDER YOUR INVOLVEMENT IN ONE OF THESE ROLES.

**CREWS:** KIDS ROTATE FROM STATION TO STATION WITH CREW LEADERS AND HELPERS. NO PREPARATION IS NECESSARY!

**NURSERY:** LITTLE ONES CAN LEARN ABOUT JESUS TOO! PLEASE CONSIDER HELPING IN THIS AREA.

## **CREW LEADER & HELPER 45 MIN. MEETING: MONDAY, JUNE 11<sup>TH</sup> AT 7:00 PM**

WE BELIEVE THAT GOD WILL USE THIS PROGRAM TO REACH MANY CHILDREN WITH THE GOSPEL, SO PLEASE PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER YOUR ROLE IN VBS. TO VOLUNTEER, SIMPLY FILL OUT THIS FORM AND PLACE IN THE BOX LABELED SHIPWRECKED VBS IN THE SCHOOL LOBBY.

*Katie Gielarowski*

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## 2018 SHIPWRECKED VBS VOLUNTEER FORM

\_\_\_\_\_ YES! I WANT TO VOLUNTEER! CHECK YOUR AREAS OF INTEREST:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> SHIP REC GAMES LEADER (ZION MEMBER ONLY)   | <input type="checkbox"/> NURSERY HELPER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OPENING & CLOSING SKITS (ZION MEMBER ONLY) | <input type="checkbox"/> CREW LEADER    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PHOTOGRAPHER                               | <input type="checkbox"/> CREW HELPER    |

YOUR NAME \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_ CELL # \_\_\_\_\_

T-SHIRT SIZE \_\_\_\_\_  I ALREADY OWN A GREY ZION T-SHIRT

**\*\* PLEASE SUBMIT SECURITY CLEARANCES TO ZION'S SECRETARY AT  
[SECRETARY@ZLCB.ORG](mailto:SECRETARY@ZLCB.ORG).**

