## Zion Lutheran Church





April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018
Third Sunday of Easter

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by The Pasquini Family in Celebration of Ava's 13<sup>th</sup> Birthday and Tim & Rita Sheldon in Memory of Loved Ones.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by The Hayes Family in Memory of Paul Hayes.

THIS WEEK'S FAVORITE BIBLE VERSE...is from BRENT MILLER. Romans 6:23 (ESV) For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**TRUSTEE WORK DAY...** Please mark your calendars for Saturday April 28th, 9:00am. Join the trustees as we clean up the church grounds for the Spring. The more help we have the quicker we can get the church cleaned up!!

**YOUTH GROUP...** Mark your calendars for April 29<sup>th</sup> after late service. The youth will be having a Chili Cook-off Fundraiser. Come enjoy some Chili prepared by the youth! Love donations excepted for this event. All proceeds will be put into their fund for the 2019 LCMS Youth Gathering!

**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 <a href="www.zlcb.org/sermons">www.zlcb.org/sermons</a>

## Opening Hymn - Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing

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

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the 
  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

#### Service of the Word

#### Introit

- P In your presence there is full- | ness of joy;\* at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore.
- I will extol you, O LORD, for you have | drawn me up\* and have not let my foes rejoice | over me.
- O LORD my God, I cried to | you for help,\* and you have | healed me.
- O LORD, you have brought up my soul | from Sheol;\* you restored me to life from among those who go down | to the pit.
- Sing praises to the LORD, O | you his saints,\* and give thanks to his | holy name.
- For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a | lifetime.\*

  Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the | morning.

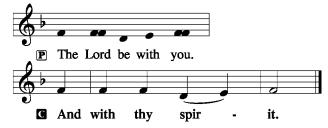
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

In your presence there is full- | ness of joy;\* at your right hand are pleasures for- | evermore.





## **Salutation and Collect of the Day**



#### P Let us pray.

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



#### First Reading – Acts 3:11-21

While he clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's, astounded. And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk?

"The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him.

But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

"And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago.

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

#### Thanks be to God.

## Epistle - 1 John 3:1-7

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know

him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous.

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



## **Holy Gospel**

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



As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate before them.

Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed

in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

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



#### **Nicene Creed**

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ.

the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven. and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man: and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

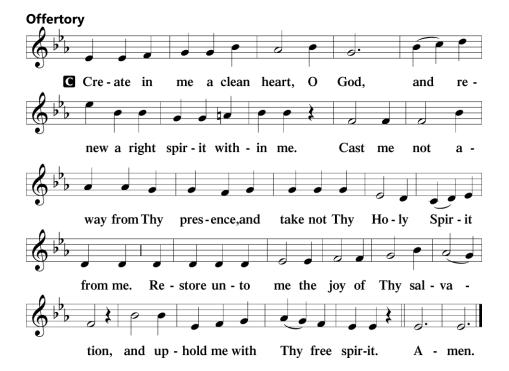
And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

## Sermon Hymn – With High Delight Let Us Unite

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#### Sermon



## **Prayer of the Church**

- **P** ...Lord in your mercy.
- ...Hear our prayer.

### Men's Choir (8:00am) - Praise to the Lord the Almighty

## Grace Ringers (10:30am) - Aria

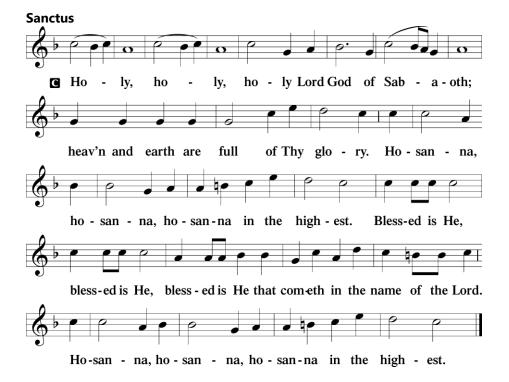
## Offering

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.

## **Service of the Sacrament**



It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



## **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

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 ⊀ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

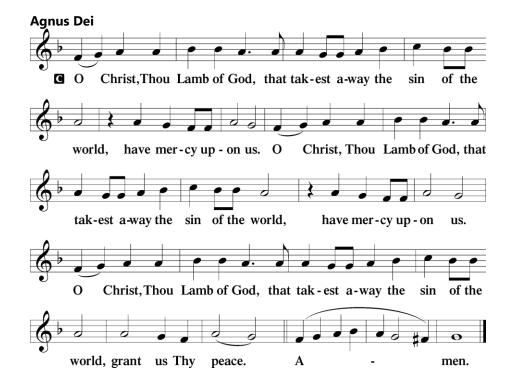
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."





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





## **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 blood, given for you."

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

## **Distribution Hymns**

Christ the Eternal Lord #829

Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart #806

Abide with Me #878





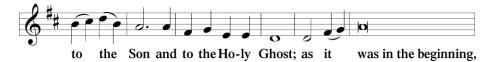
■ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-

















A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

## **P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### C Amen.

#### **Salutation**



P The Lord be with you.



## **Benedicamus**



A Bless we the Lord.







P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra-cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



Closing Hymn – The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done

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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 and Dottie Heslop.
- -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 Wallace & Mike Sterba
The Acolyte: John Garrubba (8:00)

Sarah Grimenstein (10:30)

The Greeters: Wayne & Kathleen Conn (8:00)

Max & Jean Ma (10:30)

The Ushers: Carl Bauer, Gene Koop

Ron Meier & Jack Oelschlager (8:00)

Ross Chilcott, Bob Bonacci

Bill Koester & Vince Kimberland (10:30)

Altar Guild: Debra LaJeunesse, Carrie Lemonovich

Carolyn Wible

Nursery: Barb Oechslein & Marian Oelschlager

## **Last Week in Worship**

Sunday Worship Attendance (4/8) – 190 Mid-Week Attendance (4/11) – Sunday Offering (4/8) -\$3,790.00 Online Offering (4/2-4/6) - \$989.00

~Online giving is now available by going to the Zion web site: www.zlcb.org~

## April 15th - April 22nd

SUNDAY	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion
4/15	9:15 AM –Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion
MONDAY 4/16	6:00 PM – Confirmation Class 7:00 PM – Confirmation Class
TUESDAY 4/17	6:15 PM – Grace Bell Choir 7:15 PM – Adult Choir 8:00 PM – Faith Bell Choir
WEDNESDAY 4/18	6:00 PM – New Member Class 7:00 PM – Midweek Worship Service
THURSDAY 4/19	10:00 AM – Bible Study
FRIDAY 4/20	
SATURDAY 4/21	8:00 AM – Men's Bible Breakfast 9:00 AM – Stephen Ministry Meeting
SUNDAY 4/22	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM –Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion

# Kids Fishing Derby Saturday, May 5, 2018

8 a.m. - 2 p.m. Saxony Farm Lake

Addy Boy Lane, Saxonburg

No entry fee Open to all kids 14 and under

Free refreshments
Prizes all day

Bait provided by Concordia Participants must have an adult chaperone Bring your own fishing pole and lawn chair

Call Concordia Public Relations for more information at 724-352-1571 ext. 8268. Register online by visiting the Events & News section of the Concordia website: www.concordialm.org/events-news/fishingderby2018.





Join the trustees on Saturday April 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am for our Outdoor Work Day!

Come help get the outside of the church ready for spring! Any help is welcome.

There is a job for everyone!





# Mark your Calendars! Youth Group Chili Cook-Off

When: Sunday April 29th after late service

**Where: Zion Lutheran Church** 

What: Fundraiser for the Youth Group

Cost: Free Will Offering

Come judge which youth has the best chili!

Please help support the youth groups efforts to raise money for the 2019 LCMS Youth Gathering!

