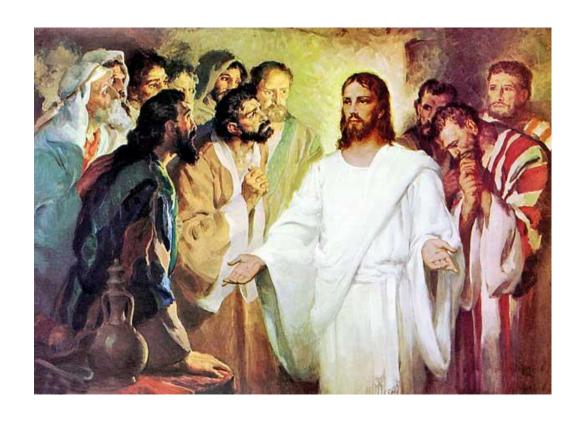
# Zion Lutheran Church



April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Second Sunday of Easter



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## 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 those who are baptized, confirmed, repentant members of Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod congregations or sister congregations. Visitors desiring to commune are asked to please announce their intentions to an elder or pastor. Everyone is welcome to sing the hymns during communion as we contemplate Christ's mercy to us.

In preparation to receive the Lord's Supper in a worthy manner please consider reading "Christian Questions with their Answers" on Page 329-330.

We invite you to learn more about our church family at Zion and what we believe as Lutherans. If you are interested in exploring membership, please talk with Pastor Grimenstein after the service, or call the church office at 412-221-4776.

- In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** 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 ⅓ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

#### Service of the Word

#### Introit



Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to sal- | vation—\*

if indeed you have tasted that the | Lord is good.

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call up- | on his name;\* make known his deeds among the | peoples!

Sing to him, sing prais- | es to him;\*

tell of all his | wondrous works!

Glory in his | holy name;\*

let the hearts of those who seek the | LORD rejoice!

Seek the LORD | and his strength;\*

seek his presence con- | tinually!

Remember the wondrous works that | he has done,\*

his miracles, and the judgments he | uttered.

He remembers his covenant for- | ever,\*

the word that he commanded, for a thousand gener- | ations.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

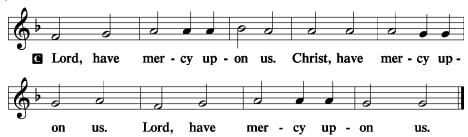
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

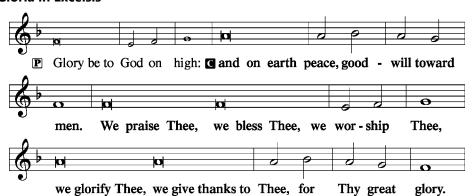
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# **Kyrie**



#### Gloria in Excelsis





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



P The Lord be with you.



## **P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Amen.

#### First Reading - Acts 5:12-20

Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high esteem. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed.

But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

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

# Faith Bell Choir (10:30am) – Oh, How I Love Jesus

# **Epistle – Revelation 1:4-18**

John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet saying, "Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea."

Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. The hairs of his head were white like wool, as white as snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.

When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

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

#### Alleluia



## **Holy Gospel**

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.



On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."

Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

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 – O Sons and Daughters of the King

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#### Sermon

## Offertory





# Offering

# **Prayer of the Church**

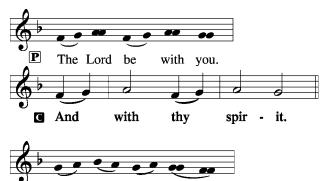
- **P** ...Lord in your mercy.
- C ...Hear our prayer.

P Lift

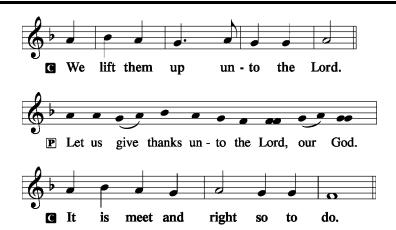
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# **Service of the Sacrament**

## **Preface**



your hearts.



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:

#### **Sanctus**





bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

#### Lord's Prayer

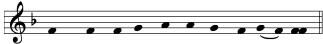
Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the 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 ⅓ 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."

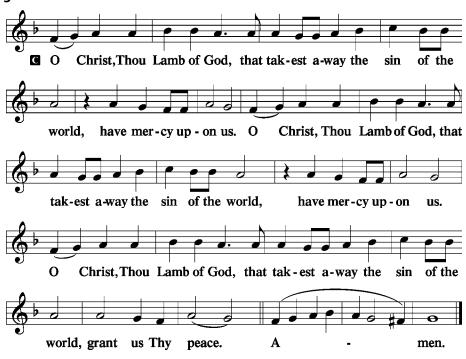
#### Pax Domini



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



# **Agnus Dei**



# **Sharing of Peace**

#### Distribution

#### **Distribution Hymns**

All Hail the Power of Jesus Name #549

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence #621

The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord #634



# **Thanksgiving**



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



# 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.



P The Lord be with you.



#### **Benedicamus**



A Bless we the Lord.



#### **Benediction**



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 4 give you peace.



Closing Hymn - The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

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# Prayer Requests for Family & Friends

## The Church:

- -For our homebound members: Tom Bicusky, Florence Boehme, Lois Dittmer, Norm and Helen Erbrecht, Laverne Eckels, Irene Bourg and Dolores Preaux.
- -Healing for: Alyssa Mance, Darlene Pirmez, Elias Kazas, Janet Hickey, Florence Boehme, Marian Siek, Gerry Hildenbrand, Lillian DallaPiazza, Joyce Wood, Nancy Spotti, Don and Deana Thielet, Dave Hutula, Roxanne Burgh, Ron Valentino, Norma Dyson, Mabel Granke, Bill and Nancy Koester, Mary Reihing, Jennifer Meyer and Joshua Ulm.
- -For our missionaries, especially Pastor Wokoma.
- -For those who serve: Christopher Malachosky who is deployed in Afghanistan for 9 months and Jared Fitzgerald who is serving in Germany.
- -For all who care for loved ones with illnesses.
- -For the ministry of Zion Lutheran Sunday School and 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 godly care of the earth.

# **†** Service Participants **†**

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Edward Grimenstein

Music Director: Mark Killinger
The Organist: Sandy Quinlan

The Elders:

Bill Bishop & Mike Kroeger

The Acolyte: Sarah Grimenstein (8:00)

Max Gresh (10:30)

The Greeters: Jacque Oelschlager (8:00)

Carolyn Wible(10:30)

The Ushers: Shane Bryant, Joe DePalma

Ken Schrag & Tim Sheldon (8:00)

Augie Bishop, Susie Bishop

Anna Gresh & John Lemonovich (10:30)

Altar Guild: Debbie LaJeunesse, Carrie Lemonovich

& Carolyn Wible

Nursery: Sharon Bogden & Christine Chilcott

# Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (4/21) – 294
Sunday Offering (4/21) - \$9,396.00
Online Offering - \$1,268.00
Midweek Attendance (4/24) - 12
Maundy Thursday Worship Attendance (4/18) – 94
Maundy Thursday Offering (4/18)- \$705.00
Good Friday Worship Attendance (4/19)- 144
Good Friday Offering (4/19) - \$1,771.00

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

# April 28th - May 5th

SUNDAY 4/28 –	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM –Voters Meeting 9:15 AM - Sunday School 9:15 AM – Youth Group Bake Sale 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion
MONDAY 4/29	7:00 PM – Confirmation 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year
TUESDAY 4/30	6:15 PM – Grace Bell Choir 7:15 PM – Adult Choir 8:00 PM – Faith Bell Choir
WEDNESDAY 5/1	7:00 PM – Midweek Worship Service & Bible Study
THURSDAY 5/2	10:00 AM – Bible Study
FRIDAY 5/3	
SATURDAY 5/4	2:00 PM – Dr. Bergman Presentation
SUNDAY 5/5	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM –Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by Norm & Brittany Dill in Celebration of Norm & Brittany's birthdays and Dan & Tracey Harris in Celebration of Ryan's 21st Birthday.

**ETERNAL LIGHT** is given by Bernice DeBoe in Memory of brothers Edwin R., Walter J., & Wallace M. Rybarski.

**VOTERS MEETING** will be held TODAY Sunday April 28<sup>th</sup> between services. Please plan to join us as for this meeting. Coffee and donuts will be served!

**YOUTH GROUP...** Come downstairs TODAY for a bake sale! The Youth Group is having a bake sale today!! They are getting very close to hitting their \$14,000 goal...only \$1,059.69 to go!!

**BANNER DONATIONS** are still being accepted for our Lent and Advent banner sets. Please mark your check's memo line "banner fund" or write "banner fund" on an envelope for a cash donation.

JOYFULLY LUTHERAN...Matthew Harrison, the President of our Synod, has complied a fascinating paper outlining the demographic and stewardship challenges our church body is facing today. A must-read for each of us! The JOY of the Gospel can overcome these challenges. Hard copies are available in the magazine rack in the church narthex.

**ONLINE DONATIONS** can be made for your weekly offering. Go to our website and click on donate and then set up an account. This is an easy way to do your weekly offering when traveling.

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

# Youth Group Fundraising!

# TODAY

Bake Sale!! The youth group is selling baked good today!!

They are getting very close to their goal!!



Fundraising Tracker!



\$12,940.31 Raised!

# **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

# JUNE 24–28, 2019 9AM–NOON



#### BE A VOLUNTEER!

VBS is a place for people of **all** ages!
Anyone from 7th grade thru adult who is interested in sharing God's love with children can help!!!

#### BE INVOLVED WITH KIDS.

- $\Rightarrow$  Crew leaders and helpers walk and talk with kids throughout the day.
- ⇒ VBS NURSERY-GUIDE LITTLE ONES UNDER 3 YEARS OLD
- ⇒ OPENING AND CLOSING SKITS—ASSIST THE DIRECTOR DURING THE OPENING SKIT.

#### OTHER WAYS YOU CAN HELP

- ⇒ TAKE PICTURES! INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS, GROUP PHOTOS, ACTION SHOTS— A GREAT WAY TO SHOWCASE GOD AT WORK DURING THE VBS WEEK.
- ⇒ REGISTRATION TEAM—HELP WITH CHECK IN ON MONDAY MORNING.
- ⇒ MONETARY DONATION— CHECKS PAYABLE TO Zion Lutheran Church Sunday School

#### OUR GOAL IS TO FILL ALL VOLUNTEER POSITIONS BY APRIL 14TH.

PLEASE HELP US REACH OUR GOAL BY PLACING YOUR COMPLETED FORM IN THE BOX LABELED **ROAR VBS**. EMAIL SUNDAYSCHOOL@ZLCB.ORG WITH QUESTIONS.

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

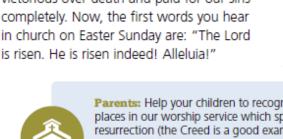
Easter is a very important day. Easter is the day that we celebrate Jesus' resurrection from the dead.

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

alive! He had risen from the dead!

victorious over death and paid for our sins completely. Now, the first words you hear in church on Easter Sunday are: "The Lord





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!



# Kids Fishing Derby

Saturday. May 11. 2019

8 am. - 2 pm.

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/fishingderby2019.

