Zion Lutheran Church



May 5th, 2019 Third 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.

Opening Hymn – Holy, Holy, Holy

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- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.
- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- 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.
- 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 +I Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit



- P All your works shall give thanks to you, | O LORD,* and all your saints shall | bless you!
- One generation shall commend your works to an- | other,* and shall declare your | mighty acts.

On the glorious splendor of your | majesty,* and on your wondrous works, I will | meditate.

They shall speak of the might of your | awesome deeds,* and I will declare your | greatness.

They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant | goodness*

and shall sing aloud of your | righteousness.

The LORD is | good to all,*

and his mercy is over all that | he has made.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

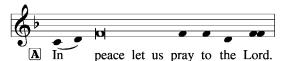
and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

P All your works shall give thanks to you, | O LORD,* and all your saints shall | bless you!

Kyrie





C Lord, have mer - cy.



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

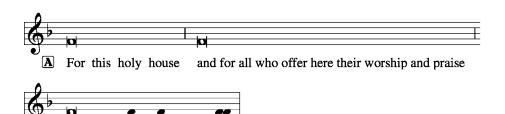




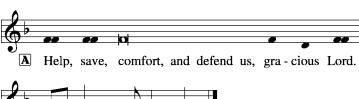
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,











This Is the Feast



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 9:1-22

But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named

Saul, for behold, he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized; and taking food, he was strengthened.

For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?" But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

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

Epistle – Revelation 5:8-14

And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song, saying,

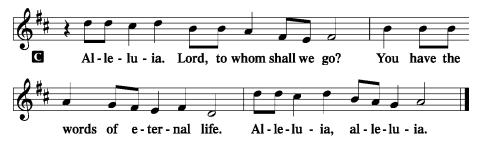
"Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" And I heard every

creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

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Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twenty-first chapter.



After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was

stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go." (This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, "Follow me."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sermon Hymn - With High Delight Let Us Unite

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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.

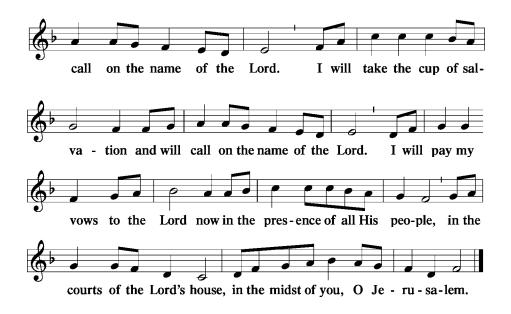
Prayer of the Church

- P ...Let us pray to the Lord
- **C** Lord have mercy.

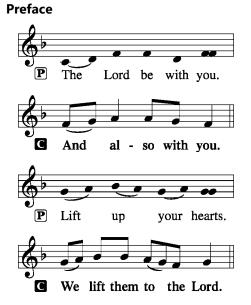
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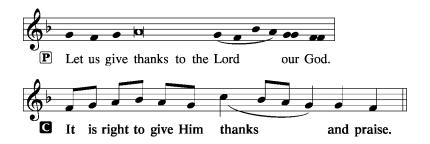
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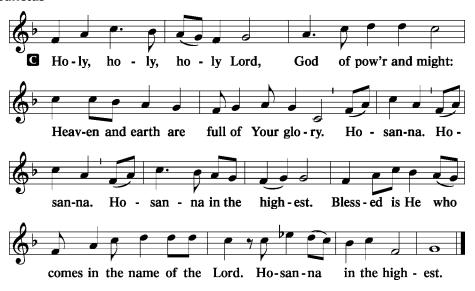
Service of the Sacrament





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. 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



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.

G 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."

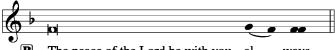
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

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

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

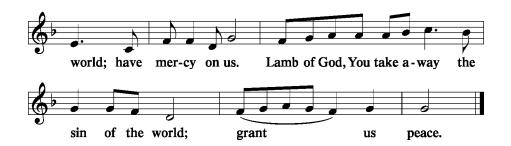


P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



Agnus Dei





Sharing of Peace

Distribution

Distribution Hymns

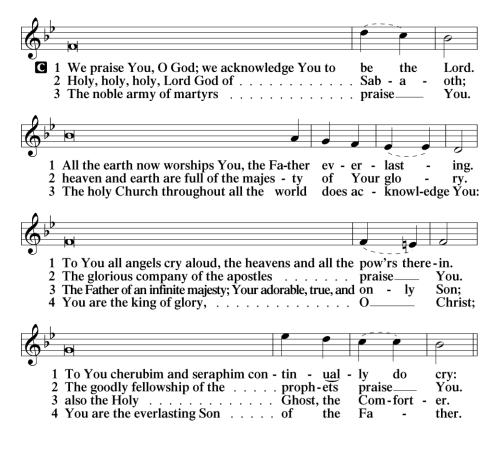
Feed Thy Children, God Most Holy #774

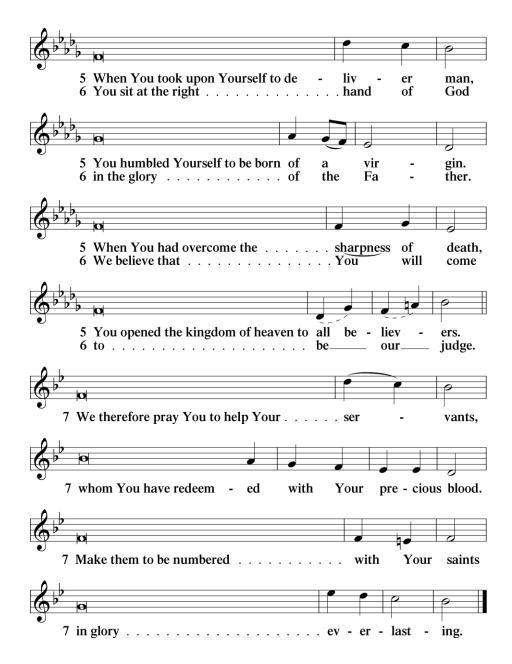
O Living Bread from Heaven #642

Your Table I Approach #628



Te Deum





Thank the Lord



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



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.

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.



Closing Hymn – Crown Him with Many Crowns

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Acknowledgments

Divine Service, Setting One from Lutheran Service Book

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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 Dolores Preaux, Lillian DallaPiazza, Joan Cisko, and Dottie Heslop.
- -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:

Bob Schmidt & James Neill
The Acolyte:

Alex Yellig (8:00)

Bella Bonacci (10:30)

The Greeters: Max & Jean Ma (8:00)

Jim & Mary Lou Neill (10:30)

The Ushers: Kathleen Conn, Michael Grimenstein,

Dale Miller, Larry Zreliak (8:00)

Ross Chilcott, Bob Bonacci,

Bill Koester, Chuck LaJeunesse (10:30)

Altar Guild: Barb Oechslein, Megan Pasquini,

& Diane Schmidt

Nursery: Tess Carter & Nell Wilson

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (4/28) – 151 Sunday Offering (4/28) -\$8717.00 Online Offering -\$553.00

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

May 5th - May 12th

SUNDAY	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM –Adult Bible Study & Sunday School
5/5	10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion
MONDAY 5/6	7:00 PM – Confirmation 2 nd Year
TUESDAY	6:15 PM – Grace Bell Choir
5/7	7:15 PM – Adult Choir
	8:00 PM – Faith Bell Choir
WEDNESDAY	
5/8	7:00 PM – Midweek Worship Service & Bible
	Study
THURSDAY 5/9	10:00 AM – Bible Study
FRIDAY 5/10	
SATURDAY 5/11	8:00 AM – Men's Bible Breakfast
SUNDAY 5/12	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 Tevia Grimenstein in Memory of Karen Spence & Paula Jones in Memory of Harry Jones.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by Judy Dames in Memory of Loved Ones.

YOUTH GROUP... Check out the Mother's Day gift basket filled with goodies for mom! Be the highest bidder on the basket and it is yours!! Basket will be given on Sunday May 12th. Our youth group is getting very close to hitting its fundraising goal of \$14,000 ... only 689.69 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!



Mother's Day Gift Basket! Check out the gift basket filled with goodies for mom! Be the highest bidder on the basket and it is yours!!! Basket will be given on May 12th

They are getting very close to their goal!!

Fundraising Tracker!



\$13,310.31 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.

- ⇒ 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.

2019 ROAR VBS VOLUNTEER FORM YES! I WANT TO VOLUNTEER! CHECK YOUR AREAS OF INTEREST: RURSERY HELPER OPENING & CLOSING SKITS (ZION MEMBER ONLY) CREW LEADER PHOTOGRAPHER YOUR NAME EMAIL ADDRESS PHONE # CELL # T-SHIRT SIZE



Who is the Holy Spirit?

The explanation of the Small
Catechism says, the Holy Spirit is "the third person in the Holy Trinity, true God with the Father and Son." This means that we believe in one true God, in three persons: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is God just as the Father is God and the Son is God.

FATHER

HOLY

SON

What does the Holy Spirit do?

The Holy Spirit sanctifies God's people. In other words, He makes us holy by giving us saving faith in Jesus and the strength to lead godly lives in His name.

Why is the Holy Spirit so important?

We need the Holy Spirit and what He gives to us, because without Him, we are not able to believe in Jesus. In 1 Cor. 2:14 we hear the following: "The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned." The Holy Spirit calls us to faith through the Gospel and delivers the gracious gifts of salvation in the Sacraments.





During the service, tell your children to listen for times the Pastor says the name of the Holy Spirit (i.e. the Invocation, Benediction). Remind your children that the Holy Spirit is exactly where God promised us He would be — in the Word and Sacraments. He comes to us by no other means than through these gradious gifts.



Kids Fishing Derby

Saturday, May 11, 2019 8 am. - 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/fishingderby2019.

