Zion Lutheran Church



May 19th, 2019 Fifth 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.
- C 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

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit



- P Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done | marvelous things!*
 His right hand and his holy arm have worked salva- | tion for him.
- The LORD has made known his sal- | vation;*

he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the | nations.

He has remembered his steadfast love to the house of | Israel.*

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation | of our God.

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all the earth;*

break forth into joyous song and sing | praises!

Sing praises to the LORD | with the lyre,*

with the lyre and the sound of | melody!

With trumpets and the sound | of the horn*

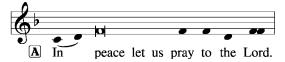
make a joyful noise before the | King, the LORD!

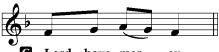
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*

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

P Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done | marvelous things!*
His right hand and his holy arm have worked salva- | tion for him.

Kyrie





C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



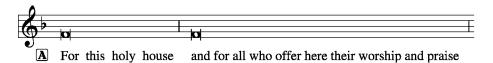


A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



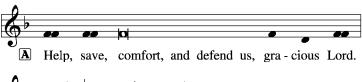
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.





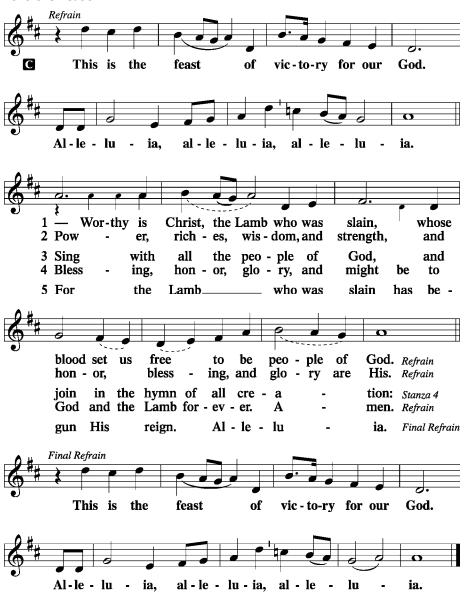








This Is the Feast



Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



First Reading - Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, "You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them." But Peter began and explained it to them in order: "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me. Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air. And I heard a voice saying to me, 'Rise, Peter; kill and eat.' But I said, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But the voice answered a second time from heaven, 'What God has made clean, do not call common.' This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven. And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea. And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied

me, and we entered the man's house. And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.' As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?" When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, "Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life."

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

Grace Bell Choir (8:00am) – Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Adult Choir (10:30am) - You Are Mine

Epistle – Revelation 21:1-7

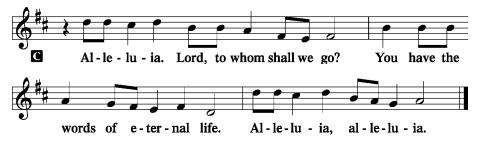
Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment.

The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son."

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Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel

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



"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

"A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me." So some of his disciples said to one another, "What is this that he says to us, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'; and, 'because I am going to the Father'?" So they were saying, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what he is talking about." Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, "Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me'? Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sermon Hymn – At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing #633

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.



Reception of New Members (8:00am)





Prayer of the Church

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

Offering

Offertory



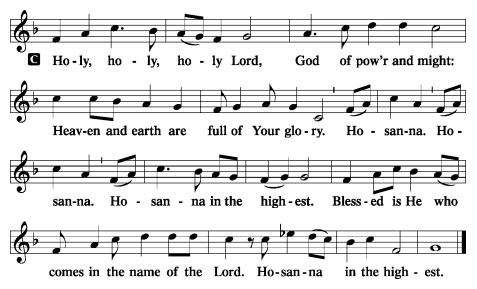
Service of the Sacrament

Preface



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.

C 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."

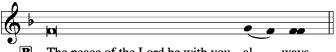
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

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

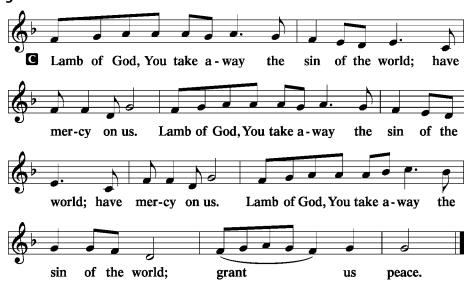
Pax Domini



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



Agnus Dei

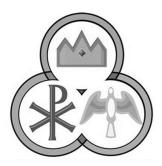


Sharing of Peace

Distribution

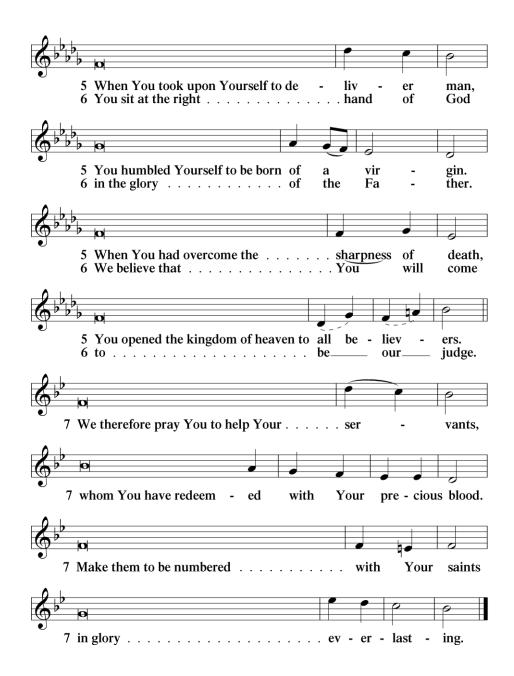
Distribution Hymns

Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me	#722
Jesus Comes Today with Healing	#620
Be Still My Soul	#752



Te Deum





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.

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 – Alleluia! Let Praises Ring

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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, Joshua Ulm, Tom Richards and Tim Fitzgerald.
- -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

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The Acolyte:

Lauren Liberatore (8:00)

Luke Lemonovich (10:30)

The Greeters: Brian & Megan Pasquini (8:00)

John & Katie Gielarowski (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: Megan Meyer & Marian Oelschlager

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (5/12) – 184 Wednesday Worship Attendance (5/15) - 15 Sunday Offering (5/12) -\$4,751.00 Online Offering - \$941.46

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

May 19th - May 26th

SUNDAY 5/19	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM – Youth Group Pancake Breakfast 9:15 AM –Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion
MONDAY 5 (20)	7:00 PM – Confirmation 2 nd Year
5/20 TUESDAY 5/21	6:15 PM – Grace Bell Choir 7:15 PM – Adult Choir 8:00 PM – Faith Bell Choir
WEDNESDAY 5/22	7:00 PM – Midweek Worship Service & Bible Study
THURSDAY 5/23	
FRIDAY 5/24	
SATURDAY 5/25	
SUNDAY 5/26	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 Megan Richards in memory of mother, Luella Rilius and Bernice DeBoe in honor of son Robert B. DeBoe's birthday and best friend Jack Oelschlager's birthday.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by Bernice DeBoe in honor of son Robert B DeBoe's birthday and best friend Jack Oelschlager's birthday.

YOUTH GROUP... Still has a few planned fundraisers in the next few weeks. This Sunday join us for pancakes between services!

COOKBOOKS... The newest Zion Cookbook is for sale!! Each book is \$15.00. All proceeds will go towards the kitchen fund. Cookbooks are available between services or by contacting the secretaries at 412-221-4776 or email secretary@zlb.org.

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!

Join us this morning for Pancakes between services!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 24–28, 2019 9AM–NOON

BE A VOLUNTEER!

Life is Wild " God is god

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 PHOTOGRAPHER CREW LEADER CREW HELPER YOUR NAME EMAIL ADDRESS PHONE # CELL # T-SHIRT SIZE I ALREADY OWN A GREY ZION T-SHIRT

KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE



You probably noticed that the pastor preaches to the congegation from the same place in the church almost every time. This place is called the pulpit. The word "pulpit" comes from the Latin word "pulpitum," meaning "scaffold." Do you know what a scaffold is? A scaffold is a platform which is raised high up into the air. If you have ever seen someone washing windows on a building, they were probably standing on a scaffold.

Why do pastors preach from a pulpit?

Before the invention of the microphone, it was sometimes hard to hear what the pastor was saying. By raising the place where the pastor preaches, he could better project his voice for all of the people present to hear the wonderful Gospel. Raising the pulpit above everything else also helps to signify the importance of proclaiming God's pure Word. What a wonderful invention the pulpit is!



Parents: Before or after the service, allow your child to walk up to the pulpit to get a better look. Encourage them to step into the pulpit to get a view of the congregation. Remind them to be reverent in God's holy places. During the service, before the sermon, remind them that pastor is about to preach God's Word and that the pulpit will help them to see and hear him clearly!





We are excited to have Zion's newest church cookbook for sale!

Cost of the cook books is \$15.00 books are for sale after services or contact the secretaries at secretary@zlcb.org/

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All proceeds go to the kitchen fund!

