

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE WITHOUT HOLY COMMUNION (LSB 184)

FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 26, 2020

Easter Acclamation



Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

+ The Office of Confession of Sins and Absolution +

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.

Our help is in the name of the Lord Who made heaven and earth.

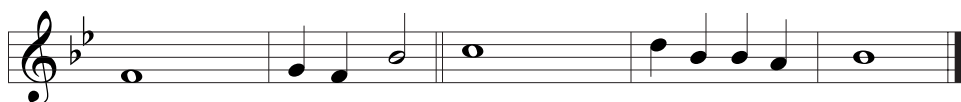
I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord. And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Almighty God, our maker and redeemer; we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

O most merciful God, who has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father; has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His name He gives power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all. Amen.

Introit of the Day



[Antiphon] *Behold, how good and how | •pleasant• it is || when brothers | dwell in u- ni- | ty!*

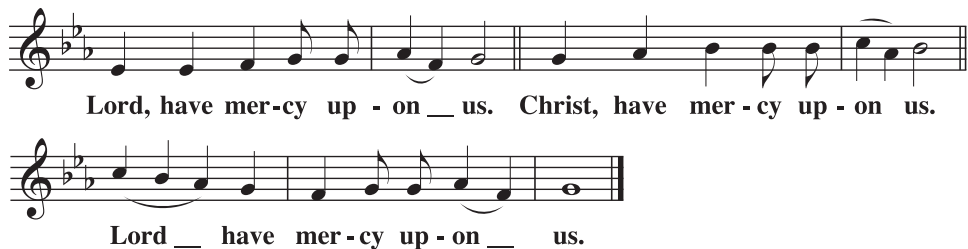
Verse 1 : **It is like the precious oil on the head, running down | on the beard, || on the beard of Aaron, running down on the | col- lar of his | robes!**

Verse 2 : *It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the | •mountains• of •Zion•! || For there the Lord has commanded the blessing, | life for- ev- er- | more.*

Gloria: **Glory be to the Father and | to the Son: || and | to the Ho- ly | •Spirit•; || As it was in the be- | •ginning•, is now, || and will | be for- •ever•. A- | men!**

[Antiphon] **Behold, how good and how | •pleasant• it is || when brothers | dwell in u- ni- | ty!**

Kyrie



Lord, have mer-cy up - on __ us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord __ have mer - cy up - on __ us.

Gloria in Excelsis



Glo-ry be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will •toward• men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor-ship Thee, we

glo-ri - fy Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glo - ry

O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God _ the Fa-ther Al - might - y.

O Lord, the on - ly be - got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ, O Lord God,

Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, that tak - est a-way the sin of the

world, have mer-cy up - on _ us: Thou that tak-est a-way the sin of the

world; re - ceive our prayer Thou that sit-test at the right hand of God the

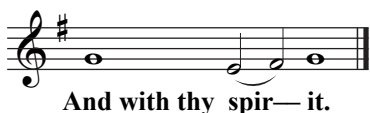
Fa - ther, have mer-cy up - on us. For Thou on - ly art ho - ly, Thou

on - ly art the Lord. Thou on - ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly

Ghost, art most high in the glo - ry of God _ the Fa-ther. A - men.

Salutation

The Lord be with you.



And with thy spir— it.

Collect for the Third Sunday of Easter: *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.*



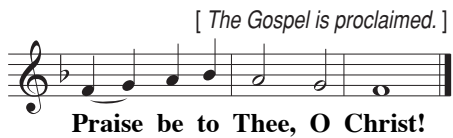
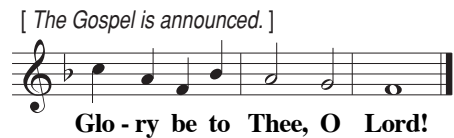
+ The Office of the Word of God +

First Reading..... **Acts 2:14a, 36-41**
[After the reading] *This is the word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle of the Day **1 Peter 1:17-25**
[After the reading] *This is the word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn **Christ Jesus Lay** **Burgundy Hymn 458**
[Stanzas 1, 5, 7.]

Holy Gospel **St. Luke 24:13-35**



Confession of Faith (The 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.

Hymn of the Day **With High Delight** **Burgundy Hymn 483**

Sermon

Offering (please continue your regular tithes and offerings by mail, drop off, or online banking)

Prayer of the Church

Let us pray for the whole church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs: ...

[After each petition]: *Lord, in Your mercy:* **Hear our prayer.**

[After the final petition]: *..., one God, now and forever* **Amen.**

The 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.

Collect for the Word or for the Church ... now and forever.



A ——— men.

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



A-men, A-men, A - men.

Easter Acclamation



Christ is risen. Al- le- lu- ia! He is risen in- deed! Alleluia! Al- le- lu- ia!

Closing Hymn I am Content! Burgundy Hymn 468

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Readings for the Third Sunday of Easter

The First Reading is Acts 2:14a, 36–41

Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, ... “Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.” And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.” So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

The Epistle is 1 Peter 1:17–25

If you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; for

“All flesh is like grass

and all its glory like the flower of grass.

The grass withers, and the flower falls,

but the word of the Lord remains forever.”

And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

The Gospel is St. Luke 24:13–35

That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, “What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?” And they stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?” And he said to them, “What things?” And they said to him, “Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see.” And he said to them, “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?” And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, but they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent.” So he went in to stay with them. When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, “Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?” And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!” Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Hymns for the Third Sunday of Easter

LSB458 Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands (stt. 1, 5, 7)

1. Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bands
For our offenses given;
But now at God's right hand He stands
And brings us life from heaven.
Therefore let us joyful be
And sing to God right thankfully
Loud songs of alleluia! Alleluia!
5. Here our true Paschal Lamb we see,
Whom God so freely gave us;
He died on the accursèd tree—
So strong His love—to save us.
See, His blood now marks our door;
Faith points to it; death passes o'er,
And Satan cannot harm us. Alleluia!
7. Then let us feast this Easter Day
On Christ, the bread of heaven;
The Word of grace has purged away
The old and evil leaven.
Christ alone our souls will feed;
He is our meat and drink indeed;
Faith lives upon no other! Alleluia!

LSB483 With High Delight

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1. With high delight Let us unite In songs of great jubilation.
Ye pure in heart, All bear your part, Sing Jesus Christ, our salvation.
To set us free Forever, He Is ris'n and sends To all earth's ends
Good news to save ev'ry nation.
2. True God, He first From death has burst Forth into life, all subduing.
His enemy Doth vanquished lie; His death has been death's undoing.
“And yours shall be Like victory O'er death and grave,” Saith He, who gave
His life for us, life renewing.
3. Let praises ring; Give thanks, and bring To Christ our Lord adoration.
His honor speed By word and deed To ev'ry land, ev'ry nation.
So shall His love Give us above, From misery And death set free,
All joy and full consolation.

LSB468 I Am Content

1. I am content! My Jesus ever lives,
In whom my heart is pleased.
He has fulfilled the Law of God for me,
God's wrath He has appeased.
Since He in death could perish never,
I also shall not die forever.
I am content! I am content!
2. I am content! My Jesus is my head;
His member I shall be.
He bowed His head when on the cross He died
With cries of agony.
Now death is brought into subjection
For me by Jesus' resurrection.
I am content! I am content!
3. I am content! My Jesus is my light,
My radiant sun of grace.
His cheering rays beam blessings forth for all,
Sweet comfort, hope, and peace.
This Easter sun has brought salvation
And everlasting exultation.
I am content! I am content!
4. I am content! At length I shall be free,
Awakened from the dead,
Arising glorious evermore to be
With You, my living head.
The chains that hold my body, sever;
Then shall my soul rejoice forever.
I am content! I am content!



What Doctor Luther Says:

About an Extraordinary Birth that Produces Change

You have been born anew.

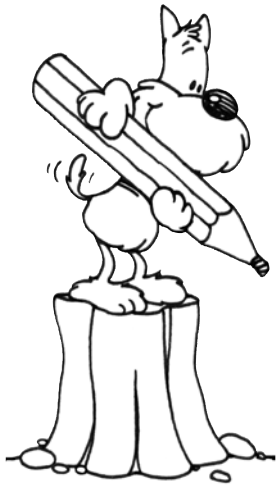
This [love of one another] should be done because you are no longer what you formerly were, [Peter] says, but are new persons. Works have not brought this about, but for it a birth has been required. For you cannot make the new man. No, he must grow or be born. ... we cannot become children of God by means of works but must be born again. ... But how did the new birth come about? In the following way:

Not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding Word of God.

We have been born anew through a seed. For, as we see, the only way anything grows is through a seed. Now if the old birth originated from a seed, the new birth must also be from a seed. But what is the seed? Not flesh and blood. What then? It is not perishable, but it is an eternal Word. This is everything from which we live put together, food and nourishment. But it is chiefly the seed from which we are born anew, as the apostle says here.

How does this take place? In the following way: God lets the Word, the Gospel, go forth. He causes the seed to fall into the hearts of men. Now where it takes root in the heart, the Holy Spirit is present and creates a new man. There an entirely new man comes into being, other thoughts, other words and works. Thus you are completely changed. Now you seek everything from which you formerly fled; and what you formerly sought, that you flee. Physical birth takes place in the following way: When man has received the seed, the seed is changed, so that it is no longer seed. But this is a seed that cannot be changed; it remains eternally. But it changes me in such a way that I am changed into it and what evil there is in me because of my nature disappears completely. Therefore this is an extraordinary birth – a birth from an unusual seed.

Luther's Works, 30:43-44.



CoDE MESSAGE

To find out what Jesus' disciples said about Him, write the correct letter under each number. The key will tell you which letter to write.

20 8 5 12 15 18 4 8 1 19

18 9 19 5 14 9 14 4 5 5 4

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1=A	2=B	3=C	4=D	5=E	6=F	7=G
8=H	9=I	10=J	11=K	12=L	13=M	14=N
15=O	16=P	17=Q	18=R	19=S	20=T	21=U
22=V	23=W	24=X	25=Y	26=Z	key	



ANSWERS

CODE MESSAGE

THE LORD HAS
RISEN INDEED!

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

3rd Sunday of Easter



When He was at table with them, He took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened, and they recognized Him.
Luke 24:30-31

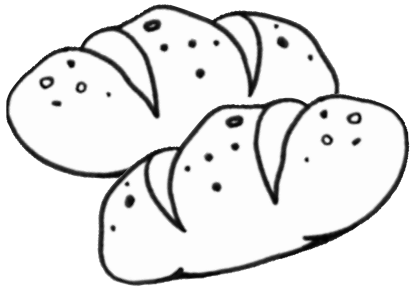
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

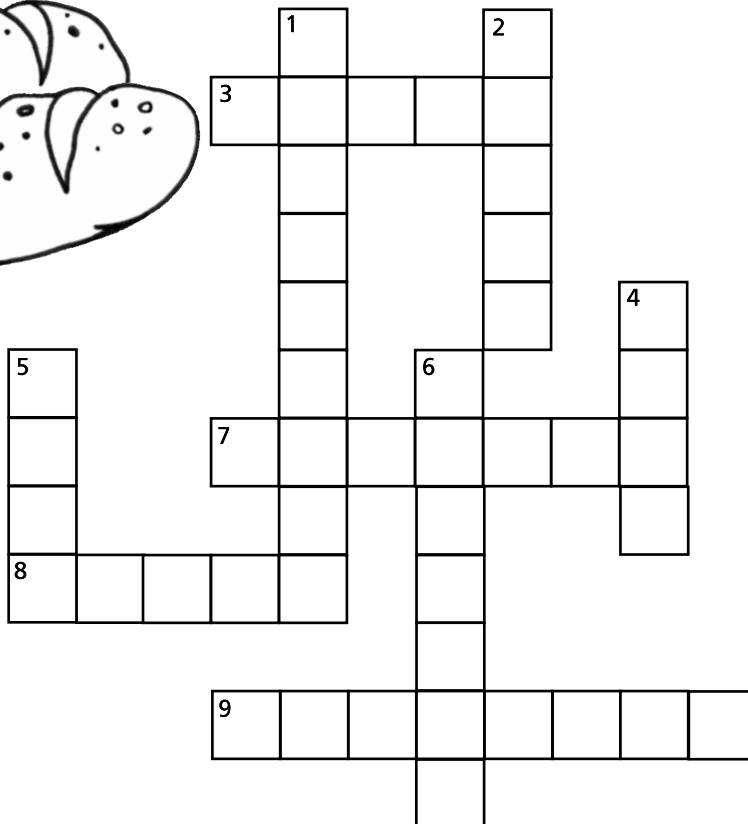
See if you can put words from today's Gospel into the crossword puzzle. (If you need help, use the word list.)

Two men were going to a (7 across) called Emmaus. (2 down) began to walk along with them. But their (4 down) didn't recognize Him. They told Him how Jesus had been (1 down). They told Him about the empty (5 down). Later, they all sat down to eat. Jesus took the (8 across); He (6 down) and (3 across) it and gave it to them. Then they recognized Him. They ran to tell the others that Jesus had (9 across) to them.



WORD LIST

BREAD
JESUS
TOMB
EYES
BLESSED
VILLAGE
APPEARED
CRUCIFIED
BROKE



SOMETHING to DRAW

The disciples and Jesus walked to Emmaus on that first Easter Day. Draw in the rest of this picture. Make it as happy-looking as you can!



PRAYERS FOR TODAY

- + For the church and those experiencing persecution around the world; for the leaders, pastors, church workers, for those preparing for the Holy Ministry, especially Kyle Nelson receiving his vicarage placement, and for Bethlehem Lutheran, calling a new Senior Pastor.
- + For those who serve our Lord at home and abroad.
- + For our nation, under duress because of COVID-19, for our leaders, our military, and our health care workers
- + For our schools, especially Lutheran South Unity School, Concordia Lutheran High School, and Concordia Theological Seminary, the teachers teaching and the students learning online, and school families
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound, including MaryLou Graham, Juanita Moore, Helen Russell, Jackie Schieferstein, Cheryl Silvers, and Doris Yerger
- + For those who are near death, including Irene Nichols
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Gloria Gonzalez, Rose & Willie Manning, Charlene Young, Lucille Brandt, Marilyn Shafter, Shirley Bohner, Everett Beck, Donna Scott, Willodean Bates, Jill Stokes, Connie & Rick Meyer, Dick Hollman, Randy Reid, Maurice King, Linda Mittelstaedt, Miranda Krider, Ron Rastl, Marlow Hogan, and Claudia Southerland
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages
- + For the gift of life, for mothers great with child and parents with children, and for length of days
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones
- + For the faithful departed
- + For our communicants and for a fruitful use of the most Blessed Sacrament of our Lord's Body and Blood

IN THE SERVICE TODAY

Today is the Third Sunday of Easter. The Stay-at-Home order continues through May 1. We continue to pray that the governor will loosen criteria for gathering at church, still with appropriate "social distancing" and other sanitization measures I have written various state leaders with this encouragement. You might think about it, too.

CALENDAR

April 26, 2020 thru May 2, 2020

SUN.		Sunday Divine Service	Online Church
	8 AM-6 PM	Small group Divine Services	
MON.			
TUES.	7:00 PM	Call Day Service	Online
WED.			
		Wednesday Divine Service	Online on Sunday
THURS.			
FRI.			
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Chapel
	1:00 PM	Recording Sunday Divine Service	Church

May 3, 2020

SUN.	Divine Service	Online
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ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: Canceled for now.... When we return, Dr. Voelz will continue with the study of the Gospel according to St. Mark. What kind of social distancing will be required, we'll have to see!

THANK YOU to Rev. Professor John Pless who is preaching today.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE How did you do on last week's challenge, Eph. 2:8-9? This week's challenge verse is Rom. 1:16 — "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek." And if you want a bit more of a challenge, include verse 17, too, an important verse to Luther — "For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, 'The righteous shall live by faith.'"

CLHS has established an emergency relief fund to help families affected by COVID-19 through the loss of employment or income, illness or other means. The school will host a Cadet Day of Caring on Tuesday to help support the fund. Donations will provide assistance for tuition, fees and related Concordia educational expenses to Concordia families in need during this and next academic year. For details, go to www.clhscadets.com.

RESOURCES: We're still busy at the church, planning and doing the things that serve you. If, however, you find yourself at home wanting to turn the drone of COVID-19 news off and to turn to something more uplifting or stimulating, look to the Synod's website, lcms.org. There you'll find various tabs to explore: News, and Social Issues, and Worship, and Resources, and more. Use this as a time to grow in your own knowledge and devotion.

MORE RESOURCES: We're all looking for a ways to keep children entertained and learning. We know many children tend to experience learning loss, losing gains they may have made in reading, math, and other subjects during time away from their traditional classroom. With CPH Reads, you don't have to worry about missing out on fun or losing achievement gains! With easy to access lists of Christ-centered books, children can self-select the titles they'll enjoy most while keeping up with their reading skills! But it's not just for kids: adults can read and earn points, too. Go to read.cph.org and register.

CALL DAY SERVICES AT CTSFW Due to the technical demands, both the Call Service and Vicarage Placement Services will be combined into a single service on Wednesday, April 29, at 7:00 p.m. (EDT). To watch the service, go to <https://callday.ctsfw.edu>. All vicar-elects, deaconess interns, deaconesses awaiting their placements, and candidates are pictured on this page, with a downloadable link to the service bulletin (Kyle Nelson—vicarage; Sawyer Meyers—call; Jay Weideman—call). After placements, assignments, and Calls are announced at the service, you'll also have access to several downloadable PDF lists of these men and women, plus a map showing where they're headed, broken down by district.

REMINDER 1) Keep up your prayers; 2) You are able to participate in Sunday Services (recorded on Saturday) on YouTube (www.youtube.com/user/ZionFW) or Facebook. Look for the Service Materials on our website so you can participate in the liturgy and sing the hymns. 3) Update your information with the office. We are working at keeping in touch, and we can do that only if we have current contact information, cell phone numbers, email addresses, etc. 4) Keep up with your regular tithes and offerings. Drop them off, mail them in, or give electronically with your bank.

For the family of God's Priestly People at Zion

God calls His own people a "Royal Priesthood." God makes us kings and queens, princes and princesses who are bound together by the Holy Spirit in Baptism for the Christian benefit of each other. Priests **PRAY** -- They talk to God about their neighbor! Priests **TEACH** -- They talk to their neighbor about God! Priests **OFFER SACRIFICES** -- They offer to God the sacrifice of broken and contrite hearts; they offer their bodies and work as holy services to God for their neighbors. Join in this priestly work of prayer with your fellow members.

Morning Prayer

Luke 24:13-35

Luke 7:1-17

Luke 7:18-35

Luke 7:36-50

Luke 8:1-21

Luke 8:22-39

Luke 8:40-56

DAILY LECTIONARY

Third Sunday of Easter

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Evening Prayer

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Exodus 33:1-23

Exodus 34:1-28

Exodus 34:29-35:21

Exodus 38:21-39:8, 22-23, 27-31

Exodus 39:32-40:16

Exodus 40:17-38

THE DAILY PETITIONS OF THE CHURCH

[Daily] O Lord, have mercy upon us. O Christ, have mercy upon us. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Let us pray:

[S] For the joy of the Resurrection among us; for true and godly worship throughout the world; for diligent preaching and hearing of God's Word of Law and Gospel; for our pastors; for the teachers and students of our Sunday School; for our Bible Class leaders and their students; for our catechumens; Lord, in Thy mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[M] For workers; for the unemployed; for farmers; for seasonable weather; for businesses small and large; for our leaders, federal, state and local; for the economic welfare of the nations on earth; for peace in our world; Lord, in Thy mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[T] For the tempted; for the addicted and despairing; for the tortured and oppressed; for the lonely; for the sick, the hospitalized, and the needy; Lord, in Thy mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[W] For fathers, mothers, and families; for those adults who must rear their children alone; the teachers and students of Lutheran South Unity School and Concordia Lutheran High School; Lord, in Thy mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[T] For the Church and her pastors; for the training of ministers of the Word; for missionaries of the Church; for the leaders of the Church, including Matthew, our synod president, and Daniel, our district president; for those who have not heard the Gospel; for the fruitful use of the blessed Sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood; Lord, in Thy mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[F] For the preaching of the Cross; for those persecuted for the sake of the Gospel; the confession of the orthodox Lutheran faith in our community; Lord, in Thy mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[Sat] For faithfulness unto life's earthly end; for the revival of those who have withered in the faith or fallen away; for the dying; Lord, in Thy mercy,**hear our prayer. Amen!**

[Daily]

The Our Father

TO PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:42-47

1 Peter 2:19-25

John 10:1-10

The Third Sunday of Easter



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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The mission of Zion Lutheran Church is to be the body of Christ gathered at Hanna and Creighton in Fort Wayne, Indiana to:

- Receive Christ's gifts in baptism, preaching, teaching, and the Eucharist;
- Reach out to those who do not know the love of God in Christ;
- Reveal Christ's love for the world through acts of kindness and mercy toward all.

The Pastoral Ministry At Zion

Senior Pastor

Rev. Douglas D. Punke, MDiv (341-5397)

Field Workers:

Kyle Nelson, Peter Wagner

The Teaching Staff At Lutheran South Unity

Sheila Nehrenz, Acting Principal (744-0459)

Teachers:

Gene Koch, Yvonne Schwantz, Barry Chrzan,

Danielle Ramsey, Susan Mittelstaedt, Merideth Tourney,

Dawn Gill, Hannah Maresh, Cathie Wakeland, Natalie Reynolds

The Support Staff

Organist and Director of Parish Music:

Michael Hollman, MM

Church Office Manager:

Melvia Culpher