

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

The Office of Matins for Easter Morning

7:00 am Sunday, April 4, 2021

Easter Acclamation

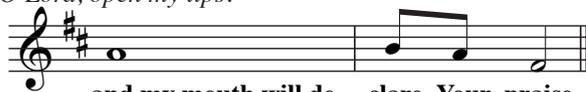


Christ is risen. Al-le-lu-ia! He is risen in- deed! Alleluia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Opening Hymn Come, You Faithful Burgundy Hymn 487

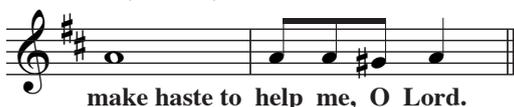
[Rise] Opening Sentences

O Lord, open my lips.



and my mouth will de- clare Your praise.

Make haste, O God, to deliver me.



make haste to help me, O Lord.



Glo- ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir- it;



as it was in the be- gin- ning, is now, and will be for- ev- er. A- men.



Praise to You, O Christ. Al- le- lu- ia!

Easter Invitatory

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

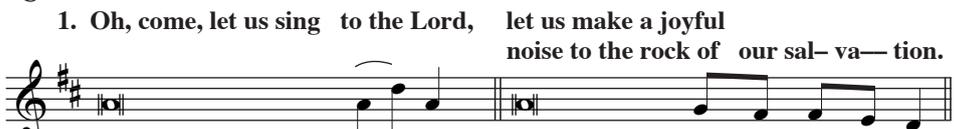


Oh, come, let us wor- ship Him.

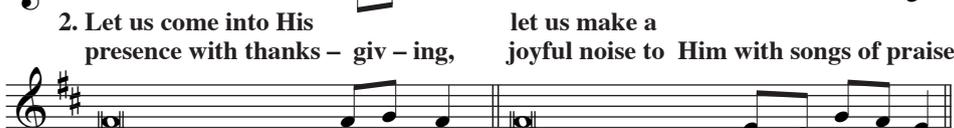
Venite (Psalm 95)



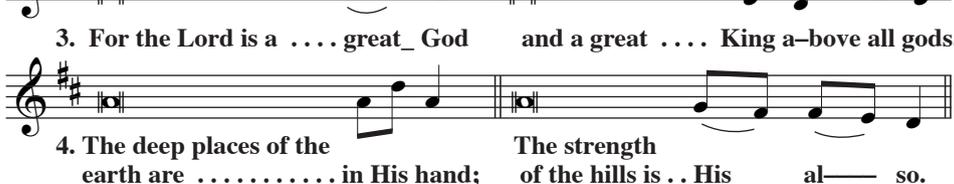
1. Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord, let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal- va- tion.



2. Let us come into His presence with thanks- giv- ing, let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.



3. For the Lord is a great_ God and a great King a-bove all gods.



4. The deep places of the earth are in His hand; The strength of the hills is .. His_ al- so.



5. The sea is His, for He made it, and His hand . . . formed the dry__ land.



6. Oh, come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the . . . Lord our mak- er.



7. For He is our God, and we are the people of His pas- ture and the . . . sheep of His hand.



8. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir - it;



9. as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for- ev- er. A- men.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!



Oh, come, let us wor - ship Him.

+ The Psalmody: The Praise and Supplications of the People of God +

[*Be Seated*] Psalm Chorale Good Christian Friends Burgundy Hymn 475

+ The Word of God for the People of God +

Lection for the Day

Exodus 14:10-15:1

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

John 20:1-18

[*Following each reading*]

O Lord, have mercy on us.



Thanks be to God.

Responsory for Eastertide

Sing to the Lord and bless His name, proclaim His salvation from day to day.



Give to the Lord all glo-ry and strength, give Him the hon-or due His name.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Now is Christ risen from the dead and become the first fruits of them that sleep.



Give to the Lord all glo-ry and strength, give Him the hon-or due His name.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Give to the Lord all glo-ry and strength, give Him the hon-or due His name.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Office Hymn Awake My Heart with Gladness Burgundy Hymn 467
[All sing stanzas 1 & 2; Men alone sing stanza 3; Women alone sing stanza 4; All sing stanzas 5, 6, & 7.]

Sermon

Offering

[Stand] Canticle Te Deum setting by Healy Willan

We praise Thee, O God; we ac-know-ledge Thee to
be the Lord. All the earth doth wor-ship Thee, the
Fa-ther ev-er-last-ing.
To Thee all an-gels cry a-loud, the
heav'n's and all the powers there-in; to Thee
cher-u-bim and ser-a-phim con-tin-u-al-ly do
cry: Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly, Lord God of
Sab-a-oth; heav'n and earth are full of the
maj-es-ty of Thy glo-ry.
The glo-ri-ous com-pa-ny of the a-pos-tles
praise Thee. The good-ly fel-low-ship
of the proph-ets praise Thee. The no-ble

ar - my of mar - tyrs praise — Thee. The ho - ly
 church through - out all the world doth ac - know - ledge Thee: the
 Fa - ther of an in - fi - nite maj - es - ty; —
 — Thine a - dor - a - ble, true, — and on - ly Son; —
 al - so the Ho - ly Ghost, the Com -
 - fort - er. — Thou art the
 King of Glo - ry, O — Christ. Thou art the
 ev - er - last - ing Son of the Fa - ther.
 When Thou took - est up - on Thee to de -
 liv - er man, — Thou didst hum - ble Thy - self —
 — to be born of a vir - gin. When Thou hadst
 o - ver - come the sharp - ness of death, — Thou didst
 o - pen the king - dom of heav'n — to all be -
 liev - ers. — Thou sit - test — at the right
 hand of — God — in the glo - ry of the — Fa - ther.
 We be - lieve that Thou shalt come — to be our

Judge. We therefore pray Thee, help Thy serv-ants,
 whom Thou hast re-deem-ed with Thy pre-cious blood.
 Make them to be num-bered with Thy saints in
 glo-ry— ev-er - last-ing. O Lord, save Thy
 peo-ple, and bless_ Thine_ her-it-age. Gov-ern
 them, and lift them up for - ev-er. Day by ___
 day we mag-ni - fy ___ Thee. And we worship Thy ___
 name_ ev-er, world with-out end. Vouch-safe, O
 Lord, to keep us this day with - out sin:
 O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mer-cy up - on us.
 O Lord, let Thy mercy be up - on us:
 as our trust is— in Thee. O Lord, in
 Thee have I trust-ed: Let me never be con - found-ed.

+ The Prayers of the People of God Before the Throne of God +

[Kneel] Kyrie

Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

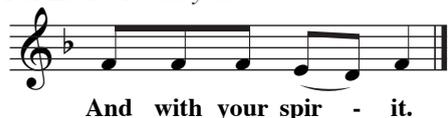
Lord's Prayer



Our Fa-ther who art in heav - en, hal - low - ed be Thy name,
Thy king - dom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en.
Give us this day our dai - ly bread; and for - give us our tres - pass - es
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not in -
to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.
For Thine is the king - dom and the pow'r and the glo - ry
for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Salutation

The Lord be with you.



And with your spir - it.

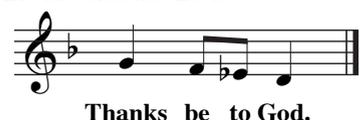
Collects



A - men.

Benedicamus

Let us bless the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

Blessing



A - men.

[Rise] Easter Acclamation



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

Closing Hymn Christ the Lord is Risen Today Burgundy Hymn 463

The Celebration of Our Lord's Victorious Resurrection climaxes as we feast on His Most Precious Body and Blood at The Holy Supper at the 9am Festival Eucharist.

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Readings for Matins—Easter Sunrise

The First Reading is Exodus 15:1-11

Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the LORD, saying,

“I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;
the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

The LORD is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation;
this is my God, and I will praise him,
my father’s God, and I will exalt him.

The LORD is a man of war;
the LORD is his name.

“Pharaoh’s chariots and his host he cast into the sea,
and his chosen officers were sunk in the Red Sea.

The floods covered them;
they went down into the depths like a stone.

Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power,
your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.

In the greatness of your majesty you overthrow your adversaries;
you send out your fury; it consumes them like stubble.

At the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up;
the floods stood up in a heap;
the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea.

The enemy said, ‘I will pursue, I will overtake,
I will divide the spoil, my desire shall have its fill of them.
I will draw my sword; my hand shall destroy them.’

You blew with your wind; the sea covered them;
they sank like lead in the mighty waters.

Who is like you, O LORD, among the gods?
Who is like you, majestic in holiness,
awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?”

The Second Reading is 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump? Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

The Third Reading is John 20:1-18

Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples went back to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” Jesus said to her, “Mary.” She turned and said to him in Aramaic, “Rabboni!” (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, “Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”—and that he had said these things to her.

Hymns for Matins — Easter Sunrise

LSB487 Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

John of Damascus

1. Come, you faithful, raise the strain Of triumphant gladness!
God has brought His Israel Into joy from sadness.
Loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughters,
Led them with unmoistened foot Through the Red Sea waters.
2. 'Tis the spring of souls today: Christ hath burst His prison,
And from three days' sleep in death As a sun has risen;
All the winter of our sins, Long and dark, is flying
From His light, to whom is giv'n Laud and praise undying.
3. Now the queen of seasons, bright With the day of splendor,
With the royal feast of feasts, Comes its joy to render;
Comes to gladden faithful hearts Which with true affection
Welcomes in unwearied strains Jesus' resurrection!
4. For today among His own Christ appeared, bestowing
His deep peace, which evermore Passes human knowing.
Neither could the gates of death Nor the tomb's dark portal
Nor the watchers nor the seal Hold Him as a mortal.
5. Alleluia! Now we cry To our King immortal,
Who, triumphant, burst the bars Of the tomb's dark portal.
Come, you faithful, raise the strain Of triumphant gladness!
God has brought His Israel Into joy from sadness!

LSB475 Good Christian Friends

Cyril A. Alington

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1. Good Christian friends, rejoice and sing!
Now is the triumph of our King!
To all the world glad news we bring: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
2. The Lord of life is ris'n this day;
Bring flow'rs of song to strew His way;
Let all the world rejoice and say: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
3. Praise we in songs of victory
That love, that life which cannot die,
And sing with hearts uplifted high: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4. Your name we bless, O risen Lord,
And sing today with one accord
The life laid down, the life restored: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

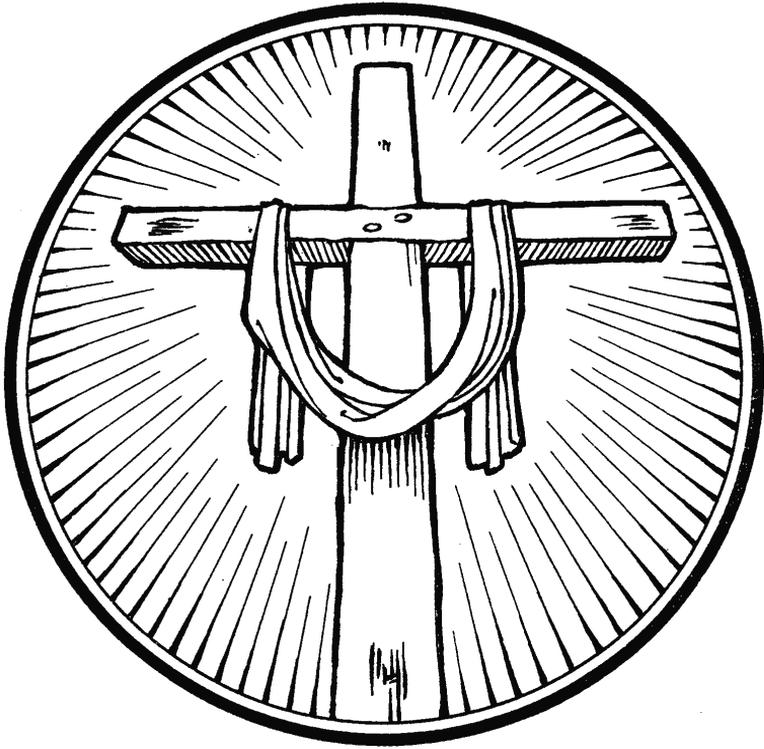
LSB467 Awake My Heart with Gladness

Paul Gerhardt

1. Awake, my heart, with gladness, See what today is done;
Now, after gloom and sadness, Comes forth the glorious sun.
My Savior there was laid Where our bed must be made
When to the realms of light Our spirit wings its flight.
2. The foe in triumph shouted When Christ lay in the tomb;
But lo, he now is routed, His boast is turned to gloom.
For Christ again is free; In glorious victory
He who is strong to save Has triumphed o'er the grave.
3. This is a sight that gladdens—What peace it doth impart!
Now nothing ever saddens The joy within my heart.
No gloom shall ever shake, No foe shall ever take
The hope which God's own Son In love for me hath won.
4. Now hell, its prince, the devil, Of all their pow'r are shorn;
Now I am safe from evil, And sin I laugh to scorn.
Grim death with all his might Cannot my soul affright;
It is a pow'rless form, Howe'er it rave and storm.
5. The world against me rages, Its fury I disdain;
Though bitter war it wages, Its work is all in vain.
My heart from care is free, No trouble troubles me.
Misfortune now is play, And night is bright as day.
6. Now I will cling forever To Christ, my Savior true;
My Lord will leave me never, Whate'er He passes through.
He rends death's iron chain; He breaks through sin and pain;
He shatters hell's dark thrall; I follow Him through all.
7. He brings me to the portal That leads to bliss untold,
Whereon this rhyme immortal Is found in script of gold:
"Who there My cross has shared Finds here a crown prepared;
Who there with Me has died Shall here be glorified."

1. Christ the Lord is ris'n today; Alleluia!
Christians, hasten on your way; Alleluia!
Offer praise with love replete, Alleluia!
At the paschal victim's feet. Alleluia!
2. For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Alleluia!
Sinless in the sinner's stead. Alleluia!
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia!
Now He lives no more to die. Alleluia!
3. Hail, the victim undefiled, Alleluia!
God and sinners reconciled, Alleluia!
When contending death and life, Alleluia!
Met in strange and awesome strife. Alleluia!
4. Christians, on this holy day, Alleluia!
All your grateful homage pay; Alleluia!
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia!
Now He lives, no more to die. Alleluia!

The Festival of the Resurrection of Our Lord



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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:

Peter Wagner, Erik Saunders

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Sheila Nehrenz, Principal (744-0459)

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Gene Koch, Yvonne Schwantz, Barry Chrzan,

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John Fink, Hannah Maresh, Cathie Wakeland, Natalie Reynolds

The Support Staff

Organist and Director of Parish Music:

Michael Hollman, MM

Church Office Manager:

Melvia Culpher

PRAYERS FOR TODAY

- + For the church and those experiencing persecution around the world
- + For those who serve our Lord at home and abroad, especially our fieldworkers, Peter and Erik
- + For our nation, under duress because of COVID-19, and racial and political strife; 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
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound, including MaryLou Graham, Juanita Moore, Everett Beck, Helen Russell, Jackie Schieferstein, Cheryl Silvers, and Doris Yerger
- + For those who are near death
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Judy Thomas, Connie Houser, Sherry Freeman, Kristie Roberson, Jill Stokes, William Schweikert, Jeff Springer, Tracey Houser, Nikki Wideman, Gloria Gonzalez, Willie Manning, Lucille Brandt, Donna Scott, Willodean Bates, Connie Meyer, Dick Hollman, Maurice King, Ron Rastl, and Marlow Hogan
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages
- + For the gift of life and for length of days
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones
- + In remembrance of 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 Divine Service for The Festival of the Resurrection of Our Lord. Christ is risen! Alleluia! Please complete an attendance/communion card, including the names of all children, and indicate if you are communing. Non-members, please read the back of the card.

CALENDAR

April 4, 2021 thru April 10, 2021

SUN.	7:00 AM	Easter Sunrise Matins	Church
	7:45 AM	Easter Breakfast	Bauer Hal
	9:00 AM	Divine Service — The Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord	Church
MON.			
TUES.	3:00 PM	Meeting	Conference Room
	7:00 PM	Elders Council Meeting	Conference Room
WED.	9:30 AM	Men of Zion Bible Study	Conference Room
	5:30 PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Church
THURS	1:00 PM	Adult Catechesis	Conference Room
FRI.			
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church

April 11, 2021

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study	Bauer Hall
	10:30 AM	Junior Catechesis	Conference Room

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: there will not be Adult Bible Class with Dr. Voelz today. Nor is there Junior Catechesis today. There will be an Easter egg hunt for children grade K and younger. Bible class and Catechesis will resume next Sunday.

20 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Zion Lutheran Church will be participating in Fort Wayne Great American Clean-up on May 1, 2021, 9 AM-11 AM. We will meet up here at Zion and clean the trail from Zion to Phoenix Manor apartments. If you're interested, there is a sign up sheet at Julie's table.

SPRING CLEANING Longer days and warmer weather mean it's almost time for Zion's spring clean-up. This year's event will be Saturday, April 24, from 9 a.m. to noon. We'll be sprucing up the grounds and cleaning, with special focus on the school. If you can, bring rakes, mops and buckets, sponges, etc. Refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Kevin Leining at 615-9896.

PARENTS WITH LITTLE ONES, there are booster seats available for you in the old narthex (entryway). Ask or pick one up for your toddler to help them sit and see.

MEN OF ZION are studying the prophet Zechariah. Join in on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 AM.

COVID PROTOCOLS for Zion will not loosen up any more for a while. Allen County's metrics don't warrant it. Check our posted protocols, if you're unsure of them. Remember: transmission of COVID is primarily by breathing in respiratory droplets. Thus we are still urging masks in the pews for the sake of the unvaccinated, and we still are promoting good hand hygiene. Inching toward normal.

COVID-19 UPDATE AT ZION: Allen County remains in yellow with the same two-measure metric of 1.5. Again, don't expect that to change for at least another week. All of our daily positivity rates have been at or above 5%. The 7-day rate is not going down soon. Thanks be to God, our hospital capacity still looks good. The CDC is still urging mask wearing when in public. Please get vaccinated, if you can. *Hoosiers 16 and older are now eligible.* Allen County is generally administering 2,000 doses a day. We're lagging behind the state in getting shots in arms. The state says 20.8% have been fully vaccinated; Allen County is at 14.5%. Let's do our part.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE How did you do on last week's challenge verse? This week's memory verses focuses on the purpose of both cross and resurrection — our justification: Romans 4:24-25 "It [righteousness] will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification." Last week's verse was 2 Corinthians 5:21.

CLHS seeks a qualified candidate to serve as the Head of School. Concordia Lutheran High School, overseeing all aspects of the organization's operations as outlined in its Strategic Plan. The position is for an immediate opening. To apply, please send your cover letter, resume, and references to CLHSsearchprocess@gmail.com. To view the full position description and responsibilities, please visit www.clhscadets.com/headofschoolsearch/.

LIFE DEFENDERS APOLOGETICS WORKSHOP: Learn how to make the Case for Life! Life Defenders workshops equip attendees to become effective ambassadors for life. Join us Saturday, April 24th from 9a- noon at Grabill Missionary Church, 13637 State St, Grabill, IN, 46741. Visit www.ichooselife.org/ldaw or call 260-471-1849 for more information.

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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

DAILY LECTIONARY

Evening Prayer

Mark 16:1-8

The Resurrection of Our Lord

Isaiah 25:6-9

Hebrews 9:1-28

Monday

Exodus 15:1-18

Hebrews 10:1-18

Tuesday

Exodus 15:19-16:12

Hebrews 10:19-39

Wednesday

Exodus 16:13-35

Hebrews 11:1-29

Thursday

Exodus 17:1-16

Hebrews 12:1-24

Friday

Exodus 18:5-27

Hebrews 13:1-21

Saturday

Exodus 19:1-25

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 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

Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:32-35

1 John 1:1-2:2

John 20:19-31



What Doctor Luther Says:

About Looking to the Living Christ for Courage

Recently our faith was put to a still harder test. Satan, who always mingles with the children of God [Job 1:6], has made fine sport of us, mainly of me, in Wittenberg. He has permitted our adversaries to indulge their hatred against us. He opened his mouth wide to vilify the gospel. All my foes, including all devils, no matter how viciously they (often) attacked me, have never hit me as hard as our own people did now. I must confess that the smoke sorely smarts my eyes and makes me heartsick. Here, the devil thought, "I will depress Luther's courage and break his strong spirit. He will neither understand nor overcome what is done."

Alas, I ask myself if this is not happening in punishment of some of my chief patrons and of me. Of my patrons, because, though they believe that Christ is risen, they still wander about in the Garden [looking] for him along with Magdalene, and he has not yet ascended to the Father for them [John 20:17]. Of me, because, as a concession to good friends, I was so subdued at Worms lest I appear stubborn, and so did not make a more explicit and a bolder confession before the tyrants, although since that time these unbelieving heathen have accused me of replying arrogantly. They judge as heathen (that is what they are), who have never sensed a bit of the spirit of faith. I have often regretted my humility and deference.

But be that as it may, whether we sinned or did right, we must for all of that be undaunted and unafraid. For just as we do not boast of our good deeds, neither do we despond in our sins. Rather do we thank God that our faith transcends both good deeds and sins. For the Father of all mercy has granted us faith, not in a wooden but in a living Christ, who is Lord over sin and over innocence, who can support and preserve us even if we fell into many thousands of sins every hour. Of this I have not the slightest doubt.

Luther's Works, 8:257-8.



*Flower
Dedications*

In loving memory of
Carl & Myrtle Albersmeyer and
Byrle & Joyce Greenamyer
by Carl & Rosie Albersmeyer and Family

In loving memory of Paul & Esther Bieberich
and David & Agnes Shutt
by Don & Beth Bieberich

In loving memory of Our two Dons:
Donald Ganaway & Rev. Donald Craig
by Julie Ganaway and Paige Craig

In loving memory of Aunt Alice &
Cousin Susan
by Louisa, Julie & Kurt

In loving memory of
Madeline Thomas, Brigitte Parrimon,
Elizabeth Ganaway & Duane Kronberg
by The Ganaway Family

In loving memory of our parents
Lloyd & Ruth Grim and
Otto & Dorothy Schmidt
by Ed & Janice Grim

In loving memory of my Grandparents
Frank & Hulda Sonne and
Harold & Alma Hollman
by Beth Hollman

In loving memory of
Alonzo & Ora Edmonds and
Alma Jackson
Gerald & Amanda Stewart
by Frank & Alanza Jackson

In loving memory of
Richard & Lois Kaiser
by David & Janeen Kaiser

In loving memory of Spiro & Anne Kostoff
Dedication to Karen Kostoff Wood
by the Kostoff Family

“Christ is Risen!”
by Rev. George & Lois Lange

In loving memory of my parents Dr. Robert
& Katherine Leininger and
Betty & Teresa Beckman
by Kevin Leininger

In loving memory of our
departed family members
by Art & Marie Litke

In loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. Robert
Manth, Mr. & Mrs. Albert Manth,
Mr. & Mrs. Ferdinand Bornkamp,
and Mrs. Clara Tegtmeyer
by Jennifer Manth

In loving memory of my Mother Pat Boltz
and Father Dean Boltz
by Mary Michalak

In loving memory of my brother
Clifford Ostermeyer
by Walt Ostermeyer

*Rejoicing with our faithful departed whose
victory is found in Jesus Christ risen from the
dead*

by Pastor & Marge Punke

*In loving memory of my parents
Albert & Emma Dirks
by Marilynn Shafter*

*In loving memory of Ralph Thomas and
Shelley Siene
by Marty & Judy Thomas*

*In loving memory of our parents
Roy & Coraine Voelz and
Earl & Helene Hayes
by Jim & Judy Voelz*

*He Is Risen Halleluiah!
by Bill and Carolyn Wallschlaeger*

*In loving memory of Carl & Erna Weinrich
and Barbara Weinrich
by William Weinrich*

*Saturus & Blandina Martyrs, c. 178, Lyons
Gaul by William Weinrich*

*Christ is risen! Alleluia!
by Andre' Woodard*

LSUS NOTES

Praying for You!

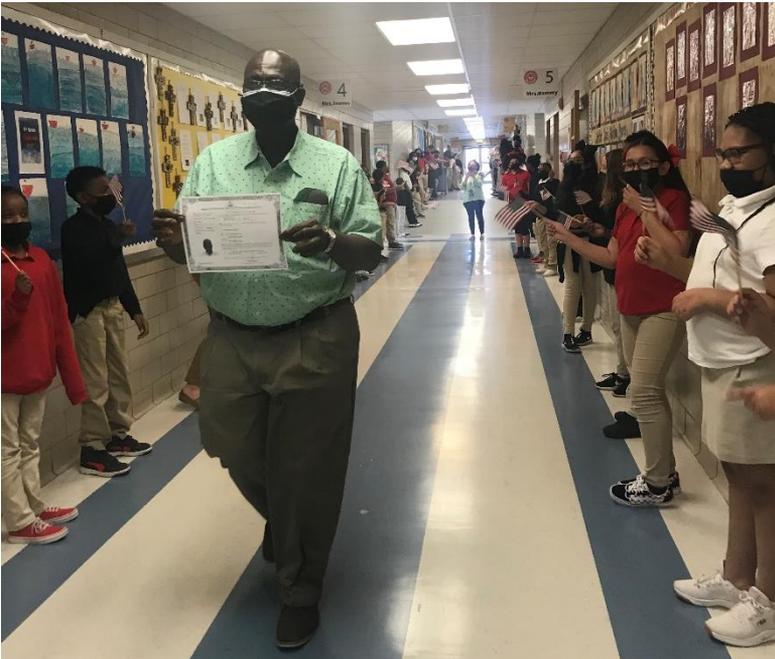


Please pray for these students/staff:

Ayden Girton	DeLyn Thomas
Cataleya Book	Montray Bland
Di'Mond Williams-White	Layla Thomas
LaChelle Bonner	Jovan Antoine
Brooklyn Fuller	

Congratulations Mr. Korti

Mr. Korti LSUS's technology specialist just received his United States Citizenship! Congratulations and God's blessings!



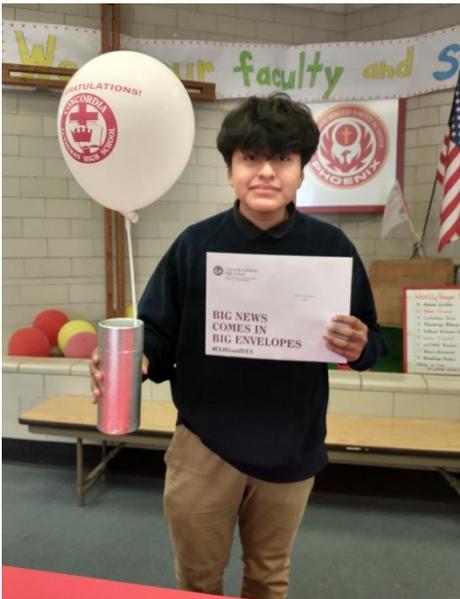
LSUS Enrollment Time We have a **virtual tour** and **Kindergarten video** on our website www.LSUSFW.org Kindergarteners must be 5 by August 1st 2021 to enroll. Please let you friends and family members know! Call to set up your pre-screening today! (260) 744-0459

LSUS NOTES continued

The Lutheran Schools Partnership Educator of the Year Award

The following LSUS staff members have been nominated for the Lutheran School Partnership Educator of the Year (TLSPEY) Award! Mrs. Schwantz, Mrs. Reynolds, and Mrs. Maresh. This year one of 300 outstanding Lutheran School educators from among 19 Lutheran schools in northeast Indiana will be chosen. The winner will be announced August 28.

We at LSUS are so thankful and proud of ALL OUR hardworking teachers as they continue to do their best teaching in classrooms.



Congratulations Denver!

Denver has been accepted to Concordia Lutheran High School, Congratulations, we pray God's blessings over you and your studies!

Scriptural Encouragement

How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to your word. With my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander from your commandments! I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you. ~ Psalm 119:9-11

Zion Stay-Safe Protocols

- ☀ Allen County metrics turned upward reminding us that COVID-19 is still active. Vaccines are available for Hoosiers 40 and older and soon for all Hoosiers 16 and older. We encourage you – be vaccinated!
- ☀ Some protocols remain the same; some are changed.
 - ☀ If you are sick, GO/STAY HOME; go to the doctor;
 - ☀ Continue to practice good hand hygiene by washing your hands and using hand sanitizer;
 - ☀ Cough or sneeze into a tissue (then throw it away) or into your elbow.
- ☀ We continue to encourage you to wear masks, especially for the sake of neighbor, especially in the pews, because of
 - ☀ respiratory droplets expelled while singing and speaking;
 - ☀ risk of prolonged exposure there.
- ☀ Be aware of your surroundings; spread out in church; *the recommended distancing is still 6 feet outside of school settings*; use the transepts; go to the balcony as necessary. Of course, families who reside together may sit together.
- ☀ We continue to inch toward normal, shaking hands if you're comfortable doing it, passing out bulletins, and having ushers gather the offerings. *Don't forget your bank's automatic bill pay as a method of tithing.*
- ☀ More socializing can begin to take place if you continue if you continue to exercise precautions.
- ☀ Take your service bulletin home after service or deposit it in the blue recycling bins. Hymns are in the hymnals.
- ☀ Holy Communion will continue with stations until the virus is contained. Individual cups continue to be offered for the blood of Christ.

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As Christians, we know how to address the tension between fear and hope. In the midst of our fears, Jesus Christ enters with hope and peace. Fear alone is paralyzing, but fear among the faithful may drive us to Christ. We are no longer paralyzed but rather freed and enabled to show love to our neighbors.