

# Historic Zion Lutheran Church

## DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:00 am ..... Sunday, May 1, 2022

### RECEIVING OF THE LORD'S SUPPER AT ZION

As intended by Christ and as practiced by the one, holy, catholic and apostolic church throughout her history, "Closed Communion" is observed in this congregation, in which the Lord's Supper is distributed only to those:

- (a) who have been **baptized** in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit;
- (b) who have been **instructed** in the truth of Holy Scripture as taught in the Lutheran Confessions, who have been **confirmed** in this Lutheran faith, and who now confess the same doctrines that are taught in this congregation, holding membership in a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod;
- (c) who **believe that in this sacrament the real body and blood of Christ are truly distributed to them and orally received by them**, bestowing on them the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation;
- (d) who **sincerely repent** of all their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this holy meal.

Guests at our services, before receiving the sacrament, are requested to affirm these facts with one of our pastors. Thank you for honoring our practice. If you are looking for a church home, would like to be a member of Zion, or would like to learn more about the Christian Faith, please speak to one of our pastors about our membership classes.

✠ = *appropriate to make the baptismal sign of the cross*  
When "rise" or "kneel" is indicated, it is appropriate to sit if needed

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**Greeting And Announcements:** *The Lord be with you!* ..... **And also with you!**

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### [ Rise ] Easter Acclamation



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

### 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.*

[ Kneel ]

*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.*

*O almighty God, merciful Father, ..... I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.*

*Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. .... Amen!*

*The Congregation rises, turns towards the entrance of the nave, and faces the Cross of Christ, the reminder of Christ's promise to come and dwell among His people as they are gathered in His name.*

## Introit of the Day



[Antiphon] *The LORD is | good to all, || and his mercy is over | all that he has | made. || All your works shall give thanks to | you, O LORD, || and all your | saints shall bless\_\_ | you!*

Verse 1: **One generation shall commend your works | to a-•nother•, || and shall de- | clare your migh- ty | acts. || On the glorious splendor of your | ma- jes- ty, || and on your wondrous works, | I will med- i- | tate.**

Verse 2: *They shall speak of the might of your | awe- some deeds, || and I will de- | clare your great-\_\_ | ness. || They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant | good-\_\_ness || and shall sing aloud | of your right- eous- | ness.*

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!**

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## Kyrie



Lord, have mer-cy up - on\_\_ us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.



Lord\_\_ have mer - cy up - on\_\_ us.

## Gloria



*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:** *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*

A ——— men!

[ Be Seated ]                    + The Office of the Word of God +

- First Reading** ..... Acts 9:1-22
- [ After the reading ] *This is the word of the Lord.* ..... Thanks be to God.
- Epistle of the Day** ..... Revelation 5:1-14
- [ After the reading ] *This is the word of the Lord.* ..... Thanks be to God.
- [ Rise ] **Sequence Hymn** ..... **Make Songs of Joy** ..... Burgundy Hymn 484
- Holy Gospel** ..... St. John 21:1-19

[ The Gospel is announced. ]

Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord!

[ The Gospel is proclaimed. ]

Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

**Confession of Faith (The Nicene Creed)**

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

[ Bow ] And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And sits at the right hand of the Father; And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe in one Holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen!

[ After the Gospel has been returned to the Altar following the Creed, the congregation is seated. ]

## Hymn of the Day ..... With High Delight ..... Burgundy Hymn 483

### Sermon

#### [ Rise ] Prayer of the Church

Let us pray for the whole people 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 prayer ]:..., one God, now and forever ..... **Amen.**

#### [ Be Seated ] Offerings

### Voluntary

#### [ Rise ] Offertory ..... Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy pres - ence, and  
take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of  
Thy sal-va - tion; and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

### + The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

#### Preface

*The Lord be with you.*

*Lift up your hearts.*

And with thy spir-it. We lift \_ them up un-to \_ the Lord.

*Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.*

It is meet \_ and right so \_ to do. \_

#### Proper Preface for Easter, Sanctus

*It is truly meet, right and salutary . . . . . ever more praising You and saying:*

Ho - ly, \_ ho - ly, \_ ho - ly, \_  
Lord God of Sab - a-oth; heav - en and \_ earth are  
full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!  
Bless-ed is \_ He that com - eth in the name \_ of the



Lord! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

[ Remain Standing ] **Lord's Prayer**

[ Pastor chants: ] *Our Father who art in heaven; . . . . . but deliver us from evil.*



For Thine is the king - dom and the pow'r and the glo - ry  
for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

**Words of Institution, Pax Domini**

*The peace of the Lord be with you always!*

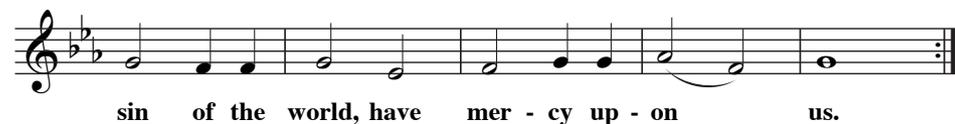


A - men

**Agnus Dei**



[ Vs. 1 & 2 ] O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the



sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



[ Vs. 3 ] O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the



sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - - - men.

[ Be Seated ]

**Distribution Hymns** ..... **He Is Arisen! Glorious Word ... Burgundy Hymn 488**  
**Long before the World ..... Burgundy Hymn 485**  
**Feed Thy Children ..... Burgundy Hymn 774**

**Eucharistic Benediction**

*The Body and Blood of your Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting! ✠ Depart in Peace! ..... Amen!*

**Post-Communion Canticle** ..... **The Nunc Dimittis**



1. Lord now— lettest Thou Thy  
servant, de— part— in — peace, ac— cord— ing to Thy Word.
2. For mine\_\_ eyes have seen  
Thy Salvation,  
which Thou hast pre— pared\_\_ be— fore the face of all\_\_ people.



3. a Light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the Glo- ry of Thy peo-ple Is - - - ra-el.



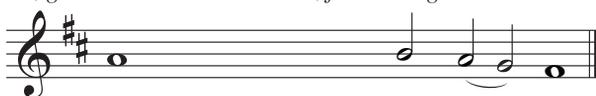
4. Glo- ry be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.



5. As it was in the beginning, is now, and e-ver shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

### Post Communion Rite

*Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.*



And His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

### Prayer of Thanksgiving ... now and forever.



A - men.

*The Lord be with you.*

*Bless we the Lord.*



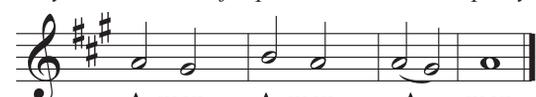
And with thy spir - rit.



Thanks be to God.

### 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.



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

*During the Recessional, the Congregation turns and faces the Processional Cross, the symbol of Christ's promise to remain with and lead His people as they now go and live in the world in His name.*

### Recessional Hymn ..... This Joyful Eastertide ..... Burgundy Hymn 482

### Postlude

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## Readings for the Third Sunday of Easter

### The First Reading is 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.

### The Epistle is Revelation 5:1-14

Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals."

And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. 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.

### **The Gospel is John 21:1-19**

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, 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.”

## Hymns for the Third Sunday of Easter

### LSB484 Make Songs of Joy

Juraj Tranovsky

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1. Make songs of joy to Christ, our head; Alleluia!  
He lives again who once was dead! Alleluia!
2. Our life was purchased by His loss; Alleluia!  
He died our death upon the cross. Alleluia!
3. O death, where is your deadly sting? Alleluia!  
Assumed by our triumphant King! Alleluia!
4. And where your victory, O grave, Alleluia!  
When one like Christ has come to save? Alleluia!
5. Behold, the tyrants, one and all, Alleluia!  
Before our mighty Savior fall! Alleluia!
- △ 6. For this be praised the Son who rose, Alleluia!  
The Father, and the Holy Ghost! Alleluia!

### LSB483 With High Delight

Georg Vetter

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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.

## **LSB488 He Is Arisen! Glorious Word**

Birgitte Katerine Boye

1. He is arisen! Glorious Word! Now reconciled is God, my Lord;  
The gates of heav'n are open.  
My Jesus did triumphant die, And Satan's arrows broken lie,  
Destroyed hell's fiercest weapon.  
Oh, hear what cheer!  
Christ victorious Rising glorious, Life is giving.  
He was dead but now is living!

## **LSB485 Long before the World Is Waking**

Timothy Dudley-Smith

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1. Long before the world is waking, Morning mist on Galilee,  
From its shore, as dawn is breaking, Jesus calls across the sea;  
Hails the boat of weary men, Bids them cast their net again.
2. So they cast, and all their heaving Cannot haul their catch aboard;  
John in wonder turns, perceiving, Cries aloud, "It is the Lord!"  
Peter waits for nothing more, Plunges in to swim ashore.
3. Charcoal embers brightly burning, Bread and fish upon them laid:  
Jesus stands at day's returning In His risen life arrayed,  
As of old His friends to greet, "Here is breakfast; come and eat."
4. Christ is risen! Grief and sighing, Sins and sorrows, fall behind;  
Fear and failure, doubt, denying, Full and free forgiveness find.  
All the soul's dark night is past; Morning breaks in joy at last.
5. Morning breaks, and Jesus meets us, Feeds and comforts, pardons still;  
As His faithful friends He greets us, Partners of His work and will.  
All our days, on ev'ry shore, Christ is ours forevermore!

## **LSB774 Feed Thy Children**

Johann Heermann

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1. Feed Thy children, God most holy;  
Comfort sinners, poor and lowly.  
O Thou Bread of Life from heaven,  
Bless the food Thou here hast given!  
As these gifts the body nourish,  
May our souls in graces flourish  
Till with saints in heav'nly splendor  
At Thy feast due thanks we render.

## LSB482 This Joyful Eastertide

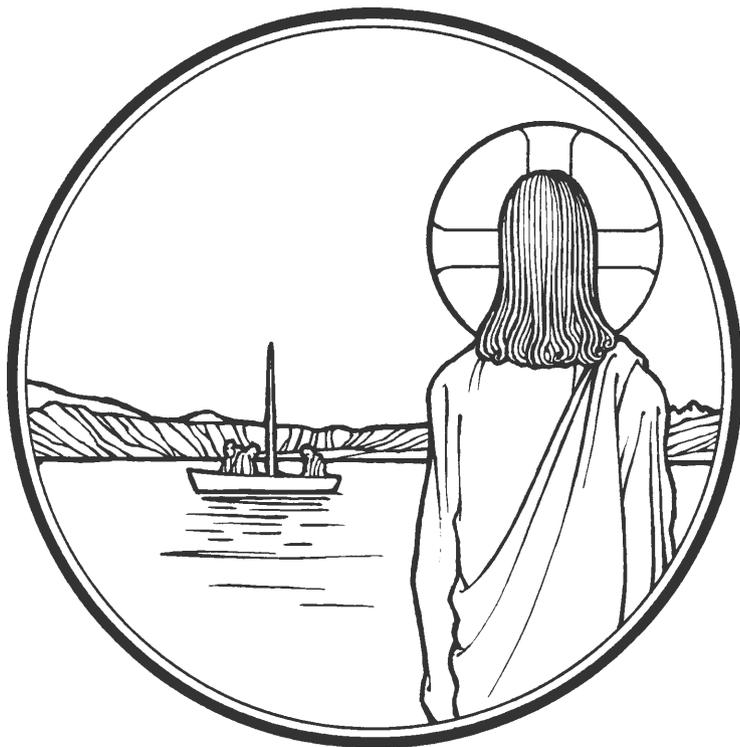
George R. Woodward

1. This joyful Eastertide Away with sin and sorrow!  
My love, the Crucified, Has sprung to life this morrow:

*Refrain:* Had Christ, who once was slain,  
Not burst His three-day prison, Our faith had been in vain;  
But now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen;  
But now has Christ arisen!

2. Death's flood has lost its chill Since Jesus crossed the river;  
Lover of souls, from ill My passing soul deliver: *Refrain*
3. My flesh in hope shall rest And for a season slumber  
Till trump from east to west Shall wake the dead in number: *Refrain*

# The Third Sunday of Easter



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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  
Field Worker:

Rev. Douglas D. Punke, MDiv (341-5397)  
Erik Saunders, Patrick Jackson

### The Teaching Staff At Lutheran South Unity

Teachers:

Sheila Nehrenz, Principal (744-0459)  
Gene Koch, Yvonne Schwantz, Barry Chrzan,  
Danielle Ramsey, Merideth Tourney, 3<sup>rd</sup> vacant,  
John Fink, Hannah Maresh, Cathie Wakeland, Natalie Reynolds

### The Support Staff

Organist and Director of Parish Music:  
Church Office Manager:

Michael Hollman, MM  
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 Erik Saunders and Patrick Jackson; Erik is now vicar-elect at Christ the King Ev. Lutheran in Billings, MT; Kyle Nelson will receive his call today (Wednesday). I'll report on where he is called, and we'll pray for him, too.
- + For our nation; for our leaders, our military, including James Hall, especially at this perilous time in our world
- + For our schools, especially Lutheran South Unity School (call committees—especially the call to Abigail DeForest, 6<sup>th</sup> grade), Concordia Lutheran High School, and Concordia Theological Seminary
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound, including Everett Beck, Cheryl Silvers, and Doris Yerger
- + For those who are near death, including Willie Manning
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Art Litke, William Wallschlaeger, Bill Weinrich, Paul Dolde, Tyler Muehl, Kathy Vlot, Willodean Bates, Julie Ganaway, Sherry Freeman, Gloria Gonzalez, Dick Hollman, Hailey Horn, Joe Harrison, Louisa Porter, Louise Petrillo, Marianne Billings, Ron Rastl, Marlow Hogan, and Jenny Hobby
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages, especially Connie & Steve Houser
- + 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 Third Sunday of Easter. The Altar Vases are given in celebration of the 27<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of Connie & Steve Houser. 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

### **May 1, 2021 thru May 7, 2022**

<b>SUN.</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Sunday Divine Service</b>	<b>Church</b>
	10:30 AM	Education Hour	Various
	10:30 AM	Sunday School (little ones)	Assoc. Pastor Office
<b>MON.</b>	6:30 PM	LSA Board Meeting	
<b>TUES.</b>	2:00 PM	Directory Pictures	Bauer Hall
	7:00 PM	Elders Meeting	Conference Room
<b>WED.</b>	9:30 AM	Men of Zion	Conference Room
	<b>5:30PM</b>	<b>Wednesday Divine Service</b>	<b>Bauer Hall</b>
<b>THURS.</b>			
<b>FRI.</b>	6:30 PM	"Chicken around the World" LSUS fundraiser	Bauer Hall
<b>SAT.</b>	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church

### **May 8, 2022 (Mother's Day)**

<b>SUN.</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Sunday Divine Service</b>	<b>Church</b>
	10:30 AM	Education Hour	Various
	10:30 AM	Sunday School (little ones)	Assoc. Pastor Office

## ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

**EDUCATION HOUR:** Dr. Voelz with the study of the Gospel according to St. Mark. Junior Catechesis meets in the Conference Room; Sunday School meets in the Assoc. Pastor's office.

**SUPPORT THESE EVENTS:** Now's the time to "Reconnect — again" by reserving your place at one or more of three upcoming events to underwrite Zion's support of quality education at Lutheran South Unity School.

•At 6:30 p.m. on May 6 in Zion's Bauer Hall, 2313 S. Hanna St., Pastor and Marge Punke, the Rev. Jim and Judy Voelz, and award-winning chef Eric Braun will host a feast of "chicken around the word," pairing recipes and wines (mostly) from various continents. Dishes will be as diverse as their places of origin, including French chicken merlot with mushrooms, Argentinian chicken chimichurri, Indian chicken tiki marsala, and USA Southern BBQ chicken with cheddar grits and Lone Star beer. Reservations are \$100 per person in advance. Call the church office *now* to make your reservation. Money is due by today (May 1<sup>st</sup>). If we do not have 25 persons sign up for this event, we'll need to cancel it. In that event, please indicate on your check whether you still want it to go to support LSUS or to be returned.

•At 5:30 p.m. on May 26, Mark and Dana Muehl will host an "American-themed" dinner at their home at 1525 Rapids Way, featuring a menu that will include ribs and chicken, cheesy potato casserole, salads and desserts. Reservations are \$50 per person in advance. Money is due by May 20<sup>th</sup>.

•Finally, at 5 p.m. on June 11, Kevin and Maribeth Leininger will host an evening of gourmet heavy hors d'oeuvres, accompanied by desserts, various libations and even cigars for those who want one (outside, of course!) at their home at 4831 Orchard Green Place. Reservations are \$50 per person in advance. Money is due by June 4<sup>th</sup>.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY:** Today is the last day to sign up. If you have already signed up, please save May 3<sup>rd</sup> for photos for the church directory — 2 PM until 8 PM, in Bauer Hall. According to the company, copyright laws dictate that you can't use a professional photo without a copyright release. They will not print it in the directory. If you are going to use one from a previous directory, it must be accompanied by a signed release. If you submit a photo there will be a \$15.00 charge. If you're going to submit a photo, please make the check out to the church, and the church, in turn, will write one check for everyone that submits a photo. If you want more information, please contact DaVanna at 260-494-0803.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Do you like to work in the yard? If so, please consider putting your skills to work around Zion. Our landscaping committee is looking for people willing to help with weeding, pruning and other work needed to keep Zion's grounds beautiful. You can donate as little or as much time as you like, and focus on areas of most interest to you. For more information or to volunteer, contact ClarAnn Bengs at 413-7740.

**EVENT HELP:** The day nears when you can help share the treasure of Zion's stained-glass windows with visitors by helping on the first annual "Sanctuaries and Stained Glass Tour" that includes Zion and 11 other congregations. It is May 15 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Zion members are needed to help prepare snacks, greet and guide guests and answer their questions. To help or for more information, contact Kevin Leininger at 615-9896.

**MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE:** Nahum 1:7—"The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; he knows those who take refuge in him." Last week's verse was Psalm 103:13.

**SPRING RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE** at Trinity Lutheran Church, 7819 Decatur Rd, has been cancelled.

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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**

John 21:1-19  
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**

**The Third Sunday of Easter**

Monday  
Tuesday  
Wednesday  
Thursday  
Friday  
Saturday

**Evening Prayer**

Acts 9:1-22  
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  
Leviticus 1:1-7:38

**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 Your 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 Your 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 Your 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 Your 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 Your 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 Your 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 Your mercy, ..... **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[Daily] **The Our Father**

**TO PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Acts 20:17-35

Revelation 7: 9-17

John 10:22-30



# What Doctor Luther Says:

## *About True Shepherds Versus the Papacy*

[S]ee ... how God traps the wise in their own craftiness [I Cor. 3:19], so that [the papacy] in their wisdom must dirty themselves. As we heard above, the passage Matthew 16 [:18], on which the pope bases himself, plunges him into the abyss. This passage [John 21:15] does the same thing, so that once again I would not know how to find a passage that would topple the pope more powerfully. ...

“Feed” does not mean here, as the pope-devil says, to be pope, to be supreme lord, to have power, to force Christians into subjection, to trample on emperors, to ensnare kings and bishops with duties of fealty and to subject them (such works befit the Turk and the devil). Rather, it means the great service of preaching the gospel and the faith, or seriously seeing to it that it is preached, and thus building the church on the rock, Matthew 16 [:18], of helping souls with baptism and the sacrament, admonishing and punishing the unruly, as Paul says, “Admonish the idle, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with them all” [I Thess. 5:14]. Again, “Praise and thank God always” [Eph. 5:19-20]. Again, “Pray constantly for all the world, and lead a chaste life, as good examples,” I Peter 5 [a conflation of 1 Thess. 5:17, Luther, and 1 Pet. 5:3], so that many may be saved through this service or “pasturing.” Yes, this is the kind of shepherd the Lord wants. But nobody will do this unless he loves Christ. This is why the passage, “Peter, do you love me? Then tend my sheep,” is such an important one. Such shepherds are rare ....

*Luther's Works*, 41:352-3.

## LSUS NOTES

### Praying for You!

**Please pray for these students/staff:**

Lucas Mann

Jayden McGraw

Than Noe

Brandon Gaither

Ja'veah Ellington

Jayland Davis

Wayde Wiley

Jaz Dunham

Paingthu Hein

Students participating in State Testing



## STATE TESTING iLEARN

State Testing iLearn is now underway for grades 3 through 8. Keep these students in your prayers as they go through state testing the next couple of weeks.

# OPEN ENROLLMENT

Lutheran South Unity School has **opened up enrollment** to the community. If you know of anyone who is looking for a new school for their child or children, please have them call the office (744-0459) and contact Barb Johnson. We will be happy to let you visit our school so that you can see all of the benefits that our school has to offer.

The school strives to fill our classrooms with children and families who desire a high-quality Christ-centered education. Our desire is to equip and empower the children to become leaders and believers in our churches and community. We also want the children to make their own path and not follow others. Also we want students who are willing to serve others with grateful hearts.

We have financial aid and scholarships available. Also accepted are School Choice vouchers.

LSUS would like to share this opportunity with you of all the blessings we have to offer your child. We also seek to share our faith with all who enter our building. Please stop by and visit with us. See our classrooms and programs that are available our school.

## Encouragement Found in Scriptures:

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

—1 Peter 1:3

## Upcoming Events

- **Kindergarten Graduation:** Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at LSUS during Chapel.
- **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation:** Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at Bethlehem Lutheran Church after the Celebration of the Arts performance.
- **Celebration of the Arts:** Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM at Bethlehem Lutheran Church.



LUTHERAN SOUTH UNITY SCHOOL



# CELEBRATION

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**FRIDAY, MAY 20TH, 2022**

7:00 PM

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH  
3705 S. ANTHONY BLVD.



All Students will be participating with their classes and choirs. Student Artwork will be on display.

May  
2022



# Life NEWS

[lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)



## Life Newsbytes

**Oklahoma Governor Kevin Stitt signed into law on Tuesday a bill that will ban the majority of abortions and make committing them a felony.** The bill received more than 80% support in both legislative chambers. Senate Bill 612 only allows abortions if the mother's life is at risk. ... The law does not allow exceptions for fetal diagnosis, rape, or incest. Anyone who carries out an abortion could be charged with a felony punishable by up to 10 years in prison and a \$100,000 fine. The bill's sponsor, Senator Jim Olsen, stated that only the person committing the abortion—the abortionist—would face penalties under the law, not the mother. ... The new law is scheduled to go into effect this summer, according to *The Washington Post*. However, it is expected to be blocked quickly by abortion advocates. (*Live Action News*, 4/12/22; *CLR LifeWire*, 4/15/22)

**A *Wall Street Journal* poll of 1,500 voters conducted in early March has revealed that more people support a restriction on abortion after 15 weeks than oppose it.** In fact, the poll found that nearly 50% of respondents are in favor of such a restriction. This information comes as the Supreme Court prepares to rule on *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, which centers on Mississippi's 2018 15-week abortion restriction law. (*Live Action News*, 4/5/22; *CLR LifeWire*, 4/7/22)

## Speaking up For Life

“We pray in our services for ‘the race of man’ not the races of man. There is only one race. All else are ethnic, national, cultural, or other differences. We’ve past histories to trouble us to be sure—like the Irish and the English, the Jew and the Christian, the Greek and the Ottoman Turk, and the slave and the slave owner—but there is no place from which a genuine reconciliation can emerge today, except in Christ. The goal is fellowship, brotherhood in Christ.” *James M. Kushiner, The Fellowship of St. James*

“[W]e demand an end to the injustice of abortion. We demand an end to the injustice of human trafficking, pornography, slavery, and the separation of children from their parents. But we do so as confessors. We confess that we are sinners, great sinners, with the culture of death flowing in our veins and pulsing through our corrupted brains. And we confess that only in Jesus is the life we need.” *Rev. Christopher Esget, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Alexandria, Virginia*

“God has placed each of us here at this very moment in time for His purpose: to be lights in the darkness, to be warriors in His battles, to be the hands and feet and voices that bring the good news of salvation to the whole lost world. He asks us to strengthen our feeble arms and weak knees, to open our mouths to the words He will give us, and to run the race to the finish line.” *Dr. Barbara Lane Geistfeld, Assistant Director of Volunteer Relations for Lutherans For Life*

# Step Up 4 Life

APRIL 25 - JUNE 20, 2022



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