

# Historic Zion Lutheran Church

## DIVINE SERVICE FOR INVOCABIT, THE 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT

9:00 am ..... Sunday, March 6, 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*

Pre-Service ..... "Someone Special" ..... Grades 3-5

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

### [ Rise ] 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 ✠*

*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.*

The first line of the musical score for 'The Bird Song' is written on a single staff in treble clef. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody begins with a half note B-flat, followed by a quarter note G, a quarter note F, and a quarter note E. This is followed by a half note D, a quarter note C, a quarter note B, and a quarter note A. The line ends with a double bar line.

*Verse 1:*     **Because you have made the Lord your | dwell- ing place || the Most | High,  
who is my | re- fuge || no evil shall be allowed to | be- fall you, || no | plague  
come near your | tent.**

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

## Kyrie

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

*The Lord be with you.*

And with thy spir— it.

A ————— men!

A ————— men!

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[ Rise ] **Tract**

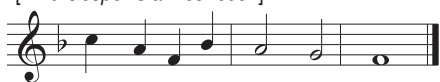


[ Deacon ] *Put on the whole | •armor• of God, || that you may be able to stand against the | schemes\_\_ of the | •devil•.*

**All:** **O come, let us fix our | eyes on •Jesus•, || the founder and per- | fec- tor of our | faith\_\_, || who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis- | ing the shame || and is seated at the right hand | of the throne of | God.**

**Holy Gospel ..... St. Luke 4:1-13**

[ 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!**

[ Be Seated ] **Hymn of the Day ..... A Mighty Fortress ... Burgundy Hymn 656**

**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**

**Choral Voluntary ..... “Do You Know Who Died for Me” ..... Grades K-2**

[ Rise ] **Offertory Hymn ..... 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**



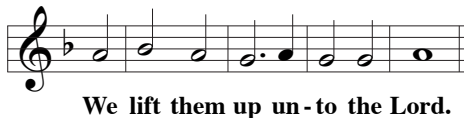
## + The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

### Preface

*The Lord be with you.*



*Lift up your hearts.*

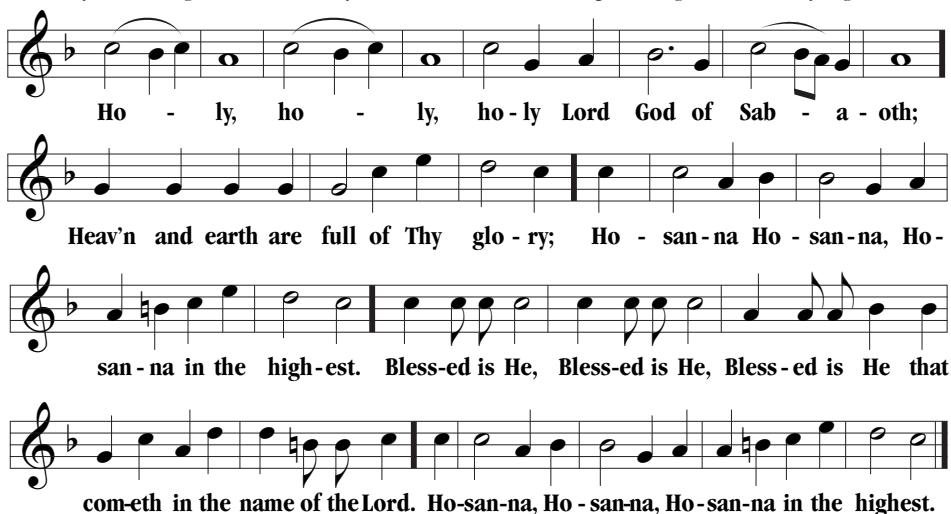


*Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.*



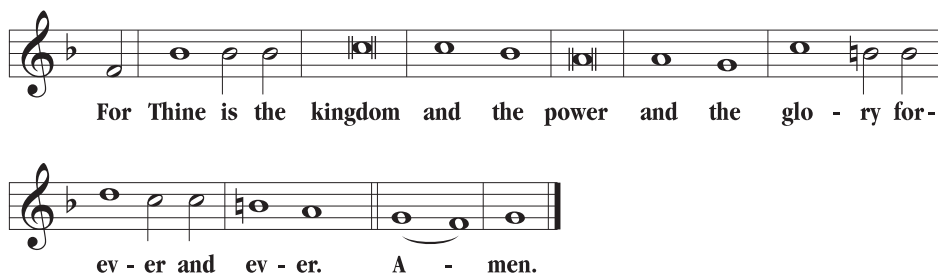
### Proper Preface for Lent, Sanctus

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



### [ Kneel ] Lord's Prayer

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




### Words of Institution, Pax Domini


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



## Agnus Dei



1-3. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world,



Stanzas 1 and 2      Stanza 3

have mer-cy up - on us.      Grant us Thy Peace.      A - - - men!

[ Be Seated ]

Distribution Anthem ..... “We Belong to God” ..... Grades K - 5

Distribution Hymn ..... Mark, How the Lamb ..... Burgundy Hymn 600

Second Distribution Hymn ..... God The Father, Be Our Stay



1. God the Fa- ther, be our stay;  
2. Je - sus Christ, be Thou our stay; } Oh, let us per-ish nev - er!  
3. Ho - ly Spir- it, be our stay;



Cleanse us from our sins, we pray, And grant us life for - ev - er.



Keep us from the E - vil One; Up-hold our faith most ho - ly,



And let us trust Thee sole - ly With hum-ble hearts and low - ly



Let us put God's ar-mor on, With all true Christ - ians run - ning



Our heav'n-ly race and shun - ning The dev-il's wiles and cun - ning



A-men, A-men, this be done; O Lord, have mer-cy on\_\_\_ us.

[ Rise ] **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.



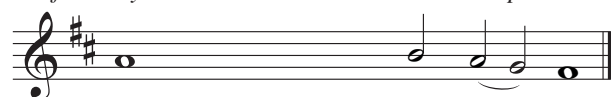
4. Glo— ry\_\_\_ be to the  
Father, and to\_\_\_ the\_\_\_ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.



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

## Post Communion Rite

*As often as you eat this bread and drink this cup:*



Ye do show the Lord's death till He\_\_\_ come.

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



A — men.

*The Lord be with you.*



And with thy spir — rit.

*Bless we the Lord.*



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.

*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 ..... O Lord, throughout ..... Burgundy Hymn 418

## Postlude

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## **Readings for the First Sunday in Lent**

### **The Old Testament Reading is Deuteronomy 26:1-11**

“When you come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you for an inheritance and have taken possession of it and live in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from your land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket, and you shall go to the place that the LORD your God will choose, to make his name to dwell there. And you shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, ‘I declare today to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our fathers to give us.’ Then the priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it down before the altar of the LORD your God.

“And you shall make response before the LORD your God, ‘A wandering Aramean was my father. And he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number, and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. And the Egyptians treated us harshly and humiliated us and laid on us hard labor. Then we cried to the LORD, the God of our fathers, and the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. And the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great deeds of terror, with signs and wonders. And he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. And behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground, which you, O LORD, have given me.’ And you shall set it down before the LORD your God and worship before the LORD your God. And you shall rejoice in all the good that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house, you, and the Levite, and the sojourner who is among you.”

### **The Epistle is Romans 10:8b-13**

“The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

## **The Gospel is Luke 4:1-13**

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone.'" And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, and said to him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." And Jesus answered him, "It is written,

"You shall worship the Lord your God,  
and him only shall you serve."

And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you,'  
and

"On their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you strike your foot against a stone."

And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time.



## Hymns for the First Sunday in Lent

### LSB656 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Martin Luther

1. A mighty fortress is our God, A trusty shield and weapon;  
He helps us free from ev'ry need That hath us now o'ertaken.  
The old evil foe Now means deadly woe;  
Deep guile and great might Are his dread arms in fight;  
On earth is not his equal.
2. With might of ours can naught be done, Soon were our loss effected;  
But for us fights the Valiant One, Whom God Himself elected.  
Ask ye, Who is this? Jesus Christ it is,  
Of Sabaoth Lord, And there's none other God;  
He holds the field forever.
3. Though devils all the world should fill, All eager to devour us.  
We tremble not, we fear no ill; They shall not overpow'r us.  
This world's prince may still Scowl fierce as he will,  
He can harm us none. He's judged; the deed is done;  
One little word can fell him.
4. The Word they still shall let remain Nor any thanks have for it;  
He's by our side upon the plain With His good gifts and Spirit.  
And take they our life, Goods, fame, child, and wife,  
Though these all be gone, Our vict'ry has been won;  
The Kingdom ours remaineth.

### LSB600 Mark How the Lamb of God's Self-Offering

Carl P. Daw, Jr.

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1. Mark how the Lamb of God's self-off'ring  
Our human sinfulness takes on  
In the birth-waters of the Jordan  
As Jesus is baptized by John.  
Hear how the voice from heaven thunders,  
"Lo, this is My beloved Son."  
See how in dove-like form the Spirit  
Descends on God's Anointed One.
2. From this assurance of God's favor  
Jesus goes to the wilderness,  
There to endure a time of testing  
That readied Him to teach and bless.

So we, by water and the Spirit  
Baptized into Christ's ministry,  
Are often led to paths of service  
Through mazes of adversity.

3. Grant us, O God, the strength and courage  
To live the faith our lips declare;  
Bless us in our baptismal calling;  
Christ's royal priesthood help us share.  
Turn us from ev'ry false allegiance,  
That we may trust in Christ alone:  
Raise up in us a chosen people  
Transformed by love to be Your own.

### **LSB505 God the Father, Be Our Stay**

**Martin Luther**

1. God the Father, be our Stay; O let us perish never!  
Cleanse us from our sins, we pray, And grant us life forever.  
Keep us from the evil one; Uphold our faith most holy.  
And let us trust Thee solely With humble hearts and lowly.  
Let us put God's armor on, With all true Christian running  
Our heav'nly race and shunning The devil's wiles and cunning.  
Amen, amen! This be done; O Lord, have mercy on us.
2. Jesus Christ, be Thou our stay; O let us perish never!  
Cleanse us from our sins, we pray, And grant us life forever.  
Keep us from the evil one; Uphold our faith most holy.  
And let us trust Thee solely With humble hearts and lowly.  
Let us put God's armor on, With all true Christian running  
Our heav'nly race and shunning The devil's wiles and cunning.  
Amen, amen! This be done; O Lord, have mercy on us.
3. Holy Spirit, be our Stay, O let us perish never!  
Cleanse us from our sins, we pray, And grant us life forever.  
Keep us from the evil one; Uphold our faith most holy.  
And let us trust Thee solely With humble hearts and lowly.  
Let us put God's armor on, With all true Christian running  
Our heav'nly race and shunning The devil's wiles and cunning.  
Amen, amen! This be done; O Lord, have mercy on us.

**LSB418 O Lord, throughout These Forty Days**      **Claudia F. Hernaman**

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1. O Lord, throughout these forty days You prayed and kept the fast;  
Inspire repentance for our sin, And free us from our past.
2. You strove with Satan, and You won; Your faithfulness endured;  
Lend us Your nerve, Your skill and trust In God's eternal Word.
3. Though parched and hungry, yet You prayed and fixed Your mind above;  
So teach us to deny ourselves that we may know God's love.
4. Be with us through this season, Lord, And all our earthly days,  
That when the final Easter dawns, We join in heaven's praise.

## LSUS Songs

### **“Someone Special”**

Sung by LSUS Junior Choir (3-5)

1. Someone Special, I know who: That Someone, my God, is You!  
Who could make a world like this And a heaven full of bliss,  
Someone special I must be, Since You made it all for me!
2. Someone Special, that You are, To create the Christmas Star,  
Heralding the Savior’s birth, Bringing peace and joy to earth.  
Someone special I must be, Since You made that Star for me!
3. Someone Special, who would give His own Son that all might live,  
And by Him would set us free From all sin and misery.  
Someone special I must be, Since You gave Your Son for me!
4. Someone Special, who would send His good Spirit for a Friend,  
Faith Creator, Light and Guide, Always standing at my side.  
Someone special I must be, Since You gave that Gift to me!
5. Someone Special—God and man, You were there when I began  
You’ll be there when I depart, For You live within my heart.  
Someone special—now I see, That someone is really me.

### **“Do You Know Who Died For Me”**

Sung by LSUS Jubilee Choir (K-2)

1. Do you know who died for me? Jesus did, Jesus did,  
Lovingly He died for me, Yes, He really did!
2. Do you know who cares for me? Jesus does, Jesus does  
Lovingly He cares for me, Yes, He really does!
3. Do you know who’ll stay by me? Jesus will, Jesus will  
Lovingly He’ll stay by me. Yes, He really will!

(repeat stanza 1)

### **“We Belong to God,”** LSUS Theme song for 2021-22

Sung by LSUS Combined choirs

**Chorus:** We belong to God, we belong to one another,  
We believe in Christ, our Savior and our Brother,  
And we pray we become, all you call us to be.  
Born of the Spirit, holy and free.

1. Rooted in Christ, each of us sisters and brothers  
Each of us bound to the other, by the Spirit of God  
Planted by streams of fresh and living water  
Rejoicing as sons and daughters, we proclaim the reign of God

***Chorus***

2. Rooted in Christ, abounding in thanksgiving  
We will continue living, in the light of the Lord  
As we were taught, from the very beginning  
The great gift of love we've been given is a gift we all must share

***Chorus*** twice

# The First Sunday in Lent



## 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  
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
- + For our nation; for our leaders, our military, including James Hall, and our health care workers
- + For our schools, especially Lutheran South Unity School (accreditation and call committees—especially for Ms. Amy Kurtz who has been called as principal, and Sharon Arndt, called as Kindergarten teacher), Concordia Lutheran High School, and Concordia Theological Seminary
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound, including Everett Beck, Juanita Moore, Cheryl Silvers, and Doris Yerger
- + For those who are near death
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Bill Weinrich, Hailey & Aaleyah Horn, Jackie Schieferstein, Tyler Muehl, Willie Manning, Lucille Brandt, Susan Kaiser, Kathy Vlot, Willodean Bates, Julie Ganaway, Paul Dolde, Sherry Freeman, Gloria Gonzalez, Dick Hollman, Pastor Søren Urberg, Louisa Porter, Louise Petrillo, Marianne Billings, Maurice King, Ron Rastl, Marlow Hogan, and Jenny Hobby
- + 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, including Walter Ostermeyer family
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed, including Henry Brandt, Georgianna & Walter Ostermeyer
- + 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 First Sunday in Lent. The Cross Bowl is given in loving memory of Henry Brandt by his wife Lucille Brandt. The Altar Vases are given in loving memory of Georgianna & Walter Ostermeyer by their family. 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**

### **March 6, 2021 thru March 12, 2022**

<b>SUN.</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Divine Service (LSUS K-5 Choir)</b>	<b>Church</b>
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Class	Bauer Hall
	10:30 AM	Sunday School (little ones)	Assoc. Pastor Office
<b>MON.</b>	6:30 PM	LSA Board Meeting	LSUS Campus
<b>TUES.</b>			
<b>WED.</b>	9:30 AM	Men of Zion	Conference Room
	<b>5:45 PM</b>	<b>Lent Supper</b>	<b>Bauer Hall</b>
	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Lenten Service</b>	<b>Church</b>
<b>THURS.</b>			
<b>FRI.</b>			
<b>SAT.</b>	11:00 AM	Private Confessions	Church

### **March 13, 2022 (Daylight Saving Time begins)**

<b>SUN.</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Divine Service</b>	<b>Church</b>
	10:30 AM	Estate Planning	Bauer Hall
	10:30 AM	Junior Catechesis	Conference Room

## **ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**EXCITING NEWS!** Our church leadership has determined it is time for our new pictorial church directory. Our date for photography will be May 3<sup>rd</sup>. We need volunteers to help with the sign up process for our families. Please contact DaVanna Seifert this week to volunteer to be a part of this project.

**JOIN US** every Wednesday in Lent for Vespers at 7:00 PM and supper at 5:45 PM

**DON'T FORGET** that next Sunday begins Daylight Saving Time. If you still have analog clocks, more them forward one hour, and prepare to be a bit groggy at Divine Service.

**WELCOME TO LSUS K-5** choirs that sing for us today and to their families. We're glad you're here. Those who are members of LCMS congregations may receive the Holy Communion; those who are not may still come forward and cross your arms over your chest in order to receive a blessing.

**ESTATE PLANNING & ELDER LAW:** Please plan to attend our March 13 education hour presentation from Heidi Adair. Heidi will be doing a presentation on the essentials of estate planning and elder law. She will be discussing the basic estate planning documents that every individual should have, the most tax efficient method of making a charitable gift and issues relating to the preservation of assets should long-term care become necessary.

**THRIVENT:** The deadline for Thrivent clients to designate their Thrivent Choice Dollars from 2021 in support of our organization is the end of this month, March 31<sup>st</sup>. Thrivent Choice® can have a tremendous impact on organizations like ours. Eligible Thrivent clients with membership, please consider directing Choice Dollars® to us by March 31.

**MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE**— Isaiah 40:1 "Comfort, comfort my people, says your God." Last week's verse was Psalm 37:23-24.

**CAMP LUTHERHAVEN:** Registration for summer camp has begun. Register online at [www.lutherhaven.org](http://www.lutherhaven.org).

**DONATIONS ARE NEEDED:** Hailey Horn is a LSUS 2<sup>nd</sup> grader and an identical twin. Because of an ear infection that spread to her brain, Hailey had emergency brain surgery that left her unable to move her left side and without a skull on her right side. She was put in a coma state to heal. She was moved to Riley Hospital where she spent a month in rehab learning to walk, talk, and use her left side again. Hailey returned to school a couple weeks ago wearing a helmet and using a cane, slowly getting back to her normal life. The expenses this family has incurred have been great. LSUS is requesting gifts of love to the family to help pay for these expenses. You can direct your gifts to Zion for this purpose, and we can forward them to the school on Hailey's behalf.

**COVID-19 UPDATE AT ZION:** *Please read this update if you want information on COVID. I'm not making oral comments regarding COVID unless some protocol needs changing.* Allen County will likely stay in yellow this week with an advisory level of yellow, also, heading to blue. The Seven-Day Positivity Rate is reported as 5.2% as of Feb. 22; we're probably in the 3% range. The Weekly Cases per 100,000 Residents metric is around 50 and still decreasing. We can thank Omicron the steep decline. Omicron out-competed the more deadly Delta variant. No troubles signaled for District 3 hospitalizations or ICU bed usage due to COVID. Average deaths due to COVID are finally back down to 0. Breakthrough COVID cases are 9.044%, 0.110%, and 0.059%, respectively, for infections, hospitalizations, and deaths, though I don't put much stock in the breakthrough infections number. Vaccinations do not completely stop infections, but they have helped reduce symptoms and hospitalizations. Mild infections probably mean less testing. Visit [www.coronavirus.in.gov/vaccine/](http://www.coronavirus.in.gov/vaccine/) for your eligibility and to schedule your vaccine or booster.

**LISTEN TO LUTHERAN PROGRAMMING** You can listen to Issues, Etc. live or on-demand at [www.issuesetc.org](http://www.issuesetc.org) or on the LPR mobile app, or to KFUO at [KFUO.org](http://KFUO.org).



## 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 4:1-13

Mark 3:1-19

Mark 3:20-35

Mark 4:1-20

Mark 4:21-41

Mark 5:1-20

Mark 5:21-43

### DAILY LECTIONARY

#### The First Sunday in Lent

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

### Evening Prayer

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Genesis 6:1-7:5

Genesis 7:11-8:12

Genesis 8:13-9:17

Genesis 11:27-12:20

Genesis 13:1-18

Genesis 15:1-21

## 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

### The Second Sunday in Lent

Jeremiah 26:8-15

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Luke 13:31-35



# What Doctor Luther Says:

## *About Heretics' Use of the Devil's Deceitful Ways*

[The devil] says, "Throw yourself down." See how he acts as he does in many cases for the purpose of persuasion; he even cites the Scriptures. In this way he also conquers the heretics, but not Christ and His church. For the heretics never cite the Scriptures correctly, but always pick out only that by which they might promote their plague. But they are silent about what speaks against them, just as their father and master did here. For if the devil had cited only this part, "that they should keep You in all Your ways" (Matt. 4:6), indeed, according to Luke, who alone writes that he omitted this part, "in all Your ways," don't you think the Lord would immediately have hurled his own word back at him, saying, "If they will guard Me in all My ways, why do you not show Me one of these ways, so that you may see whether they will guard Me? But you show Me [a place] where there is no way for Me. But since it is written that they will guard Me in all My ways, you are surely citing that passage foolishly or maliciously, because it has nothing to do with the issue. For from this passage you have no warrant for the statement that they will guard Me in any ways whatever, as you want Me to think and believe, but only in all My ways." Behold, a skillful enemy anticipated that these things would be raised in objection to him, and therefore he covered it up. So all heretics do also, who adjust all the Scriptures to themselves except for those passages by which they could be refuted.

*Luther's Works, 11:210-11.*

## LSUS NOTES

### Praying for You!

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

Avah Hamilton  
August Hoham  
Vicente Herrera  
Cataleya Book  
Brandon Tubbs

John Benson  
Marcus Timmons  
Martin Herrera  
Khin Aung



## Lunar New Year celebrated with Lion Dance

Lion dance is a form of traditional dance in Chinese and other Asian cultures in which performers mimic a lion's movements in costume to bring good luck and fortune. It is often performed in traditional, cultural and religious festivals like the Lunar New Year (also known as Chinese New Year). Lunar New Year is celebrated in late January or early February. Each year is assigned a Chinese zodiac on a repeating twelve-year cycle. This year is the year of the Tiger.

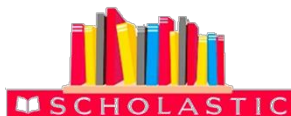


A huge shout out and thank you to 8th grader, Jackson Goree, and his dad, Jason, for sharing this tradition with us following Tuesday's devotions!



## The Book Fair is coming March 17-25!

Scholastic Book Fair is coming! Due to Covid restrictions, we will not have our usual Grand friends Day during book fair. Consider being a grand friend and donate money for books for our students! Watch for details!





Do you know someone who is interested in attending LSUS? Then you need to see our new Admissions Administrator, Barb Johnson. This job was just started in September. She is still learning what this job entails.

Mrs. Johnson attended Central Lutheran School and Concordia High School. She received an Associate's degree from Concordia Junior College in Ann Arbor, MI. The Bachelor of Education degree she received was from Concordia, Seward, NE. Finally, she received her Master's from IPFW in education with a reading endorsement.

Her teaching experience began in Milwaukee. She and her husband moved back to Fort Wayne after three years. Then she taught at Central Lutheran, St. John-Emanuel, and finished her career at Concordia Elementary. Since retirement, she has substituted throughout the Fort Wayne area. In those years, she has taught a fourth and fifth grade split room, first grade, started a reading readiness program, taught music, and ran a summer day camp program. For twenty-five years she was the music director at Martini Lutheran Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson have four children (one daughter and three sons), eight grandchildren (six granddaughters and two grandsons), and a great-grandson. Fortunately, they all live in the New Haven area.

She and her husband are members of Concordia Lutheran Church where they are active in choir.



**LUTHERAN SOUTH  
UNITY SCHOOL**

**Open House**

Sunday, March 6th, 2022  
12:00pm - 3:00pm

**Join us !!**

- Tour Our School
- Meet Our Teachers
- Ask Us Questions

### **Encouragement Found in Scriptures:**

*Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary they shall walk and not faint. —Isaiah 40:30-31*



# ***Order Your 2022 Easter Flowers for Easter Sunday Now!***

PLEASE PRINT

*Name :*

*Given in Loving Memory Of:*

*Other Dedication*

Qty.	Description	Price Each	Total Amt \$
_____	6 1/2" Lilies (1 stem)	\$22	_____
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_____	6" Hyacinths	\$18	_____
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General Donation			_____

Total Amount Enclosed

***Pick Up Flowers after 9 am Service on Easter Sunday***

***Give Flowers to a Shut-In***

*Return this form and monies to the church office by  
Sunday, April 10th, to have your dedication printed in the bulletin.*

March  
2022



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



## Life Newsbytes

**A new report indicates that preborn children in the womb may be capable of feeling pain earlier than is commonly thought—a conclusion that supports previous studies.** Dr. Bridget Thill's dissertation, "Fetal Pain in the First Trimester," was published in December 2021 in *The Linacre Quarterly*, and it considered research from medical journals published from 1936 through 2021. The peer-reviewed article concluded that the capacity for the preborn child to feel pain begins during the embryonic stage—possibly as early as eight weeks—and for anyone to deny this "is no longer tenable." Thill notes that there are five key pieces of evidence that point to the fact that fetal pain perception has implications for fetal surgery and abortion and that fetal pain perception begins during the first trimester: "The neural pathways for pain perception via the cortical subplate are present as early as 12 weeks gestation, and via the thalamus as early as 7-8 weeks gestation ... The cortex is not necessary for pain to be experienced ... Consciousness is mediated by subcortical structures, such as the thalamus and brainstem, which begin to develop during the first trimester ... The neurochemicals in utero do not cause fetal unconsciousness ... The use of fetal analgesia suppresses the hormonal, physiologic, and behavioral responses to pain, avoiding the potential for both short- and long-term sequelae." (*Live Action News*, 2/1/22; *CLR Life Wire*, 2/3/22)

## Speaking up For Life

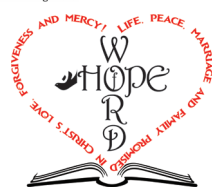
"Whether you are five or 35 or 65, there will be days when it seems to you that God has dropped it. When that happens, when the darkness threatens to close in on you, just go back to the simple truth that God taught you in your youth. Go back to the Word of Light, the Word that is Christ. 'Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so.' That will lighten the way for you, for us all." *Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer, The Lutheran Hour*

"Christ does not refuse our sense of tragedy or awareness of pain. He bears it in love, affirming our condition, carrying our sorrows to the end, all the way to the heart of God." *Jill Carattini*

"We affirm again and again that God handmade all people and Jesus died for all people. And that means ALL lives are valuable and equally loved." *Michelle Bauman, Director of Y4Life for Lutherans For Life*



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**Y4Life.org**



# Step Up 4 Life



[lutheransforlife.org/step-up-4-life-2022](https://lutheransforlife.org/step-up-4-life-2022)

Life is indeed amazing! As we celebrate the end of snow and ice and freezing temperatures, we look forward to singing again with all of God's saints.

**"Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty! Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations!"** (Revelation 15:3)

As the sun warms the earth, we look forward to being outdoors again and feeling that warmth on our faces. As we put away our heavy jackets, we look forward to hearing the birds, seeing the new green grass, and enjoying the burst of new life that comes every spring. How amazing indeed are the works of the Lord!

We at Lutherans For Life hope you will celebrate spring in another way, too!

**Join us on April 25 as we kick off our second annual Step Up 4 Life campaign.**

Our 2022 theme is "God Chose YOU!" and it is surely worth singing about! Ephesians 3:10 reminds us that God chose us out of all the world to be His people: **"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them."** Or run in them, rock in them, or stroll in them, as the case may be!

We are once again partnering with Charity Footsteps for our Step Up 4 Life campaign, and we'll be adding new features to help you more easily monitor your progress as you walk, run, or play toward fitness and a donation to our ministry!

What else is new? You can sign up to be a sponsor! We're looking for individuals, groups, or businesses to donate \$250, \$500, or \$1,000 toward our \$60,000 fundraising goal. Whatever level of sponsorship you choose, you'll not only receive thanks and special recognition from LFL, but you'll also help us reach our goal! Watch for more details on how to become a sponsor soon!

It's time to start getting warmed up and psyched up for the next competition! Watch our website, Facebook, Directions, and Life Notes for more details in the weeks to follow. Thank you to all who participated last year. We are so excited to offer you another chance to **Step Up 4 Life**, and we encourage you to bring more friends!

**Since 1973: 63,459,781 abortions in America**

Source: [www.lifenews.com/2022/01/07/63459781-babies-have-been-killed-in-abortions-since-roe-v-wade-in-1973](https://www.lifenews.com/2022/01/07/63459781-babies-have-been-killed-in-abortions-since-roe-v-wade-in-1973)



**Cadets**

# TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT

**9 AM MARCH 26**

**CONCORDIA LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA**

**Open to 5th – 8th grade  
Singles and Doubles Competitions  
Male & Female Brackets  
Cost: \$10 per person**



Compete against your friends or foes on Concordia's 5 high-quality tables! Paddles will be provided, if needed. For questions, please contact Mr. Tim Reinking at [treinking@clhscadets.com](mailto:treinking@clhscadets.com).

## **Rules:**

- Best of 2/3 games and Final Four is best 3/5 games
- Games are played to 11 points
- Players serve two serves each, alternating.
- A player does not have to win specifically off their own serve to win a point.
- If a game ties at 10-10, a player must win by 2 points. In this situation, players serve one serve each, alternating.

**Register now at**  
**[clhs.campbrainregistration.com](http://clhs.campbrainregistration.com)**



# INDIANA LLL DISTRICT CONVENTION



**SATURDAY**  
**March 26, 2022**

**St. James Lutheran Church**

1206 N Miller Ave  
Marion, IN 46952

Doors Open at 9:30 a.m.  
Convention Begins at 10:00 a.m.  
and concludes with worship at 5:00 p.m.  
Banquet begins at 6:00 p.m.

## HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE

Break Out Sessions led by staff members  
of Cornerstone Lutheran Church, Carmel, IN



*Listening to Our Community*



*Engaging the Online Community*



*Understanding the Contemporary Community*



*Discovering the Gifts of Your Neighborhood*



FEATURING GUEST SPEAKER  
Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler  
Speaker of *The Lutheran Hour*®

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

CONVENTION & BANQUET:  
**\$40.00 per person**  
(includes lunch)

BANQUET ONLY:  
**\$25 per person**

MAIL REGISTRATION FORM AND CHECK TO:  
Roger Vandrey, IN LLL Treasurer  
2414 Manita Dr. • Indianapolis, IN 46234

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Dan Johnson, IN LLL DP • 260-452-4727 • dcjsing@yahoo.com • indianalll.org

## REGISTRATION FORM 2022 INDIANA LLL DISTRICT CONVENTION

Registration deadline **March 18**  
Make check payable to **Indiana LLL District**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Convention & Banquet: \_\_\_\_\_ at \$40 each  
number of attendees

Banquet Only: \_\_\_\_\_ at \$25 each  
number of attendees