

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE 4TH SUNDAY IN LENT

9:00 am Sunday, March 27, 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*

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 ✠ 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.

[illegible]

Verse 1: **Wash me thoroughly from my in- | iq- ui- ty, || and | cleanse me from my |**
sin__! || For I know my trans- | gres-__ sions, || and my sin is | •ever• be-
fore | me.

Verse 2: *Against you, you only, | have I sinned || and done what is | e- vil in your | sight__, ||
so that you may be justified | in your words || and | blame- less in your | •judgment•.*

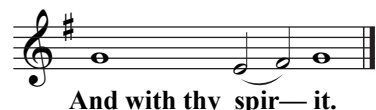
Verse 3: **Behold, I was brought forth in in- | iq- ui- ty, || and in sin | did my •mother•**
 con- | ceive me. || Behold, you delight in truth in the | in- ward •being•, || and
 you teach me wisdom | in the se- cret | heart.

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!**

[*Antiphon*] **Have mercy on | me, O God, || according | to your stead- fast | love__ ; ||**
according to your abundant | mer__ cy || blot out | my trans- gres__ |
sions.

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.



Collect for the Fourth Sunday in Lent: *Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*



Collect for Lent: *Merciful and everlasting God, who did not spare Your only Son, but delivered Him up for us all that He might bear our sins upon the cross, grant that our hearts may be so fixed with steadfast faith in Him that we may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*



+ The Office of the Word of God +

[After the reading] *This is the word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.**

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[Rise] **Tract**



[Deacon] *The father said | to his servants, || “This | my son was ___ | dead __, || and is a- | live a- gain; || he was | lost __, and is | found.”*

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 15:1-3, 11-32

[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 God Loved the World .. Burgundy Hymn 571**

[Rise for stanza 6.]

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 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

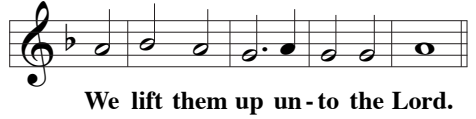
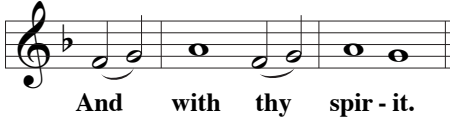


+ The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

Preface

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

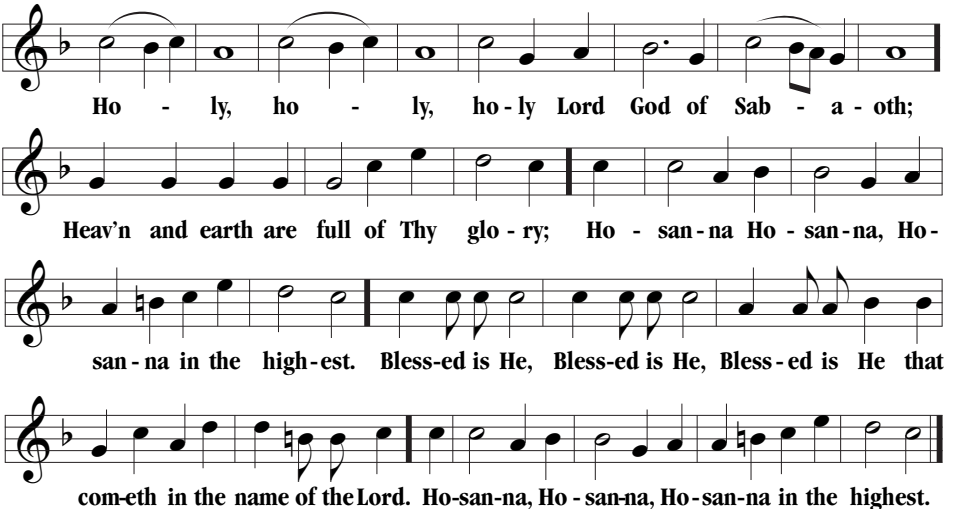


Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



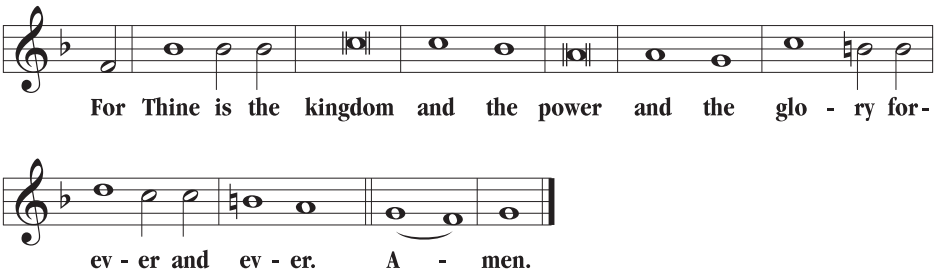
Proper Preface for Lent, Sanctus

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 Hymns What Wondrous Love Burgundy Hymn 543

Today Your Mercy Calls Us Burgundy Hymn 915

[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.

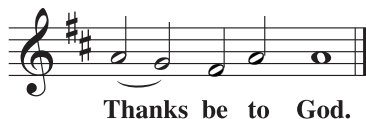
Prayer of Thanksgiving ... now and forever.

A ——— men.

The Lord be with you.



Bless we the Lord.



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.



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 Glory Be to Jesus Burgundy Hymn 433

Postlude

Holy Week Schedule

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Palm Sunday, April 10

Palm Sunday Divine Service, 9:00 a.m.

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The Triduum: The Three Day Vigil

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Part I: Holy Thursday, April 14

Divine Service 7:00 p.m.

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Part II: Good Friday, April 15

Divine Service 7:00 p.m.

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Part III: Holy Saturday, April 16

The Great Vigil of Easter

Divine Service 7:00 p.m.

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The Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord

Sunday, April 17

Easter Sunrise Matins 7:00 a.m.

Easter Breakfast 7:45 a.m.

Festival Divine Service 9:00 a.m.

(No Sunday School and Adult Bible Class this Sunday)

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Readings for the Fourth Sunday in Lent

The Old Testament Reading is Isaiah 12:1-6

You will say in that day:

“I will give thanks to you, O LORD,
for though you were angry with me,
your anger turned away,
that you might comfort me.

“Behold, God is my salvation;
I will trust, and will not be afraid;
for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.”

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. And you will say in that day:

“Give thanks to the LORD,
call upon his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that his name is exalted.

“Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously;
let this be made known in all the earth.

Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.”

The Epistle is 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

The Gospel is Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear [Jesus]. And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, “This man receives sinners and eats with them.”

So he told them this parable: ...

“There was a man who had two sons. And the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.’ And he divided his property between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.

“But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.”’ And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’

“But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.’ And they began to celebrate.

“Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.’ But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, ‘Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!’ And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.’”

Hymns for the Fourth Sunday in Lent

LSB571 God Loved the World So That He Gave *Heiliges Lippen und Hertzens-Opffer, Stettin*

1. God loved the world so that He gave
His only Son the lost to save,
That all who would in Him believe
Should everlasting life receive.
 2. Christ Jesus is the ground of faith,
Who was made flesh and suffered death;
All then who trust in Him alone
Are built on this chief cornerstone.
 3. God would not have the sinner die;
His Son with saving grace is nigh;
His Spirit in the Word declares
How we in Christ are heaven's heirs.
 4. Be of good cheer, for God's own Son
Forgives all sins which you have done;
And, justified by Jesus' blood,
Your Baptism grants the highest good.
 5. If you are sick, if death is near,
This truth your troubled heart can cheer:
Christ Jesus saves your soul from death;
That is the firmest ground of faith.
- △ 6. Glory to God the Father, Son,
And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To Thee, O blessed Trinity,
Be praise now and eternally!

LSB543 What Wondrous Love *A General Selection of ... Hymns and Spiritual Songs*

1. What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this That caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!
2. When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down Beneath God's righteous frown,

Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

3. To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb, Who is the great I AM.
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing.
While millions join the theme, I will sing.
4. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing His love for me,
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And through eternity I'll sing on.

LSB915 Today Your Mercy Calls Us

Oswald Allen

1. Today Your mercy calls us To wash away our sin.
However great our trespass, Whatever we have been,
However long from mercy Our hearts have turned away,
Your precious blood can wash us And make us clean today.
2. Today Your gate is open, And all who enter in
Shall find a Father's welcome And pardon for their sin.
The past shall be forgotten, A present joy be giv'n,
A future grace be promised, A glorious crown in heav'n.
3. Today our Father calls us; The Holy Spirit waits;
His blessed angels gather Around the heav'nly gates.
No question will be asked us How often we have come;
Although we oft have wandered, It is our Father's home.
4. O all-embracing Mercy, O ever-open Door,
What should we do without You When heart and eye run o'er?
When all things seem against us, To drive us to despair,
We know one gate is open, One ear will hear our prayer.

LSB433 Glory Be to Jesus

Italian, c. 18th cent.

1. Glory be to Jesus, Who in bitter pains
Poured for me the lifeblood From His sacred veins!
2. Grace and life eternal In that blood I find;
Blest be His compassion, Infinitely kind!

3. Blest through endless ages Be the precious stream
Which from endless torment Did the world redeem!
4. Abel's blood for vengeance Pleaded to the skies;
But the blood of Jesus For our pardon cries.
5. Oft as earth exulting Wafts its praise on high,
Angel hosts rejoicing Make their glad reply.
6. Lift we, then, our voices, Swell the mighty flood;
Louder still and louder Praise the precious blood!

The Fourth 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, 3rd 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, especially at this perilous time in our world
- + For our schools, especially Lutheran South Unity School (accreditation and call committees—especially calls to Sharon Arndt—kindergarten, Tricia Day—3rd grade, and a 6th grade 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 William Wallschlaeger, Bill Weinrich, Paul Dolde, Tyler Muehl, Willie Manning, 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 Janeen & Dave Kaiser
- + 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, especially the family of Jackie Schieferstein
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed, including Jackie Schieferstein
- + 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 Fourth Sunday in Lent. The Cross Bowl is given in celebration of the 48th wedding anniversary of Janeen & Dave Kaiser. 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 27, 2021 thru April 2, 2022

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| SUN. | 9:00 AM | Divine Service | Church |
| | 10:30 AM | Adult Bible Study | Bauer Hall |
| | 10:30 AM | Sunday School (little ones) | Assoc. Pastor Office |
| | 3:00 PM | Concert of Brass & Organ Music | Church |
| | After concert | Reception | Bauer Hall |
| MON. | 5:30 PM | CEA Board Meeting | CLHS |
| TUES. | 9:30 AM | FW South Winkel | Lutheran Life Villages |
| | 2:00 PM | SPZP Board meeting | Conference Room |
| WED. | 9:30 AM | Men of Zion | Conference Room |
| | 5:45 PM | Lent Supper | Bauer Hall |
| | 7:00PM | Lenten Service | Church |
| THURS. | | | |
| FRI. | | | |
| SAT. | 11:00 AM | Private Confession | Church |

April 3, 2022

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| SUN. | 9:00 AM | Divine Service | Church |
| | 10:30AM | Education Hour | Various |

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: Dr. Voelz will continue his teaching of the Gospel according to St. Mark. Junior Catechesis meets in the Conference Room; Sunday School meets in the Assoc. Pastor's office.

CONCERT OF BRASS & ORGAN MUSIC is today at 3:00 PM, right here at Zion. Please come. Admission is free, and a reception will follow in Bauer Hall.

SPRING CLEAN UP: The days are getting longer and warmer, which means it will soon be time for Zion's annual Spring Clean Up. Volunteers are needed for the event, which will be Saturday, April 9, from 9 a.m. to noon. We'll be sprucing up inside and out, spreading mulch, and doing anything else needed to prepare Zion for Easter the following week. Bring wheelbarrows, rakes, shovels, or other tools. Refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Kevin Leininger at 615-9896.

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: Zion members know our church has beautiful stained-glass windows. Now you can help share that treasure with visitors by helping when Zion participates with 11 other congregations in the first annual "Sanctuaries and Stained Glass Tour," 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.

JOIN US every Wednesday in Lent for Vespers at 7:00 PM and Supper at 5:45 PM. This week, Sem. Erik Saunders will preach on "God's Word, a Word of Life." Sem. Patrick Jackson will lead the Vespers. Holy Communion will follow in the Chapel.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE Zephaniah 3:17—"The lord your God is in your mist, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing." Last week's verse was Romans 8:38-39.

A HOPE CENTER ANNUAL BANQUET will be held on Tuesday, April 19th, at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum. Doors open at 5:30 pm, Program begins at 6:30 pm Register by April 4th at ahopecenter.org.

CLHS: seeks a qualified candidate to serve as a Family & Consumer Science Teacher. To view the position description and responsibilities and to apply, please visit www.clhscadets.com/employment. Only applications with all materials, including the completed application, will be considered.

COVID-19 UPDATE AT ZION: *Please read this update if you want information on COVID.* Allen County remains in blue. The Seven-Day Positivity Rate and the Weekly Cases per 100,000 Residents metrics continue to go down, but slowly now. COVID is around (Omicron mainly), but it's not much of a troubler. Reminder: if you want to be vaccinated and haven't, you'll find information here: www.coronavirus.in.gov/vaccine.

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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

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Mark 12:1-12

Mark 12:13-27

Mark 12:28-44

Mark 13:1-23

Mark 13:24-37

Mark 14:1-11

DAILY LECTIONARY

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Evening Prayer

Isaiah 12:1-6

Genesis 42:1-34, 38

Genesis 43:1-28

Genesis 44:1-18, 32-34

Genesis 45:1-20, 24-28

Genesis 47:1-31

Genesis 49:29-50:7, 14-26

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 Fifth Sunday in Lent

Isaiah 43:16-21

Philippians 3:4b-14

Luke 20:9-20



What Doctor Luther Says:

About Jesus Welcoming Even Sinners

1. *Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven.* This is at once in opposition to the hypocrites, who do not need forgiveness and, like healthy people, have no use for a doctor. For they do not think they have iniquities but rely on themselves as righteous and do not eat with the tax collectors and sinners, because they are not like other people (cf. Luke 15:2; 18:9 ff.). So the Pharisees rejected Christ, who bears the sins of the world, because they have none. And they say, “Are we blind?” And He said to them, “If you were blind, you would not have sin; but now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains” (John 9:40-41).

Let us hear, then, what the line of argument is here. No one is blessed except the one whose iniquities are forgiven. Therefore the corollary is: No one is without iniquity, no one is not a child of wrath, and so he needs to have his sins forgiven. But this happens only through Christ. Therefore no one will be saved on his own, but through Christ alone. And this is also the argument of blessed Paul’s entire Epistle to the Romans, to which almost all the words of the epistle speak, as is clear to anyone who looks into it. For he says (Rom. 1:18, 17): “The wrath of God is revealed from heaven”; again: “The righteousness of God is revealed, etc.” The meaning is this: No human being knew that the wrath of God is upon all men and that all are in sin before God, but through His Gospel He has revealed from heaven both how we may be saved from that wrath and by what righteousness we may be set free, namely, through Christ. ...

There is a wording here in Hebrew which beautifully expresses the fact that this forgiveness is without merits: “Blessed is he who becomes relieved of crime; who becomes concealed from sin.” Notice that it is put in a purely passive way, for “the gifts and the calling of God are without repentance” (Rom. 11:29).

Luther’s Works, 10:145-6.



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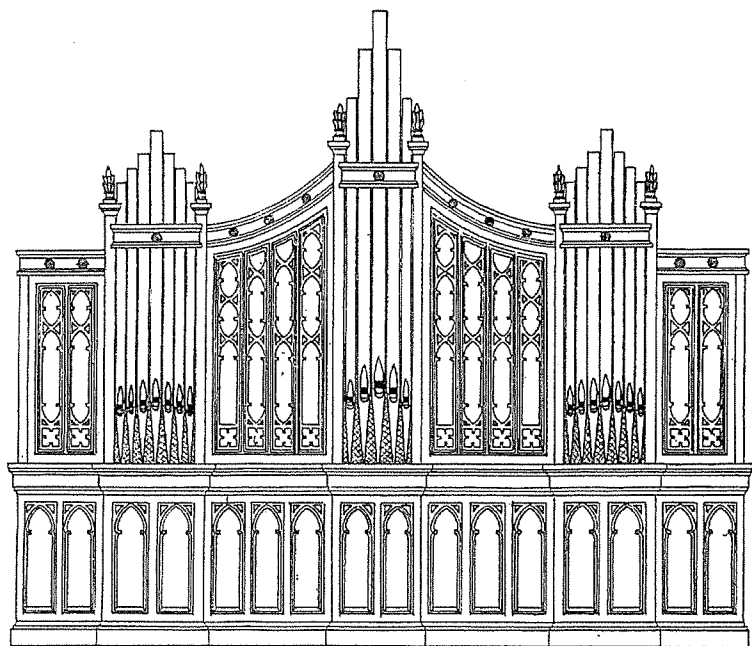
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Sunday, April 10th, to have your dedication printed in the bulletin.*

A Concert of Brass & Organ Music

Zion Ev. Lutheran Church
2313 Hanna Street - Fort Wayne, Indiana

Sunday, March 27, 2022 at 3pm



On Sunday, March 27, at 3 p.m., organist Michael Hollman and the Zion Lutheran Brass Choir, directed by Bryen Warfield, will present an organ and brass concert at Zion Lutheran Church, 2313 South Hanna Street. The concert will include works by Michel Richard Delalande (*Musique Royale*), J.S. Bach (*Toccata, Adagio, and Fugue in C major - BWV 564*), Richard Webster (*Hymn Setting on "Ride On! Ride On In Majesty"*), Leo Sowerby (*Prelude on "Capel"*), Morten Lauridsen (*O Nata Lux from Lux Aeterna*), César Franck (*Chorale in b minor*), and Marcel Dupré (*Poème héroïque*).

Admission is free and the recital is open to the public. A reception will follow the program.

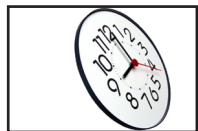
*The Reverend Richard and Mrs. Diane
Lammert cordially invite you to a
celebration of Richard's 70th birthday and
Richard and Diane's 30th wedding
anniversary*

Sunday, April 24, 2022
Bauer Hall
Zion Lutheran Church
2313 Hanna Street
Fort Wayne, IN
4:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.

Dinner, desserts, and drinks provided
Dinner at 5:00 p.m.

RSVP by April 3, 2022
LammertCelebration@gmail.com
or call the Zion church office at 260-744-1389

No gifts please



It's time to “Reconnect -- again.”



Zion has scheduled three unique events that will provide an opportunity for food, fellowship and financial support for quality education provided by Lutheran South Unity School. More information and reservation details will be coming soon, but for now please consider reserving time for one or more of the following events:

* On **May 6** in Bauer Hall, Pastor and Marge Punke, the Rev. Jim and Judy Voelz and award-winning Chef Eric Braun will host a feast of “chicken around the world,” pairing unique recipes and wines from various continents. Reservations will be \$100 in advance.

* On **May 26** Mark and Dana Muehl will host an Americana-themed dinner in their home. Reservations will be \$50 in advance.

* Finally, on **June 11**, Kevin and Maribeth Leininger will host at their home an afternoon of heavy hors d'oeuvres, beverages (beer, wine, bourbon and more), and cigars for those who want one (outside, of course). Reservations will be \$50 in advance.

Each event will provide an opportunity to make an additional contribution in support of Zion's education ministry. If you cannot attend, please consider supporting “Reconnect-again” by placing a clearly marked gift in the collection plate or sending it to the Zion office.

What better way to kick off summer and prepare for the vacation season than to “reconnect” in support of Zion and Lutheran education?

LSUS NOTES

Praying for You!

Please pray for these students/staff:

Leo Innis

Charlie Holder

De'Lyn Thomas

Nycole Golden

Khloe Hall

Michael Johnson

Yaronna Anderson

Malaniah Timmons

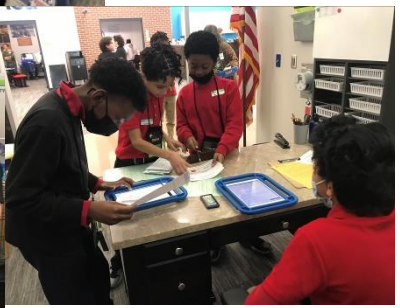
Jaz Dunham

Mr. Koch



Running a City for a Day!

On March 3rd, the 4th & 5th grade classes went to Junior Achievement's Biztown! After learning about financial literacy, being a citizen, and business management in the classroom, they got to run their own town for the day. Our students were in charge of five businesses - City Hall, STAR Financial Bank, the Utility Company, Healthcare, and Retail. Jayden McGraw was the town mayor for the day. While in Biztown, students used their right to vote. Camren Rangel and Di'Mond Williams-White were voted Citizens of the Day, and STAR Financial Bank was voted Business of the Day. Great job!



Meet The Staff



Mr. Dan Johnson is the part time director of development at Lutheran South Unity. What is that job? He raises money by talking with different people about giving to LSUS, trying to get them as excited about the school as he is.

He went to Concordia Jr. College, Ann Arbor, and earned an Associate's degree. Then he finished his college career by earning a Bachelor of Science in Education degree from Concordia, Seward. Finally he earned his CFRE – Certified Fund Raising Executive designation in 1991.

Mr. Johnson was a 3rd grade teacher at Hales Corners Lutheran School in Wisconsin. He and his family moved to Fort Wayne three years later and he was a district representative for Aid Association for Lutherans (AAL) for thirteen years. Then he was Director of Development for Concordia Lutheran High School for another thirteen years. He worked at Concordia Seminary, Fort Wayne, as Director of Major gifts for five years. The following eight years he was a Fundraising Consultant for Capital Campaigns and Annual Fund Drives with numerous groups.

He and his wife have been married for fifty-one years. They have four children – one daughter and three sons, eight grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. His best hobby and greatest love is GOLF! He also enjoys singing in choirs and barbershop quartets. He is also a member of Concordia Lutheran Church.

The motto he lives by is "Walk in Faith" – Phil. 4: 4-6 (His confirmation verse)



Last Saturday our wrestling team competed in the LSAA tournament. 8th graders, Jackson and Michael, received 1st place in their weight class, and Curtis received 5th. The team finished 7th overall, which is fantastic since we have only 3 team members! Great Job, Phoenix Wrestlers!

Encouragement Found in Scriptures:

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

—Colossians 3:12-14

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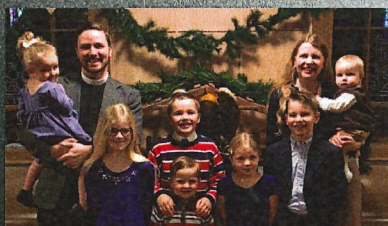
APRIL 22 - 24, 2022

LAKEVIEW VILLAGES

SEYMOUR, IN

MAIN SPEAKER – REV. DR. ADAM KOONTZ

ADAM KOONTZ HAS BEEN SERVING ON THE FACULTY OF CONCORDIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY SINCE FALL 2019 WHERE HE CURRENTLY SERVES AS THE ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF EXEGETICAL THEOLOGY. A 2014 CT'S MDIV ALUMNUS, HE WAS THE PASTOR OF MOUNT CALVARY, LOCATED IN LITITZ, PA. DURING THIS TIME HE HELPED PLANT CONCORDIA, WHICH IS LOCATED IN MYERSTOWN, PA. HE SUCCESSFULLY DEFENDED HIS DISSERTATION ON THE IMITATION OF PAUL IN THE GRECO-ROMAN WORLD IN JANUARY 2020 AND HAS SINCE BEEN AWARDED THE PHD IN RELIGION FROM TEMPLE UNIVERSITY.



DR. KOONTZ HOSTS A WEEKLY PODCAST CALLED "A BRIEF HISTORY OF POWER" WITH REV. FISK. HE IS ALSO A FREQUENT GUEST ON ANOTHER PODCAST CALLED "A WORD FITLY SPOKEN".

BORN IN PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA, ADAM WAS RAISED IN A SMALL TOWN IN CENTRAL PA ON THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL. HE MET AND MARRIED HIS WIFE, JENNIFER, WHILE AN HONORS MAJOR IN COMPARATIVE LITERATURE AT SWARTHMORE COLLEGE OUTSIDE PHILADELPHIA. HE AND JEN HAVE SEVEN CHILDREN: CHRISTIAN, LYDIA, ISAAC, JULIA, PAUL, MARIA, AND THOMAS.

RETREAT TOPIC – TYRANNY AND RESISTANCE

HOW DOES THE BIBLE DESCRIBE TYRANNY? IS THERE ANYTHING WE SHOULD DO ABOUT IT BESIDES ACCEPTING IT? WE'LL LOOK AT A VARIETY OF BIBLICAL AND HISTORICAL EXAMPLES OF TYRANNY AND RESISTANCE TO HELP BETTER UNDERSTAND OUR WORLD AND GOD'S CALLING ON OUR LIVES.

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