

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR JUDICA, THE 5TH SUNDAY IN LENT

9:00 am Sunday, March 26, 2023

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.

Introit of the Day



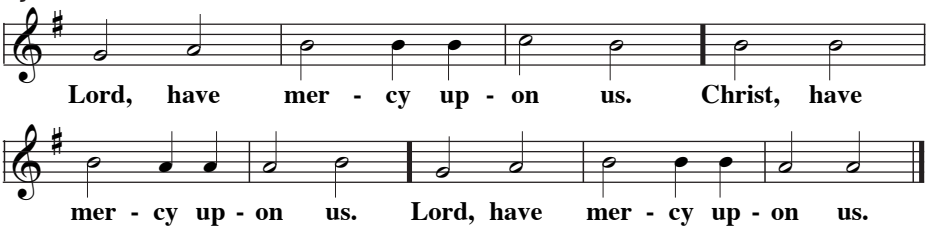
[Antiphon] *Precious in the sight | of the Lord || is | the death of his | saints. || I | love the Lord,
|| because he has heard my voice and my | pleas for_ mer-__ | cy.*

Verse 1: **Because he inclined his | ear to me, || therefore I will call on him | as long
as I | live. || The snares of death en- | com- passed me; || the pangs of Sheol
laid hold on me; I suffered dis- | tress and__ an-__ | guish.**

Verse 2: *Then I called on the name | of the Lord: || “O Lord, I | pray de- •liver• my | soul!”
|| For you have delivered my | soul from death, || my eyes from tears, my | feet
from__ stum-__ | bling;*

[Antiphon] **Precious in the sight | of the Lord || is | the death of his | saints. || I | love the
Lord, || because he has heard my voice and my | pleas for_ mer-__ | cy.**

Kyrie



Salutation

The Lord be with you.



Collect for the Fifth Sunday in Lent: *Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully
look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul;
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.*



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

Old Testament Reading..... Ezekiel 37:1-14
[After the reading] *This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

Epistle of the Day Romans 8:1-11
[After the reading] *This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

[Rise] **Tract**



[Deacon] *I am the | res- ur- •rection• || and__ the__ | life. || Whoever be- | lieves in me, || though he | die, yet_ shall he | live.*

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. John 11:17-27, 38-53

[The Gospel is announced.]

[The Gospel is proclaimed.]



Glo- ry be to Thee, O Lord!



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 My Song is Love Burgundy Hymn 430**

[All sing stanza 1; Men alone sing stanzas 2 & 4; Women alone sing stanzas 3 & 5; All sing stanzas 6 & 7.]

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.**

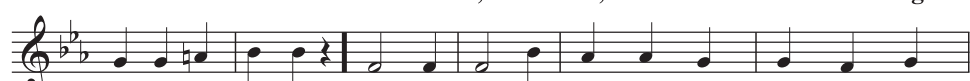
[After the final prayer]:..., **one God, now and forever Amen.**

[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



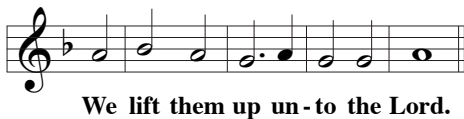
+ The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

Preface

The Lord be with you.



Lift up your hearts.

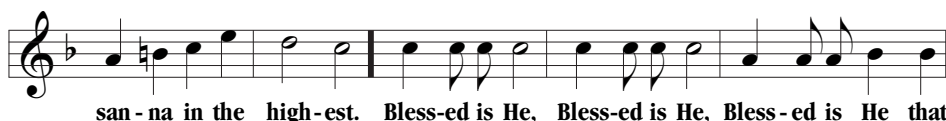


Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



Proper Preface for Passiontide, 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 ... Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense ... Burgundy Hymn 741

[All sing stanzas 1 & 2; Men alone sing stanzas 3 & 5; Women alone sing stanzas 4 & 6;
All sing stanzas 7 & 8.]

Why Should Cross .. Burgundy Hymn 756: St 1, 4 & 5

[Sing stanzas 1, 4 & 5; - OMIT stanzas 2 & 3.]

[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.

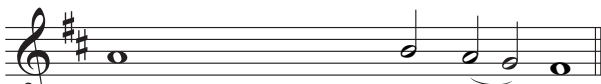
2. For mine__ eyes have seen
Thy Salvation,
which Thou hast pre- pared__ be— fore the face of all__ people.



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

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 If God Himself Be for Me Burgundy Hymn 724

[All sing stanzas 1, 2, 4, 5, & 10 - OMIT stanzas 3, 6 thru 9.]

Postlude

Holy Week Schedule

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Palm Sunday, April 2

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 6

Divine Service 7:00 p.m.

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Part II: Good Friday, April 7

Divine Service 7:00 p.m.

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Part III: Holy Saturday, April 8

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 9

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 Fifth Sunday in Lent

The Old Testament Reading is Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD."

The Epistle is Romans 8:1-11

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

The Gospel is John 11:17-27, 38-53

When Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world." ...

Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him, but some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. So the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered the Council and said, "What are we to do? For this man performs many signs. If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and the Romans will come and take away both our place and our nation." But one of them, Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, said to them, "You know nothing at all. Nor do you understand that it is better for you that one man should die for the people, not that the whole nation should perish." He did not say this of his own accord, but being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the nation, and not for the nation only, but also to gather into one the children of God who are scattered abroad. So from that day on they made plans to put him to death.

Hymns for the Fifth Sunday in Lent

LSB430 My Song Is Love Unknown

Samuel Crossman

1. My song is love unknown, My Savior's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown That they might lovely be.
Oh, who am I That for my sake
My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?
- M 2. He came from His blest throne Salvation to bestow;
But men made strange, and none The longed-for Christ would know.
But, oh, my friend, My Friend indeed,
Who at my need His life did spend!
- W 3. Sometimes they strew His way And His sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day Hosannas to their King.
Then "Crucify!" Is all their breath,
And for His death They thirst and cry.
- M 4. Why, what hath my Lord done? What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run, He gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries! Yet they at these
Themselves displease And 'gainst Him rise.
- W 5. They rise and needs will have My dear Lord made away;
A murderer they save, The Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful He To suffring goes
That He His foes From thence might free.
6. In life no house, no home My Lord on earth might have;
In death no friendly tomb But what a stranger gave.
What may I say? Heav'n was His home
But mine the tomb Wherein He lay.
7. Here might I stay and sing, No story so divine!
Never was love, dear King, Never was grief like Thine.
This is my friend, In whose sweet praise
I all my days Could gladly spend!

LSB741 Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense

Otto Von Schwerin

1. Jesus Christ, my sure defense And my Savior, now is living!
Knowing this, my confidence Rests upon the hope here given,
Though the night of death be fraught Still with many an anxious thought.

2. Jesus, my Redeemer, lives; Likewise I to life shall waken.
He will bring me where He is; Shall my courage then be shaken?
Shall I fear, or could the Head Rise and leave His members dead?
- M 3. No, too closely am I bound By my hope to Christ forever;
Faith's strong hand the Rock has found, Grasped it, and will leave it never;
Even death now cannot part From its Lord the trusting heart.
- W 4. I am flesh and must return To the dust, whence I am taken;
But by faith I now discern That from death I shall awaken
With my Savior to abide In His glory, at His side.
- M 5. Glorified, I shall anew With this flesh then be enshrouded;
In this body I shall view God, my Lord, with eyes unclouded;
In this flesh I then shall see Jesus Christ eternally.
- W 6. Then take comfort and rejoice, For His members Christ will cherish.
Fear not, they will hear His voice; Dying, they shall never perish;
For the very grave is stirred When the trumpet's blast is heard.
7. Laugh to scorn the gloomy grave And at death no longer tremble;
He, the Lord, who came to save Will at last His own assemble.
They will go their Lord to meet, Treading death beneath their feet.
8. O, then, draw away your hearts From all pleasures base and hollow;
Strive to share what He imparts While you here His footsteps follow.
As you now still wait to rise, Fix your hearts beyond the skies!

LSB756 Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me

Paul Gerhardt

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1. Why should cross and trial grieve me?
Christ is near With His cheer; Never will He leave me.
Who can rob me of the heaven
That God's Son For me won When His life was given?
4. From God's joy can nothing sever,
For I am His dear lamb, He, my Shepherd ever;
I am His because He gave me
His own blood For my good, By His death to save me.
5. Now in Christ, death cannot slay me,
Though it might, Day and night, Trouble and dismay me.
Christ has made my death a portal
From the strife Of this life To His joy immortal!

1. If God Himself be for me, I may a host defy;
For when I pray, before me My foes, confounded, fly.
If Christ, the head and master, Befriend me from above,
What foe or what disaster Can drive me from His love?
2. I build on this foundation, That Jesus and his blood
Alone are my salvation, My true, eternal good.
Without Him all that pleases Is valueless on earth;
The gifts I have from Jesus Alone have priceless worth.
4. He canceled my offenses, Delivered me from death;
He is the Lord who cleanses My soul from sin through faith.
In Him I can be cheerful, Courageous on my way;
In Him I am not fearful Of God's great Judgment Day.
5. For no one can condemn me Or set my hope aside;
Now hell no more can claim me; Its fury I deride.
No sentence now reproves me, No guilt destroys my peace;
For Christ, my Savior, loves me And shields me with His grace.
10. My heart with joy is springing; I am no longer sad.
My soul is filled with singing; Your sunshine makes me glad.
The sun that cheers my spirit Is Jesus Christ, my King;
The heav'n I shall inherit Makes me rejoice and sing.

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Zion Lutheran Church is the body of Christ at Hanna and Creighton in Fort Wayne, Indiana that:

- Receives Christ's gifts in Word and Sacraments; and
- Responds to God's love in Christ by
 - Reaching out to those who do not know His love; and
 - Revealing His love in acts of kindness and mercy.

The Pastoral Ministry At Zion

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Principal:

Amber Bahr (744-0459)

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Yvonne Schwantz (8th), Anyssa Scaer (7th, MS History), Abigail DeForest (6th), Allison Wims (K-8 Technology & MS Health), Marcus Rush (MS PE), Danielle Ramsey (5th), Jamie Taylor (4th), Abbey Zelt (3rd), John Fink (2nd), Hannah Maresh (1st), Abby Springer (K), Natalie Reynolds (Art & Music)

The Support Staff

Organist and Director of Parish Music:

Michael Hollman, MM

Church Office Manager:

Melvia Culpher

PRAYERS FOR TODAY

- + For the church, especially those bearing the cross of persecution
- + For those who serve our Lord at home and abroad, especially our fieldworkers Patrick Jackson and Paul Mroczenski
- + 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, Concordia Lutheran High School, and Concordia Theological Seminary; for the work of our call committees
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound, including Everett Beck and Doris Yerger
- + For those who are nearing death
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Jessica Krause, Bill Weinrich, John Starks, Don Zettelmier, Marilyn Shafer, Dwight Bieberich, Debra Busche, Willodean Bates, Gloria Gonzalez, Dick Hollman, John A. Pless, Bob Ockree, Rich Arndt, Joe Harrison, Louisa Porter, Louise Petrillo, Warren Messmann, Ron Rastl, Marlow Hogan, Gregory Hogan, and Jenny Hobby
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages, especially Janeen & David Kaiser.
- + For the gift of life and for length of days
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit, including Brendon Seifert
- + 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 Fifth Sunday in Lent. The Cross Bowl is given celebration of the 49th wedding anniversary of Janeen and David Kaiser. The Baptismal Bud Vase is given in celebration of the 19th anniversary of the baptism of Brendon Seifert. 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 26, 2023 thru April 1, 2023

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Education Hour	Various
	3:00 PM	Organ & Brass Recital	
	Post Recital	Reception	
MON.	3:30 PM	Junior Catechesis	Conference Room
	5:30 PM	CEA Board Meeting	CLHS
TUES.	12 NOON	Administrative Council	Conference Room
	7:15 PM	Bach Collegium Rehearsal	Bauer Hall
WED.	9:30 AM	Men of Zion	Conference Room
	5:45 PM	Lenten Supper	Bauer Hall
	7:00 PM	Stations of the Cross	Church
THURS.			
FRI.			
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church

April 2, 2023 (Palm Sunday)

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

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR Dr. Voelz will continue with the Gospel according to St. Mark in Bauer Hall. Sunday school meets in the Associate Pastor's Office.

TODAY at 3:00 PM, come enjoy an Organ and Brass recital with Michael Hollman and the Zion Brass. A reception follows with a Southwestern food theme.

TODAY we begin Passiontide, a yet more sober time preceding the remembrance of Jesus' crucifixion. It's marked with blood-red (dark scarlet) paraments, veiled crosses, removal of the *Gloria Patris* in the liturgy, and a Passiontide Proper Preface. Wednesday we will walk together the Stations of the Cross. Next Sunday is Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week. We'll begin that service in the Great Hall followed by a palm procession into church. The Palm Sunday praises turn to "*Let him be crucified!*" as we read the passion story from the Gospel according to Matthew during this service. Additional services for the week are Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil (on Saturday). At the Easter Vigil we begin again in the Great Hall and rekindle the flame on the Pascal candle, proclaiming "The Light of Christ." Come as you are able. We prepare for resurrection and Easter as we ponder Good Friday and death.

FYI: If you go online to get tickets to the class reunion, it's just for a head count for the food that is being served that day; there's no cost to you. Also, don't forget ... Melvia is looking for old photos and Zion gear.

SAVE THE DATE: Please make plans now to enjoy a "Masquerade in Old Vienna" on May 13. The event will feature a mini-silent auction, raffle, and fine German/Austrian cuisine and is to support quality education at Lutheran South Unity School. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m., with dinner at 6 p.m., and cost will be \$75 per person. More information and reservation forms will be coming soon, and costumes will be welcome!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The days are getting longer and warmer, which means it's almost time for Zion's annual spring clean-up. Please join us April 22 between 9 a.m. and noon to spread much, tidy up inside and out so Zion's buildings and grounds will look their best for members and visitors alike. For more information call Kevin Leininger at 615-9896. Refreshments will be served! Pastor PS: President Harrison will be here April 23.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE: Ephesians 1:7 — "In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace." Last week's verse was Romans 10:9-10.

OTHER ACTIVITIES TODAY 1) The Senior Saints of Holy Cross are sponsoring "The Hiding Place, a Living History True Story, a Re-Enactment of the Life of Corrie Ten Boom," presented today live by Karla Chandler of St. Louis at 2:30 PM, at Holy Cross' nave. 2) Suburban Bethlehem Lutheran (6318 W California Rd) is hosting a dramatic presentation today at 4:00 PM called "Twelve Seats at the Table." A reception follows both of these events.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CLOSING PRAYER will take place next Sunday, April 2, 2 pm in front of Planned Parenthood (2930 Lake Ave) for a closing prayer with Mike Spencer of Project LifeVoice and Pastor Chris Dourson of Seminary Church in Roanoke. Parking is available at the Right to Life office (3106 Lake Ave). For more info please visit www.ichooselife.org/40days or call 260-471-1849.

CROSS CONNECTIONS BIBLICAL COUNSELING MINISTRY is seeking a full time Clinical Director to oversee the ministry's clinical staff. Qualified candidates will be licensed with the state of Indiana and have a masters level degree or higher in the field. Competitive compensation and the ability to work in a Christian environment are a couple of the benefits of being a part of the Cross Connections family. Please send a resume and cover letter to jenrobb@crossconnectionsounseling.com, if interested.

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 11:17-27, 38-53

Mark 14:32-52

Mark 14:53-72

Mark 15:1-15

Mark 15:16-32

Mark 15:33-47

Mark 16:1-20

DAILY LECTIONARY

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Evening Prayer

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Exodus 2:1-22

Exodus 2:23-3:22

Exodus 4:1-18

Exodus 4:19-31

Exodus 5:1-6:1

Exodus 7:1-25

THE DAILY PETITIONS OF THE CHURCH

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

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

Palm Sunday and Passion Sunday

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Philippians 2:5-11

Matthew 26:1-27:66



What Doctor Luther Says:

About the Testimonies and Signs that Lead Us to Confess

This was He of whom I said: He who comes after me ranks before me.

[John 1:30]

... St. John the Baptist could not have given them a better or more reliable testimony than this: "Look to Him who will succeed me soon, who will create a greater sensation in this world with His sermons and miracles than I did." And Christ did appear shortly after John's proclamation. For Annas and Caiaphas did not preach soon after John the Baptist; Christ did, and He preached with power.

Many whose eyes and hearts were opened by God followed the advice, relied on John's testimony, and believed in the Lord Christ, saying: "John did no sign, but all that John said about Jesus was true." That many believed in Him we find recorded in John 10:41: "And many believed in Him." And in John 7:40-41 we hear: "When they heard these words, some of the people said, 'This is really the prophet.' Others said, 'This is the Christ.'" And in John 11:27 Martha declares: "Yes, Lord; I believe that Thou art the Christ, the Son of God, who has come into the world." And in John 9:38 we hear that the man born blind, whose sight the Lord had restored, believed that Christ was the Son of God, and that "he worshiped Him."

The rulers and the great multitude, however, were loath to hear this. ... They did not benefit by John's warning: "He who will follow me soon is the right man; He will bring it to pass. There you will hear a real preacher and will behold miracles. He will take matters in hand differently from the way I did. Do not neglect to heed Him, but accept Him with a happy and grateful heart. If you do that, you will select the right man."

Luther's Works, 22:126-8.

Brass and Organ Recital

Sunday, March 26TH, at 3pm

Zion Lutheran Church

2313 Hanna Street

Program

Trumpet Voluntary	Jeremiah Clarke
Prelude in E-flat Major	Johann Sebastian Bach
Prelude on "The King's Majesty"	Leo Sowerby
Pastorale	César Franck
Prayer of St. Gregory	Alan Hovhaness
Fugue in E-flat Major	J. S. Bach
Salvum fac populum tuum	Charles Marie Widor



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Tuesday, April 4th, to have your dedication
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SAVE THE DATE FOR "MASQUERADE IN OLDE VIENNA"

**WHEN: SATURDAY, MAY 13. DOORS
OPEN AT 5:30 P.M.; DINNER AT 6 P.M**

WHERE: ZION'S BAUER HALL

**DONATE: \$75 PER PERSON TO
LUTHERAN EDUCATION**

**WHAT: DINNER FEATURING FINE
GERMAN/AUSTRIAN CUISINE WITH
SELECTED DRINK PAIRINGS, MINI
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RAFFLE TO HELP SUPPORT QUALITY
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LSUS NOTES

Praying for You!



Please pray for these students/staff:

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3rd: Owynn

8th: Malachi

4th: Kelvin

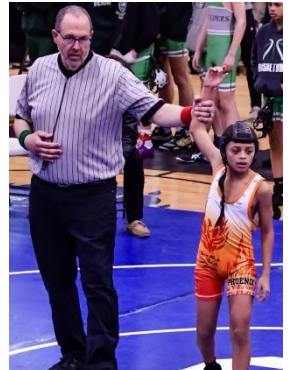
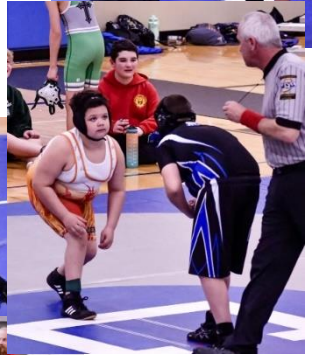
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Wrestling: Slap the Mat!

Let's celebrate the LSUS Wrestling team: Jayland (8th), Tyson (6th), Max (5th), and Jayden (4th). This year we teamed up with the Holy Cross Crusaders. Our wrestlers practiced with the Holy Cross team and were coached by Seth Gleave.

They have worked hard this season and have had several victories! Each one of our wrestlers have showcased great sportsmanship and were shining examples representing

LSUS. Go Phoenix Wrestling!



Help Wanted:

- We are also looking for an **afternoon extended care worker** from 3:00pm to 5:00pm (except Tuesdays the need is 2:00pm – 5:00pm) that would begin immediately.



Encouragement Found in Scriptures:

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always , to the end of the age.

—Matthew 28:19-20



LSUS is collecting donations for a special project: Phil's Friends

Items are being collected now for care packages for cancer patients as well as monetary offerings in our chapel services. Please join us in this endeavor.

The following items are needed:

All items need to be new and unused, because our friends with cancer have compromised immune systems.

Adult items only please!

- 5 oz. bottles of fragrance-free lotion
- Hats -knitted, crocheted, baseball, etc.
 - Fuzzy socks – women's only
 - Lip balm
 - Gift cards
 - Decks of playing cards
 - Tissue packs
 - Puzzle books
- Single toothbrushes and 5 oz. toothpaste



Please bring these items to church and place in the designated box by Sun., April 9.

Thanks for your help!



Summer Camps

At Concordia Lutheran High School

Register online at www.clhscadets.com/summer



Art Camp - June 26-30 (Grades 6-8)

Junior Cadets Band Camp - June 26-30 & July 3, 5-7 (Grades 5-9)

Cadet Baseball Camp - June 12-16 (Boys, Grades 2-8)

Boys Basketball Camp - June 19-23 (Grades 3-8)

Lady Cadets Basketball Camp - June 5-8 (Grades 4-9)

Cheer Camp - July 17-19 (Girls, Grades K-8)

Junior Cadets Color Guard Camp - June 26-30 & July 3, 5-7 (Grades 6-9)

Computer Camp--Summer of Code with Disney & Robots - June 12-15 (Grades 5-12)

Computer Camp--Raspberry Jam: Video Game System - June 5-8 (Grades 5-12)

Drama Camp - July 3-7 (Camp will meet on July 4) (Grades 4-9)

Fundamentals Football Camp - June 26-29 (Boys, Grades 4-8)

Golf Camp - June 26-30 (Grades 3-8)

Rocket Science Camp - June 13-16 (Grades 6-8)

Rowing (Crew) Camp - June 19-23 (Grades 7-9)

Soccer Camps - July 10-14 (Co-ed, Grades K-4); June 12-16 (Girls, Grades 4-8); and July 17-21 (Boys, Grades 3-8)

Softball Camp - July 26 (Girls, Grades 1-8)

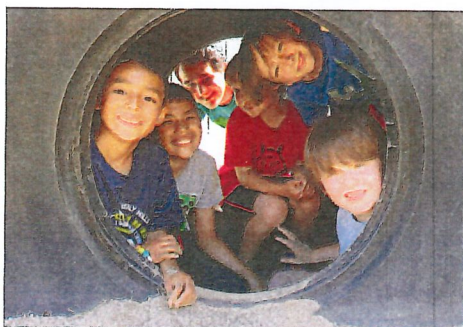
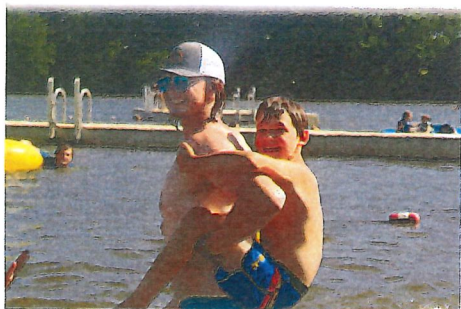
Tech Theater Camp - July 3, 5, 7 (Grades 7-9)

Tennis Camps - June 5-8 (rainout date is June 9) (Grades 1-12)

Volleyball Camps - May 31-June 2 (Girls, Grades K-8)

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