

Zion Lutheran Church

Mascoutah, Illinois

February 27, 2022

Transfiguration of Our Lord



In the Name of Christ Jesus our Lord, we bid you a warm welcome to this worship service. May your experience of worship and fellowship this morning be spiritually refreshing and ready you for the week ahead.



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A Prayer to Begin Worship

Holy Spirit, by whose power Your servants are moved to speak for God, and by whom the Scriptures are infused with power to convince us of the truths of God, help us that, moved by Your direction to make known the Word, we may proclaim it with faithfulness; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with You and the Father are one God with dominion over us forever.

DIVINE SERVICE I WITH COMMUNION

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Confession and Absolution

Prelude

Festival Alleluia

arr. Dan Miller

Hymn

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

LSB 816

- 1 From all that dwell below the skies Let the Creator's praise arise;
Alleluia, alleluia! Let the Redeemer's name be sung
Through ev'ry land by ev'ry tongue. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**
- 2 Eternal are Thy mercies, Lord; Eternal truth attends Thy Word.
Alleluia, alleluia! Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore
Till suns shall rise and set no more. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Stand

- 3 All praise to God the Father be, All praise, eternal Son, to Thee.
Alleluia, alleluia! Whom with the Spirit we adore
Forever and forevermore: Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Exhortation

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Confession of Sins

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned

against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Absolution

- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

Service of the Word

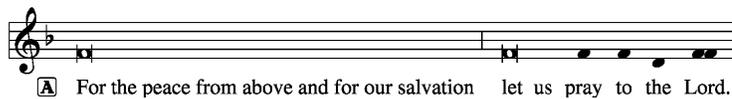
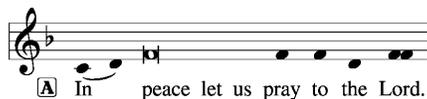
Introit

Ps. 84:1–2a, 4, 10–11; antiphon: Ps. 77:18b

- L** Your lightnings lighted up the world;
C the earth trembled and shook.
L How lovely is Your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!
C My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD.
L Blessed are those who dwell in Your house,
C ever singing Your praise!
L For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.
C I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.
L For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor.
C No good thing does He withhold from those who walk uprightly.
L Your lightnings lighted up the world;
C the earth trembled and shook.
 Glory be to the Father and to the Son
 and to the Holy Spirit;
 as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Kyrie

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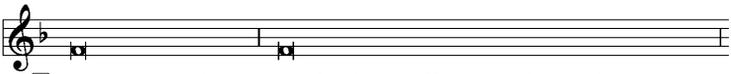
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



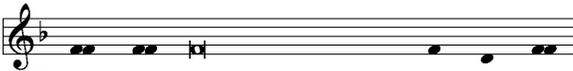
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



G Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



G A - men.

Hymn of Praise -- This Is the Feast

LSB 155



G This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



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



1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

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

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- L** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And with thy spirit.**
- L** Let us pray.

O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 3:1-14

Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." And He said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, "I have surely seen the affliction of My people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to Me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring My people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" He said, "But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is His name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I am who I am." And He said, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'I am has sent me to you.'"

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

2 Peter 1:16–21

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of His majesty. For when He received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to Him by the Majestic Glory, “This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased,” we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with Him on the holy mountain. And we have something more sure, the prophetic word, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone’s own interpretation. For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Common Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 17:1-9

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 17th chapter.

C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

And after six days Jesus took with Him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And He was transfigured before them, and His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with Him. And Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good that we are here. If You wish, I will make three tents here, one for You and one for Moses and one for Elijah.” He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to Him.” When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Rise, and have no fear.” And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, “Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn

O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair

LSB 413

1 O wondrous type! O vision fair Of glory that the Church may share,
Which Christ upon the mountain shows, Where brighter than the sun He glows!

Hymn continues on the next page

- 2 With Moses and Elijah nigh The incarnate Lord holds converse high;
And from the cloud the Holy One Bears record to the only Son.
- 3 With shining face and bright array Christ deigns to manifest today
What glory shall be theirs above Who joy in God with perfect love.
- 4 And faithful hearts are raised on high By this great vision's mystery,
For which in joyful strains we raise The voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.
- 5 O Father, with the eternal Son And Holy Spirit ever one,
We pray Thee, bring us by Thy grace To see Thy glory face to face.

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Sermon

When Do We Rejoice?

Hymn

'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here

LSB 414

- 1 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Thy glory fills the night;
Thy face and garments, like the sun, Shine with unborrowed light.
- 2 'Tis good, Lord, to be here, Thy beauty to behold
Where Moses and Elijah stand, Thy messengers of old.
- 3 Fulfiller of the past And hope of things to be,
We hail Thy body glorified And our redemption see.
- 4 Before we taste of death, We see Thy kingdom come;
We long to hold the vision bright And make this hill our home.
- 5 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Yet we may not remain;
But since Thou bidst us leave the mount, Come with us to the plain.

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Stand

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 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 worshiped 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.

Prayer of the Church

- P** Almighty God, Lawgiver and Redeemer of the human race, we come before You in awe and reverence.
- C** **Your laws have saved humanity from anarchy and chaos; Your statutes help preserve our existence on this earth.**
- P** For preserving Your precepts through Moses, Elijah, and Your Son Jesus Christ,
- C** **we give You most hearty thanks.**
- P** We confess that, although You have made Your will known through the prophets and apostles and have preserved it to the present day, we have not sufficiently treasured Your Law and Gospel.
- C** **We have transgressed Your Law and neglected many opportunities to spread Your Gospel.**
- P** We have been guilty at times of doubting the divine revelation of Your Word.
- C** **We have often given our own interpretation before searching Your Word for clarification.**
- P** We have had itching ears, listening for new doctrines, the commandments of men.
- C** **For our lack of careful concern in determining Your will, forgive us, O Lord.**
- P** Through Your beloved Son Jesus Christ, You have revealed Your Word in the flesh.
- C** **Send us Your Holy Spirit that we may hear Him speaking to us in Your Word.**
- P** Give us the courage to hold high the light of Your Word to those who sit in darkness,
- C** **and bless the hearts of those who hear it.**

WE GO TO THE LORD IN PRAYER FOR

- † Jeff Fick, James Barnard, Matthew Clayton, Sharon Hosler, Joe Haas, Sue Kandler, and Ivar Peterson, as they celebrate their baptismal anniversaries this week.
- † Healing for Norman Rowold and Glenda Pike.
- † Peace in Ukraine.
- † Zion's Men's Club, Ladies Aid, and Youth Group.
- † Faithfulness in personal witness and evangelism.

- P** Accept our thanks for permitting us to bask in the light of Your truth,
- C** **and lead us one day into the presence of Him who is this world's Light.**
- P** Give vision and insight to the leaders of church and state.
- C** **Accept our prayer for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen**

Offering

OFFERING OPTIONS: While we are not passing the offering plate during the service at Zion, here are three ways to share your offering for the Lord's work: 1. Place your offering in the plates on the table in the narthex on your way in or out of church. 2. Mail your offering to the church office. 3. Use Zion's online giving program and make a donation through a PayPal account. Thank you for your ongoing generosity!

Offertory

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C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my

vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 160

P The Lord be with you.

G And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

G We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

G It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface (Full)

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 161

G Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 161

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 162

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

The Words of Our Lord

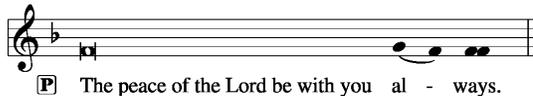
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P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini

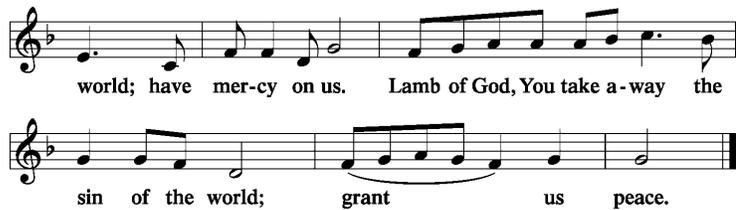
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Agnus Dei

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Distribution

During the Distribution, the camera will be focused on the cross at the front of Zion to allow for privacy for those who commune.

Zion Lutheran practices the policy of close communion, communing only those who share our common Biblical view of the Lord's Supper. If you are not a confirmed LCMS Lutheran, please confer with the pastor before communing.

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Amen.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

Amen.

Hymn

Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

LSB 556

- 1 Dear Christians, one and all, rejoice, With exultation springing,
And with united heart and voice And holy rapture singing,
Proclaim the wonders God has done, How His right arm the vict'ry won.
What price our ransom cost Him!
- 2 Fast bound in Satan's chains I lay; Death brooded darkly o'er me.
Sin was my torment night and day; In sin my mother bore me.
But daily deeper still I fell; My life became a living hell,
So firmly sin possessed me.
- 3 My own good works all came to naught, No grace or merit gaining;
Free will against God's judgment fought, Dead to all good remaining.
My fears increased till sheer despair Left only death to be my share;
The pangs of hell I suffered.
- 4 But God had seen my wretched state Before the world's foundation,
And mindful of His mercies great, He planned for my salvation.
He turned to me a father's heart; He did not choose the easy part
But gave His dearest treasure.
- 5 God said to His beloved Son: "It's time to have compassion.
Then go, bright jewel of My crown, And bring to all salvation.
From sin and sorrow set them free; Slay bitter death for them that they
May live with You forever."

Hymn continues on the next page.

- 6 The Son obeyed His Father's will, Was born of virgin mother;
And God's good pleasure to fulfill, He came to be my brother.
His royal pow'r disguised He bore; A servant's form, like mine, He wore
To lead the devil captive.
- 7 To me He said: "Stay close to Me, I am your rock and castle.
Your ransom I Myself will be; For you I strive and wrestle.
For I am yours, and you are Mine, And where I am you may remain;
The foe shall not divide us.
- 8 "Though he will shed My precious blood, Me of My life bereaving,
All this I suffer for your good; Be steadfast and believing.
Life will from death the vict'ry win; My innocence shall bear your sin,
And you are blest forever.
- 9 "Now to My Father I depart, From earth to heav'n ascending,
And, heav'nly wisdom to impart, The Holy Spirit sending;
In trouble He will comfort you And teach you always to be true
And into truth shall guide you.
- 10 "What I on earth have done and taught Guide all your life and teaching;
So shall the kingdom's work be wrought And honored in your preaching.
But watch lest foes with base alloy The heav'nly treasure should destroy;
This final word I leave you."

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Hymn

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

LSB 621

- 1 Let all mortal flesh keep silence And with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly-minded, For with blessing in His hand
Christ our God to earth descending Comes our homage to demand.
- 2 King of kings yet born of Mary, As of old on earth He stood,
Lord of lords in human vesture, In the body and the blood,
He will give to all the faithful His own self for heav'nly food.
- 3 Rank on rank the host of heaven Spreads its vanguard on the way
As the Light of Light, descending From the realms of endless day,
Comes the pow'rs of hell to vanquish As the darkness clears away.
- 4 At His feet the six-winged seraph, Cherubim with sleepless eye,
Veil their faces to the presence As with ceaseless voice they cry:
"Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, Lord Most High!"

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Hymn

Seek Ye First

LSB 712

- 1 Seek ye first the kingdom of God, And His righteousness.
And all these things shall be added unto you! Allelu, alleluia!
- 2 Ask and it shall be given unto you, Seek and ye shall find,
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you, Allelu, alleluia!

Hymn continues on the next page.

3 Man does not live by bread alone, But by ev'ry word That proceeds from the mouth of the Lord, Allelu, alleluia!

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Stand

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

The Dismissal

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace.
C Amen.

Post-Communion Canticle -- Thank the Lord

LSB 164



Post-Communion Collect

- P** Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benediction

LSB 166



- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.



Remain Standing

- 1 Alleluia, song of gladness, Voice of joy that cannot die;
Alleluia is the anthem Ever raised by choirs on high;
In the house of God abiding Thus they sing eternally.
- 2 Alleluia, thou resoundest, True Jerusalem and free;
Alleluia, joyful mother, All thy children sing with thee,
But by Babylon's sad waters Mourning exiles now are we.
- 3 Alleluia cannot always Be our song while here below;
Alleluia, our transgressions Make us for a while forgo;
For the solemn time is coming When our tears for sin must flow.
- 4 Therefore in our hymns we pray Thee, Grant us, blessed Trinity,
At the last to keep Thine Easter With Thy faithful saints on high;
There to Thee forever singing Alleluia joyfully.

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LIFE AND LIVING ITEMS AT ZION



TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL – FEBRUARY 27th

Today in Sunday School, the lesson recalls the account of “Moses and the Burning Bush.” Just as God had Moses remove the sandals from his feet, God in Christ removes our sins from us, making us fit to approach God and stand in His presence. *Discuss, “Who makes us holy before God? What did Moses have to do, and why, in order to be in God’s presence?”*

HYMN FESTIVAL IN HONOR OF CARL SCHALK – TODAY

Zion Lutheran Church in Mascoutah will host a Hymn Festival **TODAY** at 3:00 PM featuring the musical works of Carl Schalk, who was called to glory one year ago. Dr. Mark Bender will give commentaries on the musical selections, which will include "Lift High the Cross," "Lord, When Your Glory I Shall See," "O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair," "Alleluia to Jesus," "The Day Thou Gavest," "Thine the Amen," and more. No tickets are needed, and the Hymn Festival is free, but a freewill offering will be collected.

ASHES FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

The practice of receiving a cross of ashes on a penitent person’s forehead on Ash Wednesday is widespread around the world and is also a common practice in the Lutheran Church. This rite reminds us that we are sinful, that sinners deserve death, and that we are but dust and ashes. This is a very powerful, humbling, and penitential rite, moving for those who receive it. This rite will not be offered during the evening service on Ash Wednesday, and nobody is compelled or expected to participate against their will or to be placed in an uncomfortable position. However, the opportunity will be given to those who would like to participate in this special and personal time of devotion throughout the day on Ash Wednesday, which this year is Wednesday, March 2, 2022. The Imposition of Ashes will be offered from 7 AM to 7 PM. Look for signs in the narthex for the locations.

Come and go as you are able, devotional material will be available for personal reflection. Those who have participated in this devotional practice in the past have experienced what a powerful, deep, and moving time of reflection and repentance this rite provides. All are welcome.

THANK YOU FROM GLENDA PIKE

God has truly blessed me with so many friends at Zion. Thank you so much to everyone who has prayed for me, sent cards, sent text messages, called me, and visited me. My progress is slower than I thought it would be, but I hope to be back with you all soon!

LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES

We continue our LifeLight Bible Study, beginning March 14th. Join us in the church basement at 7 p.m. on Monday evenings as we study Jeremiah/Lamentations. LifeLight's goal is that, through a regular program of in-depth personal and group study of Scripture, Christian adults may grow in their faith in Jesus Christ. Call or text Lionel (618-806-8993) no later than March 1st to join our group.

SIGN UP FOR ASH WEDNESDAY TAKE-OUT LENTEN MEAL

If you would prefer to have a take-out Lenten meal on Ash Wednesday, March 2nd there is a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex. Please put your name and number of meals you would like. The Ash Wednesday meal is being provided by Zion's Ladies Aid and the menu will consist of meatloaf, baked potatoes, salad, rolls, & dessert.

SIGN UP FOR LENT SUPPERS

Lent is quickly approaching (Ash Wednesday is March 2nd), so it is time to sign up for Lenten Meals. Meals will be served before each Midweek Lenten Service on Wednesday evenings from 5:30 to 6:30. Choir rehearsal will begin at 6:00 on those evenings, and the evening worship service will begin at 7:00 PM. Here is a list of dates available, which will be updated as more people sign up.

March 2: Ladies Aid; meatloaf, baked potatoes, salad, rolls, & dessert

March 9:

March 16: Timmermans

March 23:

March 30:

April 6:

April 13: Holy Week, no Wednesday service, no meal.

CREATION PRESENTATION BY DR. ROSS AVAILABLE ON ZION'S FACEBOOK PAGE

The presentation "How to Date Like a Geologist" given by Dr. Marcus Ross at Zion on Sunday, Feb. 20 is available on Zion's Facebook page, and will remain there for you to watch whenever you have the chance. Every Jr. High, High School, and College student should watch this video! Parents who have students in public schools should watch this video also and discuss it with their students, to note what differences they are being taught. Dr. Ross' presentation was both accessible and insightful. It should definitely go on everyone's "Must Watch" list.

REMINDER: MEN'S CLUB CAN RECYCLING

The Men's Club is still collecting and recycling aluminum cans. Please place your empty cans in the containers in the hallway by the kitchen exit. Thanks.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MINISTRY

Thank you so much for all the wonderful help you have given. We have helped 46 students the past month. We still have many requests. Here is the latest list: a queen size bed, twin beds, bedding for the beds, desks and chairs, tv stands, bookshelves, TVs, printer, computers or tablets, vacuums, kitchen items, pots, pans, blenders, toaster ovens, toasters, microwaves, rice cookers, instapots, utensils, glasses, cups, plates, hand towels, hangers, bicycles, and lamps. Please contact Bessie Fick at 515-230-9937 or Bessie.Fick@yahoo.com.

YOU WANT 80 OF WHAT???

You will be seeing lots of info this year about the 80th birthday of the LWML, which Zion's Ladies Aid is part of. Every TWO MONTHS, as part of this celebration, we are choosing to collect "at least" 80 of specific items. We invite YOU to help us in this activity. Jan/Feb collection will be for kids' socks, mittens, scarves, and hats. There will be a collection box in the narthex for these items. Keep watching for future collections. Thanks in advance!!

REFLECTIONS ON LIFE UNDER COVID

On Sunday, March 20, 2022, Zion plans to offer a "Service of Lament, Service of Hope" to observe the 2nd anniversary of the Covid lockdowns. We know that all have suffered much separation and loss due to these lockdowns, and we need time to grieve for what we have missed. However, we also recognize that the Lord is with us, and we trust that He will continue to provide for us and cause His will to be done among us, which gives us hope. We would like to invite any and all members of the congregation to write down and share memories about the last two years of the lockdowns, both in terms of what we mourn, and where we find hope in the Lord. While we will not be able to share all of these memories and thoughts during the service, we hope to publish and provide a booklet of these collected thoughts from our members so we can share in each other's sorrows, carry each other's burdens, and live together in hope. Please send written recollections to Pastor Clayton by email at pastor@zionmascoutah.org or submit them in writing to the church office.

FEED THE FIELDWORKER!

We have been blessed this year again to have seminary student fieldworkers Don Stein and his family and Kyle Moellenhoff with us. If you would like to include them in your Sunday lunch at home or out, please sign your name on the spreadsheet on the counter by the flower calendar. Let's show them Zion's hospitality.

BRIGHTLY SENIOR LIVING – OPENINGS AVAILABLE

Rare opportunity for you or someone you love to make Brightly Senior Living their home. Assisted living and memory care apartments available! Call 618-566-0566 and ask about our rent specials.

SINGING SAINTS HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR TO SING MARCH 11th

The *Singing Saints* of Saint Paul Lutheran High School, of Concordia, Missouri, will be performing a concert on Friday, March 11, 2022, at 7:00pm at Saint John's Lutheran Church, 508 Bloom St., Red Bud, IL, 62278. The choir is on their annual domestic tour, singing this year in the Southeastern part of the United States. They will be performing in Red Bud, IL; Nashville, Memphis, Jackson, and Loudon, TN; Marietta, GA; Jacksonville, Oviedo, and Gainesville, FL, and in Birmingham, AL. The touring choir is made up of 46 students from the 60-voiced concert choir and they will be performing a varied program that included classic works by J. S. Bach, Mendelssohn, Palestrina, and Tomas Tallis, as well as some traditional spirituals, hymns, and anthems, such as the famous "God So Loved the World" by Sir John Stainer, and "Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal" arranged by Alice Parker. The award-winning choir is under the direction of Dr. Jerrode Marsh. The concert is free, but donations are kindly requested to help cover expenses for their tour. For more information, please contact Saint John's Lutheran Church at (618) 282-2394. Saint Paul Lutheran High School is the only remaining LCMS residential high school in the United States, located in central Missouri, about an hour east of Kansas City. The college-prep school offers college-level courses, STEM, Honors, and AP classes, and numerous opportunities to be involved in sports, music, drama, academic teams, and more. For more information about the school, visit www.splhs.org. (Pastor Clayton is an alumnus of St. Paul's High School and sang and toured with the Singing Saints choir.)

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER

Trinity Lutheran Church at 503 E. Washington, Millstadt, IL will be hosting an all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner on Sunday, March 13th from 10:30 AM-3:00 PM. Adults are \$12, children 4-10 are \$5, and children 3 and under are free. The meal includes spaghetti, breadsticks, salad, dessert, and beverage. Carry-outs will be available.

BOOK LAUNCH

There will be a Book Launch for *Thank You Lord for the Privilege* on Sunday, March 20, 2022, at 2:00 P.M., at Trinity Lutheran School gym, Hoffman, Illinois. This book was written by Eunice Hausler. There will be a hymn sing, also children's songs, so bring your children! If you already have a book and want it autographed Eunice will be happy to do that.

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PREMIER CONFERENCE FOR LUTHERAN LAITY...

You're invited to attend the 2022 Issues, Etc. "Making the Case" Conference Friday, June 24 and Saturday, June 25 at Concordia University Chicago. Speakers include: Bryan Wolfmueller, Will Weedon, Dr. Paivi Rasanen, Dr. Albert Mohler, Dr. Joel Biermann, Bill Barr and Chris Rosebrough. Early-bird registration is \$135 and includes three meals. Reduced room rates, including on-campus dorms, are available. For more information, visit issuesetc.org or call (618) 223-8385.

THE FLOWERS ON THE LORD'S ALTAR

The flowers on the Lord's altar are given to the glory of God by the Ahner families in memory of Eleanor Winkler.

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton
Lector: Sem. Kyle Moellenhoff
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton
Altar Guild: Sharon Weier
Elder of the Month: Tom Sax

THOSE WHO SERVE ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton
Lectors: Sem. Don Stein & Sem. Kyle Moellenhoff
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton
Altar Guild: Shirley Braeutigam & Lita Timmerman
Elder of the Month: Randy Schorfheide

THOSE WHO SERVE NEXT WEEK, MARCH 6

Proclaimer: Sem. Don Stein
Lectors: Rev. Kirk Clayton & Sem. Kyle Moellenhoff
Organist: Nancy Peterson
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THINGS WE ARE DOING AT ZION

Sun.	Confirmation Class	8:30 AM
	SS & Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Worship DS I w/communion	10:00 AM
	Schalk Hymn Festival	3:00 PM
Mon.	LifeLight	7:00 PM
	Board of Ed	7:00 PM
Wed.	Ash Wednesday	
	Imposition of Ashes	7:00 AM – 7:00 PM
	Lenten Meal	5:30-6:30 PM
	Choir Rehearsal	6:00 PM
	Ash Wednesday Service	7:00 PM
	Hand Chime Rehearsal	8:00 PM
Thurs.	Church Council	7:00 PM
Fri.	Senior Meal Delivery	10:30 AM
Sun.	Confirmation Class	8:30 AM
	SS & Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Worship DS II n/communion	10:00 AM

ATTENDANCE FEBRUARY 20: Sunday: 132

Adult Bible Class: 20 High School: 5 Sunday School: 36