

Zion Lutheran Church

Mascoutah, Illinois

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Easter Sunday



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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Electronic Devices

Please TURN OFF all cell phones and electronic devices when entering the sanctuary for worship so those around you may focus on the Word of God without electronic distraction. Thank you.

A Prayer to Begin Worship

Hallelujah! Living and reigning Lord, upon whom the Father laid the sins of us all, because in obedience to Your Father's will and in love for us You forfeited Your life, You sit now at His direction in regal splendor on His right hand; we adore You and will honor You with praise and righteous living; Hallelujah! O Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit are one God with dominion over us forever. Amen.

DIVINE SERVICE I WITH COMMUNION

LSB p. 151

Confession and Absolution

Prelude

Fugue in E-flat

Camille Saint-Saens

Hymn

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

LSB 457

- 1 Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**
- 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!**
- 3 But the pains which He endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!**

Stand

- 4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!
Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. 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. 8:1, 5-6, 9; antiphon: Luke 24:5b-6b

L He is risen! Alleluia!
C Why do you seek the living among the dead? Alleluia!
L Remember how He told you, Alleluia,
C that the Son of Man must be crucified and on the third day rise. Alleluia!
L O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!
C You have set Your glory above the heavens.
L Yet You have made Him a little lower than the heavenly beings
C and crowned Him with glory and honor.
L You have given Him dominion over the works of Your hands;
C You have put all things under His feet.
L O LORD, our Lord,
C how majestic is Your name in all the earth!
 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.
L He is risen! Alleluia!
C Why do you seek the living among the dead? Alleluia!
L Remember how He told you, Alleluia,
C that the Son of Man must be crucified and on the third day rise. Alleluia!

Kyrie

LSB 152

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.

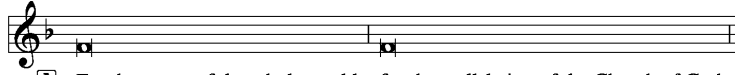
C Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

Kyrie continues on the next page.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



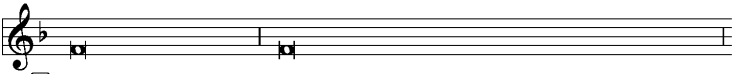
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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



C Lord, have mer - cy.



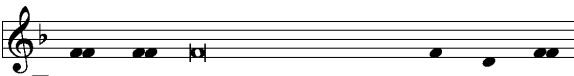
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



C A - men.

Hymn of Praise -- This Is the Feast

LSB 155



C 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

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- P** Let us pray.

Almighty God the Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through 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

Job 19:23–27

“Oh that my words were written!
 Oh that they were inscribed in a book!
 Oh that with an iron pen and lead
 they were engraved in the rock forever!
 For I know that my Redeemer lives,
 and at the last He will stand upon the earth.
 And after my skin has been thus destroyed,
 yet in my flesh I shall see God,
 whom I shall see for myself,
 and my eyes shall behold, and not another.
 My heart faints within me!”

- P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Choir

See, What a Morning

Bruce Greer

Epistle

1 Corinthians 15:51-57

Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed—in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality. When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: “Death has been swallowed up in victory.” “Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?” The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

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

Mark 16:1-8

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 16th chapter.

C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus' body. Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb and they asked each other, “Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?”

But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed.

“Don't be alarmed,” he said. “You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His disciples and Peter, ‘He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see Him, just as He told you.’”

Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

LSB 465

- 1 Now all the vault of heav'n resounds In praise of love that still abounds:
“Christ has triumphed! He is living!” Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!
Repeat their song of glory here: “Christ has triumphed! Christ has triumphed!”
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Hymn continues on the next page.

- 2 **Eternal is the gift He brings, Therefore our heart with rapture sings:
“Christ has triumphed! He is living!” Now still He comes to give us life
And by His presence stills all strife. Christ has triumphed! He is living!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**
- 3 **O fill us, Lord, with dauntless love; Set heart and will on things above
That we conquer through Your triumph; Grant grace sufficient for life’s day
That by our lives we truly say: “Christ has triumphed! He is living!”
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Stand

- 4 **Adoring praises now we bring And with the heav’nly blessèd sing:
“Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!” Be to the Father and our Lord,
To Spirit blest, most holy God, All the glory, never ending!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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Sit

Sermon

Faith in the Face of Fear

Hymn

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

LSB 469

- 1 **“Christ the Lord is ris’n today!” Saints on earth and angels say;
Raise your joys and triumphs high; Sing, ye heav’ns, and earth, reply.**
- 2 **Love’s redeeming work is done, Fought the fight, the battle won;
Lo! Our Sun’s eclipse is o’er; Lo! He sets in blood no more.**
- 3 **Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ hath burst the gates of hell.
Death in vain forbids His rise; Christ has opened paradise.**
- 4 **Lives again our glorious King! Where, O death, is now thy sting?
Once He died our souls to save; Where thy victory, O grave?**
- 5 **Soar we now where Christ has led; Foll’wing our exalted Head.
Made like Him, like Him we rise; Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.**
- 6 **Hail the Lord of earth and heav’n! Praise to Thee by both be giv’n!
Thee we greet triumphant now: Hail, the resurrection, Thou!**

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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** O God of life and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Your abundant grace,
C You have begotten us again unto a new and living hope by the resurrection of Jesus from the dead.
P You have transformed the night of doubt and sorrow into the new and eternal day of joy and gladness.
C You have brought life and immortality to light by the glad tidings that Christ is risen. For this, O Lord, we give You thanks.
P You have delivered Your Son, who died for our sins, from the grip of death and raised Him by Your power.
C That which You sowed in dishonor and weakness, You raised in power and glory.
P We praise You that through Him You removed death's sting for us.
C You have brought us victory over the grave.
P Fill our hearts with the joy of the resurrection.
C Grant to Your Church the power of the resurrected Christ.
P Help us to show forth Your praises.
C Bless our homes with the comfort and hope of Easter.
P Send the conquering banner of Christ's victory into all the world.
C Grant that more may join the hosts of heaven in songs of triumph.
P In the promise of Easter take away from us all fear of death.
C Let the radiant beams of Easter's light shine into the depths of our souls.

WE GO TO THE LORD IN PRAYER FOR

- ✠ Samuel Clayton, Gail Frey, Isaac Robinson, Sharon Hosler, Bryan Benner, Dusty Gibson, Dylan Gibson, Laquitta Gibson, and Kyle Manera, as they celebrate their baptismal anniversaries this week.
✠ Jacob Gibbs, as he was baptized and confirmed at the Easter Vigil last night.
✠ Jerry and Marleen Purdin, as they celebrate their anniversary today.
✠ Karen Phillips, as she recovers from surgery.
✠ Emily Hoskins, daughter of Greg and Linda Hoskins, as she recovers from surgery.
✠ DC Hendrix, husband of Joyce Hendrix, as he has a procedure on Monday to remove skin cancer from his arm.
✠ Elizabeth Bogue, as she has cataract surgery on Thursday.
✠ Don and Joyce Krumsieg and their family, as they mourn the sudden death of their grandson, Michael Muzik.
✠ Peace in Ukraine.
✠ Members of Zion's Board of Trustees, Stewardship Committee, and Board of Finance.
✠ Faithfulness in support of world missions.

- P** Renew us in the Spirit of Him who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.
C Speak peace to our souls and maintain our faith in Him who promises resurrection and life. 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 pres-ence of all His peo-ple, 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.
C And al-so with you.
P Lift up your hearts.
C We lift them to the Lord.
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C 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. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was

sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, 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

C 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
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

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

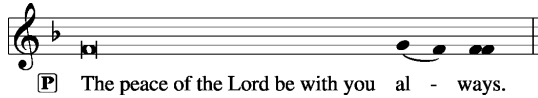
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P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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

LSB 163



Agnus Dei

LSB 163

A Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit

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

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

LSB 466

- 1 Christ has arisen, alleluia. Rejoice and praise Him, alleluia.
For our Redeemer burst from the tomb, Even from death, dispelling its gloom. Refrain**
- ref Let us sing praise to Him with endless joy; Death's fearful sting He has come to destroy.
Our sin forgiving, alleluia! Jesus is living, alleluia!**
- 2 For three long days the grave did its worst Until its strength by God was dispersed.
He who gives life did death undergo; And in its conquest His might did show. Refrain**
- 3 The angel said to them, "Do not fear! You look for Jesus who is not here.
See for yourselves the tomb is all bare; Only the grave cloths are lying there." Refrain**

Hymn continues on the next page.

- 4 “Go spread the news: He’s not in the grave; He has arisen this world to save. Jesus’ redeeming labors are done; Even the battle with sin is won.” Refrain
- 5 Christ has arisen; He sets us free; Alleluia, to Him praises be. Jesus is living! Let us all sing; He reigns triumphant, heavenly King. Refrain

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Hymn **At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing** *LSB 633*

- 1 At the Lamb’s high feast we sing Praise to our victorious King,
Who has washed us in the tide Flowing from His piercèd side. Alleluia!
- 2 Praise we Him, whose love divine Gives His sacred blood for wine,
Gives His body for the feast— Christ the victim, Christ the priest. Alleluia!
- 3 Where the paschal blood is poured, Death’s dread angel sheathes the sword;
Israel’s hosts triumphant go Through the wave that drowns the foe. Alleluia!
- 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Paschal victim, paschal bread;
With sincerity and love Eat we manna from above. Alleluia!
- 5 Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell’s fierce pow’rs beneath You lie;
You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light. Alleluia!
- 6 Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall;
You have opened paradise, And Your saints in You shall rise. Alleluia!
- 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy! This alone can sin destroy;
From sin’s pow’r, Lord, set us free, Newborn souls in You to be. Alleluia!

Stand

- 8 Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live,
Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, Your name we praise. Alleluia!

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Sit

Hymn **I Know That My Redeemer Lives** *LSB 461*

- 1 I know that my Redeemer lives; What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ever-living head.
- 2 He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save;
He lives all-glorious in the sky; He lives exalted there on high.
- 3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to plead for me above;
He lives my hungry soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
- 4 He lives to grant me rich supply; He lives to guide me with His eye;
He lives to comfort me when faint; He lives to hear my soul’s complaint.

Hymn continues on the next page.

- 5 He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears;
He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; He lives and loves me to the end;
He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing; He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death;
He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives: I know that my Redeemer lives!

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Hymn

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen

LSB 474

- 1 Alleluia! Jesus is risen! Trumpets resounding in glorious light! Splendor, the Lamb,
Heaven forever! Oh, what a miracle God has in sight! Refrain
- ref Jesus is risen and we shall arise: Give God the glory! Alleluia!
- 2 Walking the way, Christ in the center Telling the story to open our eyes; Breaking our bread,
Giving us glory: Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise. Refrain
- 3 Jesus the vine, We are the branches; Life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree; Heaven to earth,
Christ to the people, Gift of the future now flowing to me. Refrain
- 4 Weeping, be gone; Sorrow, be silent: Death put asunder, and Easter is bright. Cherubim sing:
"O grave, be open!" Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light. Refrain
- 5 City of God, Easter forever, Golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb, River of life,
Saints and archangels, Sing with creation to God the I AM! Refrain

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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

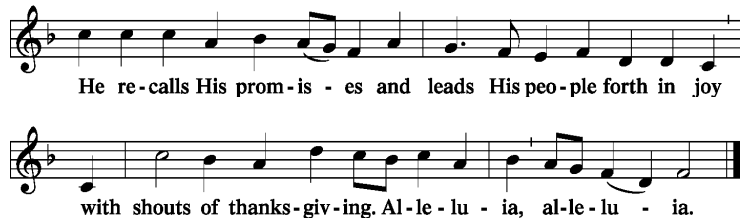
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C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.

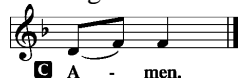


He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy
with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

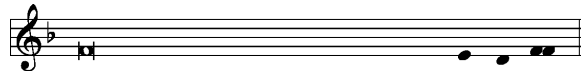
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You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



C A - men.

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.



C A - men.

Sit

Hymn

Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven

LSB 477

- 1 Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heav'n and voices raise:
Sing to God a hymn of gladness, Sing to God a hymn of praise;
He who on the cross a victim For the world's salvation bled—
Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, Now is risen from the dead.**
- 2 Alleluia, Christ is risen! Death at last has met defeat:
See the ancient pow'rs of evil In confusion and retreat;
Once He died, and once was buried: Now He lives forevermore,
Jesus Christ, the world's Redeemer, Whom we worship and adore.**

Stand

- 3 Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high:
Alleluia to the Savior Who has gained the victory;
Alleluia to the Spirit, Fount of love and sanctity!
Alleluia, alleluia To the triune Majesty!**

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LIFE AND LIVING ITEMS AT ZION**BULLETIN COVER ARTWORK**

Our bulletin cover for the Easter service this morning was drawn by Jake Lara, and it depicts the angel proclaiming to one of the faithful women that Jesus has risen from the dead. While the sight of an angel fills people with fear, the message of the resurrection fills us with joy. Thanks to Jake Lara for this drawing showing the power of the message of the resurrection!

EASTER BREAKFAST SERVED BY MEN'S CLUB THIS MORNING

Zion's Men's Club will serve an Easter Breakfast today, April 17 from 8:00-9:30 AM. The meal will be held in the gym. The menu will include eggs, sausage, pancakes, and more. Come enjoy this meal, and this time of fellowship with our brothers and sisters in Christ at Zion. (Sunday School, Confirmation Class, and Adult Bible Class will continue to meet at their regularly scheduled times on Easter Sunday, so come to breakfast early to make it to class on time.)

THANKS TO OUR MUSICIANS

Our brass ensemble this morning included Josh, Knut, and Leif Peterson on trumpet, Bob Eldridge and Luke Lara on trombone, and Nathaniel Clayton on baritone and timpani. Thanks to these individuals for the time they have put in to prepare this music for the Lord's praise this day, and we give thanks to God for the many blessings He has poured out in the form of people who give of their time and talents with His people.

THANK YOU FROM YOUTH GROUP

Thank you to everyone who donated money in the envelope fundraiser! We were able to raise \$500 so far and that is enough to send at least one person to a youth conference! We really appreciate the support that the congregation is giving us this year! -Youth Group

YOUTH CONFIRMATION – NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 24th

Zion will rejoice to celebrate Youth Confirmation Sunday on April 24, 2022, during the 10:00 AM Divine Service. We have four youth being confirmed this year: Abigail Clayton, Bjorn Peterson, Mia Simon, and Makena Suedmeyer. We look forward to welcoming these dedicated, faithful youth into full communicant membership in the congregation.

CONFIRMATION INVITATION

Dear Church Family, I invite you to join me on April 24 after church in the basement to celebrate my confirmation with a meal and fellowship. Abigail Clayton

INVITATION TO THE APRIL LWML MEETING - THURSDAY

All ladies are welcome to come to our April Ladies Aid meeting this Thursday, April 21st at 7 PM. Marlene Lockwood will talk about the hymn "The Tree of Life", we will still be collecting baby items, and will discuss confirmation plaques that we make and give all our confirmands each year. Join us and see what we are all about!

NEW CROSS IN NARTHEX

You may have noticed a new cross hanging in Zion's narthex next to the clock. This cross was made by Pastor Love from wood taken from the chancel of the old church building and was purchased at a Zion auction by Chuck Sauerhage. Helen Sauerhage has now donated this cross back to Zion. We rejoice to have this cross from the old church building to remind us of the timelessness of Christ's sacrifice for us and of the eternal nature of His love.

NEW MEMBERS AT ZION

Zion is blessed to receive several new members by Adult Confirmation and Reaffirmation of Faith. Frank and Jenn Jeffries and Tom and Lee Hinton and their families were received into membership at Zion on Sunday, April 3, and Jacob Gibbs was baptized and confirmed at the Easter Vigil Service last night. Please give a warm welcome to these brothers and sisters in Christ and find ways to support and encourage them as part of the family of faith at Zion.

CONGRATULATIONS TO LIONEL TIMMERMAN

Lionel Timmerman has been named "Person of the Year" by the Mascoutah Chamber of Commerce and was honored at the annual Chamber banquet held on Saturday, April 9, 2022! We give thanks and praise to God for the tremendous blessing that Lionel is, not just in the congregation at Zion, but also throughout the community. Congratulations, Lionel!

SLIGHT CHANGE IN COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

As Zion gradually works toward a return to pre-Covid practices in church, the Elders have discussed and approved a slight change to Communion distribution starting in April. Instead of receiving the Body of Christ from the individual cups, we will now return to receiving the Body of Christ placed directly into the communicant's hands. (Pastor will sanitize his hands before Communion distribution to make this process as sanitary as possible.) This will also make the work of the Altar Guild much easier as they set up for Communion. Thank you for your patience and understanding with all the changes we have faced in the last two years, and the various adjustments yet to come.

EASTER & CONFIRMATION CARDS AVAILABLE

Easter and Confirmation cards are available in the narthex for the low price of 50¢ each.

ZION HELPING HANDS NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Our team of "Helping Hands" needs a few more volunteers. Can you give an hour or two on occasion to help a member of our church? You may be asked to provide transportation to church or to a medical appointment. Perhaps take a member shopping or help with light housekeeping. If interested, please contact Lesley Eads (618) 623-2360, Jordan Rehfeldt (618) 980-8475, or Linda Hoskins (618) 210-6987. *As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace. 1 Peter 4:10*

ZION VBS 2022 - GOD'S WONDER LAB

When: June 13–17 from 6–8 pm. Who: Children ages 3–11 years old.

Please join us for a fascinating science lab that will help explain how things are possible with God. In Jesus' ministry, He did things that cannot be explained. He turned water into wine, walked on water, and His greatest miracle of all was dying on the cross and rising from the dead for our salvation. Discover that Jesus does the impossible for us in God's Wonder Lab. Please invite your friends and families! Register online at <https://vbsmate.com/events/ZionMascoutahVBS/23280> Questions or want to volunteer? Contact Marsha Baro at mkrausz11@gmail.com or 618.558.5913. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

MISSING BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST AT ZION? INVITE THEM!

We can all think of brothers and sisters in Christ whom we have not seen at Zion since the Covid lockdowns began two years ago. Every member missing from our family of faith is a source of sorrow as we long to be all together as one in God's family. If you remember friends and family members who have been missing due to

Covid, please invite them to come back to rejoin the family of faith at Zion. "I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord!'" (Psalm 122:1)

LANSDOWNE WORKDAY IN EAST ST. LOUIS – THIS SATURDAY, APRIL 23rd

This summer, we have the opportunity “to do good and show mercy,” by engaging in mission work in the neighborhood of Lansdowne, East St. Louis, IL., with LCI’s “Neighborhood Work Day” on Saturday, April 23rd. Unity Lutheran Church and LCI in partnership Lutheran Churches across the Southern Illinois District, (SID) will be working collaboratively to conduct a “Work Day for the clean-up and renovation of properties in close proximity to Unity Lutheran Church and Unity School. Through this initiative, we seek to care for our neighbors’ bodily needs and share Christ’s love with them; to do good and show mercy! To learn more about the various ways that you can participate and/or contribute to this project with your gifts, time, and talents, please contact Rev. Dr. Willie P. Stallworth, Sr. Pastor from Unity, and LCI’s CEO, at (314) 724-9949 or (618) 874-6600.

IMMANUEL TO HOST WOMEN’S MINI-RETREAT – ALREADY WON!

The event will be held on Saturday, April 23rd from 9-11 AM. It will be held at the church, located at 522 S. Church Street in Waterloo, Illinois. This refreshing and renewing morning will include a delicious breakfast and beautiful music in addition to Lisa Clark’s inspirational message. Please call 618-939-6480 or visit immanuelwaterloo.org/women for more information or to preregister. While preregistrations are appreciated, walk-ins are always welcome! Donations of non-perishable food items will be welcomed for the Bi-County Backpack Program and Christian Friends of New Americans.

GIRLS CONFERENCE – MAY 1st

All 6th – 12th grade girls are invited to register for this incredible day of worship, experience stations, and dinner at the Girls Conference in Troy, IL! Sue Bustler is speaking. Harvest will be leading worship and the day is a reminder that true beauty comes from the heart. Moms, grandmas, or female student ministry leaders are welcome to attend too! The conference will be held on Sunday, May 1st from 3-7 PM at 407 Edwardsville Rd., Troy, IL. For more info and to register go to www.girlsconference.net.

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SACRED MUSIC FOR THE EASTER SEASON...

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today," "Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands," "I Know That My Redeemer Lives," "Awake, My Heart, with Gladness," "He's Risen, He's Risen." You can listen 24/7 to sacred music for the 50 days of the Easter season at lutheranpublicradio.org, TuneIn, Amazon Echo, Google Home, Apple HomePod and the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.

THE FLOWERS ON THE LORD'S ALTAR

The flowers on the Lord's altar are given to the glory of God by Jerry & Marleen Purdin in honor of their 62nd anniversary.

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton
Lector: Sem. Don Stein
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton
Altar Guild: Lita Timmerman
Elder of the Month: Jeff Fick

THOSE WHO SERVE NEXT WEEK, APRIL 24

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton
Lectors: Sem. Don Stein & Sem. Kyle Moellenhoff
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton
Altar Guild: Lita Timmerman & Karen Eldridge
Elder of the Month: Jeff Fick

THINGS WE ARE DOING AT ZION

Sun.	<i>Easter Sunday</i>	
	Easter Breakfast	8:00–9:30 AM
	Confirmation Class	8:30 AM
	Bible Class on Zoom & In-Person	8:45 AM
	Sunday School & Youth Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Worship DS I w/communion	10:00 AM
Mon.	<i>Office Closed; No Preschool</i>	
Wed.	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM
	Hand Chime Rehearsal	8:00 PM
Thurs.	Exec Board	6:30 PM
	Ladies Aid Meeting	7:00 PM
	Trustees Meeting	7:00 PM
Fri.	Senior Meal Delivery	10:30 AM
Sun.	<i>Youth Confirmation</i>	
	Youth Confirmation Questioning	8:45 AM
	Sunday School & Youth Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Worship DS I w/communion	10:00 AM

ATTENDANCE APRIL 10: Palm Sunday: 156
Adult Bible Class: 23 High School: 4 Sunday School: 45

ATTENDANCE APRIL 14: Maundy Thursday: 88