

Zion Lutheran Church

Mascoutah, Illinois

May 1, 2022

Miseracordias Domini

(The Steadfast Love of the Lord)

“Good Shepherd 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

Gracious Lord, Shepherd of our lives and Guardian of our souls, who has set us all to shepherding each other, give us time, determination, and opportunity to share with others the kind of love and care that You constantly give to us; who with the Father and the Holy Spirit are one God with dominion over us forever.

DIVINE SERVICE II

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Confession and Absolution

Prelude

Sonata in E-flat--Adagio

J S. Bach

Hymn

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

LSB 709

- 1 **The King of love my shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am His And He is mine forever.**
- 2 **Where streams of living water flow, My ransomed soul He leadeth
And, where the verdant pastures grow, With food celestial feedeth.**
- 3 **Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, But yet in love He sought me
And on His shoulder gently laid And home rejoicing brought me.**
- 4 **In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear Lord, beside me,
Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.**
- 5 **Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth;
And, oh, what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth!**
- 6 **And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever!**

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Stand

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 with Absolution

- 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.**
- 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

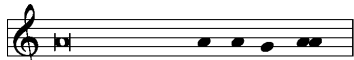
Introit

Ps. 33:1, 18–20; antiphon: Ps. 33:5b, 6a

- L** The earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. Alleluia.
- C** **By the word of the LORD the heavens were made. Alleluia.**
- L** Shout for joy in the LORD, O You righteous!
- C** **Praise befits the upright.**
- L** Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear Him,
- C** **on those who hope in His steadfast love,**
- L** that He may deliver their soul from death
- C** **and keep them alive in famine.**
- L** Our soul waits for the LORD;
- C** **He is our help and our shield.**
- 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** The earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. Alleluia.
- C** **By the word of the LORD the heavens were made. Alleluia.**

Kyrie

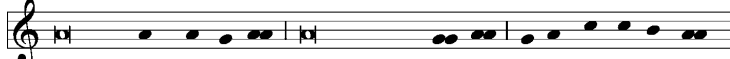
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A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

Kyrie continues on the next page.



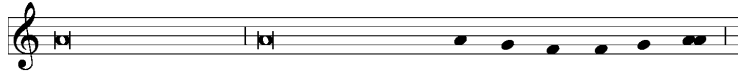
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the uni-ty of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



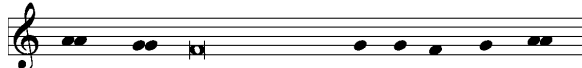
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



C A - men.

Hymn of Praise -- This is the Feast

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A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



C Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.



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



lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:
 Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His reign.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

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

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** Amen.

Sit

Hymn

The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

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- 1 The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want; He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; He leadeth me The quiet waters by.
- 2 My soul He doth restore again And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness, E'en for His own name's sake.
- 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, Yet will I fear no ill;
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod And staff me comfort still.
- 4 My table Thou hast furnished In presence of my foes;
My head Thou dost with oil anoint, And my cup overflows.
- 5 Goodness and mercy all my life Shall surely follow me;
And in God's house forevermore My dwelling place shall be.

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Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 34:11–16

“For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I Myself will search for My sheep and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out My sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. I Myself will be the shepherd of My sheep, and I Myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD.

I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Choir

The Lord's My Shepherd

Mueller

Epistle

1 Peter 2:21–25

For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in His steps. He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in His mouth. When He was reviled, He did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but continued entrusting Himself to Him who judges justly. He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

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

Holy Gospel

John 10:11–16

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 10th chapter.

C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down His life for the sheep. He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know My own and My own know Me, just as the Father knows Me and I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to My voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

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- 1 Savior, like a shepherd lead us; Much we need Your tender care.
In Your pleasant pastures feed us, For our use Your fold prepare.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have bought us; we are Yours.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have bought us; we are Yours.
- 2 We are Yours; in love befriend us, Be the guardian of our way;
Keep Your flock, from sin defend us, Seek us when we go astray.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Hear us children when we pray.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Hear us children when we pray.
- 3 You have promised to receive us, Poor and sinful though we be;
You have mercy to relieve us, Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Early let us turn to You.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Early let us turn to You.
- 4 Early let us seek Your favor, Early let us do Your will;
Blessèd Lord and only Savior, With Your love our spirits fill.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have loved us, love us still.
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, You have loved us, love us still.

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Sermon

The Model Shepherd

Stand

Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.

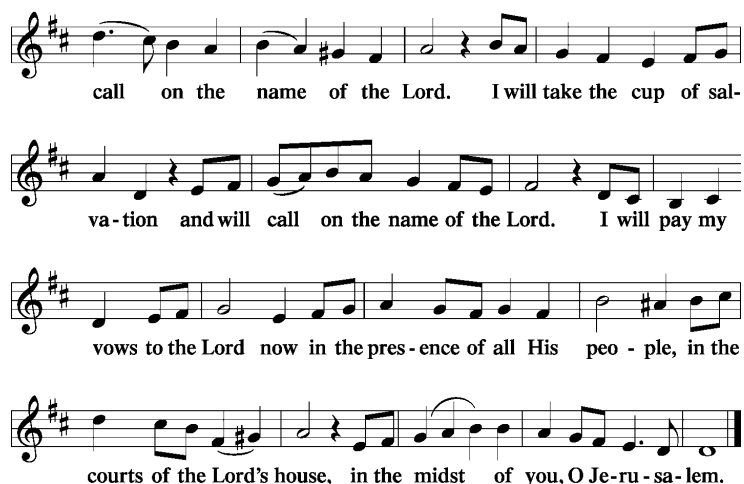
Offering

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.

Prayer of the Church

- P** Lord God, heavenly Father, Shepherd of our souls, we come before You as those who have been called into Your one flock.
- C** We give You humble and hearty thanks that in Your mercy You have fed us in the green pastures of Your Word.
- P** By giving us the knowledge of salvation through Jesus Christ Your Son, You have led us to the still waters that bring peace to our souls.
- C** For Your loving and gracious care, which You lavish on us without any merit or worthiness in us, we give You thanks.
- P** We confess that we have often strayed like lost sheep seeking greener pastures.
- C** Yet we know that You alone have the words of eternal life which satisfy our souls.
- P** We have often left the paths of Your righteousness to walk in the ways of this world, seeking our own righteousness.
- C** For forgetting that Your Son laid down His life for us so that we might walk in Your ways, forgive us, O Lord.
- P** Give us the gift of Your Holy Spirit in abundant measure that we may have strength to walk in the paths of Your righteousness.
- C** Renew in us the determination to proclaim to the world that You desire everyone to come into Your fold.
- P** May the power of Your son Jesus, which enabled Your apostles to heal the sick and restore the crippled, still be manifested in our midst today.
- C** Grant Your blessing to the leaders of our nation in church and state.

WE GO TO THE LORD IN PRAYER FOR

- † Janice Conklin, Ray Kemezys, Dustin Pannier, Joshua Snyder, Jamie Wilhelm, and Taylor Crismon, as they celebrate their baptismal anniversaries this week.
- † Bob Twenhafel, as he has been hospitalized this past week.
- † Seminarian Moellenhoff as he prepares for vicarage at St. John Lutheran Church, in E. Moline, IL.
- † Seminarian Stein as he prepares for his first call at St. Andrew Lutheran Church, in Rockton, IL.
- † Zion's Elders, Board of Education, Sunday School staff, and Evangelism Committee.
- † Faithfulness in our lives as Christian Stewards.

- P** Be with our leaders at all levels of government, heal the sick, and assure the lonely of Your presence.
- C** This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, our resurrected Lord. Amen.

LIFE AND LIVING ITEMS AT ZION



MAY ECHO – NOW AVAILABLE

The May Echo is now available. Pick one up in the narthex today.

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.

ZION TO HOST MONTHLY WORSHIP SERVICES AT BRIGHTLY

Zion is offering an exciting new opportunity for worship at Brightly! We have scheduled to have a worship service hosted by Zion Lutheran Church on the first Wednesday of every month at 1:30 PM. This service will include singing hymns, joining in responses, Scripture readings, a brief message, and prayers. The service will probably last about 20-30 minutes. If you have relatives, friends, or loved ones at Brightly, please encourage them to join in for this monthly service. The service will be open to all residents at Brightly, not just members of Zion. Feel free to join your loved ones for the service also! The first service will be this Wednesday, May 4, 2022 at 1:30 PM.

PRESSED, DRIED PALM BRANCHES AVAILBLE

After Palm Sunday, it is a tradition to take the palm branches used in the processional home to press them and then hang them behind crosses in the home until the following Palm Sunday. (The ashes used for Ash Wednesday are also made from the previous year's palm branches, burned and crushed.) A few palm branches were left at Zion on Palm Sunday, and they have been pressed and dried, and are now ready to hang behind a cross in your home. They are available on the card table in the narthex next to the collection places. Please feel free to take one home if you do not have one to hang in your home this year.

VICARAGE AND CALL INFORMATION

Both Sem. Moellenhoff and Sem. Stein received big news at the Vicarage Placement Service and Call Service held at Concordia Seminary on Tuesday, April 26. Sem. Moellenhoff will be serving his vicarage (his one-year, full time internship) at St. John Lutheran Church in East Moline, IL. Sem. Stein received a Divine Call into the Office of the Holy Ministry to serve as pastor at St. Andrew Lutheran Church in Rockton, IL. Rockton is north of Rockford, right on the Wisconsin border. We pray God's blessings on both Sem. Moellenhoff and Sem. Stein and their families, and we pray for the congregations where they have been placed, that all may be mutually blessed by these assignments.

NEW PROCESSIONAL CROSS DONATED TO ZION

It is the custom in many Lutheran churches to have processions on special occasions of the church year. (Easter, Christmas, funerals, etc.) Historically, a cross is included in these processions. Yet Zion does not have one! As a thank you for the past four years of prayers, support, forgiveness and love, the Stein family has commissioned a processional cross for the congregation. It was designed with the help of Zion's Elders, Church Council, Altar Guild, and Pastor Clayton to match the woodwork and aesthetics of the sanctuary. It was hand-crafted by Rev. Dan Vines of Calvary Lutheran Church in Aberdeen, WA. God-willing, it will be a reminder of *Who* is preached every Sunday for generations. *Soli Deo Gloria!*

CONGREGATIONAL ENGAGEMENT

The duties and responsibilities of Zion's Board of Elders encompass a variety of elements and areas in protecting and promoting the overall well-being of Zion-Mascoutah and its constituencies. Whether it

concerns worship services, Christian education/instruction programs, organizational functions, or each individual person that contributes to the congregational fabric that makes-up Zion-Mascoutah, the Board of Elders works very hard on your behalf to maintain conformity and alignment with Holy Scriptures and Zion's Constitution.

Therefore, the Board of Elders encourages EVERYONE within Zion-Mascoutah to know if you have any questions, concerns, or want to acknowledge or share praise for all things Zion, please let them know. That way, they can address what's on your mind. Please don't hesitate to approach or contact them any time – whether it's before or after church services, at congregational events or during committee meetings, or you may prefer to connect with them via phone, text, or email. All inquiries will be held in strict confidence. Your 2022 Board of Elders are:

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YOUTH GROUP “WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS” MEETING AND SOCIAL! MAY 15th

The youth group will be welcoming new members who are eligible to join the youth group during our next meeting & social on May 15th after church. More details to come, but please save the date!

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. **May/Jun we will collect bottles of water for First Responders (police, firefighters, EMTs).** There will be a collection box in the narthex for these items, or if you are bringing a large quantity package, please put it in the coatroom. Keep watching for future collections. Thanks in advance!!

A NOTE FROM MOSAIC

We received a letter of thanks from Mosaic Pregnancy and Health Center for our donation of over \$800. This year they received bottles from 77 different churches/groups for a total of \$88,946.48. This is a tremendous offering of love for this organization defending life! Again, thanks to all who filled those baby bottles!

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THE FLOWERS ON THE LORD'S ALTAR

The flowers on the Lord's altar are given to the glory of God in celebration of seminarians Don Stein and Kyle Moellenhoff and the congregations they are now blessed to serve.

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

Proclaimer: Sem. Kyle Moellenhoff
Lectors: Rev. Kirk Clayton & Sem. Don Stein
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton
Elder of the Month: Joe Bloomquist

THOSE WHO SERVE NEXT WEEK, MAY 8

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton
Lectors: Sem. Don Stein & Sem. Kyle Moellenhoff
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton
Altar Guild: Gail Frey
Elder of the Month: Joe Bloomquist

THINGS WE ARE DOING AT ZION

Sun.	Bible Class on Zoom & In-Person	8:45 AM
	Sunday School & Youth Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Worship DS II n/communion	10:00 AM
	Men's Club	6:00 PM
Tues.	Elders Meeting	7:00 PM
Wed.	Zion Service @ Brightly	1:30 PM
	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM
	Hand Chime Rehearsal	8:00 PM
Thurs.	Church Council	7:00 PM
Fri.	Zion Preschool Parents Morning Out	9:00 – 11:30 AM
	Senior Meal Delivery	10:30 AM
Sun.	Bible Class on Zoom & In-Person	8:45 AM
	Sunday School & Youth Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Worship DS III w/communion	10:00 AM

ATTENDANCE APRIL 24: Sunday: 145
Adult Bible Class: 26 High School: 3 Sunday School: 27