

# Zion Lutheran Church

Mascoutah, Illinois

February 19, 2023

*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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## Electronic Devices

Please TURN OFF all cell phones, pagers, electronic devices, apps and games 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

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.

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Prelude

Beautiful Savior

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Hymn

O God of God, O Light of Light

LSB 810

- 1 O God of God, O Light of Light, O Prince of Peace and King of kings:  
To you in heaven's glory bright The song of praise forever rings.  
To Him who sits upon the throne, The Lamb once slain but raised again,  
Be all the glory He has won, All thanks and praise! Amen, amen.**
- 2 For deep in prophets' sacred page, And grand in poets' wingèd word,  
Slowly in type, from age to age The nations saw their coming Lord;  
Till through the deep Judean night Rang out the song, "Goodwill to men!"  
Sung once by firstborn sons of light, It echoes now, "Goodwill!" Amen.**
- 3 That life of truth, those deeds of love, That death so steeped in hate and scorn—  
These all are past, and now above He reigns, our King once crowned with thorn—  
Lift up your heads, O mighty gates! So sang that host beyond our ken.  
Lift up your heads, your King awaits. We lift them up. Amen, amen.**
- 4 Then raise to Christ a mighty song, And shout His name, His mercies tell!  
Sing, heav'nly host, your praise prolong, And all on earth, your anthem swell!  
All hail, O Lamb for sinners slain! Forever let the song ascend!  
Worthy the Lamb, enthroned to reign, All glory, pow'r! Amen, amen.**

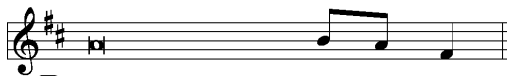
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## Versicles

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**L** O Lord, o - pen my lips,



**G** and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



**L** Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



**G** make haste to help me, O Lord.

**C** Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir - it;  
 as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

*Common:* Praise to You, O Christ. Al - le - lu - ia.

# Psalmody

## Antiphon (Common)

LSB 220

**L** Blessed be God, the Fa-ther, the Son, and the Ho-ly Spir - it.  
**C** O come, let us wor - ship Him.

## Venite

LSB 220

**C** 1 O come, let us sing . . . . . to the Lord,  
 2 For the Lord is a . . . . . great God  
 3 The sea is His, for He . . . . . made it,  
 5 Glory be to the Father and . . . . . to the Son

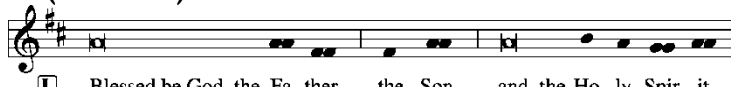
1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.  
 2 and a great . . . . . king a - bove all gods.  
 3 and His hand . . . . . formed the dry land.  
 5 and to the . . . . . Ho - ly Spir - it;

1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,  
 2 The deep places of the earth are . . . . . in His hand;  
 3 O come, let us worship and . . . . . bow down,  
 4 For He . . . . . is our God,  
 5 as it was in the be - gin - ning,

1 let us make a joyful noise to . . . . . Him with songs of praise.  
 2 the strength of the hills is . . . . . His al - so.  
 3 let us kneel before the . . . . . Lord, our mak - er.  
 4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.  
 5 is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

## Antiphon (Common)

LSB 221



**L** Blessed be God, the Fa-ther, the Son, and the Ho-ly Spir-it.



**C** O come, let us wor-ship Him.

## Psalm

Psalm 2 (antiphon: v.7)

- P** Why do the nations rage  
**C** and the peoples plot in vain?  
**P** The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together,  
**C** against the LORD and against His anointed, saying,  
**P** “Let us burst their bonds apart  
**C** and cast away their cords from us.”  
**P** He who sits in the heavens laughs;  
**C** the Lord holds them in derision.  
**P** Then He will speak to them in His wrath,  
**C** and terrify them in His fury, saying,  
**P** “As for Me, I have set My King  
**C** on Zion, My holy hill.”  
**P** I will tell of the decree:  
**C** The LORD said to me, “You are My Son; today I have begotten You.  
**P** Ask of Me, and I will make the nations Your heritage,  
**C** and the ends of the earth Your possession.  
**P** You shall break them with a rod of iron  
**C** and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”  
**P** Now therefore, O kings, be wise;  
**C** be warned, O rulers of the earth.  
**P** Serve the LORD with fear,  
**C** and rejoice with trembling.  
**P** Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, and you perish in the way,  
**C** for His wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed are all who take refuge in Him.  
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.

*Sit*

## Hymn

## Beautiful Savior

LSB 537

- 1 Beautiful Savior, King of creation, Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love Thee, Truly I'd serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
- 2 Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands, Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.
- 3 Fair is the sunshine, Fair is the moonlight, Bright the sparkling stars on high;  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer Than all the angels in the sky.
- 4 Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration Now and forevermore be Thine!

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## First 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.'"

**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Choir**

**Glorious is the Lord Almighty**

**Haydn/Coggin**

## Second Reading

*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.

**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Third Reading

*Matthew 17:1-9*


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** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Common Responsory

LSB 221



*Verse* *To Refrain*

1 Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.  
2 Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.  
3 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

*Refrain*

Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

## Children's Lunchbox Devotion

### 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!
- 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.

*Stand*

- 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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*Sit*

### Sermon

### Alleluia

### Offering

*[Please fill out a sheet in the attendance book. Visitors, please include your address. If you have a prayer request for the church prayer chain, please write it at the top of the sheet.]*

### Special Offering Music

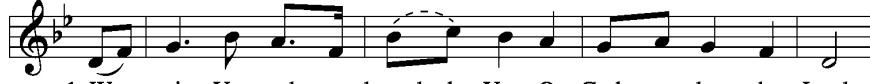
### Be Still My Soul *(Cary Robinson, Oboe)*

*Stand*

# Canticle

## Te Deum - We Praise You and Acknowledge You

LSB 941



1 We praise You and ac-knowl-edge You, O God, to be the Lord,  
2 The band of the a-pos-tles in glo-ry sing Your praise;  
3 You, Christ, are King of glo-ry, the ev-er-last-ing Son,  
4 You sit in splen-did glo-ry, en-throned at God's right hand,



The Fa-ther ev-er-last-ing, by all the earth a-dored.  
The fel-low-ship of proph-ets their death-less voic-es raise.  
Yet You, with bound-less love, sought to res-cue ev-'ry-one:  
Up-hold-ing earth and heav-en by forc-es You com-mand.



To You all an-gel pow-ers cry a-loud, the heav-ens sing,  
The mar-tyrs of Your king-dom, a great and no-ble throng,  
You laid a-side Your glo-ry, were born of vir-gin's womb,  
We know that You will come as our Judge that fi-nal day,



The cher-u-bim and ser-a-phim their prais-es to You bring:  
Sing with the ho-ly Church through-out all the world this song:  
Were cru-ci-fied for us and were placed in-to a tomb;  
So help Your ser-vants You have re-deemed by blood, we pray;



"O ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord God of Sab-a-oth;  
"O all-ma-jes-tic Fa-ther, Your true and on-ly Son,  
Then by Your res-ur-rec-tion You won for us re-prieve—  
May we with saints be num-bered where prais-es nev-er end,



Your maj-es-ty and glo-ry fill the heav-ens and the earth!"  
And Ho-ly Spir-it, Com-fort-er— for-ev-er Three in One!"  
You o-pened heav-en's king-dom to all who would be-lieve.  
In glo-ry ev-er-last-ing. A-men, O Lord, a-men!

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# Prayer

## Kyrie

LSB 227



☐ Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

## Lord's Prayer

☐ 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.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with your spirit.

**P** 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.

## 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

✠ Lindsay Murphy, Mark Manera, and Makenna Gryga, as they celebrate their baptismal anniversaries this week.

✠ Members of Zion's Board of Trustees, Stewardship Committee, and Board of Finance.

✠ Faithfulness in support of world missions.

**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

## Collect for Grace

**P** O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Benedicamus

LSB 228



**L** Let us bless the Lord.





## LIFE AND LIVING ITEMS AT ZION



### **SIGN UP FOR LENT SUPPERS**

Lent is quickly approaching (Ash Wednesday is February 22<sup>nd</sup>), 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.

Feb 22: Ladies Aid  
March 1: Men's Club: Tacos  
March 8:  
March 15: Timmermans  
March 22: Youth Group  
March 29: Elders  
April 5: Holy Week, no Wednesday service, no meal.

### **THANKS TO THE YOUTH FOR THEIR SERVICE!**

The congregation truly enjoyed seeing so many of our youth participating in various aspects of the service last Sunday. They are our future, and involvement now is truly a blessing! Praise God!

### **SHORTENED IMPOSITION OF ASHES SCHEDULE FOR ASH WEDNESDAY**

This year the timeframe for receiving the imposition of ashes will be significantly shortened from previous years. Ashes will only be available from 5-7 PM on February 22. Ashes will not be available throughout the morning and afternoon as in past years. Ashes will be offered in the Church Office.

### **LENT MIDWEEK SERVICE PREACHING ROTATION**

This year, Zion will participate in a "Round Robin" preaching rotation with Pastor Keseman and Pastor Lukomski joining Pastor Clayton to share God's Word at the evening Lenten Midweek Services. This year we will focus on the Seven Last Words of Jesus from the Cross. Here is a schedule of all the Lenten evening services.

February 22, Ash Wednesday: "Are Outward Actions Hypocritical?" (Pastor Clayton to preach)  
March 1, 1st Lent Midweek: "Father Forgive Them" (Pastor Lukomski to preach)  
March 8, 2nd Lent Midweek: "Mother, Behold Your Son" (Pastor Keseman to preach)  
March 15, 3rd Lent Midweek: "Today You Will Be with Me" (Pastor Lukomski to preach)  
March 22, 4th Lent Midweek: "My God, My God, Why Have You Forsaken Me" (Pastor Clayton to preach)  
March 29, 5th Lent Midweek: "It Is Finished" (Pastor Keseman to preach)  
April 6, Maundy Thursday: "I Thirst" (Pastor Lukomski to preach)

April 7, Good Friday: "Into Your Hands I Commend My Spirit" (Pastor Clayton to preach)

The services will start at 7:00 PM, and a Lenten Supper will be served each week from 5:30 to 6:30. Come enjoy time with your church family for supper and stay to be strengthened in God's Word at the service at 7:00 PM.

### **FORMAL DRESS SALE – LAST DAY!**

Come shop for your prom, homecoming, or military ball dress! Reasonably priced dresses. Last day to shop is today, February 19<sup>th</sup>, from 12pm-3pm in the gym at Zion Lutheran Church, 101 S. Railway, Mascoutah. Dressing rooms available. Cash or check only.

### **ZION PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION**

Priority Registration for the 2023-2024 school year has started. Priority registration is open to all current and past Zion Preschool families as well as all Zion Church families. Open registration for the public will begin on Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have a preschooler, you can contact me at [zionpreschooldirector2020@gmail.com](mailto:zionpreschooldirector2020@gmail.com) for more questions or check out our Facebook page!

### **ISRAEL JOURNEY INFORMATIONAL MEETING – NEXT SUNDAY, FEB. 26<sup>th</sup>**

For all those interested or curious about the journey Pastor Clayton is leading to Israel in January/February of 2024, we will host an informational meeting on Sunday, February 26, 2023, at 3:00 PM in Zion's Church Basement. Mike Malone, the owner of Purposeful Journeys, the tour operator arranging the journey, will be with us to give a presentation and answer any questions you may have. We will also provide Mediterranean style snacks to help get you ready for the journey! Please note that there is a \$600 discount for those who reserve their place on this journey before March 1, 2023! Come to the informational meeting on Sunday, February 26 at 3:00 PM and enjoy an afternoon with prospective future travel companions!

### **CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO ORCHESTRA CONCERT**

The Chamber Orchestra from Concordia University, Chicago will be giving a concert at Zion Lutheran, Mascoutah on Sunday, March 26, 2023, at 4:00 PM. As the host congregation, we have several requests. First, there is a financial need, and we are looking for significant donors who will help sponsor this concert in advance. Any gift will help, but we are asking for several donations in the \$200 plus range. Thanks in advance! Also, we will need to provide host families for the group, about 25 people. That means we will need 10-12 host families for Sunday evening, March 26, please. The jars are set out by the doors to receive donations, and a sign-up sheet for host families is on the table in the narthex. Thanks for your advance support of this event!

### **CHURCH WORKER SURVEY**

Is there a young man in your congregation you would like to encourage to consider becoming a pastor? How about someone who would be a great Lutheran school teacher, deaconess or DCE? Jesus gives His church people who work full time in service to the Gospel. He told us to pray for such workers. Along with our prayers, the LCMS has begun Set Apart to Serve (SAS), an intentional effort to encourage young people to consider church work as their career. Your opinion can help improve SAS. Please take a brief survey at [lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve-survey](https://lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve-survey) and let us know how you think SAS can be beneficial to your congregation. The more responses we receive, the better equipped we can be to serve the church in this effort. We would appreciate receiving all responses by March 15. All responses are completely anonymous and confidential. If you have any questions, please reach out to the LCMS Church Information Center at 888-THE LCMS (843-5267) or [infocenter@lcms.org](mailto:infocenter@lcms.org). Thank you for your time and support in helping the LCMS with this important initiative.

### **CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY IRVINE CONCERT AT GOOD SHEPHERD COLLINSVILLE**

Mark your calendars to see the Concordia University Irvine Symphony Orchestra at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 1300 Beltline Road Collinsville, IL 62234 on Saturday, February 25th, 2023, at 3:00 PM. The concert will feature major orchestral works which are also family friendly. The Irvine Orchestra features at least 3 instrumentalists who grew up in the Southern Illinois District! This group travels to St. Louis from Irvine, CA (Los Angeles) once in a decade if that, so don't miss this free chance to hear them! The Irvine Orchestra recorded and presented a PBS Christmas special in 2021 which aired on PBS in 70% of the United States-this is a nationally renowned University Ensemble. The concert will appeal to all, especially the youth who are involved in music. The concert will open with a beginning string ensemble and advanced string ensemble involving children to adults from SID congregations. Please contact Zach Stegman at [zstegman@gsllcs.org](mailto:zstegman@gsllcs.org) if you would like to participate in the beginning or advanced string ensembles, for further info about the concert, or if you would like printed fliers or a narthex poster. Please publicize in your congregation and to friends and neighbors!

### **TRIVIA & FAMILY GAME NIGHT BENEFITING VITAE FOUNDATION**

Kid and family-friendly event benefiting Vitae Foundation. Join us on Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, at Victory Church, 223 Scott Troy Rd., O'Fallon, IL. Doors open at 5:00 PM and trivia begins at 5:30 PM. \$20/person or \$50/family. There will also be a silent auction. Snacks and soda provided but feel free to bring your own. No alcohol, please. To register, please call 573-634-4316. All proceeds benefit Vitae Foundation.

### **CHICKEN DINNER AT ST. JOHN LUTHERAN IN BALWIN**

The Annual Chicken Dinner at St. John Lutheran in Balwin will be held Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. Serving times will be from 10:30 am–1:30 pm. Dine-in or carry-outs will be available. The menu includes fried chicken, mashed

potatoes and gravy, corn, green beans, slaw, homemade dessert, and coffee, tea, or lemonade. Prices are \$15 for adults, \$8 for children, and 4 and under are free. All are welcome to attend.

### **LIKE THE SID FACEBOOK PAGE**

Did you know that the SID-LCMS has a Facebook page and is on Instagram? Go check it out at "Southern IL District - Lutheran Church Missouri Synod" on Facebook, and while you are there, "Like" the page so you can see news, prayers, and featured congregations from the SID! On Instagram, check out @sidlcms or Instagram.com/sidlcms to see the content there. At the beginning of January, the SID started a feature called "Congregation of the Week", so if you "Like" the Facebook page, each week you will see a brief article and photos about different congregations around the district. Follow the page to receive both spiritual and informational content from your District!

### **CHRIST OUR SAVIOR HIRING FOR OFFICE SECRETARY**

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church in Freeburg seeks an office secretary, 12 hours/week. Flexible schedule. Call 618-660-6144.

### **ACADEMY OF MUSIC AT CHRIST OUR SAVIOR**

The Academy of Music at Christ Our Savior, a new music school in Freeburg, offers private voice and instrument lessons in a warm, Christian environment with seasoned Lutheran instructors. Students of all ages and skill levels are welcome. Twice a month, the Academy also offers Mini-Music Makers, an energetic class for preschoolers and their parents or caregivers. Preschoolers sing, play instruments, dance, and learn to love music with an experienced early childhood music teacher. For details about the Academy, visit [TheAcademyofMusic.org](http://TheAcademyofMusic.org), email [Hannah@TheAcademyofMusic.org](mailto:Hannah@TheAcademyofMusic.org), or call 618-353-3322.

### **2023 LCMS LIFE CONFERENCE**

Registration is now open for the 2023 LCMS Life Conference, which will be held March 2–3 at the LCMS International Center in St. Louis and online. The conference will provide Lutherans with resources to faithfully proclaim what God's Word teaches about life, health, marriage, and family. Participants are invited to attend either in person or online. In-person registration, which includes meals and snacks, is \$49 per person. Online registration (which can be used by an individual, couple, family, or group) is \$29. Both in-person and online attendees will have access to recorded sessions for 60 days after the conference.

### **LISTEN TO WORLDWIDE KFUA AM850**

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUA AM850 & [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org): We begin Lent with an Organ Recital and Worship Service on Ash Wednesday (2/22 at 11:00 a.m.), study John 9-10 on Sharper Iron's "The Word Became Flesh" (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), and study 2 Timothy 1-4 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.). Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or the KFUA Radio app!

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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 by Linda and Greg Hoskins in honor of her mother's 95th birthday.

**THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY**

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton  
Organist: Nancy Peterson  
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton  
Acolytes: Brady Twenhafel & Dalton Wambold  
Elder of the Month: Tom Sax

**THOSE WHO SERVE ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22**

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton  
Organist: Nancy Peterson  
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton  
Altar Guild: Lita Timmerman  
Elder of the Month: Tom Sax

**THOSE WHO SERVE NEXT WEEK, FEBRUARY 26**

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton  
Organist: Nancy Peterson  
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton  
Acolytes: Isaiah Clayton & Chloe Pannier  
Altar Guild: Sharon Weier  
Elder of the Month: Tom Sax

**THINGS WE ARE DOING AT ZION**

Sun.	Confirmation Class	8:30 AM
	Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Sunday School & Youth Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Worship Matins	10:00 AM
	Formal Dress Sale	12:00 – 3:00 PM
Mon.	<i>President's Day – Office Closed</i>	
	LifeLight	7:00 PM
Tues.	Evangelism	7:00 PM
Wed.	<i>Ash Wednesday</i>	
	Imposition of Ashes	5:00 PM – 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.	Elders Meeting	7:00 PM
Fri.	Zion Preschool Parent's Morning Out	9:00 – 11:30 AM
	Senior Meal Delivery	10:30 AM
Sat.	Chili Supper sponsored by the Men's Club	4:30 – 7:00 PM
Sun.	Confirmation Class	8:30 AM
	Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Sunday School & Youth Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Worship DS III w/communion	10:00 AM

**ATTENDANCE FEBRUARY 12:** Sunday: 147