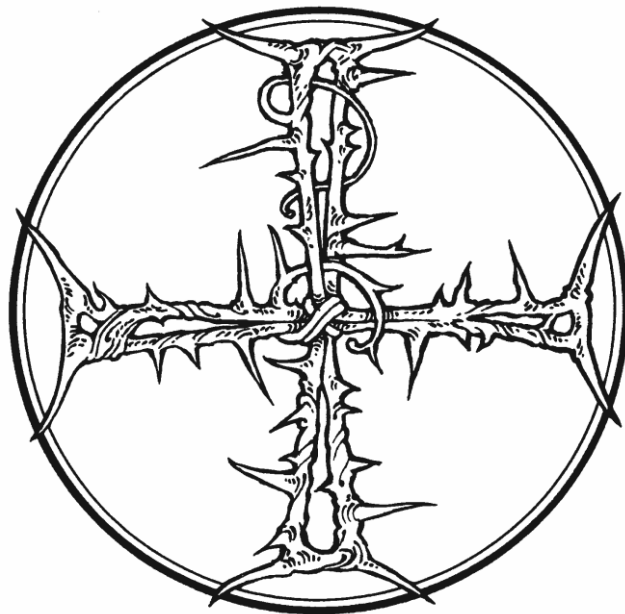


Zion Lutheran Church

Mascoutah, Illinois

March 29, 2023

5th Lent Midweek Service



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 evening 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.

Vespers

Hymn

O Perfect Life of Love

LSB 452

- 1 O perfect life of love! All, all, is finished now,
All that He left His throne above To do for us below.
- 2 No work is left undone Of all the Father willed;
His toil, His sorrows, one by one, The Scriptures have fulfilled.
- 3 No pain that we can share But He has felt its smart;
All forms of human grief and care Have pierced that tender heart.
- 4 And on His thorn-crowned head And on His sinless soul
Our sins in all their guilt were laid That He might make us whole.
- 5 In perfect love He dies; For me He dies, for me.
O all-atoning Sacrifice, I cling by faith to Thee.
- 6 In ev'ry time of need, Before the judgment throne,
Thy work, O Lamb of God, I'll plead, Thy merits, not mine own.
- 7 Yet work, O Lord, in me As Thou for me hast wrought;
And let my love the answer be To grace Thy love has brought.

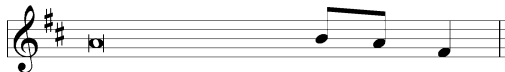
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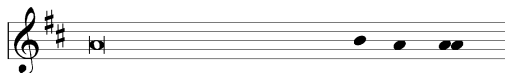
Opening Versicles *(Use Lent Response)*



L O Lord, o - pen my lips,



G and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



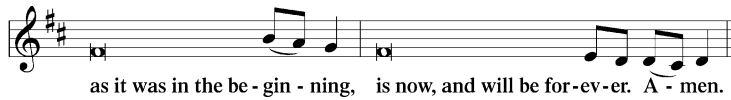
L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



G make haste to help me, O Lord.



G Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



Responsive Reading

Psalms 51:1-12

- P** Have mercy on me, O God,
C according to Your steadfast love;
P according to Your abundant mercy
C blot out my transgressions.
P Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
C and cleanse me from my sin!
P For I know my transgressions,
C and my sin is ever before me.
P Against You, You only, have I sinned
C and done what is evil in Your sight,
P so that You may be justified in Your words
C and blameless in Your judgment.
P Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,
C and in sin did my mother conceive me.
P Behold, You delight in truth in the inward being,
C and You teach me wisdom in the secret heart.
P Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
C wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
P Let me hear joy and gladness;
C let the bones that You have broken rejoice.
P Hide Your face from my sins,
C and blot out all my iniquities.
P Create in me a clean heart, O God,
C and renew a right spirit within me.
P Cast me not away from Your presence,
C and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.
P Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,
C and uphold me with a willing spirit.
**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

First Reading

Isaiah 53:4-12

Surely He has borne our griefs
and carried our sorrows;
yet we esteemed Him stricken,
smitten by God, and afflicted.
But He was wounded for our transgressions;
He was crushed for our iniquities;

upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace,
 and with His stripes we are healed.
 All we like sheep have gone astray;
 we have turned every one to His own way;
 and the LORD has laid on Him
 the iniquity of us all.
 He was oppressed, and He was afflicted,
 yet He opened not His mouth;
 like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,
 and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,
 so He opened not His mouth.
 By oppression and judgment He was taken away;
 and as for His generation, who considered
 that He was cut off out of the land of the living,
 stricken for the transgression of My people?
 And they made His grave with the wicked
 and with a rich man in His death,
 although He had done no violence,
 and there was no deceit in His mouth.
 Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush Him;
 He has put Him to grief;
 when His soul makes an offering for sin,
 He shall see His offspring; He shall prolong His days;
 the will of the LORD shall prosper in his Hand.
 Out of the anguish of His soul He shall see and be satisfied;
 by His knowledge shall the righteous one, My servant,
 make many to be accounted righteous,
 and He shall bear their iniquities.
 Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the many,
 and He shall divide the spoil with the strong,
 because He poured out His soul to death
 and was numbered with the transgressors;
 yet He bore the sin of many,
 and makes intercession for the transgressors.
P O Lord, have mercy on us.
C Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

John 19:28-37

After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (to fulfill the Scripture), "I thirst." A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to His mouth. When Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished," and He bowed His head and gave up His spirit.

Since it was the day of Preparation, and so that the bodies would not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken and that they might be taken away. So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who had been crucified with Him. But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs. But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water. He who saw it has borne witness—his testimony is true, and he knows that he is telling the truth—that you also may believe. For these things took place that the Scripture might be fulfilled: "Not one of His bones will be broken." And again another Scripture says, "They will look on Him whom they have pierced."

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Lent Responsory

LSB 231



- L** 1 Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are
the God of my sal - va - tion.
2 In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.
3 Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are
the God of my sal - va - tion.



- C** Rescue me from my en - e - mies, protect me
from those who rise a - gainst me.

Hymn

Jesus, in Your Dying Woes (Stanzas 16-18)

LSB 447

- 16** Jesus, all our ransom paid,
All Your Father's will obeyed;
By Your sufferings perfect made:
Hear us, holy Jesus.
- 17** Save us in our soul's distress;
Be our help to cheer and bless
While we grow in holiness:
Hear us, holy Jesus.
- 18** Brighten all our heav'nward way
With an ever holier ray
Till we pass to perfect day:
Hear us, holy Jesus.

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Sermon

It Is Finished

Offering

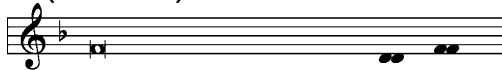
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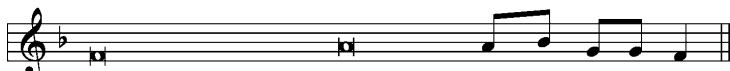
Canticle

Antiphon (Common)

LSB 231



- L** Let my prayer rise before You as in - cense,



- C** and the lifting up of my hands as the eve - ning sac - ri - fice.

Magnificat

My soul mag-ni-fies the Lord, and my spir-it re-
 joic-es in God, my Sav-ior. My soul mag-ni-fies the
 Lord, and my spir-it re-joic-es in God, my Sav-ior.

1 For He has re-garded
 2 For the Mighty One has done great things to me,
 3 He has shown strength with His arm;
 4 He has filled the hungry with good things,
 5 Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son

1 the lowliness of His hand-maiden.
 2 and holy is His name;
 3 He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
 4 and the rich He has sent empty away,
 5 and to the Holy Spirit;

1 For be-hold, from this day
 2 and His mercy is on those who fear Him
 3 He has cast down the mighty from their thrones
 4 He has helped His servant Israel in remembrance of His mercy
 5 as it was in the beginning,

1 all generations will call me blessèd.
 2 from generation to generation. *Refrain*
 3 and has exalt-ed the lowly.
 4 as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed for-ever.
 5 is now, and will be forever. A-men. *Refrain*

Prayer

Litany

LSB 249



L In peace let us pray to the Lord:



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P 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 mercy.

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For our Synodical President, Pastor Matthew Harrison, for our District President, Pastor Tim Scharr, for all pastors in Christ, for all servants of the Church, and for all the people, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For our President, for all public servants, for the government and those who protect us, that they may be upheld and strengthened in every good deed, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For those who work to bring peace, justice, health, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For those who bring offerings, those who do good works in this congregation, those who toil, those who sing, and all the people here present who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For our deliverance from all affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the faithful who have gone before us and are with Christ, let us give thanks to the Lord:

C Thanks be to God!

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Silence for individual prayer may follow.

P Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ, our Lord:

C To You, O Lord.

Collect For Peace

P O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Collect For the Fifth Sunday of Lent

P Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

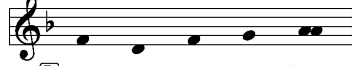
Lord's Prayer

LSB 251

P Taught by our Lord and trusting in His promises, we are bold 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.**

Benedicamus



L Let us bless the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction



L The almighty and merciful Lord,
the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and pre-serve us.



C A - men.

Sit

Hymn

The Day Thou Gavest

LSB 886

- 1** The day Thou gavest, Lord, is ended, The darkness falls at Thy behest;
To Thee our morning hymns ascended, Thy praise shall sanctify our rest.
- 2** We thank Thee that Thy Church, unsleeping While earth rolls onward into light,
Through all the world her watch is keeping, And never rests by day or night.
- 3** As o'er each continent and island The dawn leads on another day,
The voice of prayer is never silent, Nor dies the strain of praise away.

- 4 The sun, that bids us rest, is waking Thy saints beneath the western skies,
And hour by hour, as day is breaking, Fresh hymns of thankful praise arise.**
- 5 So be it, Lord! Thy throne shall never, Like earth's proud empires, pass away;
Thy kingdom stands and grows forever, Till all Thy creatures own Thy sway.**

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LIFE AND LIVING ITEMS AT ZION



WELCOME, PASTOR KESEMAN

Pastor Bruce Keseman has served Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church in Freeburg for the past 31 years. His wife Christine, a teacher, organist, pianist, and flutist, is Director of Music at Christ Our Savior. They have three grown children and five grandchildren. Their son Andrew and his wife Linsey are Lutheran teachers in Nebraska. Their daughter Hannah (graphic designer) and son-in-law Erik (music teacher) live in Mascoutah. Their daughter Rachel teaches kindergarten at a Lutheran school in Missouri. Pastor Keseman likes to read, camp, hike, and run. He serves on the Board of Regents for Concordia Seminary-St. Louis. We welcome Pastor Keseman this evening.

LENT SUPPERS

Lenten 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.

March 29: Elders: Loaded Baked Potatoes (Served in the gym)

April 5: Holy Week, no Wednesday service, no meal.

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.

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.

EASTER VIGIL SERVICE

Once again, this year, Zion will be hosting an Easter Vigil Service, sometimes called the "Great Vigil of Easter" on Saturday, April 8th, at 7:00 PM. It is at the same time both the last service of Lent and the first service of Easter (it switches in the middle of the service)! This is one of the most meaningful, most powerful, and most dramatic services of the whole year. The service starts in the dark with lights out (the Lenten part), the Paschal Candle is lit from a (small, carefully controlled) fire in a fire-pit outside symbolizing Jesus' new life, and then after a series of readings, all the lights are turned on, the announcement is made, "Christ is risen!" and the Easter party starts. It really is a great service, and one that is very meaningful, also for children who really notice the dramatic changes and enjoy the different feel to the service. The service will start at 7:00 PM on Saturday, April 8th, and probably last till about 8:30 PM. Of course, Holy Week is extremely busy, but you are encouraged to add this service to your schedule.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

During Holy Week the Church remembers the greatest outpouring of God's love and grace as we walk with Jesus through the events leading up to His crucifixion, and then celebrate His glorious resurrection. Here is a schedule of services for the coming week. Please make plans to attend each service to receive God's outpouring of grace and blessings in the Word and Sacraments.

Thursday, April 6—Maundy Thursday Service, 7:00 PM

Friday, April 7—Good Friday Service, 7:00 PM

Saturday, April 8—Great Vigil of Easter, 7:00 PM

Sunday, April 9—Easter Sunday Divine Service, 10:00 AM

We look forward to seeing you at Zion!

NEEDED: SOUND TECH AND VIDEO TECH

Within the next several months, Zion will need help with the sound board and with the Facebook video feed each week. If you are interested in learning these positions, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex and we will schedule a training session so everyone who volunteers feels comfortable in the positions. Thanks in advance for your engagement to serve in this way!

FAMILY MOVIE – THIS SATURDAY, APRIL 1st

The Men's Club will present *Ice Age – the Meltdown* for kids of all ages on Saturday, April 1 at 2:30 p.m. The action heats up – as does the temperature – for Manny, Sid, Diego, and Scrat as they try to escape the valley to avoid a flood of trouble. As the creatures embark on a hilarious journey across the thawing landscape, they meet Ellie, a female woolly mammoth who melts Manny's heart. Join us in the church basement for a free movie, soda, candy, and popcorn.

MISSION SUNDAY AT ZION ON APRIL 30

Come celebrate a Mission Sunday! At the SID Convention a year ago, the District entered into a mission partnership with the Seminario Concordia El Reformador (Concordia the Reformer Seminary) in the Dominican Republic. As a part of this mission partnership, the SID is hoping to send significant financial contributions to assist with the work of training pastors to serve across Central America and South America. At the Mission Sunday, we will have members of a mission team from Concordia Seminary in St. Louis who visited the DR in January with us at Zion, to hear a bit about their experiences there. We will join together for a Central American-themed meal in the gym after the service. (Two different offerings will be collected...one to cover the food costs for the meal, and one to go directly to the work of the Seminary in the Dominican Republic.) Mark your calendars now for the Mission Sunday on April 30, including the meal after the service.

RISEN CHRIST HYMN FESTIVAL ON MAY 7th

On Sunday, May 7, at 4:00 in the afternoon, Zion Lutheran in Mascoutah will be hosting a "Risen Christ Hymn Festival." This hymn festival is the book-end to the "Christ Triumphant Hymn Festival" held at Zion Lutheran in Belleville in November of 2022. We will be singing many of the great hymns of the Easter season, including "I Know That My Redeemer Lives," "Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia," "At the Lamb's High Feast," "Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen," "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds," and "Abide with Me." Between the hymns, we will hear commentaries from Dr. Jon Vieker, the Dean of the Chapel at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, who previously was an assistant to LCMS President Matthew Harrison and a leader of the LCMS Commission on Worship. Come sing our joy found in Christ's resurrection!

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL AND VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody couldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have.

OH NO! You know what is coming! Something needs to be done and we are looking for some Nobody's to do it!!!! Do you love children? Wow! Do we have an opportunity for you! We are looking for help with Summer Sunday School. Could you help one Sunday or a month of Sundays? Please talk to Marianne McDaniel or Anna

Pannier. We will have lessons for you to teach. Can you help us? We are also looking for a VBS coordinator. You can help choose the week of VBS! This is a big task, but it is one week of commitment to be here for VBS. The kids love VBS, but it can't happen without YOU! Marsha Baro did this job last year and I have done it in the past. Please talk to either one of us if you want to know what is involved.

HOLY CHILDHOOD BLOOD DRIVE - TOMORROW

Holy Childhood Church is holding a blood drive at their Parish Center at 104 N. Independence St. in Mascoutah on Thursday, March 30th from 2:00 – 7:00 PM. Please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: HolyChildhood to schedule an appointment.

3rd ANNUAL SCAVENGER HUNT - SATURDAY, APRIL 1st

Immanuel Lutheran Preschool in Waterloo is hosting a family-friendly Scavenger Hunt on Saturday, April 1, from 1-5 p.m. at Waterloo Automotive (622 N. Market St.) in Waterloo. Registration and raffles (baskets & 50/50) begin at 12:00 p.m. \$10/team early or \$15/team on the day of. To pre-register your team or if you have any questions, please call Deborah (618-340-5262). All proceeds support Immanuel Lutheran Preschool and their NEW Before & After Care Program.

MASCOUTAH EVENING LIONS ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

The Mascoutah Evening Lions Club is sponsoring an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 8th at 1:00 PM at Mascoutah Middle School. Rain or shine! Grab your basket and join the fun! Ages are divided into 4 categories: 0-2, 3-4, 5-6, and 7-8. Six prize baskets in each category. The Lions Club will re-collect the plastic eggs at the end of the hunt for those that would like to give them back to be used again in the future.

GOD IS GREAT! CONCERT

Please join us for a God is Great! Concert by Nashville Christian recording artist Jennie Williamson. The concert will take place at Holy Cross Lutheran School in Collinsville on Wednesday, April 12th from 2:00 – 6:30 PM. For all ages! Invite your family and friends.

2023 CONCORDIA HISTORICAL INSTITUTE GALA

We invite you to join CHI for an afternoon of fun activities, learning about LCMS mission history, and supporting your Lutheran archives at the 2023 Concordia Historical Institute Gala: For All the Saints Across the Ocean! The gala will be on April 15th from 2:00 to 4:00 PM. Visit <https://concordiahistoricalinstitute.org/gala> for more details and how to support us in ministry!

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

Proclaimer: Rev. Bruce Keseman
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton
Elder of the Month: Geoff Phillips

THOSE WHO SERVE PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 2

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton
Acolytes: Daniel Bretz, Brady Twenhafel, & Tyler Hinton (crucifer)
Elder of the Month: Jeff Fick

THINGS WE ARE DOING AT ZION

Wed.	Lenten Meal	5:30-6:30 PM
	Choir Rehearsal	6:00 PM
	Fifth Lent Midweek Service	7:00 PM
	Hand Chime Rehearsal	8:00 PM
Thurs.	Elders Meeting	7:00 PM
Fri.	Senior Meal Delivery	10:30 AM
Sat.	Annual Easter Egg Hunt	9:00-11:00 AM
	Family Movie	2:30 PM
Sun.	<i>Palm Sunday</i>	
	Confirmation Class	8:30 AM
	Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Sunday School & Youth Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Worship DS I n/communion	10:00 AM
	Men's Club	6:00 PM