

Zion Lutheran Church

Mascoutah, Illinois

May 7, 2023

Cantate

(Sing to the Lord a New Song)



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.

Prayer to Begin Worship

God, whom saints and angels delight to worship in heaven: Be ever present with Your servants who seek through art and music to perfect the praises offered by Your people on earth; and grant to them even now glimpses of Your beauty, and make them worthy at length to behold it unveiled forevermore; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DIVINE SERVICE I

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Confession and Absolution

Prelude

Prelude in D Major

J.S. Bach

The congregation will select the hymns.

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 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. 98:1b, 3-4; antiphon: Ps. 98:1a, 2b

- P** Sing to the LORD a new song, Alleluia,
C for He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations. Alleluia.
P His right hand and His holy arm
C have worked salvation for Him.
P He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.
C All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
P Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;
C break forth into joyous song and sing praises!
P Sing to the LORD a new song, Alleluia,
C for He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations. Alleluia.
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.
P Sing to the LORD a new song, Alleluia,
C for He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations. 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 above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

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.

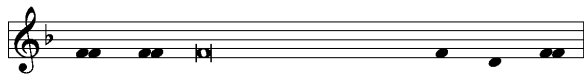
C Lord, have mer - cy.

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.



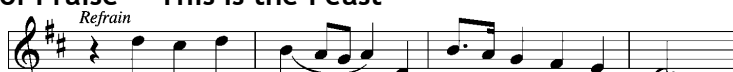
A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



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*



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.

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

The congregation will select the hymns.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 12:1–6

You will say in that day: “I will give thanks to You, O LORD, for though You were angry with me, Your anger turned away, that You might comfort me. “Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.” With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. And you will say in that day: “Give thanks to the LORD, call upon His name, make known His deeds among the peoples, proclaim that His name is exalted. “Sing praises to the LORD, for He has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Choir

Simply Alleluia

Donald Moore

Epistle

James 1:16–21

Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures. Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness that God requires. Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Common Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156

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

Holy Gospel

John 16:5-15

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

C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] “Now I am going to Him who sent Me, and none of you asks Me, ‘Where are you going?’ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send Him to you. And when He comes, He will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: concerning sin, because they do not believe in Me; concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see Me no longer; concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged. “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth, for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak, and He will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take what is Mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is Mine; therefore I said that He will take what is Mine and declare it to you.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit

Children's Lunchbox Devotion

The congregation will select the hymns.

Sermon

Sin

Stand

Nicene Creed

C 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 \dagger of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

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

Stand

Offertory

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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** O Lord God almighty Creator, You spoke and the universe came into being.
- C** **By the exertion of Your will the earth was populated with herds and flocks.**
- P** By Your Word vegetation and grain sprang forth to nourish all living things.
- C** **We are grateful that Your power still exists among us.**
- P** As the rain and the snow come down from heaven at Your command and nourish the earth,
- C** **so You have promised that Your mighty Word, sown as seed in the hearts of men, women, and children everywhere will produce results.**
- P** Send Your Holy Spirit to prepare our hearts to receive Your Holy Word.
- C** **Prevent us from hardening our hearts so that Your Word cannot penetrate.**
- P** Keep us from short lived emotional reaction to Your Word.
- C** **Protect us from the thorns of coveting, which are able to choke out our faith.**
- P** Make our hearts a fertile field so that Your Word may produce the fruits of faith a hundredfold.
- C** **As we sow the seed of Your Word on the hearts of many, may Your Holy Spirit bless it that it may spring forth into a lively hope.**
- P** When, O Lord, we see little or no results of the Word we have spread,
- C** **encourage us to remain faithful sowers with Your promise that Your Word shall not return empty.**
- P** Bless the administration of our government that it may help provide a healthy climate for the seed we sow to germinate and bring forth fruit.

WE GO TO THE LORD IN PRAYER FOR

- ✠ Stacia Ahner, Erica Popp, Ivar Peterson, Heather Brand, Robert Corey, Joseph Rueter III, and Ben Eatherton, as they celebrate their baptismal anniversaries this week.
- ✠ The family of Gerhard Malcharek, as he died this past week.
- ✠ Zion's President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.
- ✠ Faithfulness in Christian Worship.

- P** This we ask in the name of the Lord of the harvest,
- C** **even Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

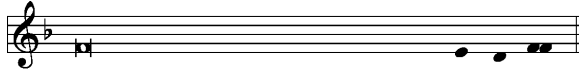
Lord's Prayer

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- 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.**

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

The congregation will select the hymns.

Postlude

Halle Halle Hallelujah

Behnke

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LIFE AND LIVING ITEMS AT ZION



RISEN CHRIST HYMN FESTIVAL TODAY, MAY 7th

One of the hallmarks of Lutheranism has been boisterous, dedicated congregational singing. The Lutheran Church has been known as the “Singing Church!” Come continue that powerful heritage! Today, May 7, at 3:00 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!

MAY ECHO – NOW AVAILABLE

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

THANK YOU FOR THE MISSION SUNDAY MEAL HELP

Thank you to Ladies Aid, Men’s Club, and everyone else who helped in serving the meal after church this past Sunday. Your help was greatly appreciated and made for a smooth serving and clean-up of the meal. I’d also like to add a thanks for the donations of desserts. Dawn Corey

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC UPDATE

Thanks and praise be to God, the Mission Festival held at Zion on April 30 was a huge success. President Tom Egger, Torri Egger, and Seminarian Daniel Bueckman were able to share much about the wonderful work the Lord is doing in the Dominican Republic. The meal was delightful, a big “Thank You” goes out to all who helped with the meal, especially Dawn Corey. Our goal was to raise \$1000 to support the work of the “Concordia the Reformer Seminary” in the Dominican Republic, but the congregation at Zion quickly exceeded that goal. The offerings from April 30 were over \$2700! We will still have the offering jars out by the back sanctuary doors if

others would like to contribute, but we have already almost tripled our initial goal! Thank you for your generosity and joy in supporting the Lord's work in the Dominican Republic!

NEWS FROM PASTOR SEDWICK

Chaplain Sedwick is happy to announce that he has accepted a call to serve as the pastor of Immanuel and Saint Paul Lutheran Churches (dual parish) in Steeleville, IL upon his retirement from the US Army on July 1, 2023. Both parishes will make this announcement in church today so that God's people have adequate time to find a new church home before his arrival in August.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SUMMER SACK LUNCH PROGRAM

Zion will be participating in the summer lunch program again this year. Zion's week will be July 24-28. There are three ways you can help. We need donations in order to buy the food needed. Please consider donating. You can put your donations in the sack on the table in the narthex. We need volunteers to help make sandwiches and fill the sacks, and/or drive the lunches to designated drop off points. This takes only a few hours in the morning, starting around 9 or 9:30. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex. Please volunteer for one or more days. Ideally, we need four volunteers to help in the kitchen. Lastly, we need someone who has a Sam's card to take us shopping for the food in bulk. If you have any questions or want to help, please contact Gail Frey, home: 618-566-7294 or cell: 618-806-7294, or Linda Hoskins at 618-210-6987. Thank you.

LOST CONFIRMATION PHOTO BOOK

Zion's Confirmation photo book is still missing. If you possibly have it or know where it might be, please let us know. Thanks.

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!

19th ANNUAL BOB STREUTER MEMORIAL GOLF SCRAMBLE

The Southern Illinois District is looking for golfers to play in the 19th Annual Bob Streuter Memorial Golf Scramble on Sat., June 10th, at RMB Golf Course in Okawville. Profits are used to give students financial grants if they are enrolled in one of our LCMS Universities or Seminaries and studying to be a full-time church worker. This year our planning committee decided to add sponsorship categories/amounts to support the tournament and the Student Aid Endowment Fund. Sponsorship forms are on the counter in the narthex. For more info call Dan Roth at 618-972-8087, Wally Streuter at 618-973-8377, or Ruth Waeltz at 618-317-2678.

PASTORS IN NORWAY MISSION PROJECT - 4,308 MILE VIRTUAL RUN/WALK

May 1-July 31, 2023, St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Troy IL will be hosting a virtual distance challenge from May to July to help raise funds for the efforts of the new pastors heading to Norway to help rebuild the church and assist in humanitarian efforts. The distance challenge will be like a combined 5k, except the distance we are hoping to collectively achieve will be the distance from St. Louis to Oslo Norway, or 4,308 miles. There will be prizes for the top group and top individual participants who walk/run the longest distance. Sign-up now to begin logging your distances on May 1st. Everyone who registers will receive a T-shirt. To register, visit <https://runsignup.com/Race/IL/Troy/Pastors4Norway>.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Lutheran Hour Ministry of the Southern Illinois District has scholarships available for college juniors or older who are going into church work. If interested, please contact Steve Kasten at smkasten@netwitz.net or at 21237 Sassafras Road, Hoyleton, IL 62803. The application deadline is June 15, 2023.

LISTEN TO WORLDWIDE KFUE AM850

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE AM850 & kfue.org: Begin studying the book of Revelation on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), continue studying 1 Samuel 8-12 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m.), and study the history of the Book of Concord on Concord Matters (5/13 at 10:00 a.m.). Find your favorite programs on demand at kfue.org and the KFUE Radio app!

TRUTH, GOODNESS, & BEAUTY...

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THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton
Acolytes: William Huth & Ella Sax
Elder of the Month: Joe Bloomquist

THOSE WHO SERVE NEXT WEEK, MAY 14

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Nathaniel Clayton
Acolytes: Lola Simon & Lily McDaniel
Altar Guild: Joyce Hendrix
Elder of the Month: Joe Bloomquist

THINGS WE ARE DOING AT ZION

Sun.	Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Sunday School & Youth Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Worship DS I n/communion	10:00 AM
	Hymn Festival	3:00 PM
	Men's Club	6:00 PM
Tues.	Evangelism	7:00 PM
Wed.	<i>No Choir Rehearsal</i>	
	Hand Chime Rehearsal	8:00 PM
Thurs.	Preschool Parents & Pastries	9:00 AM
	Elders Meeting	7:00 PM
Fri.	Senior Meal Delivery	10:30 AM
Sun.	<i>Mother's Day</i>	
	Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Sunday School & Youth Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Worship DS II w/communion	10:00 AM

ATTENDANCE APRIL 30: Sunday: 132
Adult Bible Class: 28 High School: 5 Sunday School: 30