

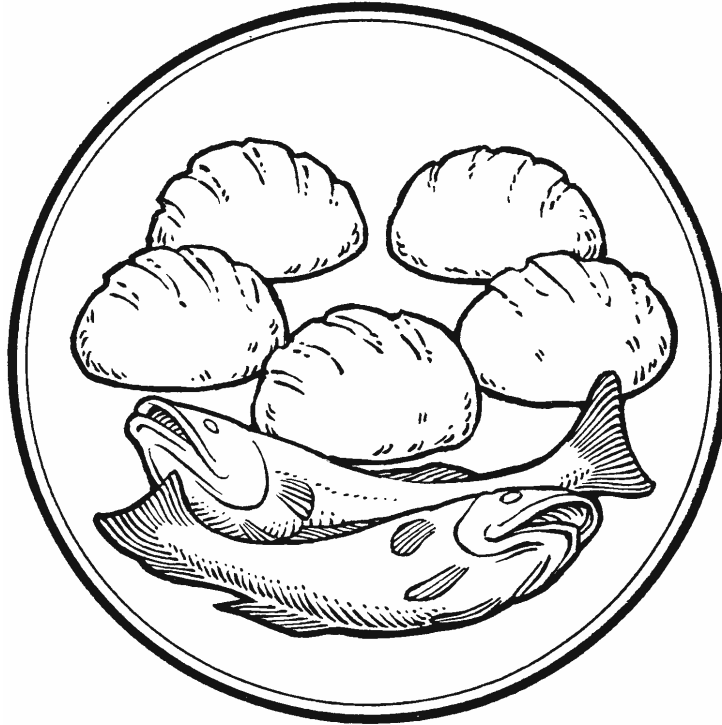
Zion Lutheran Church

Mascoutah, Illinois

March 10, 2024

Laetare

“Rejoice”



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

Holy Spirit, in whose dominion is the calling and the sending of God's own people, bind us in our diversity into a unity in Christ, and for Christ send us in our diversity to call mankind to our community for the sake of Christ; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with You and the Father are one God with dominion over us forever.

DIVINE SERVICE II WITH COMMUNION

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Confession and Absolution

Prelude

Lord Jesus, Think on Me
(Hand Chime Choir)

Dan Edwards

Hymn

Jesus, I Will Ponder Now

LSB 440

- 1 Jesus, I will ponder now On Your holy passion;
With Your Spirit me endow For such meditation.
Grant that I in love and faith May the image cherish
Of Your suff'ring, pain, and death That I may not perish.
- 2 Make me see Your great distress, Anguish, and affliction,
Bonds and stripes and wretchedness And Your crucifixion;
Make me see how scourge and rod, Spear and nails did wound You,
How for them You died, O God, Who with thorns had crowned You.
- 3 Yet, O Lord, not thus alone Make me see Your passion,
But its cause to me make known And its termination.
Ah! I also and my sin Wrought Your deep affliction;
This indeed the cause has been Of Your crucifixion.
- 4 Grant that I Your passion view With repentant grieving.
Let me not bring shame to You By unholy living.
How could I refuse to shun Ev'ry sinful pleasure
Since for me God's only Son Suffered without measure?
- 5 If my sins give me alarm And my conscience grieve me,
Let Your cross my fear disarm; Peace of conscience give me.
Help me see forgiveness won By Your holy passion.
If for me He slays His Son, God must have compassion!
- 6 Graciously my faith renew; Help me bear my crosses,
Learning humbleness from You, Peace mid pain and losses.
May I give You love for love! Hear me, O my Savior,
That I may in heav'n above Sing Your praise forever.

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. 122:1–2, 6, 8; antiphon: Is. 66:10a, 11a

L Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,

C **all you who love her;**

L that you may nurse and be satisfied

C **from her consoling breast.**

L I was glad when they said to me,

C **“Let us go to the house of the LORD!”**

L Our feet have been standing

C **within your gates, O Jerusalem!**

L Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!

C **May they be secure who love you!**

L For my brothers and companions' sake

C **I will say, “Peace be within you!”**

L Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,

C **all you who love her;**

L that you may nurse and be satisfied

C **from her consoling breast.**

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.

Kyrie

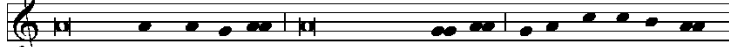
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A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



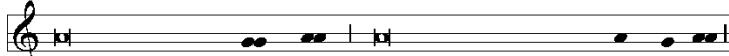
C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



C Lord, have mer - cy.



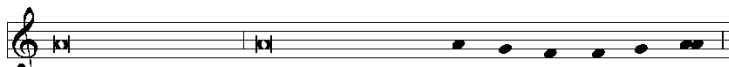
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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



C Lord, have mer - cy.



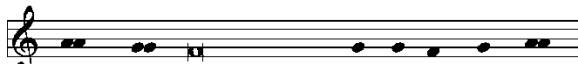
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise



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 is omitted for Lent.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

L The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

L Let us pray.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; 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

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 16:2–21

And the whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, and the people of Israel said to them, “Would that we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

Then the LORD said to Moses, “Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day’s portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in My law or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily.” So Moses and Aaron said to all the people of Israel, “At evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because He has heard your grumbling against the LORD. For what are we, that you grumble against us?” And Moses said, “When the LORD gives you in the evening meat to eat and in the morning bread to the full, because the LORD has heard your grumbling that you grumble against Him—what are we? Your grumbling is not against us but against the LORD.”

Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, ‘Come near before the LORD, for He has heard your grumbling.’” And as soon as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. And the LORD said to Moses, “I have heard the grumbling of the people of Israel. Say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. Then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’”

In the evening quail came up and covered the camp, and in the morning dew lay around the camp. And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as frost on the ground. When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat. This is what the LORD has commanded: ‘Gather of it, each one of you, as much as he can eat. You shall each take an omer, according to the number of the persons that each of you has in his tent.’” And the people of Israel did so. They gathered, some more, some less. But when they measured it with an omer, whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack. Each of them gathered as much as he could eat. And Moses said to them, “Let no one leave any of it over till the morning.” But they did not listen to Moses. Some left part of it till the morning, and it bred worms and stank. And Moses was angry with them. Morning by morning they gathered it, each as much as he could eat; but when the sun grew hot, it melted.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Hand Chime Choir

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Dan Edwards

Epistle

Galatians 4:21–31

Tell me, you who desire to be under the law, do you not listen to the law? For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by a slave woman and one by a free woman. But the son of the slave was born according to the flesh, while the son of the free woman was born through promise. Now this may be interpreted allegorically: these women are two covenants. One is from Mount Sinai, bearing children for slavery; she is Hagar. Now Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia; she corresponds to the present Jerusalem, for she is in slavery with her children. But the Jerusalem above is free, and she is our mother. For it is written,

“Rejoice, O barren one who does not bear;
break forth and cry aloud, you who are not in labor!
For the children of the desolate one will be more

than those of the one who has a husband.”

Now you, brothers, like Isaac, are children of promise. But just as at that time he who was born according to the flesh persecuted him who was born according to the Spirit, so also it is now. But what does the Scripture say? “Cast out the slave woman and her son, for the son of the slave woman shall not inherit with the son of the free woman.” So, brothers, we are not children of the slave but of the free woman.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

The Tract Replaces the Alleluia Verse during Lent

L Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion,

C which cannot be moved, but abides forever.

L As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds His people,

C from this time forth and forevermore. Peace be upon Israel!

Holy Gospel

John 6:1-15

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 6th chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. And a large crowd was following Him, because they saw the signs that He was doing on the sick. Jesus went up on the mountain, and there He sat down with His disciples. Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. Lifting up His eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward Him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?” He said this to test him, for He Himself knew what He would do. Philip answered Him, “Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to Him, “There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?” Jesus said, “Have the people sit down.” Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. Jesus then took the loaves, and when He had given thanks, He distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. And when they had eaten their fill, He told His disciples, “Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost.” So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten. When the people saw the sign that He had done, they said, “This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!”

Perceiving then that they were about to come and take Him by force to make Him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by Himself.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn

Jesus, Refuge of the Weary

LSB 423

- 1 Jesus, refuge of the weary, Blest Redeemer, whom we love,
Fountain in life’s desert dreary, Savior from the world above:
Often have Your eyes, offended, Gazed upon the sinner’s fall;
Yet upon the cross extended, You have borne the pain of all.

- 2 Do we pass that cross unheeding, Breathing no repentant vow,
 Though we see You wounded, bleeding, See Your thorn-encircled brow?
 Yet Your sinless death has brought us Life eternal, peace, and rest;
 Only what Your grace has taught us Calms the sinner's deep distress.
- 3 Jesus, may our hearts be burning With more fervent love for You;
 May our eyes be ever turning To behold Your cross anew
 Till in glory, parted never From the blessed Savior's side,
 Graven in our hearts forever, Dwell the cross, the Crucified.

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Sermon

Do We Want What God Gives?

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 ✝ of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

- P** We extol You, O God, and bless Your name forever.
- C** You are great, O Lord, and Your greatness is unsearchable.
- P** You are gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.
- C** Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, enduring through all generations.
- P** Our good intentions, O Lord, to do everything that You would have us do, often fall short of achievement.
- C** We have not led a life worthy of the calling to which we have been called.
- P** We have not always spoken the truth in love, nor have we always dealt with one another in lowliness, patience, and forbearance.
- C** Even though it is Your desire that we maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace,
- P** we have often disturbed the peace and presented to the world a picture of disunity.
- C** For these violations of Your precepts, forgive us, O Lord.
- P** With the aid of Your Holy Spirit, help us to show others how You provide the essentials for our physical life as well as our spiritual life.
- C** As You fed thousands with a few barley loaves and a few fish,
- P** help us to believe that You will provide for our necessities.
- C** Keep us from worrying about earthly bread, and help us seek the Bread of Life.
- P** Keep us mindful of the needs of others, and help us to share our abundance.
- C** Grant stability to the weather that the world's crops may be planted in due season.

P May there be peace and harmony among the nations so that the channels of communication and transport remain open.

C and bless the hearts of those who hear it.

WE GO TO THE LORD IN PRAYER FOR

✠ Amy Kolweier, Jessica Pettis, Carolyn Overmyer, Aileen Malcharek, Matthew Clayton, Mackenzie Krausz, and Mary Kay Krausz, as they celebrate their baptismal anniversaries this week.

✠ Zion's Elders, Board of Ed, Sunday School Staff, and Altar Guild.

✠ Faithfulness in personal witness and evangelism.

P Bless the efforts of Your Church in helping those in need.

C According to Your will, grant our requests in Jesus' name. 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

"Lent Canon" (based on John 3:16) and "O Come, Let Us Fix Our Eyes on Jesus"

(Immanuel Lutheran School Choir)

Stand

Offertory -- Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful

LSB 955

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the
hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and
give us A fore - taste of the feast to come.

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Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 177

P The Lord be with you.

C And al-so with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface (Full)

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

LSB 178

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 178

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

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

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✝ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Proclamation of Christ

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

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.

Pax Domini

LSB 180



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

Agnus Dei

LSB 180



C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the

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

Sit

Distribution

During the Distribution, the camera will be focused on the cross at the front of Zion to allow for privacy for those who commune.

Zion Lutheran practices the policy of close communion, communing only those who share our common Biblical view of the Lord's Supper. If you are not a confirmed LCMS Lutheran, please confer with the pastor before communing.

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Amen.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

Amen.

Hymn

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

LSB 641

**ref You satisfy the hungry heart With gift of finest wheat.
 Come give to us, O saving Lord, The bread of life to eat.**

- 1 As when the shepherd calls his sheep, They know and heed his voice;
 So when You call Your fam'ly, Lord, We follow and rejoice. Refrain**
- 2 With joyful lips we sing to You Our praise and gratitude
 That You should count us worthy, Lord, To share this heav'nly food. Refrain**
- 3 Is not the cup we bless and share The blood of Christ outpoured?
 Do not one cup, one loaf, declare Our oneness in the Lord? Refrain**
- 4 The myst'ry of Your presence, Lord, No mortal tongue can tell:
 Whom all the world cannot contain Comes in our hearts to dwell. Refrain**
- 5 You give Yourself to us, O Lord; Then selfless let us be,
 To serve each other in Your name In truth and charity. Refrain**

- 1 A Lamb goes uncomplaining forth, The guilt of sinners bearing
And, laden with the sins of earth, None else the burden sharing;
Goes patient on, grows weak and faint, To slaughter led without complaint,
That spotless life to offer, He bears the stripes, the wounds, the lies,
The mockery, and yet replies, "All this I gladly suffer."
- 2 This Lamb is Christ, the soul's great friend, The Lamb of God, our Savior,
Whom God the Father chose to send To gain for us His favor.
"Go forth, My Son," the Father said, "And free My children from their dread
Of guilt and condemnation. The wrath and stripes are hard to bear,
But by Your passion they will share The fruit of Your salvation."
- 3 "Yes, Father, yes, most willingly I'll bear what You command Me.
My will conforms to Your decree, I'll do what You have asked Me."
O wondrous Love, what have You done! The Father offers up His Son,
Desiring our salvation. O Love, how strong You are to save!
You lay the One into the grave Who built the earth's foundation.
- 4 Lord, when Your glory I shall see And taste Your kingdom's pleasure,
Your blood my royal robe shall be, My joy beyond all measure!
When I appear before Your throne, Your righteousness shall be my crown;
With these I need not hide me. And there, in garments richly wrought,
As Your own bride shall we be brought To stand in joy beside You.

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- 1 Not all the blood of beasts On Jewish altars slain
Could give the guilty conscience peace Or wash away the stain.
- 2 But Christ, the heav'nly Lamb, Takes all our sins away;
A sacrifice of nobler name And richer blood than they.
- 3 My faith would lay its hand On that dear head of Thine,
While as a penitent I stand, And there confess my sin.
- 4 My soul looks back to see The burden Thou didst bear
When hanging on the cursèd tree; I know my guilt was there.
- 5 Believing, we rejoice To see the curse remove;
We bless the Lamb with cheerful voice And sing His bleeding love.

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Stand

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

The Dismissal

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.
C Amen.

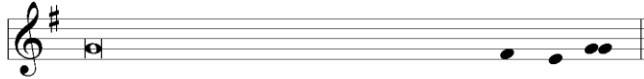
The Post-Communion Canticle is omitted for Lent.

Post-Communion Collect

- P** Let us pray.
Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C Amen.

Benediction

LSB 183



- 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.



Sit

Hymn

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

LSB 425

- 1** When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss And pour contempt on all my pride.
- 2** Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the death of Christ, my God;
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.
- 3** See, from His head, His hands, His feet Sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet Or thorns compose so rich a crown?
- 4** Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a tribute far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all!

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LIFE AND LIVING ITEMS AT ZION



PRESENTATION ABOUT RECENT TRIP TO HOLY LAND - TODAY

Many members of Zion have asked about a presentation about the recent trip to Israel, Egypt, and Jordan that Pastor Clayton and several other members of Zion took. Pastor Clayton will share photos, thoughts, and reflections for anyone interested today, March 10, 2024, at 4:00 PM in the church basement. All are welcome!

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL CHOIR TO SING AT ZION TODAY, MARCH 10th

The choir from Immanuel Lutheran School in Okawville, IL will be singing during the worship service at Zion, Mascoutah today, March 10, 2024. We look forward to hosting the students of the choir and their families.

LENTEN MEALS

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.

Mar 13: Eldridge/Feldman/Overmyer families: Spaghetti

Mar 20: Elders: Burgers & Brats

Mar 27: Holy Week, no Wednesday service, no meal.

YOUTH GROUP MEETING – MARCH 17th

Please mark March 17th off for a meeting right after church! We have some really fun St. Patrick's Day activities planned, and there will be a devotion about luck and Christianity. Please invite your friends! We would love to see some new faces! Anyone from 5th grade through high school is welcome! We're having a potluck meal, so please sign up in the narthex with what you are bringing.

LENTEN ORGAN RECITAL – WED., MARCH 13th

Nancy Peterson will be giving a Lenten organ recital at Peace Lutheran Church (737 Barracksview Rd., St. Louis) this Wednesday, March 13th at 11:00 A.M. The concert will be followed by a Lenten service, and both will be broadcast live on KFUE radio.

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR HOMELESS BAGS

The youth group will be putting together homeless bags at their April meeting. We need to collect items to put these together. We really appreciate anything that you are able to donate! We ask that you bring the items by April 14th. There is a bin in the narthex to place these in. These bags will be available after the meeting for the congregation to take and put in their cars to distribute. Here is a list of items that are needed: toothbrushes, toothpaste, bottled water, hairbrushes, socks, non-perishable snacks, small soaps, etc.

ZION'S ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT – MARCH 23rd

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held *Saturday, March 23rd, 9am to 11 am*. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the Narthex. *The deadline to reserve a spot is Sunday, March 17th*. The Easter Egg Hunt will be held rain or shine! We will have a light breakfast courtesy of the Ladies Aid, along with story time, music, and crafts. Please return the filled eggs by Sunday, March 17. If you are able to help out that day with set-up or take-down, or assisting in our activities, we would love to have your help! Contact Linda Hoskins at 618-210-6987 if you can help in any way. Thanks!

NEED A HELPING HAND?

If you are in need of some help, such as a ride to the doctor or to the grocery store, please reach out to Helping Hands by calling Linda Hoskins at 618-210-6987. We can also help with light housekeeping or grocery shopping.

INEXPENSIVE CHRISTIAN-THEMED EASTER CARDS

See the table in the narthex for a wide variety of Easter cards for only 50¢ each!

REV. JONAH DOMENICHELLI TO PRESENT DURING BIBLE CLASS MARCH 24th

Rev. Jonah Domenichelli, who will be establishing a new Lutheran mission congregation near Spangdahlem Air Base in Germany will be with us at Zion on March 24th. Since Zion, Mascoutah has a number of Air Force personnel and is located very close to Scott Air Force Base, Rev. Domenichelli would like to share the possibilities for this mission in an Air Force community. All are welcome and encouraged to come to Adult Bible Class at 8:45 on Sunday, March 24 to hear about this new mission opportunity.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER - TODAY

Trinity Lutheran Church at 503 E. Washington, Millstadt, IL will be hosting an all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner today, March 10th from 10:30 AM-2:30 PM. Adults are \$13, children 4-10 are \$5, and children 3 and under are free. The meal includes all-you-can-eat spaghetti, breadsticks, salad, dessert, and beverage. Carry-outs will be available. For more information, call 618-476-3101.

VOCATIO HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT AT CONCORDIA SEMINARY

Find God's calling and direction for your high schooler's life! Concordia Seminary, St. Louis invites ninth-through 12th-grade students to attend Vocatio: High School — a retreat that encourages high school men and women to explore many aspects of the Seminary, including worship and devotions, sessions with professors, and even some fun and recreation! Registration costs \$100 and closes May 24. Register today! For more information, email admit@csl.edu or call 800-822-9545.

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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 appreciation of our First Responders for all they do for our communities.

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton
Liturgist: Sem. Rob Laird
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Abigail Clayton
Acolytes: Chloe Pannier & Max Lara
Altar Guild: Dawn Corey & Lita Timmerman
Elder of the Month: Geoff Phillips

THOSE WHO SERVE WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton
Liturgist: Sem. Rob Laird
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Abigail Clayton
Elder of the Month: Geoff Phillips

THOSE WHO SERVE NEXT WEEK, MARCH 17

Proclaimer: Rev. Kirk Clayton
Liturgist: Sem. Rob Laird
Organist: Nancy Peterson
Sound Tech: Phoebe Corey
Acolytes: Ella Sax & Bristol Sax
Elder of the Month: Geoff Phillips

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 DS II w/communion	10:00 AM
	Israel Presentation	4:00 PM
Mon.	<i>Echo Deadline</i>	
Tues.	Evangelism	7:00 PM
Wed.	Lenten Meal	5:30 – 6:30 PM
	Choir Rehearsal	6:00 PM
	Fourth Midweek Service	7:00 PM
	Hand Chime Rehearsal	8:00 PM
Fri.	Zion Preschool Parent's Morning Out	9:00 – 11:30 AM
	Senior Meal Delivery	10:30 AM
Sun.	Confirmation Class	8:30 AM
	Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Sunday School & Youth Bible Class	8:45 AM
	Worship Matins	10:00 AM
	Youth Group Meeting	11:15 AM

ATTENDANCE MARCH 3: Sunday: 160

Adult Bible Class: 18 High School: 7 Sunday School: 44

ATTENDANCE MARCH 6: Wednesday: 60