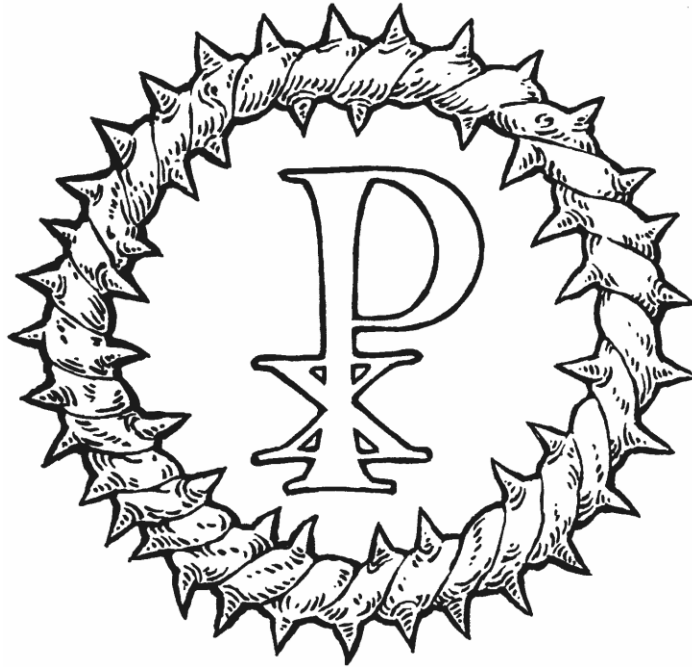


Zion Lutheran Church

Mascoutah, Illinois

March 13, 2024

4th 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

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

LSB 437

- 1 Alas! And did my Savior bleed, And did my sov'reign die?
Would He devote that sacred head For such a worm as I?
- 2 Was it for crimes that I had done He groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity, grace unknown, And love beyond degree!
- 3 Well might the sun in darkness hide And shut his glories in
When God, the mighty maker, died For His own creatures' sin.
- 4 Thus might I hide my blushing face While His dear cross appears,
Dissolve my heart in thankfulness, And melt mine eyes to tears.
- 5 But drops of grief can ne'er repay The debt of love I owe;
Here, Lord, I give myself away: 'Tis all that I can do.

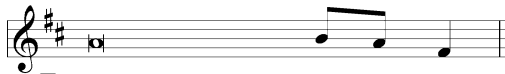
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Stand

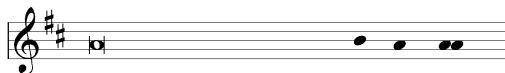
Opening Versicles *(Use Lent Response)*



L O Lord, o - pen my lips,



C and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



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



C make haste to help me, O Lord.



C Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy 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.
Advent: Praise to You, O Christ, King who comes to save us.
Lent: Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our sal - va - tion.

Responsive Reading

Psalm 135:1-21

- L** Praise the LORD! Praise the name of the LORD,
C give praise, O servants of the LORD,
L who stand in the house of the LORD,
C in the courts of the house of our God!
L Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good;
C sing to His name, for it is pleasant!
L For the LORD has chosen Jacob for Himself,
C Israel as His own possession.
L For I know that the LORD is great,
C and that our Lord is above all gods.
L Whatever the LORD pleases, He does,
C in heaven and on earth, in the seas and all deeps.
L He it is who makes the clouds rise at the end of the earth,
C who makes lightnings for the rain
L and brings forth the wind from His storehouses.
C He it was who struck down the firstborn of Egypt,
L both of man and of beast;
C who in your midst, O Egypt,
L sent signs and wonders
C against Pharaoh and all his servants;
L who struck down many nations
C and killed mighty kings,
L Sihon, king of the Amorites, and Og, king of Bashan,
C and all the kingdoms of Canaan,
L and gave their land as a heritage,
C a heritage to His people Israel.
L Your name, O LORD, endures forever,
C your renown, O LORD, throughout all ages.
L For the LORD will vindicate His people
C and have compassion on His servants.
L The idols of the nations are silver and gold,
C the work of human hands.
L They have mouths, but do not speak;
C they have eyes, but do not see;
L they have ears, but do not hear,
C nor is there any breath in their mouths.
L Those who make them become like them,
C so do all who trust in them!
L O house of Israel, bless the LORD!
C O house of Aaron, bless the LORD!
L O house of Levi, bless the LORD!
C You who fear the LORD, bless the LORD!
L Blessed be the LORD from Zion,
C he who dwells in Jerusalem! Praise the LORD!

- 1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, Beyond all thought and fantasy,
That God, the Son of God, should take Our mortal form for mortals' sake!
- 2 He sent no angel to our race, Of higher or of lower place,
But wore the robe of human frame, And to this world Himself He came.
- 3 For us baptized, for us He bore His holy fast and hungered sore;
For us temptation sharp He knew; For us the tempter overthrew.
- 4 For us He prayed; for us He taught; For us His daily works He wrought,
By words and signs and actions thus Still seeking not Himself but us.
- 5 For us by wickedness betrayed, For us, in crown of thorns arrayed,
He bore the shameful cross and death; For us He gave His dying breath.
- 6 For us He rose from death again; For us He went on high to reign;
For us He sent His Spirit here To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

Stand

- 7 All glory to our Lord and God For love so deep, so high, so broad;
The Trinity whom we adore Forever and forevermore.

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Sit

Sermon Parables of the Treasure Buried in the Field and the Pearl of Great Price

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.]

Stand

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 emp-ty a-way,
 5 and to the Ho-ly 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 be-ginning,

1 all generations will call me blessèd.
 2 from generation to gen-er-ation. *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.

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

C Lord, have mercy.

L 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.

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

C Lord, have mercy.

L 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.

L 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.

L 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.

L 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.

L 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.

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

C Lord, have mercy.

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

C Thanks be to God!

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

Silence for individual prayer may follow.

L 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

L 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 Fourth Sunday of Lent

L 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.

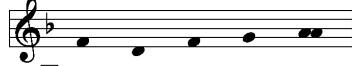
Lord's Prayer

LSB 251

L 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

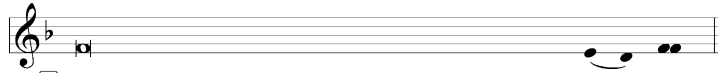


L Let us bless the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

Benediction



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



C A - men.

Sit

Hymn

Glory Be to Jesus

LSB 433

- 1** **Glory be to Jesus, Who in bitter pains
Poured for me the lifeblood From His sacred veins!**
- 2** **Grace and life eternal In that blood I find;
Blest be His compassion, Infinitely kind!**

- 3 **Blest through endless ages Be the precious stream
Which from endless torment Did the world redeem!**
- 4 **Abel's blood for vengeance Pleaded to the skies;
But the blood of Jesus For our pardon cries.**
- 5 **Of earth exulting Wafts its praise on high,
Angel hosts rejoicing Make their glad reply.**
- 6 **Lift we, then, our voices, Swell the mighty flood;
Louder still and louder Praise the precious blood!**

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LIFE AND LIVING ITEMS AT ZION



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.

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!

CHILDREN'S LENTEN DONATION BOXES

Sunday School children received and colored Lenten donation boxes. Please have your child(ren) bring the boxes to class Sunday March 24th to turn them in. The additional donations will be included in our first quarter mission at the end of March.

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.

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

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

THOSE WHO SERVE SUNDAY, 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

Wed.	Lenten Meal	5:30-6:30 PM
	Choir Rehearsal	6:00 PM
	Fourth Lent 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