

# Zion Lutheran Church

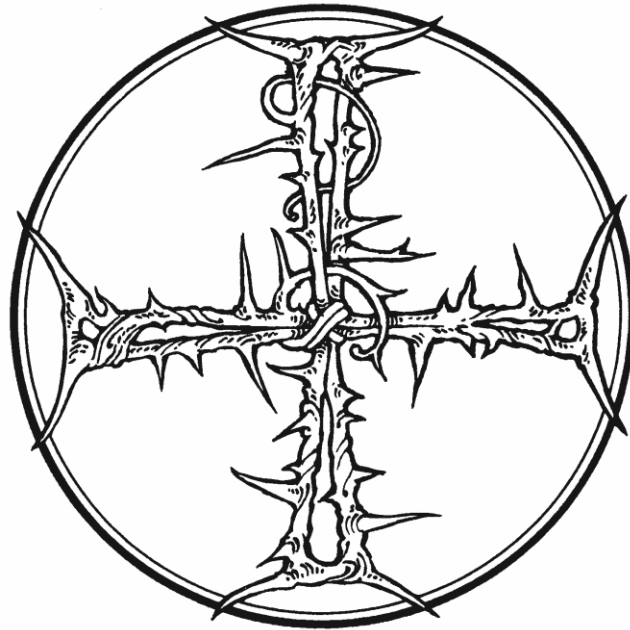
Mascoutah, Illinois

March 8, 2026

*Third Sunday in Lent*

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*"My Eyes Are Ever Toward the Lord"*



*In the Name of Christ Jesus our Lord, we bid you a warm welcome to this worship service. May your experience of worship and fellowship this morning be spiritually refreshing and ready you for the week ahead.*



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## Electronic Devices

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## Prayer to Begin Worship

Merciful Lord, as we journey through this holy season of Lent, cleanse our hearts and call us again to repentance and faith. Overturn whatever in us resists Your will, and plant Your Word deeply within us. Draw us to Christ, our Savior, that we may worship You in spirit and in truth. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

# DIVINE SERVICE II WITH COMMUNION

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## Confession and Absolution

### *We Worship the Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Spirit and Truth of His Gospel*

Though the Lord had brought them out of Egypt, “all the congregation of the people of Israel” grumbled against Him because “there was no water for the people to drink” (Ex. 17:1). Despite their quarreling, the Lord graciously provided for them. He did not strike the people for their sins, but by the hand of Moses He struck the rock instead and brought forth water for the people. In the same way, living water flows from the pierced side of Christ at “about the sixth hour” (John 4:6; 19:14), when He is lifted up on the cross for the sins of the world. He is “the gift of God” (John 4:10), the well from which the Holy Spirit is poured out and becomes in His people “a spring of water welling up to eternal life” (John 4:14). By this grace in which we stand, being at peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, we “worship the Father in spirit and truth” (John 4:23). “We rejoice in hope of the glory of God” because “God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us” (Rom. 5:2, 5).

Prelude

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

arr. Burkhardt

Hymn

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

LSB 699

- 1 I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Come unto Me and rest;  
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down Thy head upon My breast.”  
I came to Jesus as I was, So weary, worn, and sad;  
I found in Him a resting place, And He has made me glad.
- 2 I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Behold, I freely give  
The living water; thirsty one, Stoop down and drink and live.”  
I came to Jesus, and I drank Of that life-giving stream;  
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, And now I live in Him.
- 3 I heard the voice of Jesus say, “I am this dark world’s light.  
Look unto Me; thy morn shall rise And all thy day be bright.”  
I looked to Jesus, and I found In Him my star, my sun;  
And in that light of life I’ll walk Till trav’ling days are done.

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*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

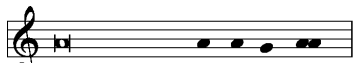
### Introit

*Psalm 84:1–4; antiphon: v. 5*

- P** Blessèd are those whose strength is in You,  
**C** **in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**  
**P** How lovely is Your dwelling place,  
**C** **O Lord of hosts!**  
**P** My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord;  
**C** **my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.**  
**P** Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young,  
**C** **at Your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.**  
**P** Blessèd are those who dwell in Your house,  
**C** **ever singing Your praise!**  
**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** Blessèd are those whose strength is in You,  
**C** **in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**

### Kyrie

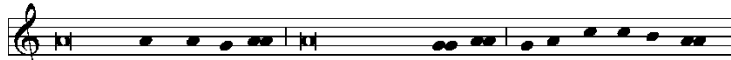
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**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



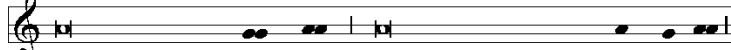
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



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



**C** Lord, have mer-cy.



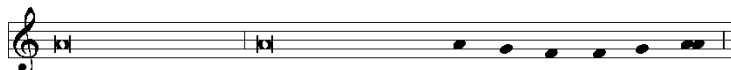
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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



**C** Lord, have mer-cy.



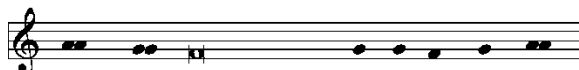
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise



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

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with Thy spirit.

**P** Let us pray. O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; 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 17:1-7*

All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the Lord, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you

quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." And the Lord said to Moses, "Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink." And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the Lord by saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Choir**

**As the Deer**

**arr. Tom Fettke**

**Epistle**

*Romans 5:1-8*

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through Him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—but God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

**Alleluia is omitted for Lent.**

**Holy Gospel**

*John 4:5-26*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St John, the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

[Jesus] came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as He was from His journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink." (For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to Him, "How is it that You, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water." The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do You get that living water? Are You greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty forever. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered Him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." The woman said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but You say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know,

for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship Him. God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.” The woman said to Him, “I know that Messiah is coming (He who is called Christ). When He comes, He will tell us all things.” Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am He.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

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Hymn

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

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- 1 Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee;  
Let the water and the blood, From Thy riven side which flowed,  
Be of sin the double cure: Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
- 2 Not the labors of my hands Can fulfill Thy Law's demands;  
Could my zeal no respite know, Could my tears forever flow,  
All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.
- 3 Nothing in my hand I bring; Simply to Thy cross I cling.  
Naked, come to Thee for dress; Helpless, look to Thee for grace;  
Foul, I to the fountain fly; Wash me, Savior, or I die.
- 4 While I draw this fleeting breath, When mine eyelids close in death,  
When I soar to worlds unknown, See Thee on Thy judgment throne,  
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee.

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Sermon

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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.

## **Prayer of the Church**

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord of hosts, Your ancient people worshiped You in Jerusalem, and in Christ You are now worshiped among all nations. Grant us faithful hearts to worship in spirit and truth, that many would come to know You in Your Word and Sacrament. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O God, You led Your ancient people by the hand of Moses and Aaron. Lead us through the wilderness of this world by the hand of faithful pastors, that we would be refreshed by the living water flowing from the stricken side of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord of all, You bestow Your riches on all who call upon You. Bless parents with all wisdom as they teach their children Your ways, that all in the household may confess with their mouths that Jesus is Lord. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, preserve our nation, and prosper the cause of justice in this land. Guide and grant Your wisdom to Donald, our president; the Congress of the United States; JB, our governor; and all elected and appointed civil servants. Grant us peace among the nations, and watch over those who protect us in the armed forces of our land. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O great Physician of body and soul, by Your Word and Holy Spirit comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity. Hold them all in Your almighty hands and bring them consolation. Heal them according to Your gracious will, and give us all grace to accept and bear our crosses with faith in You, that we would always be prepared to depart this life in faith and come to Your heavenly home. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful God, grant us safe haven at Your altar, that we who bear the weight of this world and its sorrows would always long for Your courts and the blessings You have prepared for those who sing Your praise. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty Lord, to You all hearts are open and all sins are known. Strengthen our hearts by Your grace, that we who daily sin much would make confession boldly and then joyfully receive Your precious word of absolution. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

## **In Our Prayers this Week:**

Jessica Pettis and Carolyn Overmyer, 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.

Others who have requested our prayers:

These and whatever other things You would have us ask of You, O God, grant us for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your only Son, our Lord and Savior, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **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.]*

*Stand*

## Offertory

LSB 176



**C** What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac - ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal -  
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.

## 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  $\text{✝}$  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  $\text{✝}$  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.

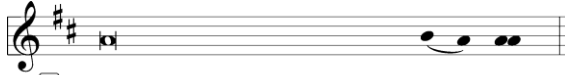
**P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final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

*In Holy communion, not only does Jesus give us forgiveness, He also gives us the promise that as we receive His gift, we are proclaiming His death. That is our lifelong duty and delight! As doctrinal oneness is central to this common proclamation, the churches of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod have promised to practice close communion. For this reason, we ask guests who desire to commune to kindly speak with the pastor before service.*

*The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:*

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

**Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face**

*LSB 631*

- 1 Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face; Here would I touch and handle things unseen;  
Here grasp with firmer hand the\_ eternal grace, And all my weariness upon Thee lean.**
- 2 Here would I feed upon the bread of God, Here drink with Thee the royal wine of heav'n;  
Here would I lay aside each earthly load, Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiv'n.**
- 3 This is the hour of banquet and of song; This is the heav'nly table spread for me;  
Here let me feast and, feasting, still prolong The brief bright hour of fellowship with Thee.**
- 4 I have no help but Thine; nor do I need Another arm but Thine to lean upon.  
It is enough, my Lord, enough indeed; My strength is in Thy might, Thy might alone.**
- 5 Mine is the sin, but Thine the righteousness; Mine is the guilt, but Thine the cleansing blood;  
Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace: Thy blood, Thy righteousness, O Lord my God.**
- 6 Too soon we rise; the vessels disappear; The feast, though not the love, is past and gone;  
The bread and wine remove, but Thou art here; Nearer than ever; still my shield and sun.**
- 7 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by, Yet, passing, points to that glad feast above,  
Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy, The Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love.**

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Hymn

**Jesus Sinners Doth Receive**

*LSB 609*

- 1 Jesus sinners doth receive; Oh, may all this saying ponder  
Who in sin's delusions live And from God and heaven wander!  
Here is hope for all who grieve: Jesus sinners doth receive.**
- 2 We deserve but grief and shame, Yet His words, rich grace revealing,  
Pardon, peace, and life proclaim; Here our ills have perfect healing.  
Firmly in these words believe: Jesus sinners doth receive.**
- 3 Sheep that from the fold did stray No true shepherd e'er forsaketh;  
Weary souls that lost their way Christ, the Shepherd, gently taketh  
In His arms that they may live: Jesus sinners doth receive.**
- 4 I, a sinner, come to Thee With a penitent confession.  
Savior, mercy show to me; Grant for all my sins remission.  
Let these words my soul relieve: Jesus sinners doth receive.**
- 5 Oh, how blest it is to know: Were as scarlet my transgression,  
It shall be as white as snow By Thy blood and bitter passion;  
For these words I now believe: Jesus sinners doth receive.**
- 6 Now my conscience is at peace; From the Law I stand acquitted.  
Christ hath purchased my release And my ev'ry sin remitted.  
Naught remains my soul to grieve: Jesus sinners doth receive.**

- 7 **Jesus sinners doth receive; Also I have been forgiven;  
And when I this earth must leave, I shall find an open heaven.  
Dying, still to Him I cleave: Jesus sinners doth receive.**

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**Hymn**

**What Wondrous Love Is This**

*LSB 543*

- 1 **What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this That caused the Lord of bliss  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul, To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!**
- 2 **When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down, When I was sinking down, sinking down,  
When I was sinking down Beneath God's righteous frown,  
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul, Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.**
- 3 **To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; To God and to the Lamb I will sing;  
To God and to the Lamb, Who is the great I AM,  
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing, While millions join the theme, I will sing.**
- 4 **And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing His love for me,  
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on, And through eternity I'll sing on.**

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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.

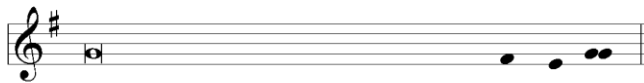
**Thank the Lord is omitted for Lent.**

**Post-Communion Collect**

- P** Let us pray.  
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; 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 Peace, like a River**

*LSB 763*

**1** When peace, like a river, attendeth my way; When sorrows, like sea billows, roll;  
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul. Refrain

ref It is well (It is well) with my soul, (with my soul), It is well, it is well with my soul.

**2** Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, Let this blest assurance control,  
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate And hath shed His own blood for my soul. Refrain

**3** He lives—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought; My sin, not in part, but the whole,  
Is nailed to His cross, and I bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! Refrain

**4** And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend; Even so it is well with my soul. Refrain

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**Postlude**

**It Is Well with My Soul**

**arr. John Behnke**

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## LIFE AND LIVING ITEMS AT ZION



### OFFERING USHERS

Please review the schedule below. If you're unable to serve on your assigned date, kindly let one of the Elders know as soon as possible. Thank you for your faithful service!

- **Today Jon & Cary Robinson, Mark & Mary Kay Krausz**
- Mar 15 Dale & Lisa Wehmeyer, Lionel & Lita Timmerman
- Mar 22 Ken & Laurie Knutson, Frank & Jenn Jeffries
- Mar 29 Harry Bailey, Tom Hinton, Pat Lange, & Dustin Pannier

### 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 11 Pizza

Mar 18 Men's Club: Taco Salad

Mar 25 Dan & LaVonne Evers: Italian

### LENTEN SERVICE OFFERINGS

The Lenten service offerings and money collected from the Lenten meals will be distributed as follows: 1/3 to Mascoutah Food Pantry, 1/3 to Unity Lutheran School, 1/3 to Concordia Seminary Food Bank (via Ray & Jean Kemezys). Thank you, Board of Finance

### THANK YOU FROM THE PURDINS

Jerry and Marleen Purdin would like to express their heartfelt thanks to everyone for the prayers, encouragement, and well wishes they have received. Your kindness and support mean so much to them.

### ZION'S ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT – MARCH 28<sup>th</sup>

The Board of Christian Education will be hosting Zion's Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 9AM. We will be providing a morning snack with the help of Ladies' Aid, presenting various Easter activities, and leading an Egg Hunt for each age level. Please invite your friends and family to bring their children, ages toddler -12. Please sign up on the participation sheet in the Narthex for all those participating, listing name and ages. For members that would like to volunteer to fill eggs with candy, there are bags of eggs available for filling in the Narthex as well. Thank you. BOE

### ZION'S TIME CAPSULE

Zion's time capsule will be sealed back up during the month of July. The Sunday School children are working on items to place in the time capsule. Some of those items will reflect the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our nation. We invite, and encourage, all members of Zion to contribute letters, pictures, etc. with your memories of, or thoughts for the future of Zion to place in the time capsule prior to it being sealed into the cornerstone. If you have any questions, please see Deb Heck.

### ZION PRESCHOOL SPRING CAKE ROLL FUNDRAISER

Zion Preschool's Spring Fundraiser is Cake Rolls through Show Me Dough. These products arrive frozen and just need to be thawed before serving. They would be perfect for the coming Easter holiday. There is an order form in the Narthex and today is the last day to order. You can also order online using the QR Code below or check out our Zion Preschool Facebook page for a direct link to the fundraiser website.



All orders will be available for pick-up on Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 a.m. at the Preschool South Street doors. The money we raise will help us purchase additional toys and equipment for the gym. Thank you to everyone for helping to support our program!

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR KITCHEN CLEANING**

On Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, from 9 AM until noon, we would like to clean the kitchen in the educational building. Cleaning will include cleaning outside and inside of cabinets. We will do as much as we can in the three hours. If you can make part of the time, that's great. The more help, the more cabinets we complete. Thank you in advance for helping. Please bring a bucket and 1 or 2 rags.

### **TRINITY LUTHERAN, MILLSTADT, SPAGHETTI DINNER -- TODAY**

Trinity Lutheran at 503 East Washington, Millstadt, will hold its annual spaghetti dinner today, March 8<sup>th</sup>, from 10:30AM to 2:30PM. The menu includes all-you-can-eat spaghetti, bread sticks, salad (featuring Papa Vito/s salad dressing), dessert, and beverages. Carry-outs will be available. The cost is \$13 for adults, \$5 for children ages 4-10 and FREE for children ages 3 and under. The building is walker, wheelchair, and stroller friendly. For more info, call 618-476-3101.

### **PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

Mascoutah Troop 44 is hosting a pancake breakfast on Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> from 8 AM – noon at Bethel Methodist Church in Mascoutah. Adults are \$12, 10 & under are \$8, and under 5 are free. Funds raised help support efforts to go to summer camp in West Virginia. For more info contact Marsha at 618-789-2612.

### **LCMS FOUNDATION**

We live in an “I can do it myself” culture. The truth is that with creating a Christian estate plan, we need an entire team, to assist us to make sure that our plan is well grounded. Being tax-wise is essential in an estate plan so that you are caring for the family you love and ministries you care about. This can require that you talk with your accountant/tax preparer, to advise you, based on your current tax realities, and what impact a charitable gift today or in the future will have. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can get you started thinking about this topic, helping you to know what questions to ask your tax advisor. Contact Scott Radden @ 618-977-4049 or [scott.radden@lcmd.org](mailto:scott.radden@lcmd.org).

### **LISTEN TO WORLDWIDE KFUE AM850**

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE AM850 & [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org): On Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m.), we're continuing our study of the book of Genesis, picking up with chapter 27! Tune in to Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m.) as we continue our series through the book of Numbers. On Concord Matters this week (3/14 at 10 a.m.), we're continuing our study of the Sacrament of the Altar as described in the Large Catechism— what benefit can be found in partaking of the Lord's Supper? Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or in the KFUE Radio app!

### **KARAOKE FOR CHRISTIAN HYMNS...**

You can sing hymns like “The Angel Gabriel,” “Silent Night,” “This Joyful Eastertide,” “The Day of Resurrection,” “Come Holy Ghost, Creator Blest” and more. Lutheran Public Radio has produced YouTube videos of more than 55 hymns featuring the Lutheran Public Radio Choir. Sing along at [lutheranpublicradio.org/karaoke](http://lutheranpublicradio.org/karaoke).

**THE FLOWERS ON THE LORD'S ALTAR**

The flowers on the Lord's altar are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Helen, Roy, and Lee Rincker.

**THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY, MARCH 8**

Proclaimer: Rev. Joel A. C. Dietrich  
Organist: Nancy Peterson  
Sound Tech: Tyler Hinton  
Offering Ushers: Jon & Cary Robinson, Mark & Mary Kay Krausz  
Acolytes: Cole Wambold & Savannah Murphy  
Altar Guild: Dawn & Phoebe Corey  
Elder of the Month: Tony Lara

**THOSE WHO SERVE WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11**

Proclaimer: Rev. Joel A.C Dietrich  
Organist: Nancy Peterson  
Sound Tech: Leif Peterson  
Acolytes: *Volunteer needed*  
Elder of the Month: Tony Lara

**THOSE WHO SERVE NEXT WEEK, MARCH 15**

Proclaimer: Rev. Joel A.C Dietrich  
Organist: Nancy Peterson  
Sound Tech: Cohen Bales  
Offering Ushers: Dale & Lisa Wehmeyer, Lionel & Lita Timmerman  
Acolytes: Viviana Jeffries & Aaron Dietrich  
Elder of the Month: Tony Lara

**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
Mon.	LifeLight	7:00 PM
Tues.	Evangelism	7:00 PM
Wed.	Lenten Meal	5:30 – 6:30 PM
	Confirmation Class	6:00 PM
	Choir Rehearsal	6:00 PM
	Lent Midweek Service	7:00 PM
	Hand Chime Rehearsal	8:00 PM
Fri.	Church Office Closed	
	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

**ATTENDANCE MARCH 1:** Sunday: 111

**ATTENDANCE MARCH 4:** Wednesday: 58