

Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church. We're a church on a mission to proclaim Christ through word and deed. Whether we are young or old, newcomer or long-time worshiper, full of joy or sorrow, at Zion we are a community called together in God's love. God loves and welcomes you as you are, and so do we.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | HOLY COMMUNION

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church April 21, 2024 | 10:00 AM

WELCOME!

We are delighted you are here today! No matter who you are, or where you are in life's journey, you are welcome at Zion.

We invite you to wear a name tag. Single use name tags are available on the welcome table in the gathering space. When you desire one, a permanent name tag will be provided.

All, without exception, are welcome to Holy Communion. This is God's table of grace. Come and be fed.



If you are new and would like to get connected, or if you wish to update your contact information, please scan this QR code using your phone. On this form you can indicate prayer requests and find a link to subscribe to our two weekly email newsletters. You may also fill out a Welcome Card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.

Please join us for coffee hour after worship in the Atrium (near east entrance).

Prayer Podium – inside the center entrance to the sanctuary is a Prayer Podium where you can write your prayer request(s) to be included in today's Prayers of Intercession. Please write them before worship begins.

During the Sundays of Easter, we are using a setting of the liturgy composed by long-time Zion organist David Chamberlin titled, "Lord, We Come to Your Table." In 1995, Zion commissioned David to compose a new liturgy. Funded by the Ruth Wells Memorial Fund, "Lord, We Come to Your Table" debuted in 1996. The liturgy sounds as fresh and engaging as the day it was first sung, and has become a beloved part of Zion's musical heritage.

We welcome children of all ages and we welcome the sounds and actions that accompany them. Children are invited to enjoy the carpeted space in the rear of the worship space. There are activity bags, hanging on hooks along the back wall, for children to use.

Check out our Kids Station in the same area, where young worshipers can find children's bulletins, crayons, drawing paper, fidget toys, sewing and tracing boards, and puzzles.

Children are always welcome in the sanctuary, but if you desire childcare, our nursery, located downstairs, is available from 9:45 to 11:15 am.

All floors of the building are accessible by elevator. Special seating areas in the sanctuary are available to support those with wheelchairs, walkers, or strollers.

Large print bulletins and hymnals are available.

Please ask an usher if special assistance is helpful.



GATHERING

The Holy Spirit Calls Us Together as the People of God

"LORD, WE COME TO YOUR TABLE" A setting for Holy Communion by David Chamberlin

PRELUDE

"Concerto in G Major, first movement"

Ernst / Bach

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

* Indicates stand as you are able

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the pastor begins.

In the name of the Father, and of the 🕂 Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN 531 *

The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing

GREETING, HYMN OF PRAISE, & PRAYER OF THE DAY *

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you.





The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray. O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



FIRST READING: Acts 4:5-12

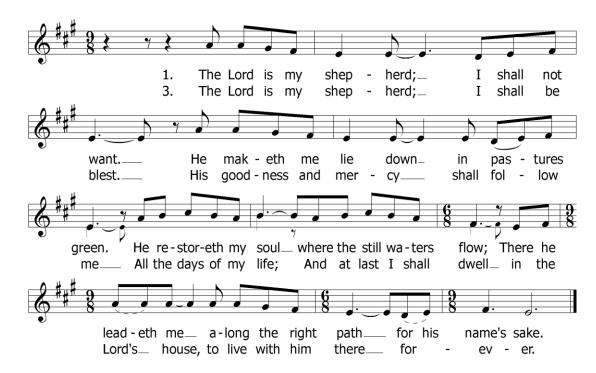
The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is

"the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;

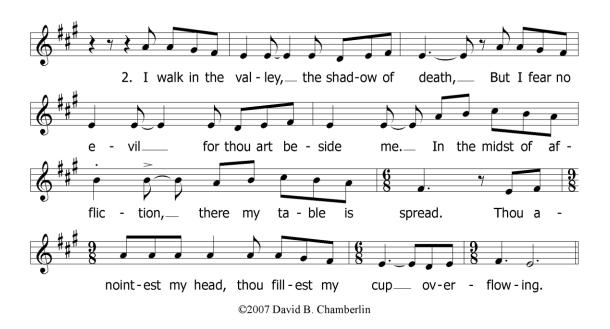
it has become the cornerstone."

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



PSALM 23



SECOND READING: 1 John 3:16-24

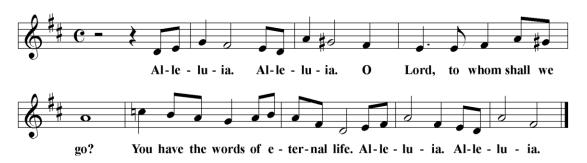
We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE *



The Holy Gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON & SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY 764 *

NICENE CREED *

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

Have No Fear, Little Flock

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION & THE PEACE *

After each petition ending: God of grace; Congregation responds: hear our prayer.

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



MEAL

God Feeds Us with the Presence of Jesus Christ

OFFERING

With gratitude, we receive offerings during worship to support the mission and ministries of Zion Lutheran Church. You may make your Sunday offering in one of two ways:

- ⊕ By placing your offering in the plate that is passed now or
- + By scanning the QR code with your phone.

MUSIC AT THE OFFERING

"Sheep May Safely Graze "

J. S. Bach

OFFERTORY *



OFFERING PRAYER *

Let us pray. Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING *

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brough us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.

Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

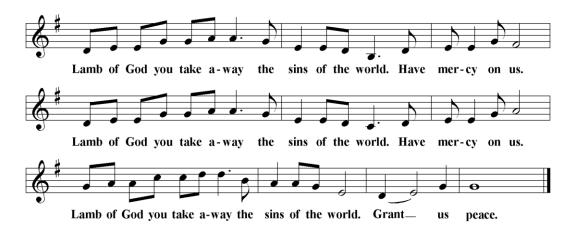
Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. **Amen.**

God, remember us in your love, and teach us to pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

LAMB OF GOD



HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to Holy Communion at Zion. To receive communion, please come forward at the direction of the ushers, forming two lines in the center aisle.

To receive the bread, place one hand in the other, like a manger or a bowl. Once you receive the bread, you may eat it. Gluten free wafers are available upon request. Continue to the side to receive either wine (red) or grape juice (white) in an individual cup.

If you would like to receive a blessing only, simply cross your arms in an x form across your chest and you will receive a blessing.

COMMUNION HYMN 484

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

COMMUNION HYMN 472

Eat This Bread

TABLE BLESSING AND PRAYER *

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**

Let us pray. Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. Amen.



SENDING

God Blesses Us and Sends Us in Mission to the World

BLESSING *

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

SENDING HYMN 544 *

Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing

DISMISSAL *

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

"Recessional"

Robert Cundick

TODAY'S MINISTRY LEADERS

Presiding Minister and Preacher	The Rev. Michael Tassler
Assisting Minister	Sabrina Bell
Organist/Pianist	David Chamberlin
Chancel Choir	David Zabriskie, Director
Reader	Brandon Courtney
Communion Assistants	Marc Foulks & Ross Anthony
Altar Guild	Tracy Hackworth / Steve & Marie Newton
Ushers	Doug Graham & Bob Hackworth
Counters	Andrew Benseler & Terry Haverkost
Fellowship Hosts	Sabrina Bell & Holly Graham

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Zion Lutheran Church is a Reconciling in Christ Congregation – We are committed to being a loving and welcoming community of faith in Jesus Christ. As a community of God we welcome all. We rejoice in the manner in which diversity enriches, nurtures, and challenges

the life and ministry we share in Christ. We embrace actions and attitudes within the Church that assure access to Word and Sacrament regardless of gender identity, sexual orientation, socio-economic or marital status, physical or mental capacities, age, or race.

Upcoming Events & Announcements

New Members – We will receive new members on Sunday, May 12. Such an exciting time as we continue to grow in numbers and in faith – God is Good! Please contact the church office (office@zelc.org) if you are interested in joining.

Informal Yoga Exercise Group – Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings at 10 am in the Atrium. Bring your own mat. All are welcome - no experience required!

Crossroads Urban Center – Zion is a drop off for Crossroads Urban Center, receiving donations of food and small household items for those in need across the Salt Lake Valley (the drop off bin is directly under the stairway leading to the balcony). Thank you to all Zion members and friends who have donated to Crossroads and a special thank you to those who deliver the donations. We look forward to continuing our partnership in 2024. **Currently in need of mac & cheese, pasta & rice.**



A Spirituality of Fundraising - Join Zion friends for a four-session online study of Henri Nouwen's classic "A Spirituality of Fundraising," led by Kathie Supiano. As Christians, we understand, but often do not fully realize, that our Lord is both unstintingly generous and lovingly steadfast. Not too late to join! Remaining sessions Apr 24 & May 8. To register, scan the QR code with your phone.

Zabriskie Requiem at Zion – Sunday, May 12 at 7:00PM in our sanctuary. Presented by the First Unitarian Church Chancel Choir, featuring guest soloists. Composed and directed by Dr. David A. Zabriskie. Free and open to the public.

Vacation Bible School Music Camp - Zion's summer VBS is on the way! Join us for a week of singing, Bible study, Orff percussion instruments, drumming, prayer, skits, art, outdoor games, crafts and snacks, with lap dulcimer and praise band for 5th and 6th graders. Our theme this year is Sermon on the Mount.



Ages: completed kindergarten through 6th grade June 17-21, 2024; Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Friday 9:00 am - 1:30 pm with Family Sharing Mini Concert \$25 per child for the week. Scan the QR code with your phone to register

Sign up now – 5 openings left. For more information, contact Susan Swidnicki: sljswidnicki@gmail.com

Attendance April 14, 2024 Worship: 94

Looking Ahead – Readings and Psalm for next Sunday

Acts 8:26-40 Psalm 22:25-31 1 John 4:7-21 John 15:1-8