



Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church. We are glad you have chosen to join us today as we worship God together. Church isn't a building; it's the people. 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.

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

## FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT | HOLY COMMUNION

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church  
February 18, 2024 | 10am





# GATHERING

The Holy Spirit Calls Us Together as the People of God

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“LORD, WE COME TO YOUR TABLE”

*A setting for Holy Communion by David Chamberlin*

PRELUDE

“Freu dich sehr”

Karg - Elert

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS \*

*\* Indicates stand as you are able. Numbered hymns are in the red pew hymnal.*

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God,  
who writes the law on our hearts,  
who draws all people together through Jesus.  
**Amen.**

Held in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin  
in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Holy God,  
we confess that we are caught in snares of sin  
and cannot break free.  
We hoard resources while our neighbors  
are hungry and cold.  
We speak in ways that silence others.  
We are silent when we should speak up.  
We keep score in our hearts.  
We let hurts grow into hatred.  
For all these things and for sins only you know,  
forgive us, Lord.  
**Amen.**

Here is a flood of grace:  
Out of love for the whole world,  
God draws near to us,  
breaks every snare of sin,  
washes away our wrongs,  
and restores the promise of life through ✚ Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN 624 \*

*Jesus, Still Lead On*

APOSTOLIC GREETING, KYRIE, & PRAYER OF THE DAY \*


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 cantor sings the refrain, after which the congregation repeats it. The congregation then sings the refrain following each verse sung by the cantor.*

**Refrain**




**C** Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy up - on — us.



**A** 1 In peace let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



**A** 2 For the peace of the world, for the strength of the church, for love a-mong all God's chil-dren: *to Refrain*



**A** 3 For this ho-ly house, and all who come here to pray and wor - ship and praise you: *to Refrain*



**A** 4 For sal - va - tion and grace each day, for the faith to live by your word: *to Refrain*



**A** 5 Help, save, com-fort and de-fend us, O Lord. **C** A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY \*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray. Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected your Son from sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



## WORD

God Speaks to Us in Scripture Reading, Preaching, and Song

FIRST READING: Genesis 9:8-17

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, “As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.”

God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 25:1-10

*The cantor sings the refrain, after which the congregation repeats it. The congregation then sings the refrain following each verse sung by the cantor.*

**Refrain** D. Chamberlin  
2021

Your paths, O Lord, are stead - fast love and faith - ful-ness.

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul;  
my God, I put my trust in you.  
Do not let me be put to shame;  
nor let my enemies triumph over me. **Refrain**

Show me your ways, O Lord,  
and teach me your paths.  
Lead me in your truth and teach me,  
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long. **Refrain**

Be mindful of your mercy, Lord,  
and of your everlasting love.  
Remember not my youthful sins,  
according to your great goodness and love. **Refrain**

Lord, you are gracious and upright;  
teaching sinners in your way.  
To those who keep your covenant  
your paths are faithfulness and steadfast love. *Refrain*

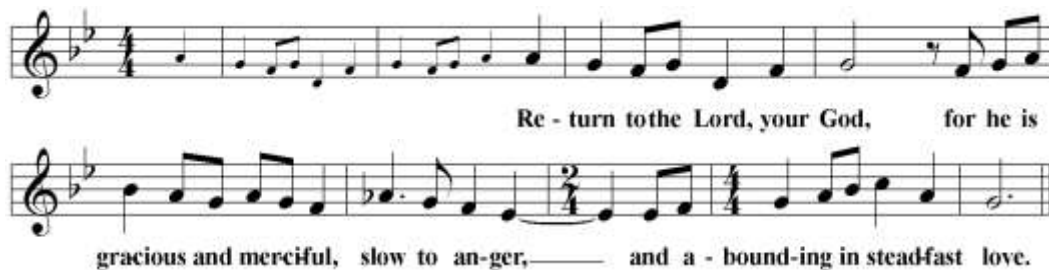
SECOND READING: 1 Peter 3:18-22

For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water.

And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION \*



HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 1:9-15 \*

The Holy Gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY 517 \*

*Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*

APOSTLES' CREED \*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

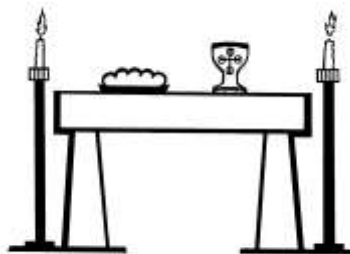
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION \*

*After each petition ending:* Hear us, O God.  
*The congregation responds:* Your mercy is great.

THE PEACE \*

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. As Jesus teaches, where our treasure is, there our heart is also. Thank you for giving generously from your heart, loved by God and focused on God.

To make an offering, use the offering plates passed at this time or scan this QR code:



MUSIC AT THE OFFERING

“Erhalt uns, Herr”

A. W. Leupold

## OFFERTORY \*

Lord, we come to your

1 ta - ble, with these of - fer - ings from our lives.  
 2 ta - ble, hun - gry for the bread of life.  
 3 ta - ble, where for us you of - fer your life.

These are to - kens of our love and faith.  
 Thirs - ty for the liv - ing wa - ter,  
 Here we eat the bread of hea - ven,

Take and use them by your grace. Cleanse our souls, and  
 For the life you prom - ise us. Feed our souls, and  
 Drink the cup of bles - sing, As a fore - taste

put our hearts in place.  
 fill our hearts with peace.  
 of the feast to come.



## OFFERING PRAYER \*

Let us pray. Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger for justice and peace. We pray this in your name. 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, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that, renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, ———

God of power and might: Hea - ven and

earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the

high - est! Bles - sed is he who comes in the

name of the Lord! Ho - san - na! Ho -

san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Holy God, our living Water and our merciful Guide, together with rivers and seas, wells and springs, we bless and magnify you.

You led your people Israel through the desert, and provided them water from the rock.

We praise you for Christ, our Rock and our Water, who joined us in our desert, pouring out his life for the world.

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.

Remembering, therefore his life, death, and resurrection, we await your salvation for all this thirsty world.

Pour out your Spirit on this holy food and on all gathered for this feast: wash away our sin, that we may be revived for our journey by the love of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church and in the world you so love, both 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

Lamb of God you take a-way the sins of the world. Have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God you take a-way the sins of the world. Have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God you take a-way the sins of the world. Grant— us peace.

## HOLY COMMUNION

*All are welcome to Holy Communion at Zion. During Lent, we will use the altar rail, and invite you to either kneel or stand as you desire.*

*To receive communion, please come forward at the direction of the ushers, forming two lines in the center aisle. As you approach the rail on your respective side, simply go to a space that opens as someone leaves.*

*To receive the bread, place one hand in the other, like a manger or a bowl. Once you receive the bread, you may consume it. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.*

*After you have received either wine (red) or grape juice (white) in an individual cup; place your empty cup in the basket by the side aisle.*

*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 583

*Take My Life, That I May Be*

COMMUNION HYMN 798

*Will You Come and Follow Me*

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. Generous God, **at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of Life. Amen.**



# SENDING

God Blesses Us and Sends Us in Mission to the World

## BLESSING \*

Beloved,  
we are God's own people,  
holy, washed, renewed.

God bless you and keep you,  
shower you with mercy,  
fill you with courage,  
and ✠ give you peace.  
**Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN 504 \*

*A Mighty Fortress is Our God*

## DISMISSAL \*

Go in peace. Share your bread.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

"Fugue and Chaconne"

Buxtehude

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## TODAY'S MINISTRY LEADERS

Presiding Minister and Preacher  
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Organist/Pianist  
Reader  
Communion Assistants  
Altar Guild  
Ushers  
Counters  
Fellowship Hosts

The Rev. Tony Auer  
Sabrina Bell  
David Chamberlin  
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Marc Foulks & Erin Basta  
Jan Heins & Holly Graham  
Doug Graham & Volunteer  
Ethel Olson & Paul Mogren  
Pr. Tony & Susan Auer

## WELCOME TO ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

We are delighted you are here today – welcome! 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.



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.

Zion’s Sunday School program meets every Sunday from 9:00-10:00 am, and is for preschool through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Our program includes participation in our youth music program as well as Bible lessons, snacks, and other activities. All are invited! For questions, contact Teresa Gresham at (919) 274-5450 or [teamgreshamgo@gmail.com](mailto:teamgreshamgo@gmail.com). More information is on our website: [www.ZELC.org/Sunday-School1.html](http://www.ZELC.org/Sunday-School1.html).

During the Sundays of Lent, we will use 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, which also helped fund the Orff instruments used by the youth music program, "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.

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.

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.

**\*\*Your 2023 Giving Statements are available for pick up in the narthex!**

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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

**Yoga Exercise Class** – Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings at 10 am in the Atrium. Bring your own mat. All are welcome!

**Zion Weekly Emails** – If you would like to receive our twice-weekly emails (Mondays and Fridays) please scan the QR Code on page 13, fill out a pew card and drop in the offering plate, or email [office@zelc.org](mailto:office@zelc.org) with your contact information. We look forward to connecting with you.

**Lenten Soup Suppers** - We invite you to Wednesday evening Lenten Soup Suppers beginning February 21 @ 5:30 pm and each week through March 20.



Using your phone, scan this QR code to sign up to bring soup, crackers or rolls; help with set up and clean up; or just to tell us you're coming (bring your appetite!).

*You do not have to sign up to come. Invite a friend!*

**Holden Evening Prayer** – Join us each Wednesday, beginning February 21 through March 20, at 6:15 pm.

**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. Here are some updates shared by Crossroads:

- **FEBRUARY – Diapers are really needed this month!** The Utah Diaper Bank is moving and unable to make their normal deliveries but our two emergency food pantries continue to serve families with small children, Monday through Friday. Please help us meet the need for February!

**Walking Together in the Word** – Available now!



Would you like a daily dose of scripture and some encouragement? Scan this QR code with your phone to reach a sign up page to opt in. You will receive a daily Bible verse and Spiritual Growth Prompt in your email inbox every morning at 5:00 AM. This is a wonderful way to start your day and spend time with God. The verses and spiritual prompts have been created and cultivated by a team at Zion for the people of Zion and our friends!

**Attendance February 11, 2024**

Worship: 116

**Looking Ahead** – Readings and Psalm for next Sunday

Genesis 17:1-7; 15-16

Psalm 22:23-31

Romans 4:13-25

Mark 8:31-38

