SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
HOLY COMMUNION
Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

May 10, 2026 – 10:00 AM

WELCOME!

We are delighted you are here today.
Everyone is welcome at Zion and all – without exception – are welcome to Holy Communion.

FREE COFFEE
Why not join us for some great coffee and conversation after worship near the east entryway. See you there!

CONNECT
To connect with the Zion community, scan this QR code. You can indicate prayer requests and find a link to subscribe to Zion's newsletter.

PRAYER PODIUM
Inside the sanctuary entrance is a Prayer Podium. You can write prayer request(s) to be included in today's Prayers of Intercession.

ACCESSIBILITY
All floors of the building are accessible by elevator. Sanctuary space is available for those with wheelchairs, walkers, or strollers. Please ask an usher if assistance is helpful. Large print bulletins are available.

NAME TAGS
We want to be a place where everyone knows your name! Name tag stickers are available on the welcome table in the gathering space. When you want one, a permanent name tag will be provided.

WORSHIP LIVESTREAM
We livestream worship on YouTube and the Zion Facebook page. You might appear in the livestream, but for security purposes, our children's sermon is blurred.

WiFi Network: Zion Guest
WiFi Password: Zion5822321

CHILDREN
We welcome kids of all ages! Children are invited to enjoy the carpeted zone in the rear of the sanctuary. There are activity bags on hooks along the back wall. Check out our Kids Station in the same area. If you wish to take your child (<4 yrs) to our staffed nursery, it is in the lounge across from the sanctuary.

GATHERING

** Indicates stand as you are able*

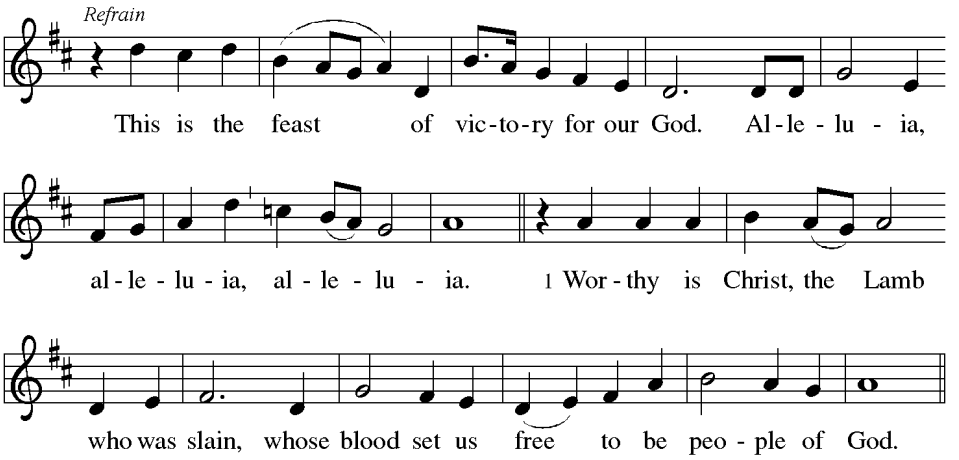
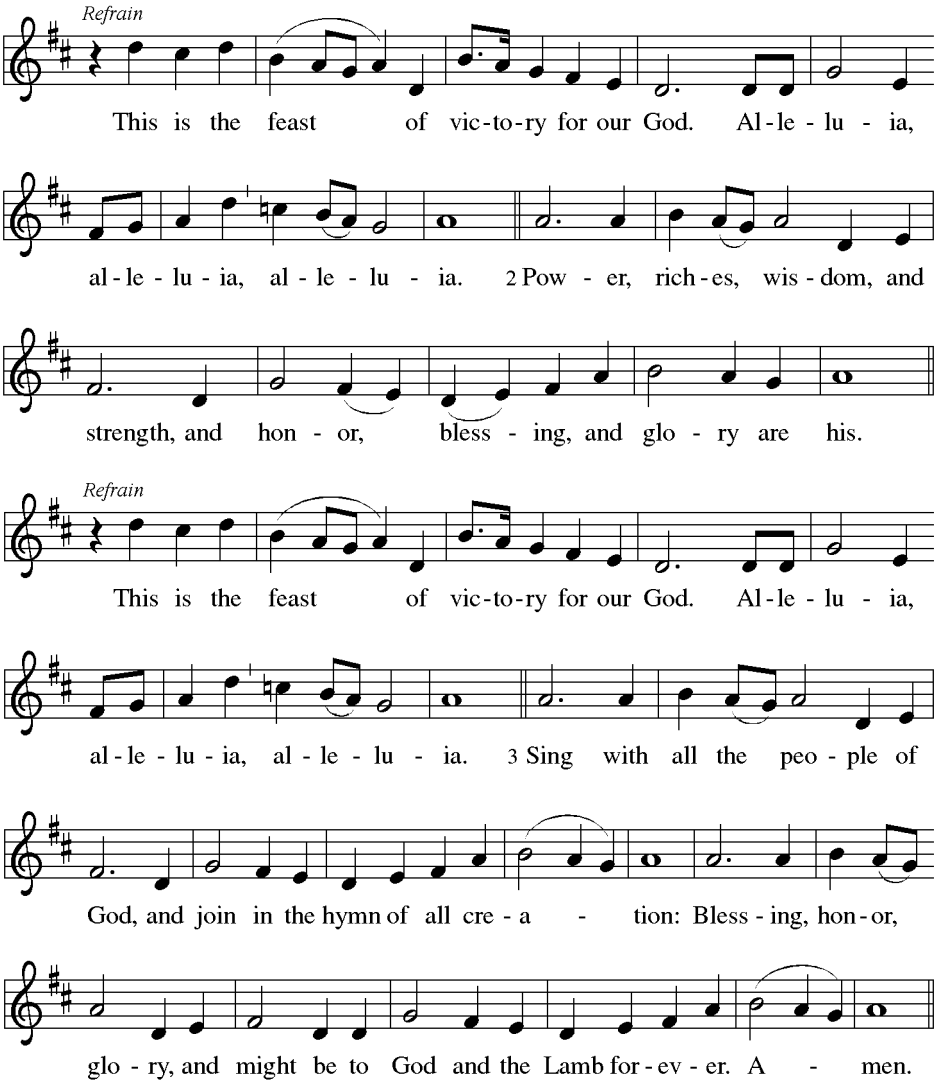
PRELUDE Prelude in G Major J.S. Bach

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 522 * *As We Gather at Your Table*

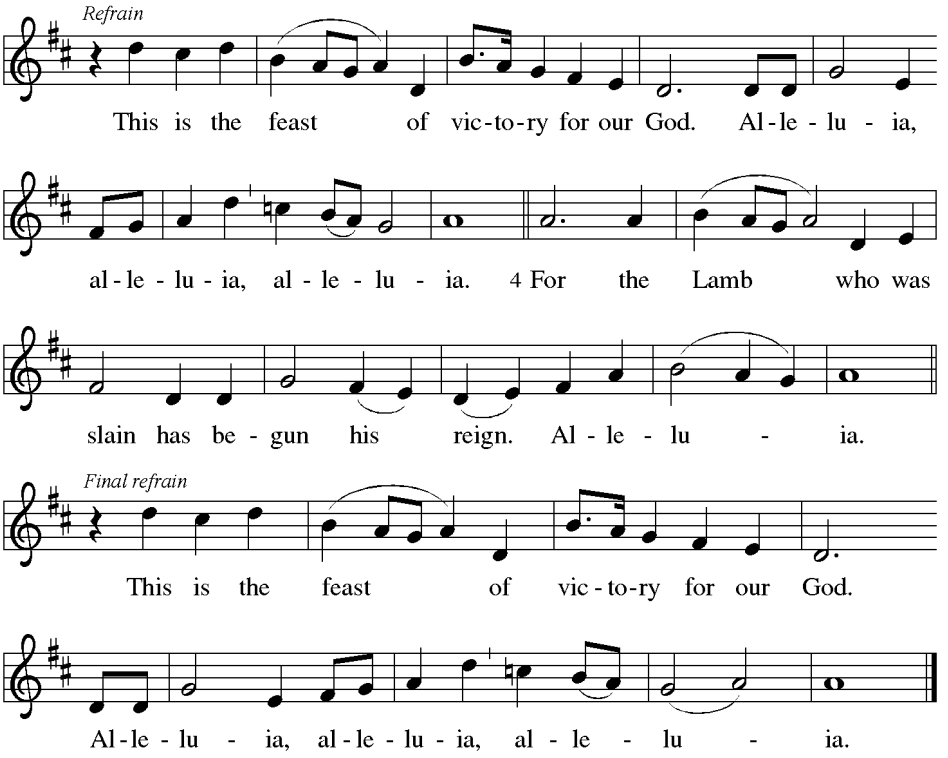
GREETING, HYMN OF PRAISE, & PRAYER OF THE DAY *

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.**



Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 2 Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and
strength, and hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his.
Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 3 Sing with all the peo-ple of
God, and join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or,
glo-ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.



The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, **you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING: Acts 17:22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely spiritual you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all peoples to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps fumble about for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said,

'For we, too, are his offspring.'

"Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

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

PSALM 66:8-20

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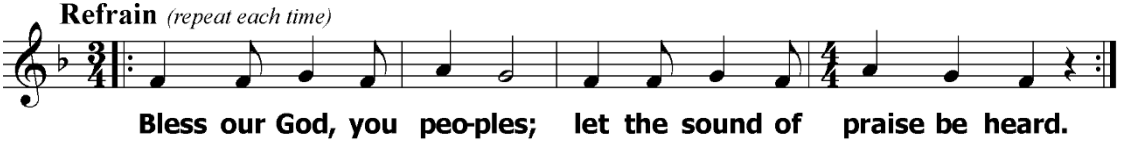

God has kept us among the living and not allowed our feet to slip.
God, you tested and purified us as silver in the fire is tried.
God, you brought us into the net, heavy burdens laid upon our backs,
Led us through fire and water, then you brought us out into a refreshing place. **Refrain**

I will enter your house with burnt offerings and pay you there my vows—
Those I spoke when I was in trouble, and promised with my lips to you.
Come and listen, all you believers, and hear what God has done for me.
I called out to the Lord, I opened my mouth to praise the Lord, my God. **Refrain**

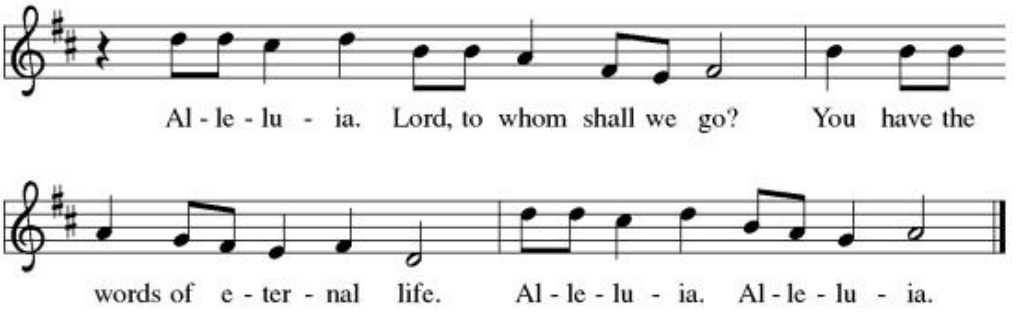
If I had cherished evil thoughts in my heart, the Lord would not have heard,
But in truth God has heard my voice and attended to my honest prayer.
Blest be God, who has not rejected my prayer; O bless and praise the Lord!
Blest be God, who has not withheld steadfast love from me. O praise the Lord! **Refrain**

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 3:13-22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you, yet do it with gentleness and respect. Maintain a good conscience so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. 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 lives, 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 ALLELUIA

HOLY GOSPEL: John 14:15-21

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

[Jesus said to the disciples:] "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

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

CHILDREN'S TIME

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY 631 * *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

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: Merciful God, *congregation responds:* **Receive our prayer.**

Pastor concludes: God of resurrection, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. **Amen.**

THE PEACE *

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

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLY COMMUNION

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
- Scan the QR code with your phone.

MUSIC AT THE OFFERING Voluntary on MIT FREUDEN ZART Chamberlin

OFFERING PRAYER *

Let us pray. Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus. **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING *

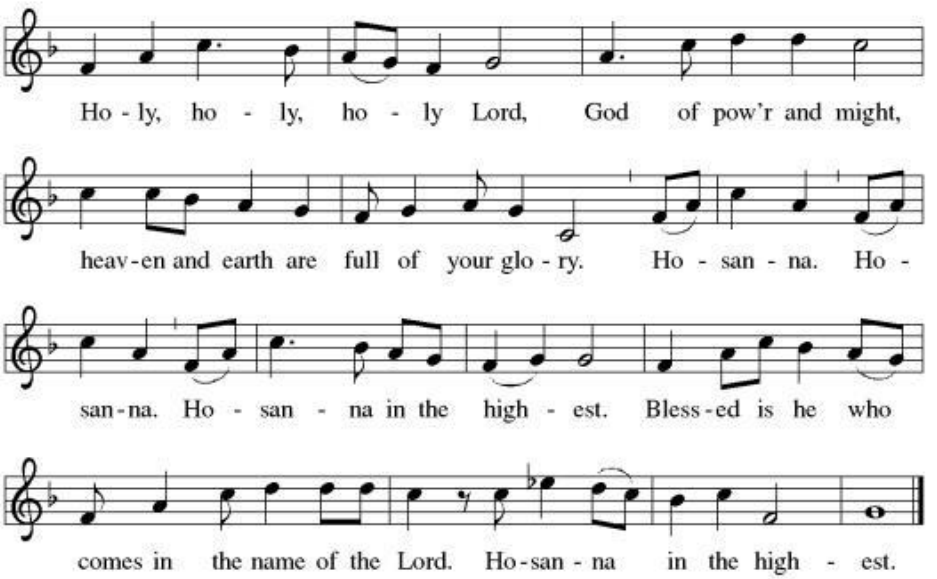
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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 brought 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:



You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

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.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

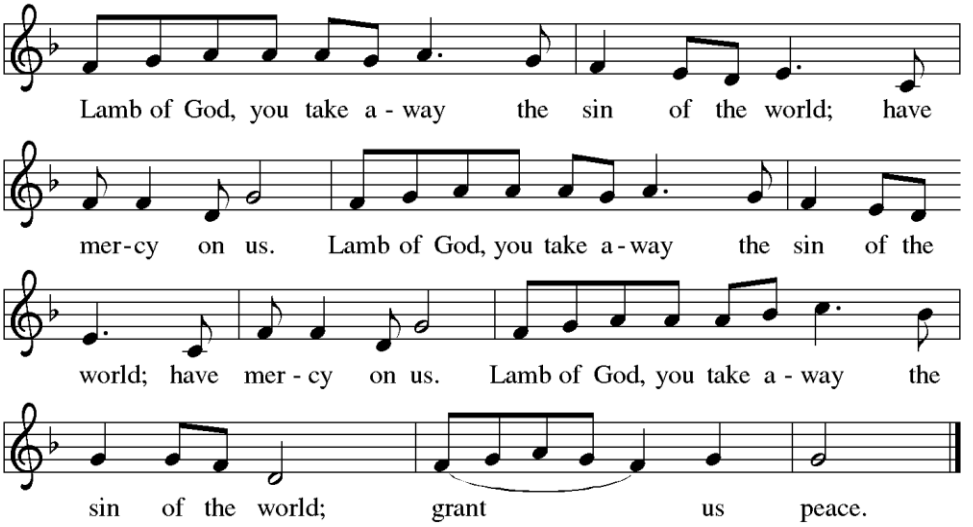
Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever. **Amen, amen, amen.**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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 continue to the side to intinct the wafer in either wine (red) or grape juice (white). Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

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 781 *Children of the Heavenly Father*

COMMUNION HYMN 466 *In the Singing*

POST COMMUNION BLESSING *

May the body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in His grace. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER *

Let us pray. Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

BENEDICTION *

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and peace. In the name of the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN 449 * *We Know That Christ Is Raised*

DISMISSAL *

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia! **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE Fugue on G Major Mendelssohn

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TODAY'S MINISTRY LEADERS

Preaching & Presiding Minister	The Rev. Tony Auer
Assisting Minister	Susan Auer
Organist/Pianist	David Chamberlin
Cantor	Rachel Kibler
Reader	Erin Basta
Communion Assistants	Lois Graham / Ross Anthony
Altar Guild	Holly Graham / Denny Gross
Ushers	Doug Graham
Counters	David Rowatt / Fred Strohacker
Fellowship Hosts	Pancake & Parfait Breakfast-Terrace Rm

Congregation Council: President – Joe Darnell; Vice President – Ross Anthony; Treasurer - Dennis Gross; Secretary - Liz Prystas; Sabrina Bell, David Buff, Jon Hall, Steve Newton, Cynthia Rowatt, Gavin Tonkyro

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 celebrate the manner in which diversity enriches, nurtures, and challenges the life and ministry we share in Christ. Our Table is open and we invite all to full participation in the life of our church regardless of race, sexual orientations, gender identities, gender expressions, socio-economic and marital statuses, physical or mental capacities, age, or social position. We commit to the work of anti-racism and all forms of structural, systemic, institutional, and personal bias.

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UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY Mother's Day Pancake & Parfait Brunch - Zion's senior- and junior- high youth (and leaders) invite ALL to a delicious Mother's Day brunch following worship. Please join us in the Terrace Room for pancakes, parfaits, fresh fruit, juice, and coffee. The celebration is free of charge, though we will collect a free-will offering for an ELCA-sponsored charity and upcoming youth events. We look forward to seeing and serving you!

Let Me Shine! Preschool Spring Appeal – This year, we are focusing on replacing the carpet in our Terrace Room downstairs. Last year you showed us what is possible when we come together! Can we do it again? If you feel led to give, every contribution – big or small – moves us closer to meeting our goal of $5,000. The total cost of the carpet is $20,380. We are a small non-profit school and your generous support will directly impact the comfort and safety of our students. LMS Preschool accepts cash, checks and Venmo (Holly-Graham-26) and also thru ZELC's Servant Keeper. Please note "Let Me Shine' on donations through ZELC. We will be accepting donations through the month of May. Thank you for the generous response so far! Let's keep it going!

Confirmation Sunday - May 17th - Zion will celebrate the Affirmation of Baptism of Matthew Drews, Amelia Johnson, and Micah Heale. A long-time Zion tradition involves gifting the confirmands personal copies of The Lutheran Study Bible. Over the upcoming weeks, we invite members of the congregation to highlight favorite Bible verses in these Bibles and/or write brief messages to the confirmation students. The Bibles, along with Post-it notes and index cards, will be available on the table near the Atrium before, during, and following Sunday worship in May, and in the church office during the week. Thank you for sharing your faith and inspiration with Zion's newest members!

Jr/Sr High Youth Hike – All junior & senior high youth are going to hike to Donut Falls on **Sunday, May 17th after worship**. Be sure to bring your water bottle, hiking shoes, sunscreen, hat, snacks. We will leave church at 11:45 AM. Parents, please pick up youth at the park n ride at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 2:30 PM. Questions can be directed to Sabrina Bell 801.661.5417.

Dinner Church – All are invited to join us Wednesday, May 20, at 6:00 PM in the Terrace Room. We'll enjoy a simple meal held around a large table, along with scripture, prayer, songs, Holy Communion, and energetic conversation. In anticipation of Pentecost, we will discuss ways in which the Holy Spirit comes to us. We especially encourage those who have yet to experience Dinner Church to attend. And for those who attend regularly, consider bringing along a friend. Contact Liz Prystas (eprystas@gmail.com) with questions.

Family Playdate – Saturday, May 30th 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM here on our playground (west side of building). BYO coffee and snacks, come for fellowship and enjoy some spring sun! Contact Valerie Garrison with questions valeriemgarrison@gmail.com.

Kidney Transplant Patient – We are collecting funds to purchase a gift card from Uber for rides needed to and from University Hospital for a transplant patient. Once he gets the call that a kidney is available, this patient is flying in from Montana with his 80 year old father, who will be his caregiver. After surgery, they may need to stay in SLC for 4 to 6 weeks and will need transportation to and from the hospital. What an opportunity to live out our mission statement: *'We are a congregation on a mission to proclaim Christ through word and deed'*. Thank you for your generosity and prayers.

Bi-Monthly Mission May / June – The Other Side Village is a recently built "small home" community in Salt Lake City currently serving 500 previously chronically homeless men and women. Unlike many programs that address homelessness, The Other Side Village provides more than a place to live. Through peer-led training and daily support meetings, residents are held accountable to sobriety, are offered vocational training and work experience, and are expected to actively participate in governance and upkeep of the Village. To learn more about this life-changing community, visit https://theothersidevillage.com/ To contribute, please use Zion's online payment portal ("bimonthly ministry") or label an offering for the collection plate. We will collect Noisy Offerings on May 24 and June 28. Thank You!

Manual Labor Needed – Our church council has accepted a bid to widen the concrete sidewalk at our south entrance. We need to dig out the sod in preparation for this work to be done on Friday, May 29th. We will need 4 or 5 wheelbarrows, shovels, a couple of dirt rakes and possibly a small trailer to move the dirt. This prep work ideally needs to be done the morning of Wednesday, May 27th. Please contact the church office (office@zelc.org) if you can offer assistance and/or equipment for this project.

UTAH Pride Month – June is Utah Pride month. On Friday, June 5th there will be an opening party; the Utah Pride Festival is June 6th & 7th; Utah Pride Parade is June 7th. Go to www.utahpride.org for all the details.

Registration Closed - 2026 Vacation Bible School Music Camp – June 15-19. Mon-Thur 9 AM- 3 PM; Fri 9 AM - 1:30 PM, with a family mini-concert at 1 PM. Ages: completed Kindergarten-6th grade. 5th and 6th graders will have Praise Band and lap dulcimer instruction. $25 per child for the week. To be placed on the **waitlist**, please email Susan Swidnicki at sljswidnicki@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE – Saturday, August 15th Steve & Marie Newton will host our summer Wine & Cheese party at their home in Emigration Canyon. New members are encouraged to join in! More details to come.

ZELC Opportunity to Serve - It's great to see so many people enjoying coffee, snacks, and conversation in the Atrium after Sunday worship. To keep it going, we're looking for one or two families each week to bring simple snacks. Coffee is provided and there are always people to assist as needed. Please sign up on the clipboard in the Narthex. Questions? Contact Chet Johnson: chetj.slc@gmail.com.

Crossroads Urban Center – Share donations of food/small household items. The drop off bin is directly under the stairway leading to the balcony. **Current needs: canned soups for the food pantry and men's clothing for the thrift store.**

Caring Connections Prayer Circle Requests - Are you, or someone you care about, in need of prayer? Please send your prayer requests to Holly Graham (40Grambo@msn.com). Holly will forward them to the dedicated members of our developing prayer circle. *May our prayers rise up like incense before God!*

Adult Sunday School meets at 9:00am in the Lounge—last class will be May 17th; come ready for good conversation and learning together, facilitated by Alyce Gross!

Chancel Choir rehearses each Sunday at 8:45am in the Choir Room downstairs—last rehearsal before summer break will be May 17th; new voices are always welcome.

Sunday School Schedule (Sept. 14 - May 17):

PreK - K (Rm 7, Upstairs West Hall)
9:00 - 9:15am: Bible class
9:15 - 9:30am: Cherub Choir
9:30 - 9:50am: Activity and snack
1st - 3rd & 4th - 5th (Terrace Room)
9:00 - 9:30am: Bible class
9:30 - 9:50am: Youth Choir
Confirmation (Library) & **Youth Group** (Youth Room downstairs)
8:45 - 9:15am: Joyful NOIZ
9:15 - 9:50am: Bible class

Informal Yoga Exercise Group – Please join us at 10 AM in the atrium each Monday, Wednesday & Friday. Bring your yoga mat. No experience needed!

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Attendance May 3, 2026 Worship: 101; Online views: 72; Sunday school: 34

Looking Ahead – Readings and Psalm for next Sunday: Acts 1:6-14; Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35; 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11; John 17:1-11