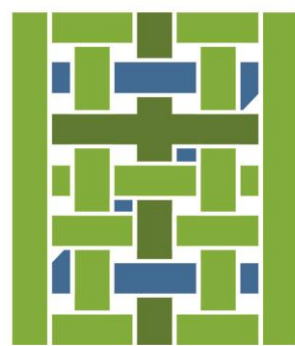




The Ascension of Our Lord

Worship | 10 am

May 26, 2019



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In Christ's Name, Welcome!

We extend a warm welcome to our guests. Please know you are included in Christ's own invitation to receive God's promise and presence in the "for you" of Holy Communion. Thank you for filling out the bulletin insert especially if you have prayer concerns. We also use this page to welcome and invite newcomers and guests into the events and activities at Zion.

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation. 2 Corinthians 5:17-18

We are Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, 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.

We are a Reconciling in Christ community.

All are welcome! 

Worship Today

- 10 am Worship

Events at Zion This Week

- Monday, May 27
 - Memorial Day | Church Offices Closed
- Tuesday, May 28
 - 6:30 pm | Girl Scouts Court of Honor
 - 7 pm | Moms Demand Action
- Wednesday, May 29
 - 7 am | Men's Bible Study
 - 9 am | Yoga exercise class
- Thursday, May 30
 - 6:30 pm Meditation Group
- Friday, May 31
 - 9 am | Yoga exercise class
- Saturday June 1
 - 2 pm | Violin Recital
- Sunday, June 2
 - 10 am | Summer Worship



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Resources for Worship

- Online Bulletin
 - You can download today's and previous bulletins to your smartphone or tablet to view during worship or at other times. Simply go to zelc.org
- Quiet Activity cloth bags are available for young children during worship. Our ushers would be happy to provide you with one.
- Hearing Devices
 - Please speak to an usher if you are in need of a hearing assistance device.
- Large Format Bulletin
 - Please speak to an usher if you are in need of a large format bulletin.

For information on this and other news and events go to zelc.org

Gathering

Prelude

Gathering Hymn

Hymn No. 377 || "Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen"

Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Risen and ascended Christ,

you surround us with witnesses

and send us the Counselor

who opens our minds to understand your teaching.

Bless us with such grace

that our lives may become a blessing for the world

now, and in the age to come.

Amen.

Word

First Reading

Acts 1:1-11

Before he is lifted into heaven, Jesus promises that the missionary work of the disciples will spread out from Jerusalem to all the world. His words provide an outline of the book of Acts.

[Luke writes:] ¹In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning ²until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

⁶So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority.

⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.

¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

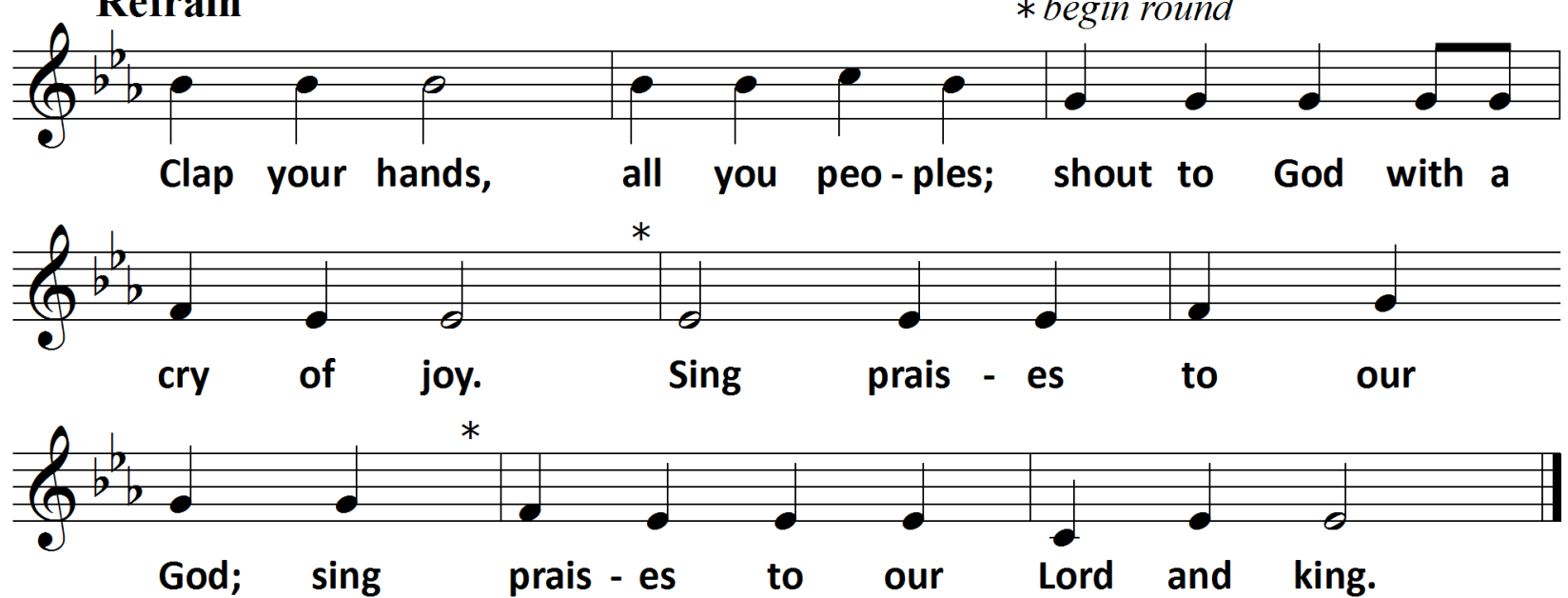
Word of God. Word of life.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 47

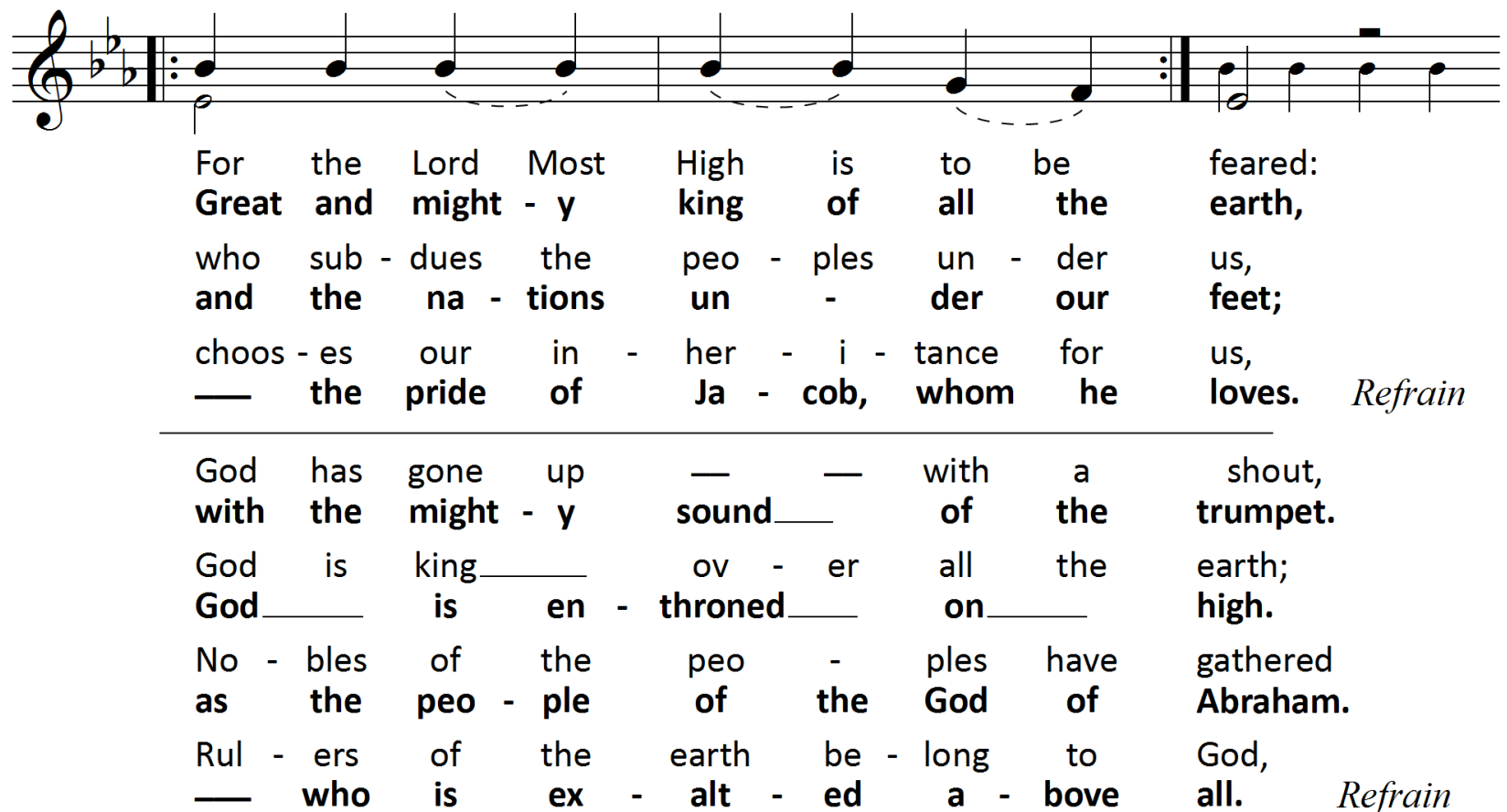
D. Chamberlin

Refrain ** begin round*



Clap your hands, all you peo - ples; shout to God with a
 cry of joy. Sing prais - es to our
 God; sing prais - es to our Lord and king.

Verses (alternating)



For the Lord Most High is to be feared:
Great and mighty - y king of all the earth,
 who sub - dues the peo - ples un - der us,
 and the na - tions un - der our feet;
 choos - es our in - her - i - tance for us,
 — the pride of Ja - cob, whom he loves. *Refrain*

God has gone up — — with a shout,
with the mighty - y sound — of the trumpet.
 God is king — — ov - er all the earth;
God — is en - throned — on — high.
 No - bles of the peo - ples have gathered
 as the peo - ple of the God of Abraham.
 Rul - ers of the earth be - long to God,
 — who is ex - alt - ed a - bove all. *Refrain*

Second Reading

Ephesians 1:15-23

The risen and exalted Christ reigns over the entire universe. The author of Ephesians prays that we would be given the wisdom to comprehend this and display it through love toward others.

¹⁵I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Word of God. Word of life.

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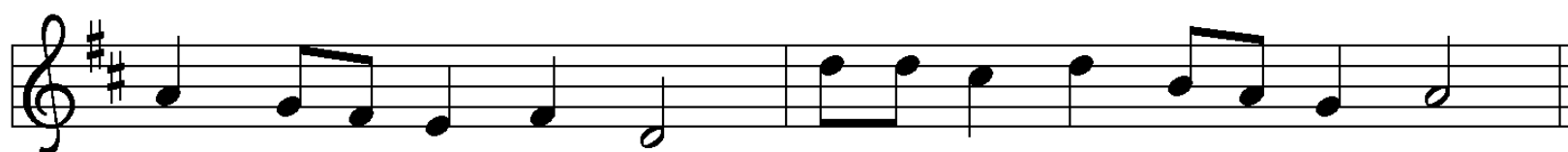
Children's Message

All children are welcome to join Pastor Steve at the communion rail.

Alleluia Verse



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel

The people stand.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 24:44-53

On the day of his ascension, Jesus leaves his disciples with a commission, a blessing, and a promise of the Holy Spirit.

⁴⁴[Jesus said to the eleven and those with them,] “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.”⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

⁵⁰Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. ⁵¹While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵²And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; ⁵³and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

“Anhelo”

(Pastor Steve Klemz)

A brief silence for reflection.

Hymn of the Day

Hymn No. 393 || “A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!”



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;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.
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.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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.**

** "catholic" is the church universal*

The Prayers

We pray Christ's healing for Bev Johnson, Bonnie Judge, and Terri Moffitt (at Avalon in Bountiful). For Ronnie and her sisters Cheryl & Vicki, and son Zak. We pray for strength of wholeness for Rhonda Joa, Ron Finner, Dianne Krehbiel. We pray for Kent, Jody, Tasha, and Shirly. We pray for Jason, Lacy, Jenna, Berkley, and Evan. Continued healing and peace for Susan Swidnicki, Linde Wrathall, Louise Nelson, Cindy Haverkost. We pray blessings for all the students who just graduated from Let Me Shine Pre-school as they continue their education and growth. We pray for ELCA student pastor Betty Rendón and for immigration reform.

Each petition concludes, "**Lord in your mercy,**" and the people prayerfully respond, "**hear our prayer.**"

The Sharing of the Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The ministers and congregation signal their unity with each other in the family of Christ by sharing a moment of greeting with each other saying, "Peace be with you" and are seated when finished exchanging the peace.

The Meal

The Gathering of the Gifts

Thank you for filling in the hospitality page (bulletin insert). It serves as an instrument for pastoral care, especially with the requested prayers. Please place the page in the offering plate.

If you would like to give online, please go to zelc.org/give-now

Offertory

"Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful, Lord"



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

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Offering Prayer

Risen One,
as you broke bread with the disciples on the shore,
meet us now in this meal.
Nourish us to follow you,
using our gifts to feed the hungry and tend the weary,
and all for your love's sake.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Invitation to Communion

All are welcome!

Thanks be to God.

The Lamb of God

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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.

Holy Communion

In Christ's body and blood given to us, God forgives us and nourishes us for mission. We sing as the bread is broken and as the meal is shared. We ask God to send us in witness to the world.

To receive Holy Communion, please come down the center aisle.

Newcomers & Visitors: You are welcome to join us for Holy Communion. The wine may be received by dipping the bread in the cup, or eating the bread and drinking from the cup. Individual cups are available for those who desire. Grape juice is clear, individual cups of wine are red. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

If you would like to receive a blessing for yourself and/or your child, simply come forward with your hands folded, and the person serving the bread will offer you a blessing.

Communion Hymns

Hymn No. 855 || "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Hymn No. 838 || "Beautiful Savior"

After all have received communion, please remain seated until the Benediction.

The Table Blessing

The body and the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep us in God's great grace.
Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.
Living God,
you have greeted us in our brokenness
and nourished us with the body of Christ, broken for us.
Risen to new life with you,
send us now to bear your healing love
into the wounded world,
in the name of our risen Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Benediction

The blessing of the living God,
Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,
surround and sustain you,
keep you from harm,
and fill you with courage.
Amen.

Sending Hymn

Hymn No. 540 || "Go, Make Disciples"

Dismissal

You are the body of Christ raised up for the world.
Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

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Lessons for Next Sunday

May 26, 2019
Seventh Sunday in Lent
Acts 16:16-34
Psalm 97
Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21
John 17:20-26

Financial Stewardship

Yearly Operating Budget 2019: \$480,450
Weekly Operating Budget: \$9,240
Last Week's Offerings: \$4,959
YTD Total Received: \$194,540
May 19, 2019:
▪ 8:15 am = 39
▪ 10:30 am = 116
▪ Sunday school brunch = 73



What's Happening at Zion

Sunday Worship

Beginning May 26 (today), Zion will switch to our summer worship schedule, with one service being held at 10 am. This schedule will continue through Labor Day.

Semiannual Meeting - Save the Date

On June 2, Zion will host its semiannual Congregation meeting following worship.

Men's Small Group

Peter Staks, Shepherd. The Men's Small Group will take a summer hiatus. Future schedules to be announced later this summer. Contact Peter at peter@wardleycompanies.com.

Detained

We pray for ELCA student pastor Betty Rendón and for immigration reform. You may access her plight with Living Lutheran at tinyurl.com/y5sy19jm Letters are also needed immediately to advocate for their release. Letters are being collected by Ellen Miller, National Immigrant Justice Center, emiller@heartlandalliance.org

Women's Small Group

Alyce Gross, Shepherd. Meets the first and third Mondays at 7 pm in various homes. This group is using the book INSPIRED, by Rachel Held Evans, to help us examine some favorite/or not so favorite Bible stories. Contact Alyce at adgross1@msn.com.

Men's Bible Study

Meets each Wednesday morning at 7 am downstairs. Come have breakfast with us and discuss God's Word! We are studying the weekly scriptures from the Taking Faith Home bulletin insert.

Interfaith PRIDE Service – May 30, at 7 pm

"Exist, Resist, Persist" is the theme of this year's service, commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Stonewall Riots. Bishop Karen Oliveto (first openly Lesbian Bishop in the United Methodist Church) is the guest speaker. All are welcome! Christ United Methodist Church
2375 East 3300 South, Salt Lake City 84109

Today's Worship

Pastor Steve Klemz—Presiding + Preaching
David Chamberlin—Organist
Diane Gardner— Music Director
Susan Swidnicki— Children's Choir Director
Jan Heins + Holly Graham—Altar Guild
Fred Strohacker + Diane Teece—Counters

10 am Worship
Lisa Mensinger—Assisting Minister

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