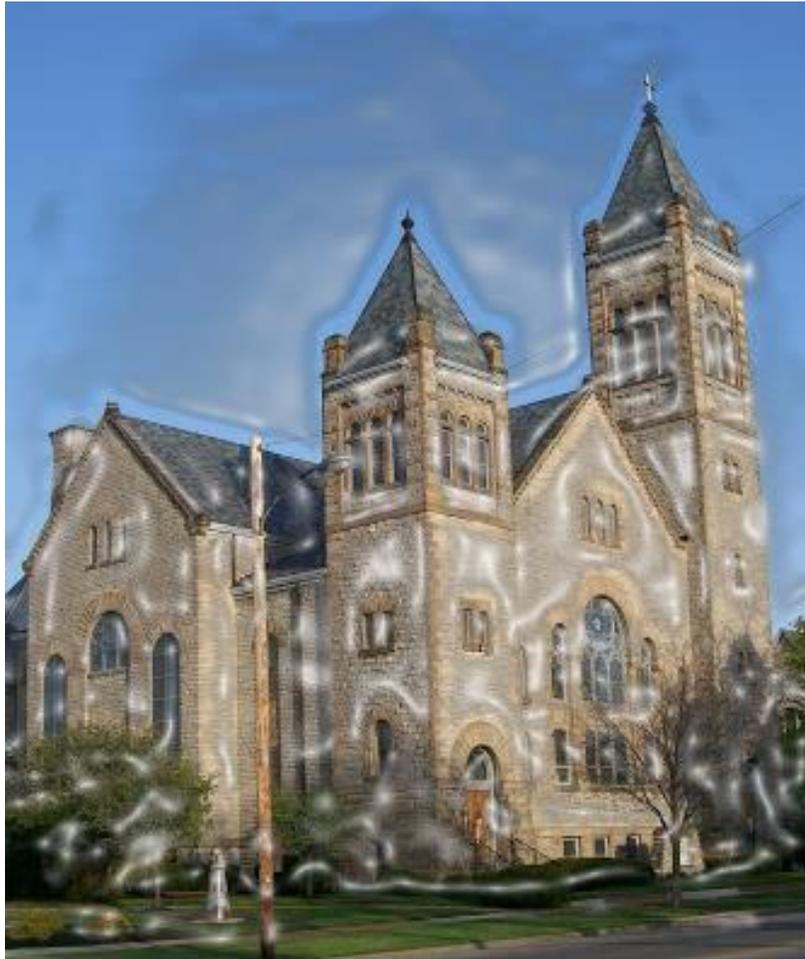


Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Second Sunday of Easter  
April 28, 2019  
8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.



Introduction to the Day

*In spite of all we have heard and all that we have seen, it is often hard to believe. Because it is hard to believe, we will invest ourselves in the Easter mystery for fifty days (a week of weeks). Because it is hard to believe, John the evangelist will provide sign after sign celebrating Jesus' victory over death. Because it is hard to believe, the Lord Jesus will return to us again and again in the mystery of the holy communion, inviting us to touch and taste his presence, and offering us his peace.*

## **Welcome to Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church!**

*If you are a visitor, please know that the restrooms are out the door in the back of the right side of the worship space, up the ramp to the left, across that room, and down the hall to the offices on the right side before you get to the offices.*

*If you need the nursery, go out the door in the back of the right side of the worship space, down the steps to the right, and through the door at the bottom of the steps to your right. It has a sign on it. There is a changing table and a rocker available there. The nursery is not staffed.*

### **Communion Statement**

*The belief of this congregation is that participation in the Lord's Supper is the reception of "the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us to eat and drink" (Luther's Small Catechism, ELW p. 1166). We believe that "a person who has faith in these words, 'given for you' and 'shed for you for the forgiveness of sin,' is really worthy and well prepared. However, a person who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, because the words 'for you' require truly believing hearts" (Luther's Small Catechism, ELW p. 1166).*

*Prayers for before worship and before receiving communion can be found on page 72 in the front of Evangelical Lutheran Worship.*

*At this service, communion is distributed continuously. When you come forward, you will be given a piece of bread to eat. If you need gluten-free bread, just ask. Then you move to the next person and you be given a small cup filled with wine to drink. If you need grape juice, just ask. Then you move to the next person and put the empty small cup in the tray.*

*Prayers for after receiving communion and after worship can be found on pages 72 and 73 in the front of Evangelical Lutheran Worship.*

**May the Spirit bless our time of worship.**

## GATHERING

PRELUDE: *Awake, My Heart, with Gladness* arr. Held

### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM (8:00)

*Please stand.*

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

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*(8:00) The service continues with gathering song on page 8)*

(10:30) HOLY BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

*Sponsors for each candidate, in turn, present the candidates:*

I present Name for baptism.

*The presiding minister addresses parents or others who bring for baptism children who are not able to answer for themselves:*

Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have *your child* baptized into Christ?

*Response:* I do.

As you bring *your child* to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities:

- ❖ to live with *them* among God's faithful people,
- ❖ bring them to the Word of God and the holy supper
- ❖ teach *them* the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
- ❖ place in *their* hands the holy scriptures,
- ❖ and nurture *them* in faith and prayer,
- ❖ so that *your children* may learn to trust God,
- ❖ proclaim Christ through word and deed,
- ❖ care for others and the world God made,
- ❖ and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help *your child* grow in the Christian faith and life?

*Response:* I do.

*The presiding minister addresses sponsors:*

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture *this person* in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help them live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

*Response:* I do.

*The presiding minister addresses the assembly:*

People of God, do you promise to support Name and pray for *them* in *their* new life in Christ?

**We do.**

*The assembly stands.*

### PROFESSION OF FAITH

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

*Response:* **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

*Response:* **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

*Response:* **I renounce them.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**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.**

### THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you. Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### BAPTISM

Name I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

The image shows a musical score for the baptismal prayer. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is written in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the treble staff: "You be - long to Christ, in whom you have been bap - tized." The word "baptized" is split as "bap - tized". The music ends with a final cadence on a whole note.

al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Name with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.  
**Amen.**

Name, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.  
**Amen.**

### WELCOME

*A lighted candle may be given to each of the newly baptized as a representative of the congregation says:*

Jesus said, I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will have the light of life.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

GATHERING SONG: *Borning Cry* (ELW 732)

- 1 **"I was there to hear your borning cry,  
I'll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized  
to see your life unfold.  
I was there when you were but a child,  
with a faith to suit you well;  
in a blaze of light you wandered off  
to find where demons dwell."**
- 2 **"When you heard the wonder of the Word  
I was there to cheer you on;  
you were raised to praise the living Lord,  
to whom you now belong.  
If you find someone to share your time  
and you join your hearts as one,  
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme  
from dusk till rising sun."**
- 3 **"In the middle ages of your life,  
not too old, no longer young,  
I'll be there to guide you through the night,  
complete what I've begun.  
When the evening gently closes in  
and you shut your weary eyes,  
I'll be there as I have always been,  
with just one more surprise."**
- 4 **"I was there to hear your borning cry,  
I'll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized  
to see your life unfold."**

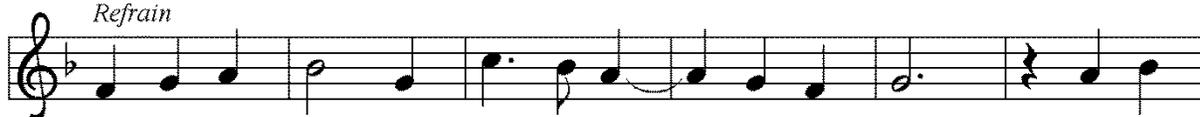
GREETING

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

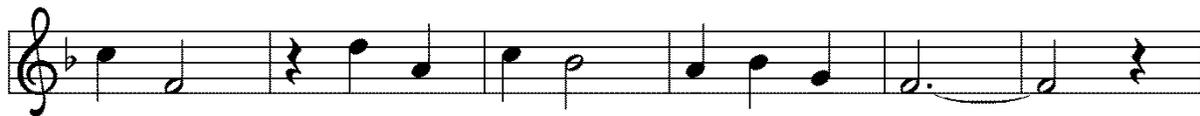
**And also with you.**

# CANTICLE OF PRAISE

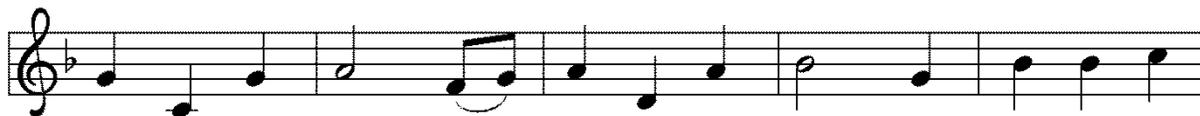
*Refrain*



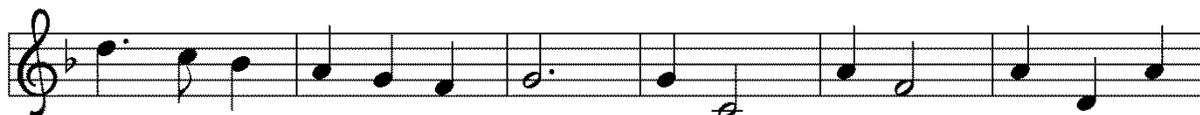
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo - ple of God. 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.



2 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.

*Final refrain*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,  
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray. O God of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## WORD

(8:00) CHERUB CHOIR: *We Are the Children* Tom McClain

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FIRST READING: Acts 5:27-32

*Peter has been arrested for proclaiming the good news of Jesus' death and resurrection. His response to the charges of the high priest summarizes the early church's proclamation of forgiveness of sin through repentance.*

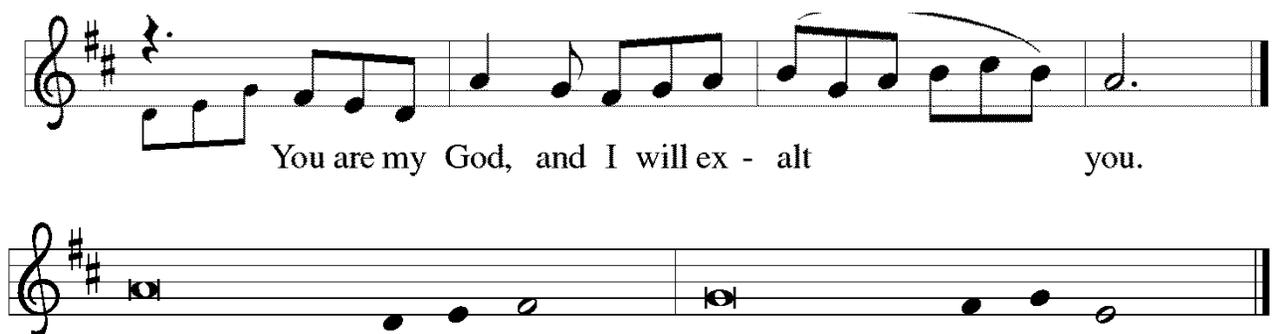
A reading from Acts.

<sup>27</sup>When they had brought [the apostles,] they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, <sup>28</sup>saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." <sup>29</sup>But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. <sup>30</sup>The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. <sup>31</sup>God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. <sup>32</sup>And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

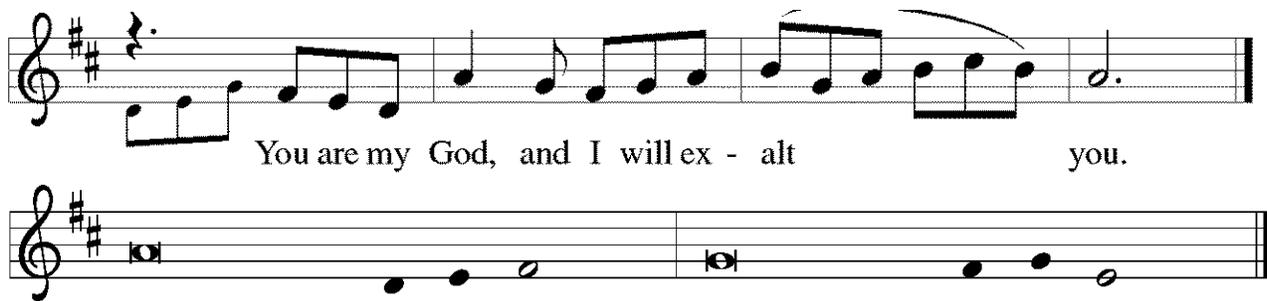
Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 118:14-29



<sup>14</sup>The LORD is my strength | and my song,  
and has become | my salvation.  
<sup>15</sup>Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents | of the  
righteous:  
"The right hand of the | LORD acts valiantly!  
<sup>16</sup>The right hand of the LORD| is exalted!  
The right hand of the | LORD acts valiantly!"  
<sup>17</sup>I shall not | die, but live,  
and declare the works | of the LORD. **R**  
<sup>18</sup>The LORD indeed pun- | ished me sorely,  
but did not hand me o- | ver to death.



- <sup>19</sup>Open for me the | gates of righteousness;  
I will enter them and give thanks | to the LORD.
- <sup>20</sup>"This is the gate | of the LORD;  
here the righ- | teous may enter."
- <sup>21</sup>I give thanks to you, for you have | answered me  
and you have become | my salvation. **R**
- <sup>22</sup>The stone that the build- | ers rejected  
has become the chief | cornerstone.
- <sup>23</sup>By the LORD has | this been done;  
it is marvelous | in our eyes.
- <sup>24</sup>This is the day that the | LORD has made;  
let us rejoice and be | glad in it.
- <sup>25</sup>Hosanna! | O LORD, save us!  
We pray to you, LORD, pros- | per our days! **R**
- <sup>26</sup>Blessed is the one who comes in the name | of the LORD;  
we bless you from the house | of the LORD.
- <sup>27</sup>The LORD is God and has giv- | en us light.  
Form a procession with branches up to the corners | of  
the altar.
- <sup>28</sup>You are my God, and | I will thank you;  
you are my God, and I | will exalt you.
- <sup>29</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for the | LORD is good;  
God's mercy en- | dures forever. **R**

SECOND READING: Revelation 1:4-8

*The book of Revelation recounts a mystical vision of the risen Christ, experienced by a Christian prophet named John. Here he describes Christ as a timeless redeemer, the beginning, present, and end of all time.*

A reading from Revelation.

<sup>4</sup>John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, <sup>5</sup>and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, <sup>6</sup>and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

<sup>7</sup>Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,  
even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

<sup>8</sup>“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the gospel.*

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
*Repeat alleluia*

Blessed are those who | have not seen\*  
and yet have come | to believe. (*John 20:29*)

## GOSPEL: John 20:19-31

*The unprecedented events of the day of resurrection continue as the risen Jesus appears to his fearful disciples. A week later, after Thomas worships Jesus, Jesus pronounces that the blessings of the resurrection are also for those who "have not seen and yet believe."*

The holy gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>19</sup>When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

<sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

<sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

<sup>26</sup>A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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

*Please be seated.*

SERMON

*Please stand.*

HYMN OF THE DAY: ***Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (ELW 392)***

- 1 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;  
his the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluia! his the triumph,  
his the victory alone.  
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood:  
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation  
has redeemed us by his blood."**
- 2 Alleluia! Not as orphans  
are we left in sorrow now;  
Alleluia! he is near us;  
faith believes, nor questions how.  
Though the cloud from sight received him  
when the forty days were o'er,  
shall our hearts forget his promise:  
"I am with you evermore"?**
- 3 Alleluia! Bread of heaven,  
here on earth our food, our stay;  
Alleluia! here the sinful  
flee to you from day to day.  
Intercessor, friend of sinners,  
earth's redeemer, hear our plea  
where the songs of all the sinless  
sweep across the crystal sea.**

4 **Alleluia! King eternal,  
Lord omnipotent we own;  
Alleluia! born of Mary,  
earth your footstool, heav'n your throne.  
As within the veil you entered,  
robed in flesh, our great high priest,  
here on earth both priest and victim  
in the eucharistic feast.**

5 **Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;  
his the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluia! his the triumph,  
his the victory alone.  
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood:  
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation  
has redeemed us by his blood."**

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Each petition ends:*

Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

*The prayer concludes:*

We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God. Come near to us with your saving help, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**Amen.**

#### PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.*

*Please be seated.*

## MEAL

OFFERTORY: *Because He Lives* Gaither

*Please stand as the offering is brought forward.*

### OFFERING HYMN: *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles-sing. 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 dreams of



all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble



with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

### OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

# GREAT THANKSGIVING

## DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

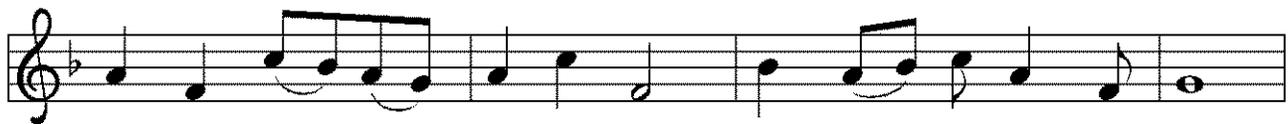
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav-en 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord... be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

*Please be seated.*

## COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

### COMMUNION SONG



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.

## DISTRIBUTION HYMN: ***Be Not Afraid*** (ELW 388)

**Be not afraid, sing out for joy!  
Christ is risen, alleluia!  
Be not afraid, sing out for joy!  
Christ is risen, alleluia!**

*Please stand.*

## SONG AFTER COMMUNION: *Now Lord*



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre -



pared in the sight of ev-'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the



na - tions and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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

*Please stand.*

## BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**Amen.**

SENDING SONG: ***Thine Is the Glory*** (ELW 376)

**1 Thine is the glory,  
risen, conqu'ring Son;  
endless is the vict'ry  
thou o'er death hast won!  
Angels in bright raiment  
rolled the stone away,  
kept the folded grave-clothes  
where thy body lay.**

Refrain

**Thine is the glory,  
risen, conqu'ring Son;  
endless is the vict'ry  
thou o'er death hast won!**

**2 Lo, Jesus meets thee,  
risen from the tomb!  
Lovingly he greets thee,  
scatters fear and gloom;  
let his church with gladness  
hymns of triumph sing,  
for the Lord now liveth;  
death hath lost its sting!** Refrain

**3 No more we doubt thee,  
glorious Prince of life;  
life is naught without thee;  
aid us in our strife;  
make us more than conqu'rors,  
through thy deathless love;  
bring us safe through Jordan  
to thy home above.** Refrain

# DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.

**Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE: *The Strife Is O'er* arr. Held

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*Eternal Lord of Love, Behold Your Church*

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## **Worship leaders today are:**

**Presiding Minister:** Rev. Dr. Eric L. Bodenstab

**Assisting Minister:** Deacon Carolyn Steinfeldt

**Acolyte:** (8:00) Hunter Scally (10:30) Isabella Riedy

**Crucifer:**

**Organist:** Cathy Nye

**Cherub Choir Directors:** Jenn Long & Tricia Stradtman

**Lector:** (8:00) Mark Stuckey (10:30) Martha Thompson

**Prayers of the People:** Karen Slater

**Children's Message:** Laurie Mears

**Serving Bread:** Carolyn Steinfeldt, ELCA Deacon

**Communion Assistants:** (8:00) Randy Koch & Andrew Castello  
(10:30) Earl & Bea Rosen

**Sound Board:** (8:00) Andy Gundlach (10:30) John Nejedly

**Ushers:** (8:00) Bill Wood, Chris Antel, Bill Biehl, Andrew Castello,  
John Castello, and Terry Pearston

(10:30) Stan & Kathy Gilbert, Ron Dahs, Faye Gast and  
Julie Kessler

**Gathering Host:** (8:00) Tom & Nancy Kinsel

(10:30) Vicki Boesch & Julie Kessler

**Greeters:** Lyle Marquardt

**Altar Guild:** Kay Thompson

Attendance/Offering

April 27-28 **(448)** General Fund Offering received **\$9,465.00**

Midweek General Fund received **\$1,636.40**

Weekly budgeted amount **\$7,480.77**

Total General Fund amount received **\$11,101.40**



One side vase is given by **Bill and Lori Wobser** in celebration of the baptism of their granddaughter, **Grace Violet Wobser**. One side vase is given by **Sharon Lavey** in memory of her **husband, Dick**. The center vase is given by the **Family of William Wood, Sr.** in loving memory of his birthday. A memorial gift has been given to the Facilities Fund in loving memory of **Nick Denslow** by **Patty, Julie, Cheryl, Logan, and Luna**.



At the 10:30 worship service, Zion welcomes into the family of faith through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism: **Grace Violet Wobser**, daughter of William and Audrey Wobser. Grace's baptismal sponsors are Jennifer Otto and Alex Behrman.

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:** Acts 9:1-6, Psalm 30,  
Revelation 5:11-14, John 21:1-19

**CARE & SHARE VOLUNTEERS FOR MONDAY, April 29th:**  
Kay Eash, Tom & Nancy Kinsel, and Dean Meyers

**Open Game Night is Tonight! (April 28<sup>th</sup>) at 6:00 pm**

**All are welcome!**

# Open Game Night



at Zion Lutheran Church  
503 Columbus Ave

Bring games and/or snack, or just show up to play!  
Starts at 6 p.m. on the last Sunday of every month

## Come and Play!



I'd like to give a big, heartfelt thank you to all of the people who helped with the Lenten meals. Zion certainly has great cooks and helpers!

Thank you to Vicki Boesch & Julie Kessler who were always there to help get things set up and helped with the first supper. Thank you to the following cooks: Lyle Marquardt, Marj Burton, Martha Thompson, Faye Gast, Lyn Parker, Jeanette Toft, Cindy Patterson, Dan & Alley Patterson, Becky Brown, Beth Busdicker, Les Ardner, Kathy Joiner, Kit David, and Virginia Neuman.

You certainly helped make my work easier and it was a pleasure working with all of you! Blessings to all! - Carla Mitchell



Looking to the weeks and months ahead, mark your calendars with these important dates and events:

- May 5<sup>th</sup> : North Coast Concert Band 3:00 pm at Sandusky State Theater. Admission is Free. Music in honor of Laura Stellhorn and Ron Borchardt during performance.
- May 9-11<sup>th</sup> , 13-14<sup>th</sup> : Photo Directory Pictures – [Sign up now](#)
- May 19<sup>th</sup>: The last Children of Zion gathering before taking the summer off.
- May 26<sup>th</sup>: Teacher Appreciation Brunch
- May 27<sup>th</sup>: Office Closed – Troop 8 Scouts in Memorial Day Parade at OVH
- May 29<sup>th</sup>: Confirmation Mentor Night
- June 12<sup>th</sup>: Lifeline Screening
- July 22-26<sup>th</sup>: Vacation Bible School
- August 18<sup>th</sup>: Church Picnic

Please look to your Zionews as well as bulletin for more information as events draw near.



View the full calendar of events for the month at:

**Zionsandusky.org**

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### **Sunday, April 28**

8:00/10:30 am Worship  
9:15 am COZ  
12:30 pm Youth Picnic & Batting Cages  
6:00 pm Open Game Night

### **Monday, April 29**

5:30 pm Temple Caretakers  
6:30 pm Quilters  
7:00 pm Firelands Chorus  
7:00 pm Troop 8 Scouts

### **Tuesday, April 30**

8:30 am Eastern Conference Meeting  
9:00 am Quilters  
12:00 pm Year of Scripture Study with  
Pastor Eric-Mr. Smith's  
1:00 pm Lectionary Study - Mr.  
Smith's Coffee House  
7:00 pm Year of Scripture Study with  
Elaine

### **Wednesday, May 1**

7:30 am Lectionary Study  
9:30 am Staff Meeting  
2:00 Music/Worship Planning  
6:00 pm Confirmation  
6:00 pm Agape  
7:00 pm Circle of Friends

### **Thursday, May 2**

9:00 am Priscilla- 105 Cedar Brook  
Ln., Sandusky  
3:00 pm National Day of Prayer at  
Osborne Elementary School  
5:30 pm Cherub Choir  
6:00 pm Year of Scripture with  
Carolyn  
6:00 pm JOY Time - St. Paul  
6:15 pm Bell Choir  
7:00 pm Senior Choir

### **Friday, May 3**

Church Office is Closed

### **Saturday, May 4**

6:00 pm Worship

Pastor, Rev. Dr. Eric. L. Bodenstab

Deacon Carolyn Steinfeldt

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**Our 10:30 a.m. service is broadcast each Sunday over WLEC 1450 AM**

