

# Zion Lutheran Church – LCMS

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Phone: (419)267-3429 Email: zionrco@bright.net Education Hour 8:45 AM - Divine Worship 10:00 AM

Communion First and Third Sundays

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Sunday, May 15, 2022 The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Prelude Tower Bells Welcome Announcements Visitors are encouraged to note their attendance by filling out the "Welcome" side (blue print) of the pew cards and putting the card into the offering plate near the entrance doors. Those taking Communion are asked to fill out the "Communion" side (black print) of the card. Completed cards may also be left on the pew seat.

Opening Hymn
Confession and Absolution

Alleluia! Let Praises Ring LSB 203 (Divine Service IV) LSB 822

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

#### Service of the Word

#### Introit Psalm 148

1 Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens: praise him in the heights! 2 Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts! 3 Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars! 4 Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! 5 Let them praise the name of the LORD! For he commanded and they were created. 6 And he established them forever and ever: he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away. 7 Praise the LORD from the earth, you great sea creatures and all deeps, 8 fire and hail, snow and mist,

stormy wind fulfilling his word! 9 Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! 10 Beasts and all livestock, creeping things and flying birds! 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! 12 Young men and maidens together, old men and children! 13 Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted: his majesty is above earth and heaven. 14 He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his saints, for the people of Israel who are near to him. Praise the LORD!

Kyrie and Gloria in Excelsis (sing)

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

LSB 204

1 To God on high be glory
And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in
heaven
Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You,
Father;
Your holy name, we sing—
Our thanks for Your great
glory,Lord God, our
heav'nly King.

2 To You, O sole-begotten,
The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior,
You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus;
Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are
seated
At God's right hand on
high—

3 For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord. Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored; You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High, In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day P: The Lord be with you.

LSB 205 **C: And also with you.** 

P: Let us pray.

All: Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life

through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Reading Acts 11:1-18 (Congregation sits)

1 Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. 2 So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, 3 "You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them." 4 But Peter began and explained it to them in order: 5 "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me. 6 Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air. 7 And I heard a voice saying to me, 'Rise, Peter; kill and eat.' 8 But I said, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' 9 But the voice answered a second time from heaven, 'What God has made clean, do not call common.' 10 This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven. 11 And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea. 12 And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. 13 And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; 14 he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.' 15 As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. 16 And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' 17 If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?" 18 When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, "Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life."

P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

# Epistle Revelation 21:1-7

1 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. 2 And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. 4 He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

5 And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." 6 And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. 7 The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son.

P: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse (sing)

LSB 205

## Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

# These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

John 13:31-35

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the thirteenth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

31 When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. 32 If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and glorify him at once. 33 Little children, yet a little while I am with you. You will seek me, and just as I said to the Jews, so now I also say to you, 'Where I am going you cannot come.' 34 A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. 35 By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

Nicene Creed

LSB 206 (Or inside hymnal back cover)

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn

Where Charity and Love Prevail

LSB 845

Sermon

Hymn

Come, My Soul, with Every Care (vs 1, 2, 6)
Offering brought forward on verse 6

LSB 779

#### Prayer of Zion Lutheran Church

Lord of heaven and earth, in the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus, You have given the promise of our own resurrection. As we await the Last Day, calm our hearts and strengthen our faith even when in our sorrows. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Heavenly Father, You have fashioned the Church as a heavenly Bride for Your risen Son. Grant her Your Spirit, that she may always listen to His ever-living voice and ever declare His message of salvation. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Gracious God, lead Your people in Your steadfast love, and guide them in strength to Your holy abode. Sanctify our homes, be the companion of those who live alone, give health to all mothers with child, and make all our households places in which Your wisdom and grace are found. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Eternal Lord, You hold all people accountable for the responsibilities You have given them. O Lord, bless our president, our governor, the Congress and legislature, and all judges and magistrates. Guide them to serve according to Your will and for the common good of all. Raise up those with heroic virtue who will defend our liberty. Protect those who defend us in the armed forces, guide our Christian chaplains as they minister to those who serve, and bring peace to the nations. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Good Heavenly Father, we thank You for the many ways You provide for our earthly lives. We ask you to provide favorable weather for all our farming, building and other activities of this Spring season. Give us safety and success and move us to trust in Your goodness in all our endeavors. Thank you for all emergency, law-enforcement, medical and firefighting personnel. Keep them safe as they help others. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

O Alpha and Omega, You pledge to bring all things to their perfect consummation. You will bring heaven to earth and banish sorrow, sin and death. Sustain [\_\_\_\_\_\_ and all] those now in tribulation. By the comfort of Your Holy Word, increase their faith and see them through their trials. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Compassionate Lord, You have given us both bread for the body and Christ, the bread of life. Prepare us now to receive with faith and thanksgiving His flesh for the life of the world and His blood that cleanses us from all sin. Unite us that we may believe and confess one faith, and bring us to that day when we shall be one people together at the table of our Lord. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Lord God, heavenly Father, we wait for the second coming of Your resurrected Son. Grant us patience as we long to see Him, and even now give us joy at His presence with us through the Word and Sacrament. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

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Contact Pastor Rockrohr for changes to the prayer list.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface, Sanctus, Prayer of Thanksgiving LSB 208 - 209

P: The Lord be with you. C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts. C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults

of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

(sing) Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored; Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name. Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord; Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

P: We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer LSB 209 (Also, inside hymnal back cover)

The Words of Our Lord LSB 209

Pax Domini and Agnus Dei

LSB 209 - 210

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

(sing) O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 You take the sin of the world away;
 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

#### Distribution Continuous Line

Distribution Hymn

The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord

Distribution Hymn

The Church's One Foundation

Renew Me, O Eternal Light

LSB 634

LSB 644

LSB 704

(NOTE: The Pastor will commune the Communion Assistants and then the organist. Then those who commune in the pews will be served starting at the back of the church. Not all hymns/verses may be needed. Organist will play as needed.)

# General Dismissal Blessing

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 211

1 (sing) O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace, For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace: A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill, The glory of Your people,

Your chosen Israel.

2 All glory to the Father,
All glory to the Son,
All glory to the Spirit,
Forever Three in One;
For as in the beginning,
Is now, shall ever be,

#### God's triune name resounding

### Through all eternity.

Post-Communion Collect, Benedicamus and Benediction

LSB 212

P: Let us pray. Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.** 

P: Let us bless the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn
Silent Prayer, Extinguish Candles
Postlude
Depart in His Peace

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

LSB 700

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# Zion Lutheran Church's Belief and Practice of the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord Jesus gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very Body and Blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes again in glory.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's Body and Blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor.

For further study: Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f., 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Corinthians 10:14-22; 11:17-34.