

Zion Lutheran Church The Divine Service

The Resurrection of Our Lord (Easter Day)

Welcome

How beautiful is the paschal celebration! Beautiful too is the present assembly. The mysteries contain so much that is both old and new! Our week of feast or rather of joy contains so much community that it is not just we on earth that rejoice but also the powers above that join in our activities and celebrate with us because of the resurrection of Christ, For now the angels join in the feast, and the hosts of archangels celebrate the king of heaven, Christ our God, received as a victor returned from earth to heaven. The choirs of saints keep festival too: they proclaim Christ risen before the dawn. The earth celebrates the feast: it has been washed in the divine blood. The sea celebrates; it has been honored by Christ's footsteps. And let everyone celebrate, born again of water and the Holy Spirit.

St. Proclus of Constantinople, 5th century

Before Service Prayer

This holy and blessed day is the first of the week, the king and master of all days, the feast of feasts and the season of seasons. On this day we bless Christ for ever and ever. O faithful. come on this day of the glorious resurrection: Let us drink the wine of the new vineyard, of the divine joy, of the kingdom of Christ! Let us praise our God for ever and ever.

Byzantine Liturgy

We are very happy that you are here today!

At Zion, the bulletin and Lutheran Service Book (LSB) are both used to lead us through our worship. To help guide you during the service, below are some helpful tips.

- For each section of the Divine Service, the page number in the hymnal is listed in the bulletin on the right side of the page, i.e., *LSB 184*, which is found towards the front of the hymnal. All responses are sung unless they are printed in the bulletin.
- P indicates sections spoken by the Pastor. C indicates responses by the Congregation and will be in **bold** print.
- All hymns are listed in the bulletin with the name of the hymn and page number, i.e., *Thy Strong Word LSB 578*. They are also shown on the Hymn board at the front of the church.
- The *red text* in both the bulletin and the hymnal shows when the congregation should stand or sit during the Divine Service. The Pastor may also provide direction.

A Special Welcome to Those with Young Children

At Zion we want families with children to feel at home.

- First, please relax and enjoy your time here. Jesus knows that children tend to wiggle and squawk a bit, so please don't feel embarrassed by it. Your children are welcome at Zion.
- To make it a bit easier on your family, please dare to sit toward the front where your children can easily see the front of the Church, note the colors, watch the pastor, wonder about the stained-glass windows above the altar and embrace the action at the altar. What Jesus does here promises to engage them.
- As we go, softly explain the Liturgy to your children, encouraging them to chime in on their parts: Amen! Lord have mercy! And with thy Spirit! I believe! Our Father! All of that belongs to them too.

- Be sure to sing and say and pray your parts too as you stand and sit. Your children learn by following your lead.
- If you and your child must leave, please hurry back. We want you and your children here very much.
- If you need a little help, just ask. There are lots of folks here who will lend you a hand.
- Please know that while you are caring for your children, the rest of us will be rejoicing in Jesus' words, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these" (Luke 18:16).

We know that your children are a gift to the Church, so we will do our best to welcome, smile, encourage, help and bless you all. Welcome to Zion!



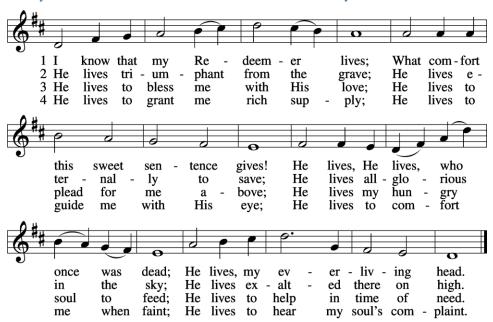
Divine Service, Setting Three

The Preparation

Processional Hymn

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

LSB 461



- 5 He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears; He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend; He lives and loves me to the end; He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing; He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; He lives, and I shall conquer death; He lives my mansion to prepare; He lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to His name!
 He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
 Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
 I know that my Redeemer lives!

Stand

Invocation

- In the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Confession of Sins and Absolution

- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P Let us then confess our sins unto God our Father
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- 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 the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 8:1, 5-6, 9; antiphon: Luke 24:5b-6b

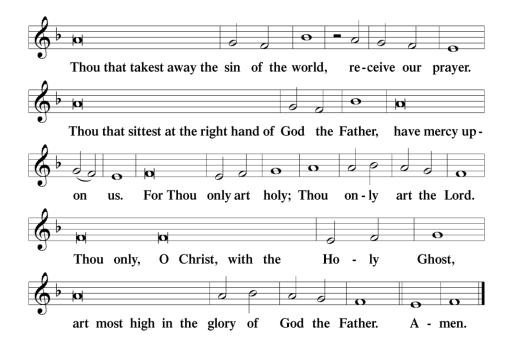
- P He is risen! Alle- | luia!*
 Why do you seek the living among the dead? Alle- | luia!
- Remember how he told you, Alle- | luia,* that the Son of Man must be crucified and on the third day rise. Alle- | luia!
- P O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in | all the earth!*
 You have set your glory above the | heavens.
- Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly | beings* and crowned him with glory and | honor.
- You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;*
 you have put all things under his feet.
- O | LORD, our Lord,*
 how majestic is your name in | all the earth!
- Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
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Salutation and Collect of the Day

LSB 189

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.
- **P** Let us pray.

Almighty God the Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Job 19:23-27

The Old Testament reading for The Fifth Sunday in Lent is from Job, the nineteenth chapter.

"Oh that my words were written!
Oh that they were inscribed in a book!
Oh that with an iron pen and lead
they were engraved in the rock forever!
For I know that my Redeemer lives,

and at the last he will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been thus destroyed,

yet in my flesh I shall see God,

whom I shall see for myself,

and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

My heart faints within me!"

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

Gradual Psalm 118:24, 1

- P This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

Epistle I Corinthians 15:51-57

The Epistle Reading is from I Corinthians, the fifteenth chapter.

Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:

"Death is swallowed up in victory."

"O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?"

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

Stand

Alleluia



Holy Gospel

Mark 16:1-8

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixteenth chapter.
- Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God. the Father Almighty. maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ. the only-begotten Son of God. begotten of His Father before all worlds. God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God. begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made: who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man: and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

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Sermon Holy Fear Mark 16:1-8

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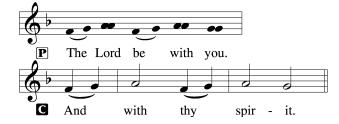
- P Lord in Your Mercy,
- C Hear our Prayer

Farewell to the fast! For Christ our Passover is slain for us. Let us feast on the body of the Lamb and grow drunk on its blood. Christ is our Passover feast.

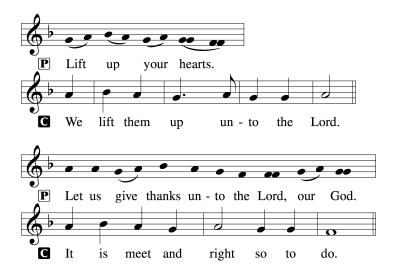
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Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 194

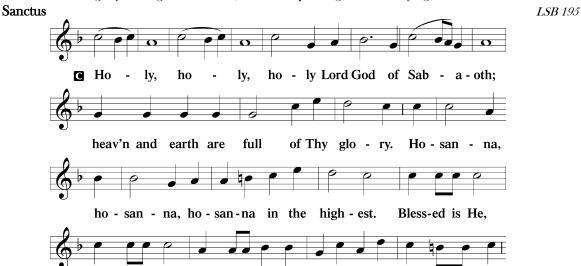


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Proper Preface

P It is truly meet, 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. [...] Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer Matthew 6:9-13

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C 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.

The Words of Our Lord LSB 197

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

Pax Domini LSB 197

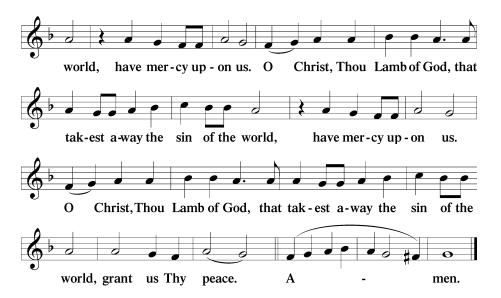
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Agnus Dei LSB 198



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Distribution

We at Zion Lutheran Church of Augsburg believe and confess along with the Holy Scriptures, that this bread and wine in the Sacrament of Holy Communion are truly the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, instituted by Christ Himself, for us Christians to eat and drink. The gifts of His physical body and blood are given in, with, and under the elements of bread and wine at the altar. Those who are communicant members of a Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod congregation are welcome to commune at this altar with us. Other guests wishing to join our confession and receive this Holy Sacrament are invited to meet with the Pastor for Catechesis before communing. Anyone not communing may still come forward, crossing their arms at the rail, to receive a blessing from the Pastor.

The apostle Paul encourages everyone coming to the Sacrament to examine him/herself (1 Corinthians 11:28-29). Ask yourself the following questions: 1) Are you aware that you are a sinner; and, are you sorry for your sins? 2) Do you believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord and in His words of promise in the Sacrament: "This is my body," "This is my blood"? 3) Also, do you intend with the help of the Holy Spirit to live as a forgiven, redeemed child of God, resisting the devil, saving no to sinful desires, and walking in the new life God provides?

Those communing this day are invited to pray the following:

Prayer Before Receiving the Sacrament

O Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof; but speak only Your Word, and my soul will be healed. I will take the Bread of Heaven and call upon the Name of the Lord.

What shall I render unto the Lord for all that He has done for me? I will take the Cup of Salvation and call upon the Name of the Lord.

During the Distribution of the Sacrament

The Lord was made flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory; glory as of the only-begotten Son of the Father, full of grace and truth. Amen.

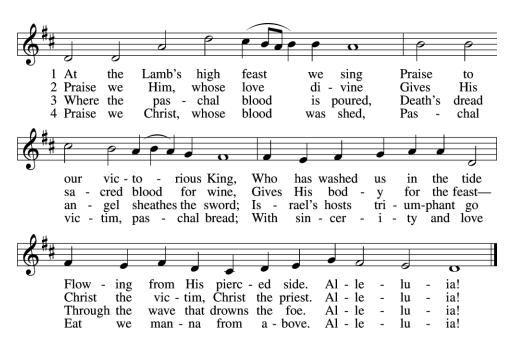
Prayer After Receiving the Sacrament

I live, and yet not I, but Christ lives in me. What we have received with our mouths, O Lord, let us keep with faithful hearts, that this Gift given us in earthly time may bring us to eternal salvation. Amen.

Abide with us, O Lord, that we may abide in You until the end; let not sin and need separate us from You, until we, through the strength of your Holy Sacrament, enter into heaven, and eternal blessings. Amen.

Communion Hymn

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing LSB 633



Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie; You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light. Alleluia!

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- 6 Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall; You have opened paradise, And Your saints in You shall rise. Alleluia!
- 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!
 This alone can sin destroy;
 From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,

Newborn souls in You to be. Alleluia!

△ 8 Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live, Spirit, guide through all our days: Three in One, Your name we praise. Alleluia!

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Thanksgiving LSB 200

P Oh give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.



Post-Communion Collect

LSB 201

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Salutation, Benedicamus, and Benediction

P The Lord be with you.



P Bless we the Lord.



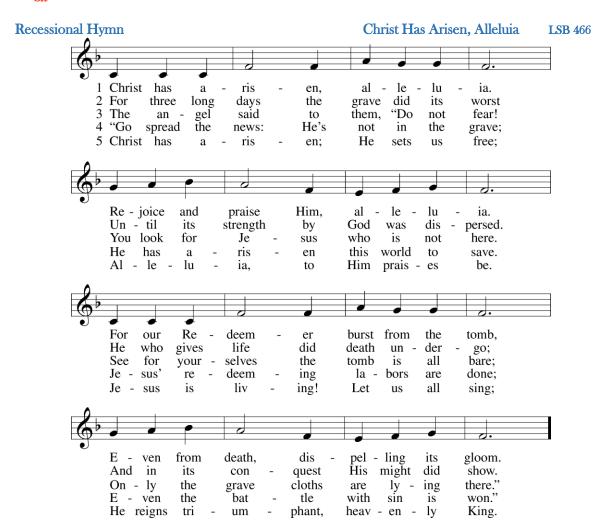
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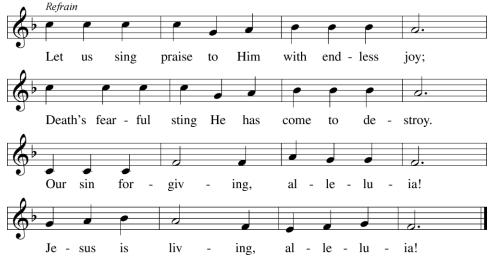
P The Lord bless you and keep you,
The Lord makes His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and

→ give you peace.



Sit





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If an artisan can very beautifully recast and remake a deformed statue which he had made for some reason so that nothing of the substance but only the deformity is lost, if he can cut off or separate an ugly or disproportionate part not from the entire thing from which he had made it but by breaking down and stirring together the whole to destroy the fault without diminishing the quality of his material – then what should we think about the almighty Artisan? Will He not be able to remove and destroy all the deformities of human bodies, not just the usual ones but even the rare and monstrous ones which befit this wretched life but which shrink from that coming blessedness of the saints?

St. Augustine



"By His wounds, we are healed" Isaiah 53:5

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SERVING IN THE DIVINE SERVICE

PREACHER

Rev. Joshua Ralston, Pastor

ORGANIST

Susan Colles

USHERS

Chuck Campbell, Rodney Choate

ALTAR GUILD

Carrie Green, Chyral Sims

ELDER

Dennis Ward, Jeff Schlittenhart

TRUSTEE

Robert Sims

BRASS AND WOODWINDS

Josie Schroeder - Clarinet Isabella Schroeder - Tenor Saxophone Gavin Rion - Trumpet Tatum Rion - Clarinet Alivia Waldo - Flute

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

Linton Dorn KK Dorn Carson Lamar Chance Paylor Gavin Rion Tatum Rion Isabella Schroeder Jasper Villalobos Olivia Villalobos Alivia Waldo Alison Waldo

+ Easter Lilies +

Ray Roth (2) In memory of Nancy Roth

The Ralston Family (2) In celebration of Christ's victory over death

Dave Boswell (2) In celebration of Easter and in memory of Joyce Boswell

Diane Ragsdale In celebration of Easter

Delores McDaniel In memory of Cecil McDaniel

Chyral Sims (2) In celebration of Easter and in memory of Janice Sims

and Gerald Lusk

The Ward's (3) In celebration of our risen Christ

Susan Colles (2) In celebration of Christ's resurrection and in memory of

Mike, Bill & Mildred Colles and Rev. Wesley & Dolores

Ringhardt

Dorothy Hitzke In memory of Robert Hitzke

Phyllis Campbell (2) In memory of Brenda Stuck and James & Marie Campbell

The Dorn's (2) In memory of JoAnn and Melvin Dorn

Kathryn Higgs Thank you, Lord, for going to the cross for us sinners.

The Prayers of the Church

Persecuted Christians in:

Jordan Nepal Butan Kazakhstan United Arab Emirates

Partner Church

The Lutheran Church of Hong Kong

Comfort, Health, and Recovery

Peggy Flatt (friend of Susan Colles)
Angela Jones (friend of Phyllis Campbell)
Elizabeth Sharp (friend of Phyllis Campbell)
Chuck Campbell
Mary Standridge(friend of Delores McDaniel)
Edmond Drittler (friend of Delores McDaniel)
Joyce Mendenhall (friend of Susan Colles)
Dave Louk (friend of Susan Colles)
Sandra and Charles Lentz (cousins of Patti Ward)
Morgan Ford (friend of Patti Ward)

Homebound

Dorothy Birkhahn
Betty Bocksnick
Nettie Grant
Gwen Hale
Tom Harms
Kenneth Hottinger Sr.
Helen Rick
Glenda Schrock
Lawrence Steuber

Catechumens

Emmett Schlittenhart Gavin Rion Tatum Rion Alison Waldo Alivia Waldo Chance Paylor

Serving in the armed forces

Logan Kremers Matthew Allen Brian Rutledge Trent Hale Josh Imme Dale Ozment

When hospitalized, sick, needing prayer or absolution, contact Pastor Ralston anytime at 501-454-0581.

Z Life Together



The Resurrection of Our Lord April 4, 2021

The Fruits of Our Faith 3/28/2021

Worship Attendance: 52 Adult Sunday School: 11 Children's Sunday School: 8

General Fund: \$2,295.35

Confirmation

Confirmation will continue this Wednesday at 6:00 PM. We are nearing the end of our time meeting together, so it is important that everyone is there!

Church and Cemetery Clean-up

We are having a church and cemetery cleanup day on Saturday, April 10th from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM. We need as many hands as possible!

Summer High School Bible Class

This summer in June, July, and August, Pastor Ralston will be teaching the High School Youth during the Sunday school hour. Parents, talk to Pastor about having your high schooler attend!

Offering

If you are not able to attend church, we encourage you to still send in offerings. During this time, it's important to remember that we are borrowers, not owners, of everything we have. The Lord generously gives us means to support us in this life. Yet, he also expects "tithes and contributions" (Malachi 3:8) to be made to Him. By so doing, you are spiritual discipling yourself, demonstrating where your heart's treasures are. Jesus says, "where your treasure is, there your heart will be also... No one can serve God and money." (Matthew 6:21, 24).

Offerings can be made to the following PO Box address:

Zion Lutheran Church PO Box 327 Dover, AR 72837

Pick-up pre-stamped envelopes in the Narthex.

Camp Trinity News

April 1st - deadline for summer camp registration discount April 10st - Spring Workday April 24st - Trivia Night @ Christ Church LR For more info on these and other events, go to:

www.luthercancamp.org



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If calling for a Pastoral Emergency, contact Pastor Ralston directly:

| Cell | 501-454-0581 |
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| Church | 479-331-3277 |

Restrooms

Restrooms are located in the Narthex outside of the Sanctuary and in the basement Fellowship Hall. Please see an usher if you need assistance.

Nursery

The Nursery is located in the Narthex outside of the Sanctuary.

Congregational Membership

New members are received by Baptism, Confirmation, Transfer, or Profession of Faith (after receiving Pastoral instruction). Please speak with Pastor Ralston for more details.

Pastoral Consultation

Pastoral Consultation based on the Holy Scriptures is available from the Pastor. Please speak with Pastor Ralston to make an appointment.

Sick and Homebound

The sick and homebound are visited regularly by the Pastor with the Scriptures and Sacrament. Please contact Pastor Ralston if you know of any parishioner in need of pastoral visitation.

Pastor's Bible Study, Teen, and Children's Sunday School

Sunday School begins at 10:15 am. Anyone from confirmation age on up is welcome to attend Bible Study. Teen and Children's Sunday School is held **every Sunday** in the basement Fellowship Hall/Family Center (Ages 0 and up).

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