



Zion

Lutheran Church

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Life Together

The Prayers of the Church

Persecuted Christians:
North Korea, Afghanistan, Somalia, Libya, Pakistan

Partner Church:
Gutnius Lutheran Church of Papua New Guinea

Comfort, Health, and Recovery:
Betty Lynch Elizabeth Sharp John Auston
DeeAnna Gallagher Rick Shott Jan Hodgson
Kim Schrock Robert Standridge

Homebound:
Betty Bocksnick, Glenda Schrock, Gwen Hale, Ray Roth

The Fruits of Our Faith - 04/07/2024

Worship Attendance: 78 Offering: \$ 3,266.00
Adult Sunday School: 15 Fall Fest: \$ 2,450.00
High School: 3 Cemetery: \$ 100.00
Children: 9 Camp Trinity Scholarship: \$ 1,225.00

Altar Flowers

The flowers adorning the altar are given by Pastor Joshua and Rachel Ralston in honor
of our church musicians.

Lunch & Voters Meeting Today After Service

Plan on attending this important voters' meeting - the Feasibility Committee will be
presenting their findings and recommendations!

Congregational Meetings

On Sunday, April 21st the Feasibility Committee will present their findings to the
congregation. The next Sunday, April 28th, there will be a congregational vote by
ballot on the recommendations.

Ringhardt League Retreat

If you would like to donate to help send the older youth to the Higher Things Retreat,
please do so today - they still need about \$1,000 to cover their expenses. Your
generosity is greatly appreciated!

Church Council and Fall Fest Meeting

Church Council will meet Tuesday, April 16th at 6:00 PM followed by a Fall Fest
meeting at 7:00 PM.

Food Pantry Next Weekend!

If you would like to volunteer on Friday the 19th or Saturday the 20th, please contact
Chuck Campbell (5001-725-1377).

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The Divine Service

The Third Sunday of Easter



Welcome

Jesus' hands, from which you receive it all as gift, now bear the
marks of Calvary. Calvary happened so you would not receive
what is your due. Calvary was where Jesus was for you with a
love that did not count the cost. Jesus poured out His life for
you there. He shed His blood. The blood that is given to us to
drink at His table where our Good Shepherd, who has given His
life for the sheep, prepares a table before us in the presence of
our enemies. There are enemies here, too, that will seek to bring
you into falsehood and bondage, take you over, use you, wreck
you, toss you. You will face it all from Jesus' table where He has
given the body He gave for you and blood He shed for you. His
body and blood will enliven you to brave truthfulness and to
walk the way of your pouring out your life, spending it as one
prompted and shaped by His love.

Norman Nagel, Selected Sermons of
Norman Nagel, p. 193

April 14, 2024 10:00 AM

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. Below are some helpful tips:

The starting page number in the hymnal is listed in the bulletin on the top of the tab, i.e., *LSB 184*, which is found towards the front of the hymnal. **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 *bold italic text* on the tab of the bulletin shows when the service continues with the information on the page to the right.

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. 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. 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). Children's "Busy Bags" are located in the Narthex hallway for your convenience.



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.

Divine Service III

LSB 184

Introit

Psalm 33:1, 18–20; antiphon: vv. 5b, 6a

- P** The earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. Alle- | luia.*
By the word of the LORD the heavens were made. Alle- | luia.
- C** **Shout for joy in the LORD, O you | righteous!***
Praise befits the | upright.
- P** Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who | fear him,*
on those who hope in his | steadfast love,
- C** **that he may deliver their | soul from death***
and keep them alive in | famine.
- P** Our soul waits | for the LORD;*
he is our help | and our shield.
- C** **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.
- P** The earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. Alle- | luia.*
By the word of the LORD the heavens were made. Alle- | luia.

Collect of the Day

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Gradual

- P** Christ has risen from the dead.
[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.
- C** **He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;**
he has put all things under his feet.

Readings for The Third Sunday of Easter

Old Testament - *Ezekiel 34:11-16*

Epistle - *1 Peter 2:21-25*

Holy Gospel - *John 10:11-16*

The Preparation

Processional Hymn #685 (v.1-2)

Invocation

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Service of the Word

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Distribution Hymns

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Salutation & Benedicamus

Benediction p. 201

Recessional Hymn #923