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**The Prayers of the Church**

*Persecuted Christians:*

Morocco, Brunei, Tunisia, Qatar, Mexico

*Partner Church:*

The American Association of Lutheran Churches

*Comfort, Health, and Recovery:*

Kathleen Kremers Louis Reece Linda Lakso

Stanley Stormant Katie McGee Jesse Villalobos

John Mullican Jodie Rowe Danny Warnick

Dennis Rowe Bill Manning Yecica Valdez

*Homebound:*

Betty Bocksnick Glenda Schrock Gwen Hale

Ray Roth Charli Callahan

**The Fruits of Our Faith – 03/09/2025**

Worship Attendance: 88

Adult Sunday School: 16 Children’s Sunday School: 9

Offering: $1,565.00 Elder Care: $ 2,770.00

Food Pantry: $150.00 Sunday School Missions: $ 56.00

Organ Fund: $100

*(in memory of Delores McDaniel)*

**Lenten Services**

If you are unable to make the Lenten Compline service at 7 pm, there will be a brief Divine Service at 11 AM on Wednesdays! Also, Matins will be Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Discipline yourself in God’s Word this Lent!

**Camp Trinity Clean Up Day**

Camp Trinity is hosting a clean up day Saturday, March 22nd! If you would like to help, please contact Aaron Davis at 501-652-6304 or director@lutherancamp.org.

**Camp Trinity Scholarships**

If you would like to give to the Scholarship Fund to help alleviate the cost so that Zion kids can go, just write a check and designate it for “Camp Scholarships.”

**Food Pantry Need**

The Food Pantry needs plastic bags! Please drop off your contribution in the big box next to the church office.

**March 16, 2025 T 10:00 AM**

**Zion Lutheran Church**

**The Divine Service**

Second Sunday in Lent

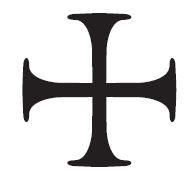
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**Welcome**

The woman speaks and shows her faith (15:27). “*Yes, Lord! You are absolutely right! It would be bad indeed to try to deny or contradict God’s plan to save His ancient people Israel. You are Israel’s Messiah, and the bread you give belongs to the children. I agree and believe, and I don’t want the children’s bread, because when the children eat, the dogs also get to eat, don’t they? The bread of the Messiah is so abundant and so overflowing that parts of it fall from the table onto the floor. Everyone should know that – I know that. The bread belongs to the children, and when the children eat, the crumbs fall on the floor and belong to the dogs. And the crumbs are enough for me and my daughter. We need nothing more than the crumbs that fall from the Master’s table.”* She understands; she agrees. She believes, both in Jesus’ mission to Israel’s lost sheep and in Jesus’ abundance, which also provides for the dogs who are under their master’s table.

**Jeffrey Gibbs**, *Matthew 11:2-20:34*, p. 787



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**Introit**

*Psalm 25:1-2a, 7-8, 11: antiphon: vv.6,2b,22*

P Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your | steadfast love,\*  
 for they have been | from of old.  
C **Let not my enemies exult | over me.\*  
 Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his | troubles.**P To you, O Lord, I lift | up my soul.\*  
 O my God, in you I trust; let me not be | put to shame.  
C **Remember not the sins of my youth or my trans- | gressions;\*  
 according to your steadfast love remember me, for the**

**sake of your goodness, | O Lord!**P Good and upright | is the Lord;\*  
 therefore he instructs sinners | in the way.  
C **For your name’s sake, | O Lord,\*  
 pardon my guilt, for | it is great.**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 Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your | steadfast love,\*  
 for they have been | from of old.  
C **Let not my enemies exult | over me.\*  
 Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his | troubles.**

**Collect of the Day**

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Gradual**

*Psalm 25:17-18*

P The troubles of my heart are enlarged;  
 bring me out of my distresses.  
C **Consider my affliction and my trouble,  
 and forgive all my sins.**

Second Sunday in Lent

Old Testament *– Genesis 32:22-32 (p. 32)*

Epistle *– 1 Thessalonians 4:1-7* (p. 1173)

Holy Gospel – *Matthew 15:21-28* (p. 976)

**Divine Service IV**

*LSB 203*

**The Preparation**

**Processional Hymn** *#713*

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**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 page number, i.e., ***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 cry room for your convenience.

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***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.*