

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH



SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
FEBRUARY 21ST, 2016

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by the Gauger Family in Memory of Steve's dad, Warren Gauger.
- **ETERNAL LIGHT** is given by Terry & Paul Hayes in Memory of Terry's father Bob Johnson.
- **BIBLE IN A YEAR** readings are available on our church's website and in your monthly Zion Newsletter. Join us as we read the Bible in a Year in 2016!
- **VOTERS MEETING!** There will be a Voters' Meeting on March 6th at 9:30am to vote on changes to the Constitution and to consider re-entering the Vicarage Program.
- **YOUTH GROUP.** Zion's Youth will put their skills to test in our upcoming event TODAY. They will be playing Minute 2 Win It! The fun starts at 5:30pm at Zion. Plan on having fun and bringing your friends!
- **MISSIONS WE SUPPORT.** The Naumann Family (Sri Lanka and India), Lohmeyer Family (Dominican Republic) and the Wittenberg Project (Germany) thank us for our continued support and prayers. Please keep these missions in your prayer as they continue their work.
- **LENT MIDWEEK WORSHIP.** The theme for our Wednesday services (7:00pm) in Lent will be the Last Week of Jesus' Life from the Gospel of Matthew. Come and worship with your Zion family!
- **SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED !** 2 station leaders are needed for the March unit, 'Mary of Bethany'. Available stations are Storytelling, Games, Science and Music. Contact Katie Gielarowski or the church secretary to volunteer.
- **CHURCH NURSERY:** Is available for kids age 0-2 during the 10:30 Service! The Nursery ("Little Lions") is open during the late service in the lower level of the building. (If you need help locating the nursery, please ask an Usher or Greeter for assistance.)
- **CHILDRENS CHOIR** is every Tuesday from 6:00 – 6:45 PM, Kids ages 7-12 are welcome!!
- **BELL CHOIR.** We are looking to expand our music ministry and need your help! We are in the process of establishing a hand bell choir here at Zion! **THE FIRST THING WE NEED TO DO IS BUY HANDBELLS. WHICH, AS YOU MIGHT IMAGINE, ARE NOT CHEAP.** If you would like to give to this ministry, please note on the MEMO LINE OF YOUR CHECK (OR, IF YOU ARE GIVING CASH, ON THE OFFERING ENVELOPE) that you would like to give to the hand bell choir. Thank for you for support of the music ministry here at Zion! **AND STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OUR HANDBELL CHOIR!**
- **ADULT CHOIR** rehearsals are Tuesdays from 6:45-7:45PM. We are looking to add to our numbers from last year! Do not worry if you can't attend regularly, we can work around just about any schedule!
- **MEN'S BIBLE BREAKFAST** is back on at 8:00am down in the Fellowship Hall. Hope to see you there!
- **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** continues this Tuesday, February 23rd at 7:30pm. Talk to Alissa McLellan if you have any questions!
- **NEED PRAYER?** Stephen Ministers and Elders will be available to pray with or for you following the Service in the Chancel area.
- **TODAY'S GOSPEL READING AND SERMON** will be posted to the ZLCB.org website later today. For an archive of older sermons, visit www.zlcb.org/sermons

Welcome to worship!

Dear Fellow Bible in a Year Readers,

If you have made it all the way to Leviticus 19, please don't stop! I'm sure the last week has been somewhat confusing and frustrating. You've spent the last seven days reading about rules concerning Old Testament sacrifices and purity codes. And while the few exceptions to the rule (the Lord killing Nadab and Abihu for presenting Him "unauthorized fire") did break up the monotony, it's been a difficult week. I get it. But hang in there! I hope that, after our time together this morning, what God revealed to His people in Leviticus will all make sense.

Sincerely,

A Fellow Bible in a Year Reader

Now, for those of you who are not doing Bible in a Year, we've got a special treat for you this morning. Our intent is to connect the summary commandment from Leviticus to the summary commandment from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. I want to dispel the false notion that the Old Testament is Law and the New Testament is Grace; that people in Old Testament times were saved by their obedience to the Law and therefore had it tough, while people in the New Testament era are saved by grace and therefore have it easy. Scripture teaches that people from the days of Adam and Eve were always saved by God's grace. But that grace, while free and wonderful, is not easy. Your calling and mine is a high and a holy one. God, who has called you out of darkness into his wonderful light, has not given you over to sloth and a life of ease; but rather, you have been saved from a dull and meaningless life to one of adventure, risk and challenge. It is good. It is anything but easy.

God bless your time in worship this morning!

-Pastor Duncan

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ZION EQUIPS, EDUCATES, AND ENCOURAGES BELIEVERS IN CHRIST, SENDING THEM INTO THE WORLD TO SHARE THE GOSPEL.

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The Divine Service

(Please take a moment to fill out the Attendance books, located at either end of the pew. If you are visiting us this morning and would like to be contacted by the church, please indicate so in the Attendance Book. We are glad you chose to worship at Zion this morning!)

Prelude

Introduction to Worship and Announcements

Opening Hymn: Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain 435

The Invocation

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

People: Amen.

Confession of Sins

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ, the Word of God is clear: we are sinners in need of a Savior. We have hurt and harmed our family, friends and neighbors by what we have thought about them, said around them, and done to them. We have dishonored our Lord by refusing to obey His Word and have failed to put Him first in our lives. Therefore, let us confess our sins to God, trusting in His infinite mercy because of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Almighty God, worthy to be held in reverence by all people, we confess to you that we have sinned against you and against each other. We have made your grace cheap by failing to conform our lives to your Word. We have failed to live up to our high and holy calling of being your children. Forgive us. Renew a steadfast and faithful spirit within us, and lead us to greater faith and obedience. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution Spoken by the Pastor

People: Amen.

The Prayer of the Church

(Please be seated)

The Baptism of Lindsay Stewart (10:30)

The Service of the Word

Old Testament Reading: Leviticus 20:22-26

“You shall therefore keep all my statutes and all my rules and do them, that the land where I am bringing you to live may not vomit you out. And you shall not walk in the customs of the nation that I am driving out before you, for they did all these things, and therefore I detested them. But I have said to you, ‘You shall inherit their land, and I will give it to you to possess, a land flowing with milk and honey.’ I am the Lord your God, who has separated you from the peoples. You shall therefore separate the clean beast from the unclean, and the unclean bird from the clean. You shall not make yourselves detestable by beast or by bird or by anything with which the ground crawls, which I have set apart for you to hold unclean. You shall be holy to me, for I the Lord am holy and have separated you from the peoples, that you should be mine.

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 51

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.

Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being, and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice.

Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.

Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you.

Deliver me from blood guiltiness, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of your righteousness.

O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it; you will not be pleased with a burnt offering.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Do good to Zion in your good pleasure; build up the walls of Jerusalem; then will you delight in right sacrifices, in burnt offerings and whole burnt offerings; then bulls will be offered on your altar.

Pastor: In honor of our Lord Jesus Christ, we rise for the reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 5th Chapter.

People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:13-16, 48

“You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet.

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.”...

“You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

Sermon Hymn: Be Still, My Soul

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Sermon

(Please stand)

The 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.

(Please be seated)

Offertory - Reverence

(10:30 service)

The Collection of the Offering

If you are visiting with us this morning, know that your presence here means far more to us than any gift of money you could make; please do not hesitate to let the plate pass you by.

(Please stand)

The Service of the Sacrament

Pastor: As we prepare to receive the body and blood of Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us all together pray the prayer our Lord has given us to pray.

People: **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 Institution

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

People: **And also with you.**

The Sharing of the Peace

The Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)

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Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

(Please be seated until it is your time to commune.)

The Distribution

We welcome to the Lord's Table all who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God, can examine themselves spiritually and believe they receive the true body and blood of the Lord Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and as a profession of their faith. If you hold a profession of faith that differs from that of our congregation, please speak to the Pastor before the start of the service before communing.

- We believe the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine.
- We believe Christ offers the forgiveness of sins in the Lord's Supper, but that the Lord's Supper is not necessary for salvation.
- We believe the Lord's Supper remembers the death of Christ and proclaims his death until he returns.
- We believe the Lord's Supper is a statement of unity in the body of Christ; we do not believe it creates that unity.

During the distribution, you are encouraged to sing the Distribution Hymns, pray, or meditate on the words "this is my body... this is my blood, given for you."

The cups at the center of the Individual Communion tray contain diluted wine for those with alcohol sensitivities.

Distribution Hymns

Amazing Grace	744
Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus	685
Jesus, Refuge of the Weary	423

Benediction

People: Amen

<i>The Recessional: Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng</i>	813
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Postlude

† *Service Participants* †

Pastor:	Rev. Duncan McLellan
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
The Organist:	Sandra Quinlan
The Pianist:	Lindsey Faini
The Elders:	Paul Klemash & Shane Bryant
The Acolyte:	Chris Yellig (8:00) Anna Gresh (10:30)
The Greeters:	Bill & Melanie Becker (8:00) Sam Dragan(10:30)
The Ushers:	Melanie & Bill Becker (8:00) Shane Bryant & Michael Kozak Vince Kimberland, Bill Koester (10:30) Loren Luedeman & Richard Quinlan
Altar Guild:	Janet & Marian Oelschlager & Sarah Ali
Nursery:	Carrie Lemonovich & Jenna & Stephanie Eckels

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (2/14) – 184

Wednesday Attendance (2/17) – 38

Sunday Offering (2/14) - \$3,227.00

Online Offering (2/1-2/5) - \$965.00

Ash Wednesday Offering - \$588.00

Bell Choir Donations (2/14) - \$340.00

~Online giving is now available by going to the Zion web site: www.zlcb.org~

Week of Feb. 21st – Feb. 28th

SUNDAY 2/21	8:00 AM – Worship w/Communion 9:15 AM – Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 10:30 AM – Worship w/Communion 12:00 PM – Stephen Ministry 5:30 PM – Youth Group – Minute 2 Win it
MONDAY 2/22	
TUESDAY 2/23	6:00 PM- Children’s Choir 6:30 PM – Sunday School Meeting 6:45 PM – Adult Choir 7:30 PM – Women’s Bible Study
WEDNESDAY 2/24	7:00 PM – Lent Service
THURSDAY 2/25	10:00 AM – Bible Study
FRIDAY 2/26	
SATURDAY 2/27	8:00 AM – Men’s Bible Breakfast
SUNDAY 2/28	8:00 AM – Worship w/Communion 9:15 AM – Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 10:30 AM – Worship w/Communion & Children’s Church

MINUTE 2 WIN IT



What? Zion Youth Group: **MINUTE TO WIN IT Night!**

When? Feb. 21, **5:30-7:00pm**

Where? Zion Lutheran Church - 3197 Washington Pike, Bridgeville

Who? Anyone in Middle or High School

Cost? \$0



Questions - Concerns

Contact Joe Faini

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