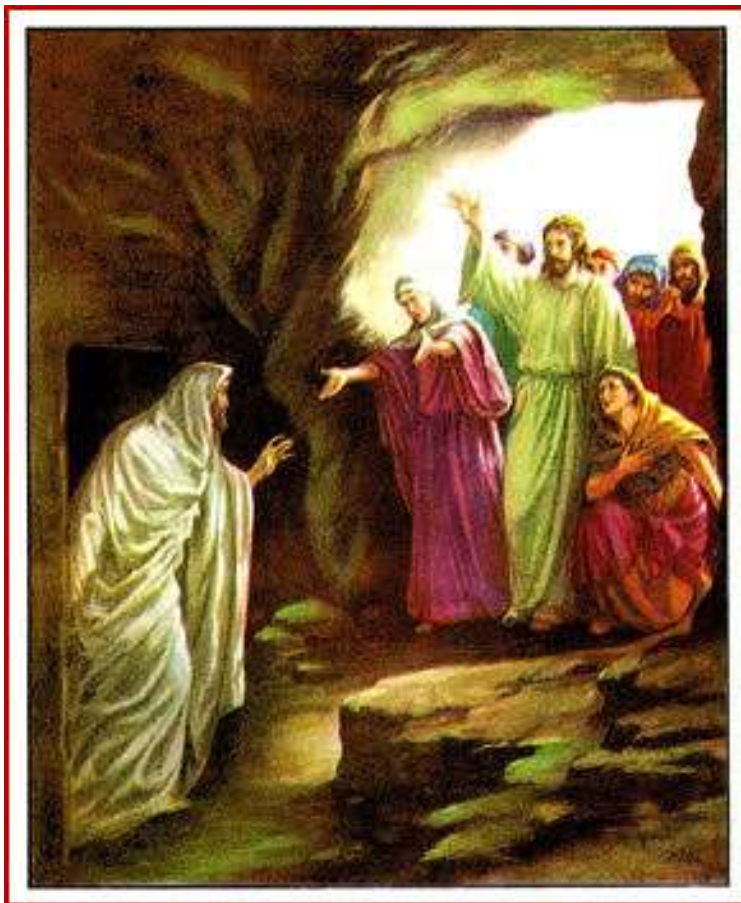


# *Zion Lutheran Church*



*Holy Trinity*  
*May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2016*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given by Bill & Nancy Koester in Memory of Nancy's mom, Helen Miller's Birthday.
- **ETERNAL LIGHT** is given by Bernice DeBoe in Memory of her sisters Naomi Newell.
- **CAR WASH!** Coming June 4<sup>th</sup>, Zion is going to have a Car Wash for our members and the people of our community! Not just suds and water, we are going to do the interiors, wheels and tires too! There will be food available. And, just like it has been in the past, it is absolutely free! Come and help out, or bring your car to be cleaned. Set-up starts at 9; the Car Wash starts at 10.
- **FIRE PIT!** After working the Car Wash, come around the back of the building to help us build up our fire pit! Starting at 2:00 on June 4<sup>th</sup> and going until the work is done, we'll be sure to break it in when we are done.
- **CAVE QUEST VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** is June 20 - 24. Registration deadline is Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup>. Check out our information center located in the back of the sanctuary or visit Zion's website for more information. [www.zlcb.org/vbs](http://www.zlcb.org/vbs). Attention CREW leaders and helpers! The mandatory crew meeting has been rescheduled for Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the undercroft.
- **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** has started a new study, "Fight Back with Joy" join us Tuesday's from 7:30pm-8:45pm. Contact Alissa McLellan or Linda Kroeger with any questions.
- **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!
- **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 today after the late service. Kids age 7-12 are welcome! You don't need to know how to sing to be a part of this fun group; Mark will teach you!
- **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! You don't need to be a Bible Scholar; but being hungry helps.
- **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](http://www.zlcb.org/sermons)

# Welcome to worship!

This morning, we are going to take a look at one of your Bible in a Year readings from last week, John chapter eleven and the raising of Lazarus from the dead. This, the last of Jesus' public signs before his suffering and death, is the capstone, showing Jesus' authority and power over death.

Jesus had predicted repeatedly that he would raise people up on the last day. A bold claim, and one that cost him a vast majority of his followers, who, after hearing his claim to be able to bring people back from the dead, turned back and no longer followed him. But this bold claim sticks in the back of the mind of the reader of the Gospel: "can he actually do this?" It's not until five chapters later that we see that, yes, he can.

If Jesus can do all the other things he did in John's Gospel for us, that's well and good. That he can turn water into wine, feed 5,000, and heal people from various diseases, ailments and conditions is no small thing. But if he cannot prevent or undo death, then we are all on the same dreadful, unavoidable march to decay, our only hope being that the soul can survive outside of and apart from the body.

But Jesus brings Lazarus back from the dead; his way of saying, "When I told you that I would raise you up on the last day, you can trust me. What I did to Lazarus, I will do to you. What happens to me on Easter Sunday will happen to you. I will raise you up on the last day!"

God bless your time in worship this morning!

--Pastor Duncan McLellan

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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: Holy, Holy, Holy***

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### ***The Invocation***

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

**People: Amen.**

### ***Confession of Sins***

Pastor: As we focus on the death and resuscitation of Lazarus, we are reminded that we are dust, and to dust we will return. The wages of sin is death and there is no one righteous, not even one. Therefore, let us confess our sins to God, trusting in his mercy through our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness, eternal life, and a resurrection like his.

**People: I have sinned against heaven and against you, and am no longer worthy to be called your child. Forgive my sins and lead down the narrow path of faith and obedience all the days of my life. Make me more like Jesus by any means necessary. Amen.**

### ***Absolution Spoken by the Pastor***

***Hymn of Praise: This Is the Feast***

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**Refrain:**

*This is the feast of victory of our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

*Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.*

**[REFRAIN]**

*Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing and glory are His.*

**[REFRAIN]**

*Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:*

*Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.*

**[REFRAIN]**

*For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.*

**[REFRAIN]**

## ***The Prayer of the Church***

(Please be seated)

### **The Service of the Word**

#### **Psalm of the Day:**

#### **Psalm 142**

With my voice I cry out to the Lord; with my voice I plead for mercy to the Lord.

I pour out my complaint before him; I tell my trouble before him.

When my spirit faints within me, you know my way!

In the path where I walk they have hidden a trap for me.

Look to the right and see: there is none who takes notice of me;  
no refuge remains to me; no one cares for my soul.

I cry to you, O Lord; I say, "You are my refuge,  
my portion in the land of the living."

Attend to my cry, for I am brought very low!

Deliver me from my persecutors, for they are too strong for me!

Bring me out of prison, that I may give thanks to your name!

The righteous will surround me, for you will deal bountifully with me.

#### **New Testament Reading:**

#### **Jude 17-25**

But you must remember, beloved, the predictions of the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ. They said to you, "In the last time there will be scoffers, following their own ungodly passions." It is these who cause divisions, worldly people, devoid of the Spirit. But you, beloved, building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. And have mercy on those who doubt; <sup>23</sup> save others by snatching them out of the fire; to others show mercy with fear, hating even the garment stained by the flesh.

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

**Pastor:** In honor of our Lord Jesus Christ, we rise for the reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 11<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

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

**Gospel Reading:** **John 11:1-7,17-27**

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. It was Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent to him, saying, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it he said, "This illness does not lead to death. It is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. So, when he heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again."

Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in

me shall never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, O Christ.**

(Please be seated)

***Sermon Hymn: Father Most Holy***

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***Sermon***

(Please stand)

***The Apostles' Creed***

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

(Please be seated)

***Offertory***

***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: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach 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.*

#### ***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***

*Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

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*What is This Bread*

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*My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

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#### ***Benediction***

**People:**        **Amen**



Why do we do this? “Benediction” means “good word.” We want the last thing you hear as you leave the sanctuary to be words of Gospel comfort and encouragement; one last reminder of all that has been done for us and for our salvation.

***The Recessional: Glory Be to God the Father***

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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:	Michael Kroeger & James Neill
The Acolyte:	Joey Ackerman (8:00) Carley Rockovich (10:30)
The Greeters:	Peter & Barbara Fisher (8:00) David, Penny & Opal Miller(10:30)
The Ushers:	Kathleen Conn, Bill Schrag (8:00) Janet & Larry Zreliak Debbie Ford, Bill Koester (10:30) Lois Sauro & Ted Siek
Altar Guild:	Barb Oechslein, Diana Schmidt Megan Pasquini
Nursery:	Susie Bishop & Adele Goodge

**Last Week in Worship**

Sunday Worship Attendance (5/15) – 217

Wednesday Attendance (5/18) – 20

Sunday Offering (5/15) - \$4,726.00

Bell Choir Contributions - \$240.00

~Online giving is now available by going to the Zion web site: [www.zlcb.org](http://www.zlcb.org)~

## Week of May 22<sup>nd</sup> – May 29<sup>th</sup>

<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>5/22</b>	8:00 AM – Worship w/Communion 9:15 AM – Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM – Worship w/Communion & Children’s Church
<b>MONDAY</b> <b>5/23</b>	7:30 PM – Budget Meeting
<b>TUESDAY</b> <b>5/24</b>	6:30 PM – Sunday School Meeting 6:45 PM – Adult Choir 7:30 PM – Women’s Bible Study 8:30 PM – Zion Lions Softball Game
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> <b>5/25</b>	7:00 PM – Mid Week Service
<b>THURSDAY</b> <b>5/26</b>	10:00 AM – Bible Study 8:30 PM – Zion Lions Softball Game
<b>FRIDAY</b> <b>5/27</b>	
<b>SATURDAY</b> <b>5/28</b>	8:00 AM – Men’s Bible Breakfast
<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>5/29</b>	8:00 AM – Worship w/Communion 9:30 AM – Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM – Worship w/Communion 11:45 PM – Board Of Education Meeting 5:00 PM – Youth Event – Ultimate Frisbee

# Upcoming Youth Event



**Zion Youth Group**

**When?** May 29

**Time?** 5-7:00pm

**Who?** Anyone in Middle or High School

**Where?** Zion Lutheran Church  
Contact Joe Faini for more info  
[youth@zlcb.org](mailto:youth@zlcb.org)

**ULTIMATE FRISBEE**  
**AND**  
**FRISBEE GOLF**