

Palm Sunday/Sunday of the Passion

A Service of Word & Sacrament

March 28, 2021



ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

85 E. Brandt Boulevard

Landisville, PA

Connecting with God; Connecting with others; Connecting others with God

GENERAL INFORMATION

WELCOME TO ZION! We are glad you have chosen to worship with us with in-person or online. For in-person worshippers, all words and parts of the service will be projected on the screen in the front of the sanctuary. If you prefer a printed bulletin, you may pick one up on the table in the Narthex by the entrance to the Sanctuary. The service contains the four parts of the Lutheran liturgy (The Gathering, The Word, The Meal, and The Sending). Should you have any questions concerning our service, please do not hesitate to talk with Pastor Sell.

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AT ZION

IN-PERSON: All are invited to join us for worship at 9:00 a.m. each Sunday morning. There will also be mid-week services during this week on Maundy Thursday & Good Friday – both at 7:00 p.m. Easter Sunday services will be held at 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Please call or text Anne Rankin (717-945-4585) to reserve seating.

ONLINE: Worship services are live-streamed on the church YouTube channel: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live. Because there are two services on Palm Sunday & Easter Sunday, the 9:00 a.m. services will be live-streamed. If you are unable or prefer not to watch during the live-stream, the recording is available to view any time after the service concludes.

FOR THOSE WORSHIPPING IN-PERSON

- ❖ Please social distance at all times and sanitize your hands using the hand sanitizer units located on the walls in the hallways, Connection Zone, and Social Room.
- ❖ Please wear masks at all times.
- ❖ A no-touch temperature screening is required by all who enter the church prior to worship.
- ❖ Only one individual may be in restrooms at a time. Please follow the signs on the restroom doors.
- ❖ Children are welcome to be active participants in the worship service. Currently, nursery care is not available.
- ❖ Ushers are located near the front and back of the worship area to direct people to seating and to the offering plates.

PALM SUNDAY/SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

A Service of Word & Sacrament

P: Pastor A: Assisting Minister C: Congregation

ABOUT TODAY'S READINGS

This week, the center of the church's year, is one of striking contrasts: Jesus rides into Jerusalem surrounded by shouts of glory, only to be left alone to die on the cross, abandoned by even his closest friends. Mark's gospel presents Jesus in his complete human vulnerability: agitated, grieved, scared, forsaken. Though we lament Christ's suffering and all human suffering, we also expect God's salvation: in the wine and bread, Jesus promises that his death will mark a new covenant with all people. We enter this holy week thirsty for the completion of God's astonishing work.

CHIMES & CONTEMPLATIVE MUSIC

The playing of the chimes & soft music marks the beginning of a prayerful quiet time prior to the start of the service. This is a time to prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Arr. by John Innes

Please stand if you are able.

GATHERING

P: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

C: **Hosanna in the highest!**

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL

John 12:12-16

P: The holy gospel according to the 12th chapter of John.

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

¹²The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. ¹³So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord

— the King of Israel!" ¹⁴Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written: ¹⁵"Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" ¹⁶His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him.

P: The gospel of the Lord
C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

P: The Lord be with you.
C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

PROCESSION

A: Let us go forth in peace,
C: **in the name of Christ. Amen.**

SONG

All Glory Laud and Honor

ELW 344

You are invited to hum along.

Refrain

All glory, laud, and honor
to you, redeemer, king,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.

1 You are the king of Israel
and David's royal Son,
now in the Lord's name coming,
our King and Blessed One. *Refrain*

2 The company of angels
are praising you on high;
creation and all mortals
in chorus make reply. *Refrain*

3 The multitude of pilgrims
with palms before you went;
our praise and prayer and anthems
before you we present. *Refrain*

4 To you, before your passion,
they sang their hymns of praise.
To you, now high exalted,
our melody we raise. *Refrain*

5 Their praises you accepted;
accept the prayers we bring,
great author of all goodness,
O good and gracious King. *Refrain*

Please be seated.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: As we now enter into the contemplation of the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ and meditate on the salvation of the world through his sufferings, death, burial, and resurrection, let us pray:

O God of mercy and might, in the mystery of the passion of your Son you offer your infinite life to the world. Gather us around the cross of Christ, and preserve us until the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S CHAT

† THE WORD †

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Golgotha's Cross*
You are invited to hum along.

C. Hambrick-Stowe
Tune: Morning Has Broken

God take the darkness, God take the sadness,
Sinful and heartless, what does it cost?
God take the anger, God take the hunger,
Into the wonder: Golgotha's Cross.

Jesus in darkness, Jesus forsaken,
God himself broken, bleeding and lost,
For the world's misery, all of world history,
Terrible mystery: Golgotha's Cross.

How you forgive, Lord! Stir us to live, Lord!
Help us believe your goodness and grace.
By your love set free! Oh, may we now see:
Wonderous mystery: Golgotha's Cross.

Please stand if you are able.

THE READING OF THE PASSION

Mark 14:1-15:47

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 14th and 15th chapters.

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

¹It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; ²for they said, "Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people."

³While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. ⁴But some were there who said to one another in anger, "Why was the ointment wasted in this way? ⁵For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor." And they scolded her. ⁶But Jesus said, "Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. ⁷For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. ⁸She has done what she could; she

has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. ⁹Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her.”

¹⁰Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. ¹¹When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

¹²On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him, “Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?” ¹³So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, “Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, ¹⁴and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, ‘The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?’ ¹⁵He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there.” ¹⁶So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

¹⁷When it was evening, he came with the twelve. ¹⁸And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me.” ¹⁹They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another, “Surely, not I?” ²⁰He said to them, “It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. ²¹For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.”

²²While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, “Take; this is my body.” ²³Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. ²⁴He said to them, “This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. ²⁵Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.”

²⁶When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. ²⁷And Jesus said to them, “You will all become deserters; for it is written, ‘I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.’

²⁸But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee.” ²⁹Peter said to him, “Even though all become deserters, I will not.” ³⁰Jesus said to him, “Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.” ³¹But he said vehemently, “Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you.” And all of them said the same.

³²They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, “Sit here while I pray.” ³³He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. ³⁴And he said to them, “I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake.” ³⁵And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. ³⁶He said, “Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want.” ³⁷He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, “Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? ³⁸Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.” ³⁹And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. ⁴⁰And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. ⁴¹He came a third time and said to them, “Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. ⁴²Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.”

⁴³Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. ⁴⁴Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, “The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard.” ⁴⁵So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, “Rabbi!” and kissed him. ⁴⁶Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. ⁴⁷But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. ⁴⁸Then Jesus said to them, “Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? ⁴⁹Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled.” ⁵⁰All of them deserted him and fled.

⁵¹A certain young man was following him, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, ⁵²but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked.

⁵³They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. ⁵⁴Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. ⁵⁵Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. ⁵⁶For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. ⁵⁷Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying, ⁵⁸“We heard him say, ‘I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.’” ⁵⁹But even on this point their testimony did not agree. ⁶⁰Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, “Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?” ⁶¹But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high

priest asked him, “Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?” ⁶²Jesus said, “I am; and ‘you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power,’ and ‘coming with the clouds of heaven.’”

⁶³Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, “Why do we still need witnesses? ⁶⁴You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?” All of them condemned him as deserving death. ⁶⁵Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him, “Prophecy!” The guards also took him over and beat him.

⁶⁶While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. ⁶⁷When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said, “You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth.” ⁶⁸But he denied it, saying, “I do not know or understand what you are talking about.” And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. ⁶⁹And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders, “This man is one of them.” ⁷⁰But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, “Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean.” ⁷¹But he began to curse, and he swore an oath, “I do not know this man you are talking about.” ⁷²At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, “Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.” And he broke down and wept.

^{15:1}As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. ²Pilate asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” He answered him, “You say so.” ³Then the chief priests accused him of many things. ⁴Pilate asked him again, “Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.” ⁵But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

⁶Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. ⁷Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. ⁸So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. ⁹Then he answered them, “Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?” ¹⁰For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. ¹¹But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. ¹²Pilate spoke to them again, “Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?” ¹³They shouted back, “Crucify him!” ¹⁴Pilate asked them, “Why, what evil has he done?” But they shouted all the more, “Crucify him!” ¹⁵So

Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

¹⁶Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. ¹⁷And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. ¹⁸And they began saluting him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" ¹⁹They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. ²⁰After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

²¹They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. ²²Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). ²³And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. ²⁴And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

²⁵It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. ²⁶The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." ²⁷And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. ²⁹Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, ³⁰save yourself, and come down from the cross!" ³¹In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. ³²Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

³³When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. ³⁴At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" ³⁵When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah." ³⁶And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." ³⁷Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. ³⁸And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. ³⁹Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

⁴⁰There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. ⁴¹These used to

follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem.

⁴²When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, ⁴³Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. ⁴⁴Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. ⁴⁵When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. ⁴⁶Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. ⁴⁷Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Please be seated.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Go to Dark Gethsemane

ELW 347

You are invited to hum along.

- 1 Go to dark Gethsemane,
all who feel the tempter's pow'r;
your Redeemer's conflict see.
Watch with him one bitter hour;
turn not from his griefs away;
learn from Jesus Christ to pray.

- 2 Follow to the judgment hall,
view the Lord of life arraigned;
oh, the wormwood and the gall!
Oh, the pangs his soul sustained!
Shun not suff'ring, shame, or loss;
learn from him to bear the cross.

- 3 Calv'ry's mournful mountain climb;
there, adoring at his feet,
mark that miracle of time,

God's own sacrifice complete.
"It is finished!" hear him cry;
learn from Jesus Christ to die.

4 Early hasten to the tomb,
where they laid his breathless clay;
all is solitude and gloom.
Who has taken him away?
Christ is ris'n! He meets our eyes.
Savior, teach us so to rise.

Please stand if you are able.

NICENE CREED

P: Let us profess our faith together.

C: **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

A: Relying on the promises of God, we pray boldly for the church, the world, and all in need.

In Jesus you came among us as a suffering servant. Give your church humility. Redeem your people from pride and the certainty that we always know your will. Heal us and empower us to confess Christ crucified.

In creation, life springs from death. Redeem your creation awaiting resurrection: restore lost habitats and endangered species. Create new possibilities for areas affected by climate change, grant relief from natural disasters, and nurture new growth.

Jesus was handed over to the powers of this world. In all nations, instruct the powerful, that they would not exploit their power but maintain justice. Sustain soldiers, and guide those who command them, that they serve those in greatest need.

On the cross Jesus joined all who feel forsaken. Abide with those who are condemned to death. Defend those who are falsely accused. Console and strengthen those who are mocked or bullied. Accompany all who suffer; grant respite and renewal.

You called followers to tend Jesus' body in death. Sustain hospice workers and funeral directors. Bless this congregation's ministries at times of death: those who plan and lead funerals, those who prepare meals, all who offer support in grief.

You inspired the centurion to confess Jesus as your Son. We praise you for the faith you have given to people of all places and times. Give us also such faith to trust the promises of baptism and, with them, to look for the resurrection of the dead.

P: *Additional petitions may be inserted.*

We entrust ourselves and all our prayers to you, O faithful God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

† THE MEAL †

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

SETTING OF THE TABLE

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray. Faithful God, you walk beside us in desert places, and you meet us in our hunger with bread from heaven. Accompany us in this meal, that we may pass over from death to life with Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Dialogue

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Preface

P: It is indeed right and our duty and joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn with these words:

C: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age. Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you

for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: *Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: *This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

C: Come, Holy Spirit.

P: Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ in the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace and love.

C: Come, Lord Jesus.

P: With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and Holy Trinity, now and forever.

C: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: We pray together.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Jesus draws the whole world to himself. Come to this meal and be fed.

C: **Amen.**

Please be seated.

PARTAKING IN THE BREAD AND CUP OF SALVATION

The congregation opens the wafer packet.

P: The body of Christ given for you.

C: **Amen.**

The congregation opens the cup.

P: The blood of Christ shed for you.

C: **Amen.**

Please place communion cups & wrappers in the trash as you exit the Sanctuary.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray. God of steadfast love, at this table you gather your people into one body for the sake of the world. Send us in the power of your Spirit, that our lives bear witness to the love that has made us new in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

Please stand if you are able.

† THE SENDING †

MUSICAL BENEDICTION

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

You are invited to hum along.

1. Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;
Through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang;
To Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to His breast,
The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

2. From Olivet they followed 'mid an exultant crowd,
The victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud;
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,
Not scorned the little children should on his bidding wait.

3. "Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing,
For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our King.
O may we ever praise Him with heart and life and voice,
And in His blissful presence eternally rejoice.

BLESSING

P: You are what God made you to be: created in Christ Jesus for good works, chosen as holy and beloved, freed to serve your neighbor. God bless you ☩ that you may be a blessing, in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity.

C: **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Ride On! Ride On In Majesty!

Arr. by H. A. Matthews



THIS WEEK AT ZION & WITHIN THE WIDER CHURCH

Sunday, March 28

* *The flowers and bulletins are sponsored by Bette Geibel in honor of Al & Connie Alsedek.*

* *The communion kits are sponsored by Bob Wildasin in celebration of the Easter season!*

In-Person Worship – 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Live-stream Worship – 9:00 a.m.

Worship Link: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live

No Wired Word Sunday School Class – Will resume Sunday April, 11 at 10:30 a.m.

Monday, March 29

Deadline for Easter Sponsors

Food Pantry – 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 30

Bible Study – 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. (Parlor)

Scouts – 6:00 p.m. (Classrooms)

Wednesday, March 31

Food Pantry – 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 1 – *Maundy Thursday*

Community Meal Drive-Thru – 5:30 – 6:15 p.m. (Hempfield H.S. Anchor Club)

In-Person Worship – 7:00 p.m.

Live-stream Worship – 7:00 p.m.

Worship Link: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live

Friday, April 2 – *Good Friday*

In-Person Worship – 7:00 p.m.

Live-stream Worship – 7:00 p.m.

Worship Link: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live

Saturday, April 3

Sunday, April 4 – *Easter Sunday*

In-Person Worship – 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Live-stream Worship – 9:00 a.m.

Worship Link: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live

No Wired Word Sunday School Class – Will resume next Sunday (4/11) at 10:30 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ZION'S HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday: Today at 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.; 9:00 Live-stream:

http://bit.ly/Zion_Live

Maundy Thursday: April 1 at 7:00 p.m.; Live-stream: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live

Good Friday: April 2 at 7:00 p.m.; Live-stream: http://bit.ly/Zion_Live

Easter Sunday: April 4 at 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.; 9:00 Live-stream:

http://bit.ly/Zion_Live

Registration is required for all services (adminzelc@comcast.net or 717-945-4585)



Holy Week



EASTER FLOWERS

There are sponsor forms for Easter flowers on the table in the Narthex by the Sanctuary entrance as well as on the ledge in the back hallway as you exit the Sanctuary. Cost is \$10. Deadline to place orders is *tomorrow*, 3/29. You may also contact Anne with orders if you do not have a sponsor form

(adminzelc@comcast.net or 717-945-4585).

OUTDOOR MINISTRY/CAMP/EARTH DAY SUNDAY

In the spirit of celebration earth, God's creation, and the start of the outdoor season, Director of Kirchenwald, Zach Weiss, will be at Zion on Sunday, April 11, to share about Outdoor Ministry opportunities at Camps Kirchenwald and Nawakwa.



SPRING WORK DAY



The Property Team will be holding a spring work day at the church on Saturday, April 10, beginning in the morning. There will be jobs for all interests and skill levels! Come and help make the grounds ready for spring and summer!

APRIL CALENDAR

The April calendar is available! on the ushers' table in the Narthex and on the window sill on the ledge in the back hallway. It is also inserted in your bulletin for those worshiping in-person. The calendar has also been emailed and mailed to members without email.



SUNDAY SCHOOL

where FAITH & LIFE connect

THE PARLOR CLASS WILL BE BACK

The Parlor Sunday School Class, led primarily by Dave Dumeyer, will resume on Sunday, April 11 after the 9:00 a.m. worship service. To begin, this class will meet in the Sanctuary.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

While we are not meeting with kids' for Sunday School right now, the Faith Formation Team will be creating video lessons to share virtually. You can find the first video (done by Denise Haun on the Woman at the Well) on the website (www.zionhempfield.net) under the Faith Formation page under Children & Youth Education or you can get to it directly at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7D_ej7dcQoU

WIRED WORD SUNDAY SCHOOL ON ZOOM

The Wired Word Class will not meet today or next Sunday due to the conflict of time with the 10:30 worship service. The class will resume on Sunday, April 11 via Zoom at 10:30.

The **Wired** WORD

JOYFUL NOISE COLLECTION

Today is the final day to give to the Joyful Noise offering this month! The money collected throughout the weeks in March will go to Anchor Lancaster. This local organization makes breakfast available to the homeless each morning. For more information about Anchor Lancaster, visit: <http://www.anchorlancaster.org/> The collection in April will go to Bethany Christian Services.



WORKSHOP COMING UP AT THE PARISH RESOURCE CENTER

Intro to Restorative Circles – Thurs., April 8; 7:00-8:30 p.m.

This workshop will be a live webinar through Zoom. The link will be emailed to you after registration. You can register online on the website: (www.parishresourcecenter.org) or by calling (717-299-1113). Not able to attend on this date? Ask how you can access a recording of the webinar.



PRAYER REQUESTS

The wooden prayer box that has been on the ushers' table in the Narthex is now going to be at the front of the Sanctuary on the table next to the baptismal font, next to the Joyful Noise bucket and the offering plate. You are invited to share any prayer requests by writing them down and placing them in the box.



RACE AGAINST RACISM 2021

This year's Race Against Racism event will be held virtually on May 2 at 1 p.m. (Rain date: 5/16). You can register to join the Zion Lutheran Church -Landisville Team at:

<https://runsignup.com/RaceGroups/81889/Groups/912144>



FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

While the Food Pantry is so blessed by very generous donations from individuals and groups, there are some particular items that they are running low on. If you care to donate anything at this time, please consider the following: canned green beans, canned corn, canned peas, canned applesauce, pancake mix, pancake syrup, cereal, and bagged noodles.



COVID VACCINE APPOINTMENTS

If you are eligible to get the vaccine right now, want to get it, but are having trouble getting an appointment, please call or email the church office [717-945-4585 (Anne's cell number) or adminzelc@comcast.net). There is help available!



The Lutheran Camping Corporation
of Central Pennsylvania
Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, & The Wittel Farm

JOB OPPORTUNITY AT NAWAKWA

Just Announced: Camp Director Job Opportunity with Lutheran Camping Corporation at Nawakwa! More details can be found on the LCC website :

<https://www.lutherancamping.org/employment/nawakwa-camp-director/>

COMING UP IN APRIL...

- Early Registration Discount Deadline: Saturday, April 3
Don't Forget Other Discounts Are Available Also:
 - CampPerson
 - Multiple Child
 - Multiple Weeks
 - Invite-A-Friend
- Camp Open House (Kirchenwald & Nawakwa): Sunday, April 11 (2-4:30 p.m.)
- Work Days (Kirchenwald & Nawakwa): Saturday, April 24 (Beginning at 9 a.m.)
- Earth Day Celebration: Sunday, April 25 (2-6 p.m.)

Questions? Contact Zion's CampPerson, Denise Haun (dmhaun@verizon.net)

**Hey Kids! Have
you signed up
for Summer
Camp at
Kirchenwald or Nawakwa???**



In order to receive the Early Registration discount of \$15, you must register with full payment by April 3rd...and that's coming up really soon. Don't miss out on any of the exciting opportunities available at the two camps in our synod. Programs are available for families and children in grades K-12.

Brochures are available at
www.LutheranCamping.org
or by calling the Camping Office
at 717-677-8211

Summer Camp Open House



**Summer Camp
Open House at
Kirchenwald &
Nawakwa**

Come join us!!!

- Meet some of the Summer Camp Staff
- Take a tour of camp
- \$10 gift certificate for the camp store to every brand new camper!!

**Sunday, April 11
2:00-4:30 pm**

Kirchenwald is located on 340 acres of undeveloped timberland, adjacent to 4000 acres of State Game Lands, in Lebanon, Pennsylvania.

Nawakwa is located on 336 acres outside of Arendtsville, in Adams County, Pennsylvania.

For more information, visit www.LutheranCamping.org or call the Camping Office at 717-677-8211.



WORK DAYS AT CAMP



**SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 2021
KIRCHENWALD & NAWAKWA
9:00 AM**

Volunteers needed to do general housekeeping, gardening, painting, carpentry, and other tasks.

A noon meal will be provided.

So that enough food can be prepared, please RSVP at LutheranCamping.org or 717-677-8211



Earth Day Celebration

2021

**Sunday, April 25, 2021 • 2-6pm
Kirchenwald**

Enjoy an afternoon of environmental activities, games, and crafts at one of your favorites places within God's creation: **CAMP!** An evening meal is included in the \$10 fee.
All ages welcome.

**RSVP to 717-677-8211 or
LutheranCamping.org by April 16**

PRAYER LIST

FOR HEALING

Joanne Grim	Rick Long	Thelma Pearson
Marvin Ruch	Kate Donnan	Barbara Williams
Dave Wise	Don Heartter	Joe Adams
Judie Ingersoll	Lucy Davis	Bill Grove
Kay Crawford	Holly Hoover	
Janet & Harry Musselman	Jeff Rickert	
Mary Schuchart (Aunt of Cathy Benedict)		
Robin Coons (Daughter-in-law of Dianne & Mark Coons)		
LaVon Harnish (Friend of Jeanette Bomberger)		
Homer Dietz (Brother-in-law of Harry Musselman)		
Ron Sahd (Friend of Dave Wise)		
Loma Slike (Mother of Sue Wise)		
Mike LaFata (Son-in-law of Bill & Julia Grove)		
Lesli LaFata (Daughter of Bill & Julia Grove)		

FOR COMFORT, PEACE, STRENGTH, & SAFETY

Family & Friends of Mary Zimmerman as they grieve the death of Marlin on March 12.

Betty Stoner	Arlene Miller	Deb McCartney
Marlin Zimmerman	Bette Geibel	
Richard & Marilyn Heim	Charlotte & George Potts	
Arlene Wise (Sister-in-law of Dave Wise)		
Vaun Hile (Father of Lynda Sherwood)		
Jennifer Kready (Daughter of Dave & Donna Dumeyer)		

FOR PROTECTION FOR MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS

Christopher Wright	Chris Andrew	Thom Whitesel
Ryan Stitzel	Doug Kautter	Justin Gorlaski
Corey Landis (Nephew of Jesse & Pat Landis)		
David Adams (Son-in-law of John & Kathleen Hay, and husband of Liz)		

IN CELEBRATION

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

30th – Kristen Haun
1st – Delaney Klepper
4th – Birgitte Chapman

MINISTRY LEADERS

Ministers
Interim Pastor
Music Director
Parish Administrator
Worship Technology Assistant
Lay Ministry Assistant
Council President
Council Vice President
Sextons

Members of the Congregation
Rev. Melody Sell
John Landis
Anne Rankin
David Albin
Diane Gerlach
Adele King
David Wise
Brian Bourassa (a.m.)
Tom Miller (p.m.)

WORSHIP, SUNDAY SCHOOL, & CONTACT INFORMATION

In-Person Worship

Sundays, 9:00 a.m.
Palm Sunday (3/28): 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.
Maundy Thursday (4/1), 7:00 p.m.
Good Friday (4/2), 7:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday (4/4): 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Live-stream & Recorded Worship Link

http://bit.ly/Zion_Live

**If there are two services, the 9:00 service will be live-streamed*

Sunday School Class (Zoom)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2283229266>

10:30-11:15 a.m.

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