



# Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

*Connecting with God; Connecting with Others; Connecting others with God*

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## **Easter 2021**

### *Devotionals from Pastor Sell*

#### **Friday, April 9**

Several weeks ago, while waiting in line at a drive through coffee shop, I said to my daughter “Tell the cashier we will pay for the person behind us.” My daughter gave me ‘THE LOOK.’ I said “Just do it.” It was less than \$4 so it was no big deal. The lady behind us went crazy trying to thank us. A few weeks later I was grabbing lunch at the Olive Garden. Across the way two older ladies were having an animated conversation as they finished their meal. They asked the server for their bill and were told it had already been paid. “Who, what, when, why?” the ladies asked but the server gave no hint of who or how the bill had been paid. (It wasn’t me this time.)

The two events were all about grace – something undeserved or earned but freely given. Our God is like that. Jesus was freely given to humanity. Jesus freely paid the price for our sin even though we did not deserve it or earn it. God is a God of grace, forgiveness, healing and hope.

(P.S. It is actually lot of fun sharing God’s attitude of grace with others.)