

Zion Lutheran Church Weekly News

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Worship: Saturday at 5:00 pm (Holy Communion 2nd & 4th Saturdays)

Sundays at 9:00 am (Holy Communion 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays)

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**Welcome! If you are a visitor and unfamiliar with
Zion Lutheran Church, here are a few things that might help you:**

- ⇒ First, thanks for coming! Every church is different, so give yourself some time to get used to our practices. We delight in having visitors and everyone around you is happy to help if you are not sure what to do.
- ⇒ Sunday school for children is available during the 9:00 am Sunday service in the conference room of the church which is located on the main level to your left as you enter the front doors of the church. Or feel free to ask an usher and they will guide you. Worship bags for children are located outside the sanctuary, and a soundproof room is located at the rear of the church for those times when children are distressed and you wish to take them out of the sanctuary.
- ⇒ Restrooms are located to your left, down the hall as you come through the front doors (to your right as you exit the church).
- ⇒ During the offering, please take the time to register your attendance by signing the friendship book and passing it down the rest of the row. This helps us to know you better and is a way of seeing who we haven't seen for a while due to illness or other circumstances.
- ⇒ Communion: After receiving the wafer, you have a choice of wine from either the individual cup or the common cup. In the center of the individual cup tray is non-alcoholic grape juice. It is lighter in color. The used individual cups are placed in the baskets on either side as you return to your seat. If you are physically unable to walk to communion, please let an usher know so that the pastor can personally bring the Lord's Supper to you at your pew. Please see page 3 for our statement of belief on the Lord's Supper.

ABOUT THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD

Zion Lutheran Church is a congregation of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod (LCMS). The LCMS is a mission-oriented, Bible-based, confessional Christian denomination headquartered in St. Louis, Mo. Founded in 1847, the LCMS has more than 2.3 million baptized members in some 6,200 congregations and more than 9,000 pastors. Two seminaries and 10 colleges and universities operate under the auspices of the LCMS, and its congregations operate the largest Protestant parochial school system in America, which includes more than 1,200 early childhood centers and pre-schools. The church broadcasts the saving message of Jesus Christ over KFYO Radio, and it has relationships and active mission work in 89 countries around the world. In the last five years, the LCMS has awarded more than \$35 million through more than 900 domestic and international grants for emergency response and disaster relief. Today, the LCMS is in full doctrinal fellowship with 33 other confessional Lutheran church bodies worldwide and is a founding partner of Lutheran Services in America, a social ministry organization serving one in every 50 Americans. For more information, visit www.lcms.org.

Zion Lutheran Early Childhood Education Center

A Reggio-inspired and Music Together Preschool® for 2-6 years old

Morning Pre School ☺ Afternoon Pre-school Enrichment Programs

K+ (Kindergarten Enrichment) ☺ Childcare Until 4:30 pm

Visitors welcome! Please call the Early Childhood Center: 630-323-0065

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Confirmation /Religious Classes

Zion Congregation offers a Biblically based program for children grades 3-8 every **Wednesday** afternoon (September – May) from 4:00 to 5:00 pm. God's Word will help to inform and prepare children with the kind of values needed in these challenging times. Christian fellowship with others, music, and caring teachers await your child. These classes are open to any child – Lutheran or not. If you know of someone who would like to attend these classes, please let us know.

Call or write for more information:

Pastor Klein at 630-323-0384 or pastor.jay.klein@gmail.com.

“LORD, I LOVE THE HABITATION OF YOUR HOUSE AND THE PLACE WHERE YOUR GLORY DWELLS.” – PSALM 26:8

Bible Classes

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN at 9:00 am.

LADIES' MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE CLASS at 6:30 pm.

LADIES' 1ST, 3RD, 5TH WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS at 9:30 am.

MEN IN THE MORNING THURSDAY MORNINGS at 6:00 am.

Stewardship

Zechariah 9:9 – *“Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”* No king ever rode to war like this. But no king had ever come to wage battle by dying. In His Passion, our Lord Jesus gives everything He has and is; He does this to bring us from death to life and to make us His own people.

Tithes are our regular, top priority (first fruits giving), proportionate, and grateful gifts to the Lord for the work of the Gospel and to the furtherance of His mission at Zion Church. Offerings are our gifts for special causes over and above our tithes.

Giving thanks to God for . . .

- ☺ My time with God (**Growing** in faith through Word and sacrament)
- ☺ My talents serving God (**Going** out and living & sharing among His people)
- ☺ My treasures/money honoring God (**Sowing** into His field of harvest: Kingdom vision!)

The Lord's Supper

Holy Communion is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and confidence that, as the Lord says, He gives us not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another.

Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words and repent of all sin, that they may show forth His death until He returns.

Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith that is confessed at this altar, any who have not yet been instructed, are in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor.

We are building and strengthening relationships with Jesus Christ and each other!

Worship † Education † Fellowship † Evangelism

IN AND AROUND ZION

CONFIRMANDS 1ST COMMUNION

The members of Zion's 2018 Confirmation class are receiving their 1st Communion today. Please keep Marty Boland, Tyler Folkmann, Rachel Palermo and Courtney Polarek in your prayers as they continue their Confirmation studies.

PART TIME POSITION AVAILABLE AT ZION'S ECEC

Do you love young children and would like a part-time position this summer? Then, Zion Lutheran Early Childhood Education Center in Hinsdale may be the place for you.

We are looking for:

A Preschool Summer Camp Teacher to plan and teach summer camp June 11-Aug. 3. Campers will participate in theme-based activities appropriate for the child's age group. Activities include games, music, outdoor exploration, creative art, language arts, Jesus time, snack, and free-choice time.

Morning camp runs 9:00 am to noon and can be extended to 2:00 pm with lunch and exploring time.

A Preschool Summer Camp Assistant may apply to support the teacher and assist children ages 2 ½ to 6 years-old in a fun and educational camp. A minimum requirement is a high school diploma and be a person who is dependable and committed to relating caringly with young children.

Please contact Peggy Farrell, Director 630-323-0065 or pfarrell@zionhinsdale.org if interested.

PASTOR'S WEEKLY EMAIL DEVOTIONS

For anyone who is interested in receiving pastor's weekly email devotion, let him know by writing him at: pastor.jay.klein@gmail.com.

PARISH EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MINUTES

For anyone interested in the minutes of the February Parish Executive Council meeting, copies are available in the church office.

ZION'S CUDDLY COMFORT CRITTERS PROJECT

The Cuddly Comfort Critters Project is going strong for young patients at Hinsdale Hospital! Stuffed 8 to 10 inch animals can be left in the basket in the gathering area of the church. This is an ongoing project and donations are always welcome!

CEMETERY CLEAN UP

Spring is coming and the cemetery needs to be cleaned up. If you have any grave decorations you want saved, please remove them. Or come join the M.O.L's on Thursday, April 5th for the clean-up beginning at 8:30 am. The cemetery is located at 301 Glendale Road, Oakbrook.

LUTHERAN RADIO STATION WORLDWIDE KFUE

This week on KFUE.org, we wish our listeners a blessed Palm Sunday and Holy Week. Study 1 and 2 Thessalonians on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT) and tune in to Sharper Iron for "Best Of" episodes this week (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT). This Friday March 30, hear special Good Friday programming including a broadcast of the Tre Ore service from Ascension Lutheran Church in St. Louis from 12:00 – 3:00 p.m. CT. Hear Christ for you anytime, anywhere at kfue.org.

WORSHIP ANEW

Worship Anew (formally Worship for Shut-Ins) is a unique program led by a Lutheran pastor with the message focused toward those who are at home or in the hospital. *Worship Anew* can be found in the Chicago area on WPWR-CW 50 AT 8:00 am Sunday morning. Visit their website for more information: www.worshipanew.org.

SAVE THE DATE!

Friends of Lutheran World Relief announces their 41st annual Spring Luncheon on Friday, April 20, 2018 at Avalon Banquets, 1905 E. Higgins Road in Elk Grove Village. Reservations are \$25 per person due no later than April 7th payable to Friends of Lutheran World Relief and mailed to Olinda Fink, 215 Marengo Avenue, #2F, Forest Park, IL 60130. Include the name, address and name of church for each person attending and choose your entrée: Chicken or Vegetarian.

FREE SENIOR LUNCHEON AND MORE

Hope Lutheran Church at 6455 Joliet Rd. in Countryside is hosting a Free Senior Luncheon on Wednesday, April 11th. There will be an 11:15 Bible Study Opportunity and lunch served at 12 Noon. Come and enjoy lunch with Fellowship and Entertainment by Jenny Rohr who will include a variety of humorous and serious differences between classical violin playing and good ol' blue grass music. Lunch will be provided by Salerno's Pizzeria and Sports Bar. Seating is limited so reservations are required by calling 708-354-1323 by Tuesday, April 10th.

STRENGTHEN YOUR COMMUNITY WITH THRIVENT!

Giving back has always been important to members of Thrivent Financial. Members are eligible to direct **“Choice Dollars”** to help churches, schools, campus ministries or other nonprofit organizations. The Thrivent Choice program offers a way for eligible members to recommend where Thrivent Financial distributes some of its charitable grant funds including Zion Lutheran Church and the Early Childhood Education Center. Live generously by dedicating Thrivent quarterly accrued **“Choice Dollars”** to foundations you care about.

If you are eligible to participate in Choice Dollars, or are uncertain about your eligibility, visit Thrivent.com/thriventchoice. Choice Dollars designated to eligible benefit members must be directed by March 29, 2018.

Learn more about becoming a Thrivent Member and participate in **Thrivent Choice** by contacting Rob Granner, Opus Financial within Thrivent at 630-598-2111. *Thrivent Financial connecting faith & finances for good!*

**Enrollment is taking place at
Zion’s Early Childhood Education Center now.**

Let your friends, family and neighbors know about our early childhood center. Take a tour and find out for yourself what a great place it is.

Call Peggy Farrell for information you might desire, to take a tour or to get information to pass along to someone you think might be interested She can be reached at:

630-323-0065 or pfarrell@zionhinsdale.org



Speakers for the Tre Ore Worship from 12 noon – 3:00 pm

First Word	Luke 23:32-38	Rev. Dan Gilbert	12:00-12:25
Second Word	Luke 23:39-43	Rev. Steven Anderson	12:30-12:50
Third Word	John 19:25-27	Rev. Walter Otten	12:55-1:15
Fourth Word	Matthew 27:45-49	Rev. Matthew Zickler	1:20-1:40
Fifth Word	John 19:28-29	Rev. Keith Haney	1:45-2:05
Sixth Word	John 19:30	Rev. David Bottorff	2:10-2:30
Seventh Word	Luke 23:44-49	Rev. Jay Klein	2:35-3:00

This Week at Zion

Palm Sunday March 25

9:00 am Worship
with Holy Communion
9:00 am Sunday School

Monday March 26

SPRING BREAK

7:00 AM – 7:00 PM CROSS TRAINING
8:15 pm A.A.

Tuesday March 27

SPRING BREAK

7:00 AM – 7:00 PM CROSS TRAINING
9:00 am Quilters

Wednesday March 28

SPRING BREAK

7:00 AM – 7:00 PM CROSS TRAINING
No Week Day Bible &
Confirmation Classes Today
6:30 pm Choir

Maundy Thursday March 29

SPRING BREAK

7:00 AM – 7:00 PM CROSS TRAINING
6:00 am Men's Bible Class
7:15 pm Worship
with Holy Communion
8:15 pm Choir

Good Friday March 30

SPRING BREAK

12:00 noon Tre Ore Service
7:15 pm Tenebrae Service

Saturday March 31

No Service tonight in
Preparation for Easter Morning

Easter Sunday April 1

7:00 am Worship
with Holy Communion
8:15 am Easter Brunch
9:30 am Worship
with Holy Communion

DONATIONS APPRECIATED!



The Easter Brunch will take place between services on Sunday April 1st. Donations of coffeecakes, muffins, donuts, or bagels would be appreciated. Please let the church office know if you will be donating something. Thanks!

Catered Easter Sunday Breakfast Between Services!



Plan to attend the Easter Breakfast between services on Easter Sunday this year! All are invited and welcome to attend!

Serving Saturday March 24

Pastor: Jay Klein

Organist: Sherrie Smith

Elder: Randy McGivney

Altar Guild: Carol Wahlgren, Cathy Gronewold, Mae Webb

Serving Sunday March 25

Pastor: Jay Klein

Organist: Diane Grover

Parish Music Associates: Sam Rose and Kyle Miller

Elder: Jon Sletton

Worship Assistant: Keith Larson

Acolytes: Anna Pikul & Olivia Fuller

Ushers: Phil Albert, Mandy Stewart, Tony & Linda DeFranco

Altar Guild: Carol Wahlgren, Cathy Gronewold, Mae Webb

Serving Maundy Thursday March 29

Pastor: Jay Klein

Organist: Sherrie Smith

Elder: Steve Swenson **Worship Assistant:** Enrique Ruiz

Altar Guild: Carol Wahlgren, Cathy Gronewold, Mae Webb

Serving Good Friday March 30

Pastor: Jay Klein

Organist: Diane Grover

12:00 pm Elder: Randy McGivney

7:15 pm Elder: Bob Barnett

Serving Easter Sunday April 1

Pastor: Jay Klein

Organist: Diane Grover

Parish Music Associates: Sam Rose and Kyle Miller

7:00 am Elder: Clint Fuller **Worship Assistant:** Steve Berg

9:30 am Elder: Randy McGivney **Worship Assistant:** Keith Larson

Altar Guild: Carol Wahlgren, Cathy Gronewold, Mae Webb