

Announcements

Welcome to Zion's liturgical service today! A liturgical/contemporary service is planned for next Sunday. For more details about Zion's worship planning, please check out the Worship Task Force report on our website.

WAYS TO GIVE AT ZION – there are many ways to give financially to Zion - along with your offering envelope with cheque or cash inside, we accept e-transfer (sent to zion.office@sasktel.net – it is set up for auto-deposit) and we can set up monthly withdrawals from your bank account. You can also donate to Zion through canadahelps.ca.

You are invited to a Spring Hymn Sing featuring local Lutheran parish choirs and musicians, Thursday, April 20th at 7:30 p.m. at Augustana Lutheran Church. Come to enjoy choral anthems for the Easter season, presented by Augustana, Resurrection, and other choirs--but come ready to sing, too! Together we'll be getting acquainted with a variety of beautiful hymns from a promising new resource, the latest supplement to our Lutheran hymnals, called *All Creation Sings*. A coffee reception will follow, hosted by Augustana Choir. Proceeds from the evening's offering will go towards Augustana's purchase of *All Creation Sings* worship resources, as well as the Queen Elizabeth School Breakfast Program. For more information, contact Deborah Buck at dbuck@sasktel.net or 306-652-0379.

SOCIAL OUTREACH UPDATE: We delivered the following to the Crisis Nursery and the Salvation Army: 15 children's quilts, 9 large quilts, 6 backpacks with toiletry items, 10 baby bundles, 6 receiving blankets, 4 other blankets. A huge thank you to all who continue to sew and gather supplies! There continues to be a great need in Saskatoon for these items. Any questions can be directed to Jackie Smith, Lori Farmer or Judy Jahnke. Many thanks to Linda Jarock for all her years of service to this committee.

You are invited to a presentation by President William Harrison of the Lutheran Theological Seminary on Tuesday, April 25th at 7 pm at Zion. Please come and learn more about the exciting new developments at LTS associated with "Our Classroom is Western Canada" and the STU (Saskatoon Theological Union). We look forward to a wonderful informational evening and hearing how God is working in and through Lutheran Theological Seminary.

The Lutheran Anglican Women's Retreat Committee is looking for volunteers to serve on their committee. They are organizing an annual retreat for Lutheran and Anglican women from congregations of Saskatoon and area to be held October 21, 2023. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Lorraine Harilstad at 306-370-7260.

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WELCOME VISITORS! If you would like more information about us, please fill out a communion card (found in the pew) and give it to an usher. Communing members of Zion are encouraged to fill out a communion card each time they commune. **We invite all who are baptized in the Christian faith to commune.** If you do not commune, we invite you to come forward to receive our Lord's Blessing from our Pastor. If you wish to receive communion in your pew, please notify your usher. Grape juice (in the middle of the tray) and red wine are available. Gluten free bread available on request.

Naomi Bible Study will meet on Monday, April 17th at 1:30 pm at Zion.

KAIROS BLANKET EXERCISE – Tuesday, April 18th from 6:30-8:30 pm at St John School Gym. A simulation of our history, open to ages 16 and up. KAIROS unites Canadian churches and religious organizations in a faithful ecumenical response to the call to "do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God" (Micah 6:8). For more information see: www.kairoscanada.org

In Our Prayers: Derwin Hall, Andrea Nostbakken, Nandari Swamy, Weldeyesus family, Mallory Jess, Cecelia Jurgens, Betty McManus, Aaron Froese, Glenn Wood, Borgny Lokken, Samhara & Saraq, Thor Kliev, Ivar Moen, Don Peterson, Louise Dahlen, Mary Kamineski, Linda and Steven, Jennifer Finstad, Bereket and family, Alice Olson, Paul Nostbakken, Gloria Hamp, Kaye Senum, Maxine Olson, Ione Tysseland, Keri Schaffel, Ron & Doreen Boldt, Paul Hansen, Clara Davidson, Connie Friggstad, Allan Grundahl, Marilyn Borch

GATHERING

Prelude

Invocation & Welcome

Thanksgiving for Baptism – ELW pg. 97

Gathering Hymn: "That Easter Day with Joy was Bright" - ELW #384

Kyrie – ELW pg. 147

This is the Feast – ELW pg. 149

Prayer of the Day: (see front of bulletin)

WORD

First Lesson: Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Psalm 16

Second Lesson: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Gospel Acclamation: **Celtic Alleluia – ELW #174**

Gospel Lesson: John 20:19-31

Homily

Hymn of the Day: "Christ is Living" – ACS #934

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of Intercession (P: Lord, in your mercy
C: Hear our prayer)

COMMUNION

The Peace

Offering: "Crown Him/Majesty"

The Great Thanksgiving – ELW pg. 152

Holy Lord – ELW pg. 153

The Lord's Prayer

**Communion: "Lamb of God" – ELW #336;
"The Wonderful Cross"**

Communion Blessing

SENDING

Blessings & Announcements

Sending Song: "Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen" – ELW #548

Alleluia! Serve the Risen Lord Jesus!

"Thanks be to God!"

Postlude

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

'You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him,

"I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;
therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
moreover, my flesh will live in hope.
For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One experience corruption.
You have made known to me the ways of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence."

'Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

"He was not abandoned to Hades,
nor did his flesh experience corruption."
This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

1 Peter 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are

protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Second Sunday of Easter

April 16, 2023

10:30 am

Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Prayer of the Day: Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



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