

# Announcements

**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](mailto:zion.office@sasktel.net) – it is set up for auto-deposit) and we can also set up monthly withdrawals from your bank account. You can also donate to Zion through [canadahelps.ca](http://canadahelps.ca).

## ELCIC Shared Lent Services

**Wednesday Evening Service Schedule: (all services at 7:30 pm)**

Date	Host	Preacher
March 20	Augustana	Zion

**Shared Maundy Thursday Service (March 28) will be held at Zion at 7:30 pm.**

**Shared Good Friday Service (March 29) will be held at Redeemer at 10 am.**

**Easter Sunday Service (March 31) will be held at Zion at 10:30 am.**

**Bible Study for Lent: The Psalms of Lament for our Time** – Wednesday, 5:30-6:30 pm in the Narthex. Bring a bag lunch or potluck to share. We will study Lamentations and Psalms 42, 88, 13 and 44.

**Death Café - Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm at Zion.**

**Thank you to the handbell choir for the beautiful music this morning!**

**Zion’s 2024-2025 Council is being installed this morning.** Please continue to keep these members in prayer as they serve the church in this way: Alice Barth, Judy Brown, Andrea Cameron, Ivan Finstad, Judy Jahnke, Dean Kindt, James Lokken, Alice Olson and Marcel Voyer

**Today is Birthday Sunday! If you celebrate a birthday in March, please plan to stay for coffee so we can celebrate with you.**

**LCBI Choir Concert will be held at Zion on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.**

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OFFICE HOURS: Mon – Fri 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

WWKC HOURS: Tues – Thurs 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

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YouTube: search Zion Lutheran Church, Saskatoon

**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. **Members of Zion are encouraged to fill out a communion card each time they commune.**

**Communion cards are used to track attendance for voting members.**

**All who are baptized in the Christian faith are invited 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 communion wafers available on request.

**Please follow the directions of the ushers when proceeding to the altar.**

**In Our Prayers:** Derwin, Andrea, Nandari, Weldeyesus family, Mallory, Aaron, Samhara & Saraq, Thor, Ivar, Don, Louise, Mary, Linda & Steven, Jennifer, Bereket & family, Alice, Gloria, Kaye, Maxine, Ron & Doreen, Clara, Connie, Marilyn, Fred, Lorna, Walter, Betsy, Anne, Maureen, Gail, Illa & Gordon, Susan, Lara, Luana, Dianah (mother of Joy and Kesha) on the birth of her new baby, Kaylani Destiny

# Order of Service

## GATHERING

Welcome

Prelude

**Confession & Absolution** – ELW pg. 94

**Gathering Hymn: “O God, who Gives us Life”**

– ACS #1086

Kyrie – ELW pg. 138

**Prayer of the Day:** (see front of bulletin)

## WORD

**First Lesson:** Jeremiah 31:31-34

**Psalm 51**

**Second Lesson:** Hebrews 5:5-10

Gospel Acclamation – ELW pg. 142

**Gospel Lesson:** John 12:20-33

Sermon

**Hymn of the Day: “Jesus, Keep me Near the Cross”**

– ELW #335

**Installation of Council**

**Prayers of Intercession** (P: God of grace

C: receive our prayer)

## COMMUNION

The Peace

**Offering: “How Can I Keep From Singing?”**

– Handbell Choir

The Great Thanksgiving – ELW pg. 144

Holy Lord

**The Lord’s Prayer**

Lamb of God – ELW #195

**Communion: “We Fall Down”; “We Will Glorify”**

Communion Blessing

## SENDING

**Sending Song: “Lord, Dismiss us with Your Blessing”**

– ELW #545

Benediction

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Postlude

Go in peace. Share your bread.

**“Thanks be to God!”**

**Jeremiah 31:31-34**

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the LORD', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

**Hebrews 5:5-10**

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you'; as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.'

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

**John 12:20-33**

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.'

'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2024

10:30 am

Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Prayer of the Day:

O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself,  
and in mercy you receive our prayers.

Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit,  
that through life and death we may live in your Son,

Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and forever.

Amen.



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