# ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH WORSHIP • GROW • SERVE Altamont, Illinois



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JANUARY 28, 2024

# ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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### Today's Worship

Order of worship: Hymns:

Matins - p. 219 566, 761, 685

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Ushers serving in January: Dwayne Beccue & Jason Suckow Reserve: John Wohltman

<u>We welcome our visitors</u> in the name of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ! We pray that your time of worship with us today will be a blessing to you. Please introduce yourself to our members and our pastor. If you are interested in learning more about Zion, membership, or our teachings, please don't hesitate to speak with Pastor Manley or an Elder.

**<u>Prayer Before Worship:</u>** O Lord, our creator, redeemer, and comforter, as we come together to worship You in spirit and truth, we humbly pray that You would open our hearts to the preaching of Your Word so that we may repent of our sins, believe in Jesus Christ as our only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear us for His sake. Amen.

**<u>Prayer After Worship:</u>** Almighty and merciful God, we have again worshiped in Your presence and received both forgiveness for our many sins and assurance of Your love in Jesus Christ. We thank You for this undeserved grace and ask You to keep us in faith until we inherit eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

# In Our Prayers This Week

<u>In need of healing:</u> Barbara Clifton, Heather Davis, Florence Leppin, Myrna Suckow, Howard Voelker, Mildred Wolff

<u>Serving in the military</u>: Cole Stuemke, Brandon Voelker <u>Imprisoned</u>: Alex Beccue

Happy Birthday this week to Anita Alwardt on Thursday (2/1)

# February Birthdays & Anniversaries\*

Lloyd & Anita Alwardt\* (5<sup>th</sup>), Christy Beccue (10<sup>th</sup>), Jenna Murray (11<sup>th</sup>), Beverly Suckow (15<sup>th</sup>), Dennis Stuemke (22<sup>nd</sup>)



### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**TODAY - Zion's Quarterly Voters Meeting** - The Council will meet at 1:30 PM, the Voters will meet at 2 PM.

Ladies - LWML Mite Boxes – Please turn in your mite boxes to Imogene.

<u>Zion Movie Night</u> – A movie night (for all ages) will be held on **February 18** at **5PM** in the church basement. Pizza, popcorn, and cookies will be served. The featured movie will be the animated film: "*Joseph: King of Dreams*".

<u>Seminex Book-</u> Upon the 50th Anniversary of "The Walkout" and the formation of Seminex Concordia Historical Society has produced a book with a collection of Essays called: *"Rediscovering the Issues Surrounding the 1974 Concordia Seminary Walkout." Please speak with Pastor Manley or sign up to order a copy. Books are \$20 or less depending on Bulk Order discount. Sign-up sheet is in the narthex. Please hold payment until we know the exact price.* 

**St. Paul (Blue Point) Men's Club Annual Pancake & Sausage Supper** is on Sunday, February 4, from 4-7PM. The event is dine-in with carry-out meals available. All you can eat! Free will donation. Packaged rope, cooked rope and bulk ground sausage will also be available for purchase.

<u>Sausage Supper</u> St. Peter's Lutheran Men's Club will once again be holding their Sausage Supper with all the fixings on February 18, 2024, serving begins at 5 PM in the St. Peter's Lutheran School Gym. Carry Outs will be available.

<u>CID LLL District Convention -</u> Saturday, March 9, 2024. Mark your calendars! Join the CID LLL District at their annual convention hosted at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Altamont, Illinois. All are welcome to attend. Guest speaker is Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, Speaker of the Lutheran Hour<sup>®</sup> focusing on Energizing Mission. Join us for a day of spiritual growth with inspirational presentations to encourage and equip you as partners in His mission.

<u>Illinois March for Life:</u> Wednesday, April 17, 2024. As last year, Trinity Lutheran Church in downtown Springfield (across the street from the state capitol building) will host a Matins service in the morning, before the rally and march, and a light lunch will be provided at a nominal cost. - There will be a free bus from Altamont to the March for Life in Springfield, IL on Wednesday, April 17, 2023. The first 48 persons to register can go. Thanks to Altamont Lutherans For Life. Contact Immanuel Lutheran Church.

# ALIS News/Upcoming Events:

**29<sup>th</sup> Annual ALIS PTL Dinner Auction** will be held on Saturday, Feb. 24, at the Carriage House Event Center. This year's event will begin with a social hour, silent auction and meal from 4:30-6PM. The live auction will begin at 6:30PM and the evening will conclude with musical entertainment by Thunder Road. The cost is \$25 per person or you may reserve preferred seating for \$300 (table of 8). *RSVP by February 12*. For more information or to RSVP contact Jennifer Milleville 217-821-1898, Robin Elam 618-204-0397, or Shelbi Willenborg 618-322-0011.

**2024-2025 ALIS KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION – April 9, Tues.** 6-6:45pm. Students will meet their teacher and visit the kindergarten room while parents complete paperwork and ask questions. Bring a copy of your child's certified birth certificate to the orientation and his/her baptismal date.

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OUR CURRENT GIVING	52	AT POR "
Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,300.00	
(ALIS tuition per week = $$675$ )	,	
Received 1/21	\$ 755.00	
Received YTD:	\$ 1,866.00	P. O
Difference in actual needed YTD:	\$ -2,034.00	"4. LIFE"
Missions budget goal:	\$ 2,000.00	
Received 1/21	\$ 0.00	
Missions received YTD:	\$ 0.00	

<u>The following Lectionary Summary</u>, provided by the LCMS, serves as a guide to help understand the theme of the readings for each Sunday as well as how they fit into the particular season of the Church Year.

#### Grace Alone

The people of Israel contended with the Lord in the wilderness (Ex. 17:1–7). They were dissatisfied with His provision. In the same way, the first laborers in the vineyard complained against the landowner for the wage he provided them (Matt. 20:1–16). They charged him with being unfair, but in reality he was being generous. For the Lord does not wish to deal with us on the basis of what we deserve but on the basis of His abounding grace in Christ. The first—those who rely on their own merits—will be last. "For they were overthrown in the wilderness" (1 Cor. 10:5). But the last, those who rely on Christ, will be first. For Christ is the Rock (1 Cor. 9:24–10:5). He is the One who was struck and from whose side blood and water flowed that we may be cleansed of our sin.

#### Thought for the week...

**1** Corinthians 9:25 – "Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable." Self-control is a fruit of the Spirit, for the desires of the flesh are at war with the desires of the Spirit. We have received new life in Christ by His grace. Now He calls us to follow Him deliberately, with self-control and with intention.

<u>KFUO - 850AM / KFUO.org</u> – Programs are archived for 24/7 on-demand listening Issues, Etc. broadcasts live weekdays from 3:05 to 5:00 P.M. Central.

**EXPERT GUESTS, EXPANSIVE TOPICS, EXTOLLING CHRIST...** Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: Responding to the Cliches of Pop American Christianity, The Epiphany Hymn "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise," An Update on an Attempt by Concordia University Texas to Reject the Governance & Oversight of the LCMS, The Benefits of Liturgical Worship and more. You can listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod or your favorite podcast provider.

<u>Bulletin Announcements</u> E-mail <u>zion.altamont@gmail.com</u> or call/text Tonya at 618-780-7732. Please submit announcements by 12 P.M. on Friday.