

# ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

- Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod -

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## Today's Worship

Order of worship:

Matins - p. 219

Hymns:

865, 577, 781 vs. 1-2, 658

***Ushers serving in February:*** Mark Suckow & B.J. Voelker  
Reserve: Rick Conway

**We welcome our visitors** 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.

**Prayer Before Worship:** 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.

**Prayer After Worship:** 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

**In need of healing:** Pam Buening, Darren Feldkamp, Zoe Hoehler, Ruth Holland, Elverna Tappendorf

**Serving in the military:** Cole Stuemke, Brandon Voelker

**Imprisoned:** Alex Beccue



**Happy Birthday** this week to Beverly Suckow on Wednesday (02/15).

**Happy Birthday** last week to Christy Beccue on Friday (02/10)  
and Jenna Murray on Saturday (02/11).

## **February Birthdays & Anniversaries\***

Dennis Stuemke (22<sup>nd</sup>)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**Door Collection** for Pastor Robert Heimgartner will be taken this morning.

**Sausage Supper: St. Peter's Lutheran Men's Club** will be hosting their Sausage Supper with sausage, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, and all the fixings on Sunday, February 19, with serving beginning at 5PM in the St. Peter's Lutheran School Gym. Carry Outs will be available.

**St. Peter's Lutheran School, St. Peter, Illinois is seeking** a 1st and 2nd Grade teacher beginning in the 2023-2024 school year. If you know of someone who might fill our needs, please contact Principal Dr. Larry Wooster (lwooster@stpeterstpeter.org) or Mrs. Belinda Harpster (bharpster.spls@gmail.com) by either email or in the school office (618-349-8888; 701 E. 3rd St. St. Peter, IL 62880).

**CID LLL District Convention** will be held on Saturday, March 4, 2023 at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 6801 N Allen Rd, Peoria, IL 61614. Doors Open at 8:00 AM. Convention Begins at 9:00 AM. Cost: \$25.00 per person (includes Lunch). Checks payable to CID LLL District. The registration deadline is February 28, 2023. For More Information, contact Deloris Blessman at delorisblessman@yahoo.com.

**ALIS hosts Creation Truth Foundation** dinosaur week March 5-8 at ALIS. Displays include dinosaur fossils and replicas. This event is for the whole family; showing the evidence for creation science. **Free and open to the public of all ages on:** Sunday, March 5 @ 6pm; Monday, March 6 @ 6pm; Tuesday, March 7 @ 6pm; Wednesday, March 8 @ 7pm.

**Open House - Trinity Lutheran School, Stewardson, IL** on Sunday, March 5, from 12-2PM. Please see the flyer posted in the narthex for full details.

**29<sup>th</sup> Annual ALIS PTL Dinner Auction** will be held on Saturday, March 11, at the Carriage House Event Center. Doors will open at 4:30 PM with the silent auction and meal from 4:30-6:00PM. The live auction will begin at 6:30PM. RSVP with payment to ALIS office by March 3. For more information contact Jennifer Milleville 217-821-1898, Robin Elam 618-204-0397, or Shelbi Willenborg 618-322-0011. See the flyer on the bulletin board for details as well as RSVP and donation forms.

**ILLINOIS MARCH FOR LIFE TRIP - New Location:** Springfield; **New Day:** Tuesday, March 21, 2023. **Same Mission:** Save Midwestern lives by marching for life in the public square. **Trip:** A bus will leave Immanuel North Parking Lot at 8AM and return approx. 4-5PM. There is no charge for the bus; bring a sack lunch. – **THE BUS IS FULL!** – *You can still drive yourself and meet us at a 10:30AM service at Trinity, Springfield by CID President Mohr.*

### **ALIS News/Upcoming Events:**

**Feb. 17, Friday** – Early Dismissal 11:10am with bussing, no after school care

**Feb. 20, Monday** – No School – President's Day

**Feb. 20, Monday** – School Board Meeting – 7PM

**Feb. 28, Tuesday** – PTL Meeting – 7PM

**Blood Drive** hosted by the National Honor Society students will be held in the Altamont High School gymnasium on Wednesday, February 22, from 8:15 AM - 2PM. *Help save a life and give blood.*

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**ATTENDANCE**

02/05

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**OUR CURRENT GIVING**

Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,200.00
Received 02/05	\$ 665.00
Received YTD:	\$ 4,760.00
Difference in actual needed YTD:	\$ -2,440.00
Missions budget goal:	\$ 2,000.00
Received 02/05	\$ 75.00
Missions received YTD:	\$ 300.00



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**The following Lectionary Summary**, 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.

***Scripture Alone***

The Sower sows the seed of His Word (Luke 8:4–15). This Word is living and powerful (Heb. 4:9–13) to conceive new life in those who hear it. But the planting of Christ is attacked by the devil, the world, and the flesh. Satan snatches the Word away from hard hearts. The riches and pleasures of this life choke off faith. Shallow and emotional belief withers in time of temptation and trouble. But see how Christ bears this attack for us! Christ’s cross was planted in the hard and rocky soil of Golgotha. A crown of thorns was placed upon His head. Satan and His demons hellishly hounded and devoured Him. Yet, through His dying and rising again, He destroyed these enemies of ours. Jesus is Himself the Seed which fell to the ground and died in order that it might sprout forth to new life and produce much grain. In Him, the weak are strong (2 Cor. 11:19–12:9). He is the Word of the Father which does not return void (Is. 55:10–13) but yields a harvest hundredfold.

***Thought for the week...***

**Luke 8:11** – “**The seed is the word of God.**” It all starts with the Word. “In the beginning ... the Word was with God” (John 1:1). “He saved us by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit” (Titus 3:5). “The word of our God will stand forever” (Is. 40:8). We never outgrow our need to hear the Word of God. We never achieve such greatness that we don’t need the blessings of God’s Word. Rather, the Christian life is one of always striving to conform our lives to God’s Word by living out the truth of our Baptism: that we are God’s children by the power of his Word.

**PURE GERMANY TOUR** - Mr. Jim Yagow is planning a trip to Pomerania and other sites in Germany Sept. 11-22, 2024. More information can be found on the Trip Handout in the narthex. Or you can contact Mr. Yagow directly: jimyagow@aol.com.

**Bulletin Announcements** Please contact Tonya Suckow to submit bulletin announcements. You may E-mail [zion.altamont@gmail.com](mailto:zion.altamont@gmail.com) or call/text 618-780-7732. Please submit announcements by 12 P.M. on Friday.

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