

# Hosanna in the highest.

Matthew 21:9

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# ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

- Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod -

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**PALM SUNDAY**

**MARCH 24, 2024**

## Today's Worship

Order of worship:

Matins - p. 219

Hymns:

442, 443, 441

***Ushers serving in March:*** Mark Suckow & Brock Murray  
Reserve: Jason Suckow

**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:** Heather Davis, Teresa Riley, Florence Leppin, Mike Myers, Howard Voelker, Mildred Wolf

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

**Imprisoned:** Alex Beccue



***Happy Birthday this week to Steve Suckow on Tuesday (3/26),  
Graham Murray on Wednesday (3/27), Sam Stuemke on Thursday (3/28),  
and John Manley on Saturday (3/30)***

## **April Birthdays & Anniversaries\***

Rick & Michelle Conway\* (4<sup>th</sup>), Bert Siebert (14<sup>th</sup>),

Zion Lutheran Church\* (16<sup>th</sup>- 131 years),

Dalton Roedl (18<sup>th</sup>), Naomi Murray (22<sup>nd</sup>),

Dwayne & Christy Beccue\* (23<sup>rd</sup>), LaShay Suckow (27<sup>th</sup>)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Holy Week Services:

**Maundy Thursday** with Holy Communion – March 28, 7PM @ Zion  
**Good Friday** – *Tenebrae (Service of Darkness)* – March 29, 7PM @ Bethlehem

**THANK YOU!** Thank you to all those that put a huge amount of time & effort in working on the benefit. Thank you for donations for the meal and for the bake sale and for supporting, helping and attending Zion Breakfast. The proceeds were approx. \$4,800. It was a remarkable turn out for our first try!

**LCC Executive Committee Meeting** will be held on Mon., March 25, at 7 PM.

**Tre Ore Service** – St. Paul Lutheran Church-Blue Point, will host a Tre Ore service on Good Friday, March 29, from 12pm-3pm. Tre Ore means "three hours" and denotes the hours of darkness in which Christ hung on the cross until His death. The three-hour service is comprised of meditations on the 7 words of Christ on the cross. Please see the flyer posted in the narthex for full details.

**LCC Easter Bake Sale** The Lutheran Care Center is hosting an Easter Bake Sale on Saturday, March 30, from 9am-11am in the Luther Terrace Lobby. Bring your kids out for photos with the Easter Bunny! All proceeds will go towards entertainment for our skilled care residents.

**THRIVENT CHOICE** Consider directing your Thrivent Choice Dollars to Altamont Lutheran Interparish School. If you still have funds available from 2023, the deadline to designate is March 31, 2024. Call 800-847-4836 (1-800-Thrivent) or direct them online at [www.thrivent.com](http://www.thrivent.com).

**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.

**Illinois March for Life:** 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.

**Mill Road Thresherman's Tractor Drive** to benefit their scholarship fund will be held on Saturday, June 15, 2024. The tractor drive (parade) will be making a stop at Zion to hear about the history of the congregation and school. *If you would like to volunteer to speak on the historical milestones from Zion's history, please speak with Dave Suckow.*

### ALIS News/Upcoming Events:

**Thurs.-Fri., March 28 – April 5** – No School Easter Break.  
**Mon., April 8** – No School  
**Mon., April 15** – School Board Meeting 7PM  
**Tues., April 16** – PTL Meeting 7PM

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**ATTENDANCE**

3/16	37
3/20	35

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**OUR CURRENT GIVING**

Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,300.00
(ALIS tuition per week = \$675)	
Received 3/16	\$ 1,115.00
Received 3/20	\$ 199.00
Received YTD:	\$ 15,243.50
Difference in actual needed YTD:	\$ + 943.50
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Missions budget goal:	\$ 2,000.00
Received 3/16	\$ 175.00
Missions received YTD:	\$ 550.00

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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.

***The Cross and Passion of Our Lord Are the Hour of His Glory***

*"Behold, your King is coming to you . . . humble and mounted on a donkey"* (Zech. 9:9–12; Mt. 21:1–9). Our Lord rides in this humble fashion because He is entering Jerusalem to humble Himself even to the point of death on a cross (Phil. 2:5–11). His kingly crown will not be made of gold but of thorns, the sign of sin's curse. For His royal reign is displayed in bearing this curse for His people, saving us from our enemies by sacrificing His own life. The sinless One takes the place of the sinner so that the sinner can be freed and bear the name "*Barabbas*," "*son of the Father*" (Matthew 26 and 27). It is at the name of this exalted Savior, Jesus, that we bow in humble faith. With the centurion who declared, "*Truly this was the Son of God!*" (Mt. 27:54), we are also given to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father (Phil. 2:11).

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

**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, to make us His own people, and show us an example of self-giving love that we should follow.

**KFUO - 850AM / KFUO.org** – Programs are archived for 24/7 on-demand listening

**Issues, Etc.** broadcasts live weekdays from 3:05 to 5:00 P.M. Central.

**Camp CILCA's Annual Banquet Sunday, April 14, 2024** Come enjoy a catered dinner and dessert while listening to updates on Camp CILCA, a speaker, and live music. This year's speaker is Illinois Right to Life's director, Mary Kate Zander. Live music by Aly Hauser. The event will be held in the Dining Hall. Make sure to RSVP before April 10th by emailing [camp@cilca.org](mailto:camp@cilca.org). 4124 Camp CILCA Rd. Cantrall, IL 62625

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