

# ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*Altamont, Illinois*



† THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER †

APRIL 14, 2024

# ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

- Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod -

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EASTER 3

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## Today's Worship

Order of worship:

Matins - p. 219

Hymns:

709, 740, 710

***Ushers serving in March:*** John Wohltman & B.J. Voelker  
Reserve: Dennis Stuemke

**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, Florence Leppin, Todd Luedtke, Teresa Riley, Howard Voelker, Mildred Wolf

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

**Imprisoned:** Alex Beccue



**Happy Birthday** to Bert Siebert today (4/14)

**131<sup>st</sup> Anniversary** of Zion Lutheran Church on Tuesday (4/16)

**Happy Birthday** to Dalton Roedl on Thursday (4/18)

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

Naomi Murray (22<sup>nd</sup>), Dwayne & Christy Beccue\* (23<sup>rd</sup>),  
LaShay Suckow (27<sup>th</sup>)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**Zion's Quarterly Voters Meeting** will be held on Sunday, April 21. The Council will meet at 1:30 PM, the Voters will meet at 2 PM.

**Lutheran Care Center Full Board Meeting** will be held Monday, April 22, at 7:00 P.M.

**Young Adult Dinner** at Joe's Pizza in Altamont on Sunday, April 14, at 5:00 PM. Get together with other young LCMS adults in Christian fellowship to discuss the formation of a young adults Lutheran Bible Study, ages 18-30 years of age.

**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

**The 2024 Illinois March for Life** will be in Springfield on Wednesday, April 17. Southern Illinois District President Timothy Scharr will preach at a Matins service at Trinity Lutheran Church (220 South Second St., Springfield, 62701) at 10 a.m.; a light lunch will be available at the State House Inn ballroom (101 East Adams St.) at 11:00 a.m. (*recommended donation: \$5; please bring a \$5 bill*); rally commences at noon on capitol front lawn; actual march steps off at 1:00 p.m. Free parking for those attending Matins and the following activities is available in State House Inn's parking lot, in the block west of the hotel building, across First Street. There are limited parking spaces so, please carpool. - *There will be a free bus from Immanuel, Altamont to the March for Life in Springfield, IL. The first 48 persons to register can go. Bring a sack lunch. Thanks to Altamont Lutherans For Life. Contact Immanuel Lutheran Church.*

**Immanuel Lutheran Church (Augsburg) Soup & Chili Luncheon** will be held today, Sunday, April 21. Serving begins after worship at 11:30 am. The menu includes: chicken noodle soup, chili, chicken salad, hot dogs, peanut butter with honey, desserts, coffee, ice tea, and lemonade. Cost is a freewill offering. Dine in or carry out. Sponsored by Immanuel Ladies's Aid. The church is located at 1297 E 900 Ave., Shobonier, IL 62885.

**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.* See the flyer posted on the bulletin board for full details and map of the event showing the designated stops.

**Stay Connected with the Central Illinois District**

CID's website: <http://www.cidlcms.org/>

CID's Gatepost (newsletter) <http://www.cidlcms.org/gatepost.html>

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

**Mon., April 15** – School Board Meeting 7PM

**Tues., April 16** – PTL Meeting 7PM

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**ATTENDANCE**

4/07

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**OUR CURRENT GIVING**

Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,300.00
(ALIS tuition per week = \$675)	
Received 4/07	\$ 602.00
Received YTD:	\$ 18,701.50
Difference in actual needed YTD:	\$ + 501.50
Missions budget goal:	\$ 2,000.00
Received 4/07	\$ 75.00
Missions received YTD:	\$ 975.00

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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 Good Shepherd Cares for His Sheep***

Our Lord Jesus is the Good Shepherd (John 10:11–16). He is not like the hireling, who cares nothing for the sheep and only for himself, who flees when he sees the wolf coming. Rather, Jesus is the Good Shepherd who seeks out His scattered sheep to deliver them (Ezek. 34:11–16). He gathers them and feeds them in rich pasture. He binds up the broken and strengthens the sick. He lays down His life for wandering and wayward sheep. On the cross, Christ bore in His body the attacks of the predators of sin and death and the devil for you that you might be saved. He now lives to restore your soul in the still waters of baptism, to lead you in the paths of righteousness by the voice of His Gospel, to prepare the table of His holy supper before you, that you may dwell in the house of the Lord forever (Psalm 23). *“For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls”* (1 Peter 2:25).

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

**John 10:14** – **“I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me.”** What does it mean to know the Lord? It starts with being known by the Lord: He claims us as His own and calls us by name. Then, once we are His, we learn to know Him, and in knowing Him, we learn to imitate Him. That is how the Christian life of good works and generosity grows from the Lord’s grace.

**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.

**1 PETER BIBLE STUDY...** The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon begins a study this week on the Book of 1 Peter. You can listen at your convenience at [thewordendures.org](http://thewordendures.org), Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, the LPR mobile app or a podcast provider.

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