

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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† SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER †

APRIL 16, 2023

ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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EASTER 2

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Today's Worship

Order of worship: Setting Three with Holy Communion - p.184

Hymns: 467 vs. 1-4; 461 vs. 4-5; 470; 525

Ushers serving in April: Jason Suckow & B.J. Voelker

Reserve: Brandon Beccue

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.

In Our Prayers This Week

In need of healing: Darren Feldkamp, Florence Leppin,
Kendra Meyer, Howard Voelker

Serving in the military: Cole Stuemke, Brandon Voelker

Imprisoned: Alex Beccue



Anniversary today of Zion Lutheran Church – 130 years

Happy Birthday this week to Dalton Roedl on Tuesday (04/18) and
Naomi Murray on Saturday (04/22).

April Birthdays & Anniversaries*

Dwayne & Christy Beccue* (23rd), LaShay Suckow (27th)

HOLY COMMUNION: *The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.*

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive this sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Zion's Quarterly Voters Meeting will be held on Sunday, April 23. 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 the next 2 weeks.

Lutheran Care Center Full Board Meeting will be held Monday, April 24, at 7:00 P.M.

Prayer Cards - CID office and Life Coordinator Mr. David Ward have produced Prayer Cards for Wednesday's Child. These cards are intended for you to take and pray each Wednesday for God's gift of life and protection of the helpless against danger. You may also take more to give to friends and neighbors. Prayer cards are in the narthex.

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Altamont will be hosting a meal **today**, April 16, to raise funds for current sanctuary renovations. It will be held at The Carriage House Event Center in Altamont. You are invited to the free-will donation event which is from 10:30 AM -- 1 PM. Carry-outs will be available. The menu includes fried chicken, bone-in ham, mashed potatoes & gravy, beef & noodles, vegetable, slaw, roll, dessert and drink. Sponsors include Deb's Catering, The Giving Plate, the Schultz Family and the Ramsey Family.

"Protect Pregnancy Resource Centers" Rally on April 26 - *Illinois Right to Life* has announced a rally to oppose Illinois Senate Bill 1909. This bill has passed in the Senate and is now before the state's House of Representatives.

SB 1909 would make it difficult if not impossible for pregnancy resource centers to operate. Without defining "deceptive acts or practices," it would subject such centers to civil liability for engaging in such practices. It provides for similar civil liability for sidewalk counselors who stand outside abortion clinics. This bill would also allow the Attorney General to investigate pregnancy resource centers even in the absence of a particular complaint.

The rally will begin at noon on Wednesday, April 26 in front of Lincoln Statue at the Illinois State Capitol, 301 S. 2nd St., Springfield, IL 62701. Mary Kate Zander, Executive Director of Illinois Right to Life, will be among the speakers.

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.

ALIS News/Upcoming Events:

April 17, Monday – School Board Meeting – 7PM

April 18, Tuesday – PTL Meeting & Elections – 7PM

ALIS position available – ALIS is taking applications for a part-time assistant cook. Interested candidates can apply in person at Altamont Lutheran Interparish School located at 7 South Edwards Street, Altamont, IL 62411, or email resume, cover letter, and references to robiflach@alisrockets.com. See the job description posted on the bulletin board for full details.

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OUR CURRENT GIVING

Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,200.00
Received 04/09	\$ 979.00
Received YTD:	\$ 15,506.25
Difference in actual needed YTD:	\$ -2,493.75

Missions budget goal:	\$ 2,000.00
Received 04/09	\$ 0.00
Missions received YTD:	\$ 850.00



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 Wounds of Christ Give Us Life

“For there are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood” (1 John 5:7). These three point to Christ and flow from Christ. Jesus shows His disciples His hands side, from which blood and water flowed, saying *“Peace be with you.”* He presents the wounds which turn our fear to gladness and which restore us to the Father. Jesus breathes on His disciples and says, *“Receive the Holy Spirit”* (John 20:23). His breath, His words are Spirit and life. They raise up our dry, dead bones and give us new and everlasting life (Ezek. 37:1–14). Christ now gives His ministers to speak His forgiving, Spirit-filled words to the penitent in His stead. Our Lord continues to come to His people, presenting His wounds to us in the Sacraments of water and blood. He bids us to touch His side at His table, to receive His risen body and blood in true faith, that believing we may have life in His name.

Thought for the week...

John 20:19 – **“On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’”** Jesus spent a lot of His time telling the disciples to not be afraid. Our fears constantly hem us in and prevent us from following the Lord’s will. But there is no need to fear. Jesus has conquered. No fear can keep us locked up. We have been set free by Jesus to live lives that declare His marvelous deeds.

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 teachings include: Putting Children at the Center of Family Policy; Responding to Unanswered Bible Questions; The Doctrine of the Trinity & the Bible; Lies about Human Nature; The Sacrifice of the Mass and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

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