

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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† FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER †

APRIL 30, 2023

ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

- Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod -

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EASTER 4

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Today's Worship

Order of worship:

Matins - p. 219

Hymns:

672; 464; 461 vs. 4-5; 467

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.

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: Darren Feldkamp, Florence Leppin, Kendra Meyer, Howard Voelker

Serving in the military: Cole Stuemke, Brandon Voelker

Imprisoned: Alex Beccue



Happy Birthday this week to Hona Roedl on Wednesday (5/03)

May Birthdays & Anniversaries*

Gary Wendling (7th), Stephanie Voelker (16th), Tonya Suckow (20th)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Congregational Meeting – A brief congregational meeting will be held after the worship service **next Sunday, May 7.**

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.

Bells in Motion - Immanuel Lutheran Church, Altamont – *Bells In Motion*, an advanced, auditioned community handbell ensemble, based in Springfield, IL, will be on tour in June. They will be making their final stop at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Altamont on Sunday, June 11th. They have an exciting line up planned. If you like jazz, there will be something for you. If you like classics from the 50's, 60s, 70s, and 80s, there will be something for you. If you like Broadway, there will be something for you too. This family friendly concert has music for everyone. Mark your calendar and tell all your friends. You won't want to miss this! Sunday, June 11, at 4:00 pm, 203 E. Division Street, Altamont, in the upper Parish Hall. Immanuel mixed choir director, Chris, rings with this ensemble. A free-will offering will be taken for Bells in Motion.

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:

May 3, Wednesday – ALIS Blue & Gold Banquet – 6PM

May 5, Friday – ALIS K-8 Spring Musical – 7PM

COKE REWARDS PROGRAM ENDING on June 30. Send your caps and codes in before school is out.

ALIS positions available – ALIS will soon be interviewing for an assistant cook position for the 2023-2024 school year, and a part-time summer janitor for the summer of 2023. Copies of the job descriptions and an application for employment can be found on the bulletin board. Please submit completed applications to Robi Flach at robiflach@alisrockets.com.

Thought for the week...

1 Peter 2:11 – “Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul.” Surely one of the “passions of the flesh” we all struggle with is greed. We constantly desire to have more things to bring us comfort and peace of mind. But that shows us the real problem with greed: it wages war against our soul. It urges us to place our trust in the things of this world and not in God. But St. Peter reminds us that in this world, we are sojourners and exiles — we really belong to the kingdom of God. We have been purchased by the blood of Christ and belong to Him.

ATTENDANCE

04/23

45

OUR CURRENT GIVING

Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,200.00
Received 04/23	\$ 1,140.00
Received YTD:	\$ 17,467.25
Difference in actual needed YTD:	\$ -2,932.75
Missions budget goal:	\$ 2,000.00
Received 04/23	\$ 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.

Those Who Wait on the Lord Shall Rejoice

The people of God are pilgrims and sojourners in this world, looking ahead to a destination yet to come (1 Peter 2:11–20). Though we are now children of God, the fullness of what we shall be has not yet been revealed (1 John 3:1–3). We are those who wait on the Lord. *“The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him”* (Lam. 3:25). Jesus tells us that the wait is just a little while. *“A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me”* (John 16:16). Though you must experience sorrow for a time, though you must live as strangers in a world that is at enmity with Christ, yet your sorrow will be turned to joy when He returns. *“But they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength”* (Is. 40:31). The little while of weeping shall be replaced with an eternity of rejoicing in the presence of Christ the crucified and risen Savior. *“And no one will take your joy from you”* (John 16:22).

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Bethlehem Lutheran	Mediacom - Ch. 81	Sunday, 5:00 PM
Immanuel Lutheran	Mediacom - Ch. 81	Sunday, 6:00 PM

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.

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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.