

# ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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MARCH 1, 2026

# ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

- Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod -

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## Today's Worship

Order of worship:

Setting Three - p.184

Hymns:

752; 618, 770; 877

***Ushers serving in March:*** Rick Conway & Jason Suckow

Reserve: Dwayne Beccue

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**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 sign our guest register and 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.

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## In Our Prayers This Week

**In need of healing:** Wendy Blurton, Karly Brummer (leukemia), Heather Davis (cancer), James & Kathryn Fields (vehicle accident), Lillian Grobengieser, Janice Heiden (lung cancer), Brad Suckow (recovering), Kathryn Suckow (cancer), Steve Voelker, Shirley Wohltman, Catherine Zumwalt (cancer)

**Receiving skilled care:** Judy Stuemke (LCC), Lucille Beccue (LCC)

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

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**Happy Anniversary** today to Mike & June Carey (03/01)

**Happy Anniversary** to Andy & Melissa Voelker on Saturday (03/07)

## March Birthdays & Anniversaries\*

Anna Manley (03/19), Steven Suckow (03/26), Graham Murray (03/27),  
Sam Stuemke (03/28), John Manley (03/30)

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## ALIS News/Upcoming Events

**Mon., Mar. 2** – No School – Casimir Pulaski Day

**Tues. – Fri., Mar. 3-6** – Lutheran Schools Week

**Mon., Mar. 16** – ALIS Board of Directors Meeting - 7PM

**ALIS KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION** will be held on Thursday, March 19 from 6-6:45pm. Please bring a copy of your child's certified birth certificate. RSVP to the school office by emailing [alisoffice2@gmail.com](mailto:alisoffice2@gmail.com) or call 618-483-6428.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Mid-Week Lenten Service** will be held at Bethlehem on Wed., March 4, at 7PM. Theme: *Done for Us* (Mark 1:9-13)

**Zion Donut Sunday** - Sunday, March 8, immediately following divine worship. All are welcome!

**LCC Representative:** Marcella Biggs has been elected as Lutheran Care Center representative for Zion.

**3rd Annual Zion Pancake and Sausage Breakfast** at Altamont Lutheran School Gym, 7 S Edwards St, Altamont, on Sunday, March 15, 2026. Serving is 9:30AM to 1:00PM. Menu: Pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, potatoes and drinks for a free-will donation. A bake sale will be held. Proceeds from the benefits will be divided into thirds to: ALIS, LCC, and Zion Lutheran Church.

**SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP** – **Saturday, March 14, @ 7PM.** There will be **NO** 8 AM worship service on **Sunday, March 15.**

**THRIVENT CHOICE** Consider directing your Thrivent Choice Dollars to Zion Lutheran Church. The deadline to designate is March 31, 2026.

**NOTICE:** If anyone is interested in serving on the Holy Trinity Lutheran High School committee please speak with Rick Conway.

**Tables & Chairs:** Zion's wood folding tables and metals chairs are being sold for a donation to the church.

**25<sup>th</sup> Annual - Immanuel Pork Loin Dinner** will be **TODAY** from 11AM-1PM. Menu: Grilled pork loin or pork burger or hot dog, baked potato, baked beans, green beans, slaw, applesauce, dinner roll, and dessert. Pork loin dinner - \$15; Porkburger meal - \$10; Hot dog & chips - \$7. Children ages 4 & under eat free.

**Re-scheduled:** Bethlehem Lutheran, Ferrin, IL to Hold Its Necessary Masculinity Workshop on March 8<sup>th</sup>. See the flyer on the bulletin board for details.

### **CID LLL District Convention**

*'But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.'* Joshua 24:15

- A majority of practicing Christians participate in spiritual conversations, prayer and Bible-reading with their households.
- Fatih heritage impacts Christians' beliefs and practices for the long term.

Join with others at the Central Illinois LLL District at the annual convention on Saturday, March 21 at Christ Lutheran Church in Normal, Illinois. Rev. Dr. Peter J Scaer, Chairman and Professor of Exegetical Theology, Concordia Theological Seminary Fort Wayne Michael Zeigler, Speaker of The Lutheran Hour® will provide the keynote address. Polly Faszholz Gregali, Community Facilitator, LLL will provide a virtual presentation with LHM Updates.

The registration fee is \$25.00 per person including lunch. Please complete the registration form and mail with your registration fee to Deloris Blessman, 20204 CR 1850N, Topeka, IL 61567. Please make checks payable to CID LLL District. For more information you can contact Deloris by phone 309.361,1461 or by email delorisblessman@yahoo.com.

Strengthen and encourage your faith walk as you encourage others in their faith journey as partners in His mission. Registration deadline is March 16, 2026.

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**ATTENDANCE**

02/22	38
02/25	--

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**OUR CURRENT GIVING**

Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,300.00
(ALIS tuition per week = \$710)	
Received 02/22	\$ 408.00
Received 02/25	\$ ---.---
Received YTD:	\$ 7,940.00
Difference in actual needed YTD:	\$ -2,460.00

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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.

### ***Holding God to His Word***

Jacob wrestled with God; he would not let Him go until he received a blessing from Him (Gen. 32:22–32). So it was with the Canaanite woman. Though Jesus seemed to ignore and reject her, she continued to call upon His name and look to Him for help (Mt. 15:21–28). Even when the Lord called her a little dog, she held on to Him in faith and would not let Him wriggle out of His words: *“Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.”* This Gentile woman shows herself to be a true Israelite, who struggles with God and man in Christ and prevails. *“O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire”* (Mt. 15:27–28). This is the sanctifying will of God (1 Thess. 4:1–7)—to test your faith in order that it may be refined and strengthened. For tribulation produces perseverance; perseverance, character; character, hope. And hope in Christ does not disappoint (Rom. 5:1–5).

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**Coles County Barbershop Concert** - Sunday, March 29th - 4:00 PM, First Baptist Church, 1804 S. 9th St., Mattoon, IL 61938. Join the Coles County Chorus for a heartfelt afternoon of faith-inspired songs in exquisite four-part barbershop harmony. This uplifting Lenten concert features timeless songs of worship. Special collaboration pieces will feature talented ladies and gentlemen from the Mattoon and Charleston area, who will be joining the chorus on two songs, *Someone’s Walkin’* and *God So Loved The World*. Admission: Free. A free will offering will be received. Additional information is posted on the bulletin board.

**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.

**BOOK OF PROVERBS 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 recently started a study on the Book of Proverbs:11-20. You can listen at your convenience at [thewordendures.org](http://thewordendures.org), Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

**Bulletin Announcements** E-mail [zion.altamont@gmail.com](mailto:zion.altamont@gmail.com) or call/text Tonya at 618-780-7732. Please submit announcements by 12 PM on Friday.