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ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

- Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod -

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Today's Worship

Order of worship:

Matins - p. 219

Hymns:

418, 656, 424

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.

In Our Prayers This Week

In need of healing: Karly Brummer (leukemia), Heather Davis (cancer), Lillian Grobengieser, Janice Heiden (lung cancer), Pastor Heimgartner, Florence Leppin (cancer), Todd Luedtke (hospice), Wanda Phillips, Nancy Schroeder (recovery), Bert Siebert (recovery), Steve Voelker, Catherine Zumwalt (cancer)

Receiving skilled care: Lucille Beccue (LCC), Bernice Graumenz (LCC), Shirley Siddens (LCC), Judy Stuemke (LCC), Mildred Wolf (LCC)

Serving in the military: Cole Stuemke, Brandon Voelker

Imprisoned: Alex Beccue

March Birthdays & Anniversaries*

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

ALIS News/Upcoming Events:

Mon., Mar. 17 – ALIS Board of Directors Meeting – 7PM

Fri., Mar. 21 – Early Dismissal at 11:15AM with bussing, no after school care

ALIS KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION will be held on Tuesday, March 18, from 6-6:45pm. Please bring a copy of your child's certified birth certificate. RSVP to the school office by emailing alisooffice2@gmail.com or call 618-483-6428.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mite offering for LWML – An offering basket is available this morning for anyone wishing to donate to Zion’s LWML Mite offering contribution.

Fellowship Committee will meet after the service this morning.

Mid-Week Lenten Service will be held at Zion on Wed., March 12, at 7PM.

SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP – There will be **NO** 8 AM worship service next **Sunday, March 16**. Worship service will be held on **Saturday, March 15, at 7PM**.

Zion’s 2nd Annual Pancake and Sausage Breakfast will be held at Altamont Lutheran School Gym on Sunday, March 16, 2025. 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 Chrome Books, Lutheran Care Center and Zion Lutheran Church. ***Zion Members: Start planning ahead for bake sale items to be sold at the breakfast. Thank you!*** Anyone wishing to donate to the upcoming breakfast, contact a member of the fellowship committee.

****EVENT HELP NEEDED****

Set up will be at 2PM on SATURDAY, March 15 at ALIS.

Installation – Faith Lutheran, Shumway – You are invited to the installation of Rev. Jordan Peiser on Sunday, March 16 at 3PM. A meal will follow. Please RSVP by March 8 to Esther at 217-825-9854 or Bev at 217-821-4033.

Pro-Life March-Altamont area Lutherans for Life will sponsor a free bus to the Illinois March for Life on Tuesday, March 25, 2025 at Springfield. The bus will leave the back parking lot of Immanuel Lutheran Church at 7:30 AM. Bring a sack lunch or food will be available at Trinity Lutheran Church for a small fee. Sign up sheets, are in the narthex at the church or you can call the office here at Immanuel at 618-483-6395 to reserve a spot. The bus will return to the parking lot at Immanuel by 5:30 PM.

165th Anniversary - St. John Lutheran Church, Dieterich will have a special worship service on Sunday, April 27, 2025 at 10:00 am in celebration of 165 years of ministry. Rev. Dr. Dean Wenthe, former President of Concordia Lutheran Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN will be the guest preacher. A luncheon will follow the service for all present.

THRIVENT CHOICE Consider directing your Thrivent Choice Dollars to Altamont Lutheran Interparish School. If you have funds available from 2024, the deadline to designate is March 31, 2025. ALIS received \$6,597 last year from Thrivent. Call 800-847-4836 (1-800-Thrivent) or direct them online at www.thrivent.com.

Thought for the week...

Matthew 4:7 – “Jesus said to him, ‘Again it is written ...’” Isn’t it interesting that Jesus does not defeat Satan with His power as God, but rather by His perfect obedience in His perfect humanity? Jesus defeats Satan not by miracles, but by quoting the Scriptures and living according to them. This should cause us great joy for two reasons. First, because we see Jesus win the victory for us. Second, because here Jesus shows us how to stand in that victory: on the Word of God alone. Let us build our lives on the sure rock of this Word!

ATTENDANCE

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OUR CURRENT GIVING

Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,300.00
(ALIS tuition per week = \$710)	
Received 03/02	\$ 1,388.00
Received YTD:	\$ 7,513.00
Difference in actual needed YTD:	\$ -4,187.00
Missions budget goal:	\$ 2,000.00
Received 03/02	\$ 50.00
Missions received YTD:	\$ 200.00



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.

Jesus Does Battle in Our Place

In the Garden, man exalts himself to be a god in place of God (Gen. 3:1–21). He succumbs to the temptation of the devil, and eating of the forbidden fruit, he receives death. But in the sin-cursed wilderness, God humbles Himself to become man in place of man (Mt. 4:1–11). He does not eat but fasts and bears the onslaughts of the devil for us that we may be restored to life. Jesus stands as David in our place to do battle against the Goliath, Satan (1 Samuel 17:40–51). Though outwardly Jesus appears weak, yet He comes in the name of the Lord of hosts. He draws from the five smooth stones of the books of Moses and slings the Word of God. The stone sinks into the forehead, and the enemy falls. In Christ we are victorious over the devil. Let us therefore not receive the grace of God in vain (2 Cor. 6:1–10), but seeing that we have a great High Priest, let us come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain help in time of need (Heb 4:14–16).

KFUO - 850AM / KFUE.org – Programs are archived for 24/7 on-demand listening **Issues, Etc.** broadcasts live weekdays from 3:05 to 5:00 P.M. Central.

Coles County Barbershop Concert - You are invited to the Coles County Barbershop Chorus Lenten Concert on Sunday, April 6 at 4PM at the Mattoon First Baptist Church, 1804 S. 9th St., Mattoon, IL. The concert will be one hour of sacred and gospel songs sung by the barbershop chorus, quartets and ensembles. Admission is free and a free will offering will be taken. Every penny raised will be given to area food pantries and homeless shelter programs. Additional information is posted on the bulletin board.

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.

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