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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:

610; 433; 547

Ushers serving in March: Rick Conway & Jason Suckow

Reserve: Dwayne 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 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.

In Our Prayers This Week

In need of healing: Wendy Blurton, Karly Brummer (leukemia), Heather Davis (cancer), Lillian Grobengieser, Brad Suckow (recovering), Kathryn Suckow (cancer), Gary Wendling, Steve Voelker, Catherine Zumwalt (cancer)

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

Serving in the military: Cole Stuemke, Brandon Voelker

Happy Birthday this week to Steve Suckow on Thursday (**03/26**), Graham Murray on Friday (**03/27**), and Sam Stuemke on Saturday (**03/28**)

Upcoming March Birthdays

John Manley (**03/30**)

April Birthdays & Anniversaries*

Rick & Michelle Conway* (**04/04**), Bert Siebert (**04/14**), Zion Lutheran Church* (**04/16 - 133 years**), Dalton Roedl (**04/18**), Naomi Murray (**04/22**), Dwayne & Christy Beccue* (**04/23**), LaShay Suckow (**04/27**)

ALIS News/Upcoming Events

Thur., Apr. 2 – Sun., Apr. 12 – No School – Easter Break

Mon., Apr. 20 – ALIS Board of Directors Meeting - 7PM

Tues., Apr. 21 – PTL Meeting 7PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational meeting following the service this morning.

Upcoming Special Services:

Mid-Week Lenten Service at Zion on Wed., March 25, at 7PM.

"For Us Betrayed" (Mark 8:31-9:1)

Maunder Thursday with Holy Communion – April 2, 7PM @ Zion

Good Friday – April 3, 7PM @ Bethlehem

THANK YOU to everyone who supported the Zion Pancake and Sausage Breakfast by coming to our event. Special thanks to all those who volunteered their time in planning, baking, setting up, working the event, and helping with clean-up.

LCC Executive Committee Meeting will be held on Mon., March 30, at 7 PM.

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

Creation Truth Foundation Exhibit at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Altamont - Join us at Immanuel Lutheran Church for a fun and educational three-night event hosted by the Creation Truth Foundation!

Sunday, March 22 - Monday, March 23 & Tuesday, March 24
6:30 PM each evening

Great for kids and families! Highlights include:

- Mobile Fossil Museum - See real fossils up close!
- Dinosaurs & the Bible - Learn where dinosaurs fit in history.
- The Great Flood - Discover how it shaped our world.
- Science & Creation - Explore scientific evidence about God's creation.

Easy-to-understand presentations for children and adults alike. Bring the whole family for an exciting evening of discovery, faith, and hands-on learning! Everyone is welcome-invite your friends and neighbors!

Tre Ore 2026 – Tre Ore “3 hours” will be held at Bethlehem, Altamont, on Good Friday, April 3, 12pm-3pm. All Christians are welcome to remember the 3 hours of darkness Christ hung for us, meditating on the words He spoke from the cross. The service is led by Reverends Manley, Cornelius, Speers, Meyer, Bartens, Hart, Landskroener. You can come for any portion of the service or for its entirety. Bethlehem is located at 6351 N. 200th St. Altamont, IL.

LCC Easter Bake Sale: Saturday, April 4 9:00 – 11:00 AM in the Terrace Lobby. Stop by the LCC's bake sale and pick up delicious handmade treats-perfect for your Easter Celebration. Bring the kids out for photos with the Easter Bunny! All proceeds support activities for the Skilled Care and Terrace residents.

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

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

ATTENDANCE

03/14

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OUR CURRENT GIVING

Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,300.00
(ALIS tuition per week = \$710)	
Received 03/14	\$ 985.00
Received YTD:	\$ 13,974.00
Difference in actual needed YTD:	\$ - 326.00



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 Is Our Redemption

In the temple Jesus said, “*If anyone keeps my word, he will never see death*” (John 8:51). For Jesus came to taste death for us—to drink the cup of suffering to the dregs in order that we might be released from its power. Clinging to His life-giving words, we are delivered from death’s sting and its eternal judgment. Christ is our High Priest, who entered the Most Holy Place and with His own blood obtained everlasting redemption for His people (Heb. 9:11–15). He is the One who was before Abraham was, and yet is his descendant. He is the promised Son who carries the wood up the mountain for the sacrifice, who is bound and laid upon the altar of the cross. He is the ram who is offered in our place, who is willingly caught in the thicket of our sin, and who wears the crown of thorns upon His head (Gen. 22:1–14). Though Jesus is dishonored by the sons of the devil, He is vindicated by the Father through the cross.

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.

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