

# ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*Altamont, Illinois*



† SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER †

MAY 17, 2026

# ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

- Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod -

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**EASTER 7**

**MAY 17, 2026**

## Today's Worship

Order of worship:

Setting Three - p.184

Hymns:

475, 633, 826

***Ushers serving in May:*** Dwayne Beccue & John Wohltman

Reserve: Jason Suckow

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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:*** Dwayne Beccue (recovering from surgery), Wendy Blurton, Karly Brummer (leukemia), Heather Davis (cancer), Lillian Grobengieser, Sam Stuemke, Brad Suckow (recovering), Kathryn Suckow (cancer), Steve Voelker, 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 Birthday*** to Tonya Suckow on Wednesday (05/20)

## June Birthdays & Anniversaries\*

David & Beverly Suckow\* (06/01), June Carey (06/04),

Mary Stuemke (06/04), Herb Stuemke (06/07), Blakeleigh Camp (06/11),

Oliver King (06/15), Brock & Jenna Murray\* (06/16),

Ron & Bert Siebert\* (06/28)

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*If you would like your birthday or anniversary listed in the bulletin, please fill out a member contact form (found in the narthex) and turn it in to Tonya.*

## ALIS News/Upcoming Events

**Mon., May 18** – Board of Directors Meeting – 7PM

**Tues., May 19** – Last Day of School – 11:15AM Dismissal, No bussing or After School Care. Closing Chapel – 8:45AM, Awards Ceremony – 9:30AM

**Mon., June 15** – Board of Directors Meeting – 7PM

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANYONE WANTING APPLIANCES, FIXTURES, OR ANYTHING ELSE OUT OF THE PARSONAGE, PLEASE REMOVE THEM BY THE END OF MAY. DONATIONS ARE WELCOME.

**Pastor Manley will be out of town** Monday and Tuesday at Camp CILCA. You can still reach him by cell phone if needed (712) 880-2452.

**Ladies Aid Meeting** will be held on Tuesday, May 19, at 1 PM.

**Zion Parish Hall Feasibility Committee** – The next meeting will be held on Sunday, May 31 after worship service. Submitted ideas/plans are available for viewing in the basement. Please use the notepad to write any comments or questions you have for each design.

**LCC Executive Committee Meeting** will be held on Mon., May 18, at 7 PM.

**Congratulations to Zion's students - Graduation and Grade Advancement: ACHS 2026 Graduate:** Hope Roedl. **ALIS/AGS 2026-27 Grade Advancements:** Graham Murray - 6<sup>th</sup>; Mila Camp - 4<sup>th</sup>; Ellie Conway - 4<sup>th</sup>; Charlotte Murray - 4<sup>th</sup>; Allison Conway – 3<sup>rd</sup>; Riley King – 3<sup>rd</sup>; Blakeleigh Camp – 1<sup>st</sup>; Naomi Murray – 1<sup>st</sup>. We pray for God's blessings and guidance upon each of them and that they continue to grow in the love and knowledge of our Lord and Savior.

**Zion Ladies Birthday/Secret Pal Supper** will be held on Mon., June 1 at 6 PM at Jeanine Wendling's home. All ladies are invited whether you choose to have a secret pal or not. Bring your favorite salad and come for an evening of food and fun. Secret pals will be revealed, bring your birthday gift for your secret pal.

**Baby Bottles for Family Life Center** Please continue filling your bottle with spare change between Mother's and Father's Day, and return it on Father's Day to the church. Every bottle helps provide free, lifesaving services and education to families in need. It's an easy, meaningful way for all ages to get involved and make a difference right here at home! Your change can change a life!

**Vacation Bible School at Immanuel** May 26th – May 29th from 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM each day. The theme will be: "Tropical Trek - Jesus Comes to Seek and Save." Registration is Open: [vbsmate.com/events/immVBS2025/31738](https://vbsmate.com/events/immVBS2025/31738)

**Young Adults Bible Study** – The next meeting will be on Friday, May 15 at 6:30 PM with Pastor Dille. Location: 109 S. Oak St., Effingham. Gather with other Young Adults to learn about the book of Job and the idea of suffering. Contact Violet 618-704-6114 for more information.

### *Thought for the week...*

**1 Peter 4:10** – "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." Grace is God's undeserved mercy toward us. And what do we have that is not a gift flowing from God's grace? He gives all these gifts so that we may use them in service toward one another. Chief among the ways we serve one another is to support the church's work of bringing more of God's grace to more of God's people. That's what it means to be a steward!

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**ATTENDANCE**

05/10 48

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**OUR CURRENT GIVING & MEMORIALS**

Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,300.00
(Zion's ALIS tuition cost per week = \$747)	
Received 05/10	\$ 1,038.00
Memorial - Gary Wendling (total = \$3,170)	\$ 25.00
Received YTD:	\$ 25,915.00
Difference in actual needed YTD:	\$ + 1,215.00



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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.

***The Spirit of Truth Bears Witness to Jesus***

The Spirit of Truth bears witness to Jesus, who is the truth. But the world does not receive the truth. It loves its own and hates those who are of the truth. Just as Jesus was scorned, so is His Church. *"The hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God"* (John 16:2). Yet it is by Jesus' suffering and death that we are saved. Therefore we rejoice to share in His sufferings, that we may also share in His resurrection glory (1 Pet. 4:7–14). Through the ministry of the Spirit of Truth, we are cleansed from the deceit of our idols and given a new heart and a new spirit, the heart and Spirit of Christ (Ezek. 36:22–28). He now works in us fervent, self-giving love for one another, love which covers a multitude of sins, *"that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen"* (1 Pet. 4:11).

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**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 7 PM on Thursday.