

Bulletin Sentence: John 20:19 – “Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.’ ” The peace we have in Jesus is what makes a life of good works possible. Since we know that it is Jesus who saved us, and not our works, we are now free to do good works not out of self-interest, but for the right reasons: out of thanksgiving toward God and love for our neighbors.

A little information about Zion’s Cemetery driveways, in 2015 the middle and west roads were blacktopped. The east drive has been straightened and prepped with gravel and is ready for asphalt that will be completed in the summer of 2018. There is an anonymous donor that will match up to \$5,000. to complete this project. If you would like to participate please earmark any donations to the cemetery road project.

The cemetery committee ask you remove all grave blankets as soon as possible. They are gearing up to do their spring clean up. Thanks.

Church Attendance March 29, 30, 31 & April 1 2018

Thursday: 155 (C118)

Friday 9AM: 92 Friday 7 PM: 89

Saturday: 91 (C70)

Sunday 7 AM: 108 (C87) Sunday 9 AM: 241 (156)

Offerings for March 29,30,31 & April 1 2018 \$16,267.58
(Weekly need is (\$11,420.00))

Those serving this week:

Organist: L. Wegener

Altar Guild for April: Laura Peil 989-205-5202

Sat: ELDERS: Dennis Hyatt and John Olson
USHERS: Kevin, Jenna and Danielle Draves,

Sun: ELDERS: Gary Koch and Dean Kohn
USHERS: Landen Murphy, Joey, Autumn & Steve Wiedyk

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Welcome

I was glad when they said to me, Let us go into the house of the Lord.

April 7 & 8, 2018

Psalms 122:1

The mission of Zion Lutheran
is to better know & show Christ’s love.

Worship Whys : Why are the letters NIKΑ on the banners and altar parameters for Easter? NIKΑ is a Greek word meaning "victory" or "he conquers." The popular running shoe brand "Nike" has the same origins. Nike was a Greek goddess who personified victory. A lexicon of the New Testament explains that the word NIKΑ came to mean "the means for winning a victory." This explains why the letters are often seen around a cross. Jesus’ cross was the means by which He secured our victory over sin, death and hell. In the Easter season we rejoice, "Christ has triumphed!" His victory is one that we can share in.

The Practice of Holy Communion: The Lord’s Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord’s body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, we request that only those who are instructed in the sacrament and one with us in faith take part today. Please speak to a pastor if you have a questions about this. The center of the tray holds white non-alcoholic wine.

Our focus today is on Jesus appearing to His disciples after His resurrection. He came to give them His peace and breathed on them the Holy Spirit. We are His disciples today and have that same peace. We have Easter peace because Jesus has risen from the dead and forgives us all of our sins. May the Spirit bless you with that Easter peace today and always.

This week at Zion

Sun	08	Worship w/Communion 9AM Family Bible Hour 10:15AM Jr. Confirmation Class 6-8PM
Mon	09	Church Council Mtg 6:30 PM
Tue	10	Senior Luncheon 12:30 PM Adult Choir practice 7 PM
Wed	11	Ladies Bible Class 9AM Quilting 10AM Ladies of Zion Mtg 7 PM - Meeting Room
Sat	14	Adult Bible Class 5:45 PM Worship 7PM
Sun	15	Worship 9AM - Cherub Choir sings New Member Class 10:15 AM Family Bible Hour 10:15 AM New Members Class 10:15 AM Youth Group Mtg. 11:30 AM Jr. Confirmation Class 6-8PM

Retable Flowers: Are given in celebration to God for His many blessings and love on their 46th wedding anniversary on April 8. Joe and Carol Suchy

Memorial: In loving memory of Cliff Thomas who passed away April 8, 2007 a monetary gift has been received to CGLT.

Thank you for all of your prayers. Eye surgeries went well and as healing continues my eyesight improves. May God continue to bless you, Diane Jacobs.

Pastor's Bible Class On Saturday nights at 5:45 in the sanctuary, the pastors are going through the small catechism. On Sunday mornings at 10:15 they are looking at the new explanation of the catechism.

Discussion Bible Class: led by LeRoy Engelhardt will continue their study of (*The Lutheran Difference*). They will meet in the conference room after Sunday service at 10:15 a.m.

In Sunday School Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Today in Sunday School, your children are joining in the celebration of "The Resurrection of Jesus" as they study Matthew's account of Easter morning (Matthew 28:1-10). Consider asking, "*Why is the bodily resurrection of Jesus important? How is each Sunday a celebration of Easter?*"

School Chapel: Zion Lutheran School has chapel every Wednesday morning at 8:05 in the church. Everyone is invited to attend.

The Vacation Bible School (VBS) Set Committee has started to assemble items that are needed for the construction of the set for the 2018 VBS presentation of "Shipwrecked" on June 24-28. The updated list below shows items that we are asking to be donated that will be used in the creation of the set.

1 each Tape Gun Dispenser 2" (approx. \$15)

1 each Zega 150 watt Hot Knife (Amazon approx. \$30) Styrofoam Heat Cutter
Many Cardboard Tubes (Paper towel, wrapping paper, others 2"-4" diameter)

5 each Dark brown glass bottles (750ml or quart size)

Donations can be dropped off at the Church Office. Questions can be directed to Ted Datte (662-4543) or LeRoy Engelhardt (662-4650).

The July 2018 issue of Portals of Prayer will begin a new year for the direct mail service. If you would like to continue to receive your issues, no action is required. If you would like to have the Portals of Prayer deliver to your door, simply provide your name and address to the church office. Cost for a year subscription is \$8.60. We ask that those who are able, to submit your payment to the church office by April 11th, or put in an envelope with "Portals of Prayer" on the outside and drop it in the offering plate. Please make your check to Zion Lutheran Church.

The Youth Group will be selling flower vouchers before and after church during the month of April. You may also pick up your \$15.00 voucher good for one hanging basket or one flat of flowers or veggies (36-48 count) at the office during school hours. These are a great way to get your spring flowers or plants and they also make a great gift idea. Flower vouchers may be redeemed from May 1st—June 1st 2018.

Ladies of Zion are offering a variety of greeting cards for purchase. We wanted you to have a convenient and affordable way to share your wishes of joy, concern, or sympathy with those you love. A box a 12 beautiful cards is only \$5.00. They are available in the church basement.

Jelly Jars: If you have any of the small jelly jars that you no longer have a need for, or would like to purchase any, please let Lynn Leinberger know. She makes the best jelly for the Country Store and is low on them.

The Youth Group meeting will be Sunday, April 15 at 11:30. We will meet in the cafeteria for a devotion and lunch. Then we will be going to Valley Lanes for bowling and some fun activities together. Please bring money for bowling and arcade games. Please let Pastor Hemme know by Monday, April 9th if you will be attending so we can plan accordingly for transportation. You can also RSVP by signing up by the 7/8 grade room.