

Zion Lutheran Church



5th Sunday After Easter
May 3rd 2015



ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Janet & Larry Zreliak in Memory of Janet's mother Dolores' 4th Anniversary in Heaven and Megan Richards in Honor of Janet Hickey's Birthday.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by Bernice DeBoe in Memory of her parents Roman & Anna Rybarski & Stanley & Anna DeBoe.

INTERESTED IN JOINING? We are having a New Member Instruction Weekend (we'll think of a more catchy name for it, we promise) June 12th and 13th. If you are interested in joining Zion or want to know more about what we believe, mark your calendars and look for more information in this space, the church's website and the May Newsletter!

ORANGE-OUT: By now, you've all heard and seen pictures and videos of the violence being done to Christians in the Middle-East. In order to show our support for the persecuted church, we are having an "Orange-Out" at church on May 17th, where our "Back to Basics" focus will be on the "One Holy Christian and Apostolic Church." We ask that you dress in orange on that day. Orange is the color worn by our brothers-in-Christ when they are martyred for their faith. If you do not have orange clothing, we are going to order orange tee-shirts with "Because of their faith" printed on the front, and a large black cross on the back. There's a sign-up sheet in the entryway to the church. The cost is \$10 with proceeds going to support the persecuted church through LCMS efforts. Shirts can be picked-up next Sunday, May 10th at worship and during the week from 8:30-2:30 at the church. Payment will be received when you pick your shirts up; cash or check.

FREE COFFEE FRIDAY! Come join us this Friday in the church parking lot (at 7am), or in the church kitchen (6:30am) for Free Coffee Friday. We'll be giving away coffee and doughnuts and the good news of Jesus. Hope to see you here, this Friday @ 6:30 or 7:00am!!

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN: It's not too late to turn in your Baby Bottles for the Pregnancy Resource Center! Drop them off in the box in the entryway to the church. Thank you for supporting this life-giving ministry!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Crew leader and helper positions are still available. We are also looking for help in the nursery. Contact Katie Gielarowski or email secretary@zlcg.org to volunteer.

CAR WASH! Mark your calendars for May 30th, as we will be having our 8th "Car Wash, Detail, Wax and Food" right here at Zion from 10-2. Come early and help us set up as we serve the community by providing a free car wash (and interior detailing) with food while our guests wait for the work to be done. It's fun for the family and a great way to serve others in the name of Jesus!

NEED PRAYER? Stephen Ministers and Elders will be available to pray with or for you following the Service in the Chancel area.

TODAY'S GOSPEL READING AND SERMON will be posted to the ZLCB.org website later today. For an archive of older sermons, visit www.zlcb.org/sermons

Welcome to worship!

What happens when you take the nature of God and the nature of a man and put them in the same person? All-powerful, all-knowing, present everywhere, eternal, holy, just, righteous, gracious, and loving; these are but a sample of the attributes we saw that God had. Then there are the attributes of a human being: bound by time and space, fallible, able to experience emotions, and so on and so forth. What would happen if the two natures were ever to occupy the same person—to collide?

This morning, we are looking at what we mean when we say that Jesus is 100% God and 100% Man. Probably my favorite topic of the year, the mystery of the incarnation has captivated theologians and laypeople alike for millennia. I hope that, through our time together this morning, you will have both a great appreciation and understanding of the person of Jesus Christ, as well as stand in awe of what it took for God to save us from our sins.

One way that Christians have sought to explain the two natures (divine and human) in the one person of Christ is to use analogies like a fire and iron. But since our irons are all of the electrical variety, I think a better analogy might be food coloring in water. When you drop food coloring in water, the properties of the food coloring (the color) and the water (its wetness) are preserved, yet both co-mingle with each other. It's an imperfect analogy, but it's something to think about as we begin our time together this morning.

Hang on! We've got a lot to cover this morning—I think you'll really enjoy the ride!

-Pastor Duncan

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The Divine Service

(Please take a moment to fill out the Attendance books. If you are visiting us this morning, please indicate so in the Attendance Book. We are glad you chose to worship at Zion this morning!)

Introduction to Worship and Announcements

Opening Hymn: My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

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The Invocation

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Confession of Sins

As you prepare to confess your sins, think back over the last week. The hurtful words, the loveless deeds, and the unhealthy thought you have had and done; and leave them all at the foot of the cross.

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ, before we listen to God's Word and respond with our songs of thanks and praise, let us confess our sins to the God of our Salvation and receive forgiveness.

People: **Father in heaven, I confess to you that I have sinned. I have sinned against people I do not know, against people I know and love, and I have sinned against you. Therefore, I ask that you would forgive my sins, restore me to a right relationship with you and lead me by your Spirit to restore my relationships with others. I ask this in the name of Christ, my Savior. Amen.**

Absolution Spoken by the Pastor

People: Amen.

Hymn of Praise: This Is the Feast

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Refrain:

This is the feast of victory of our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

[REFRAIN]

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing and glory are His.

[REFRAIN]

*Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.*

[REFRAIN]

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

[REFRAIN]

The Prayer of the Church

Pastor: ... Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

(Please be seated)

The Service of the Word

The Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 6:4-9

“Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

The New Testament Reading: Colossians 1:13-20

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in

everything he might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Pastor: In honor of our Lord Jesus Christ, we rise for the reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 10th chapter.

People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel Reading: John 10:22-39

At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly." Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me, but you do not believe because you are not among my sheep. My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. I and the Father are one."

The Jews picked up stones again to stone him. Jesus answered them, "I have shown you many good works from the Father; for which of them are you going to stone me?" The Jews answered him, "It is not for a good work that we are going to stone you but for blasphemy, because you, being a man, make yourself God." Jesus answered them, "Is it not written in your Law, 'I said, you are gods'? If he called them gods to whom the word of God came—and Scripture cannot be broken—do you say of him whom the Father consecrated and sent into the world, 'You are blaspheming,' because I said, 'I am the Son of God'? If I am not doing the works of my Father, then do not believe me; but if I do them, even though you do not believe me, believe the works, that you may know and understand that the Father is in me and I am in the Father." Again they sought to arrest him, but he escaped from their hands.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

Children's Message (10:30)

Sermon Hymn: Beautiful Savior

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Sermon

(Please stand)

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And on the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(Please be seated)

The Collection of the Offering

If you are visiting with us this morning, know that your presence here means far more to us than any gift of money you could make; please do not hesitate to let the plate pass you by.

(Please stand)

The Service of the Sacrament

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

People: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you.

The Sharing of the Peace

The Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)

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Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

(Please be seated until it is your time to commune.)

The Distribution

We welcome to the Lord's Table all who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God, can examine themselves spiritually and believe they receive the true body and blood of the Lord Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and as a profession of their faith. If you hold a profession of faith that differs from that of our congregation, please speak to the Pastor before the start of the service before communing.

- We believe the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine.
- We believe Christ offers the forgiveness of sins in the Lord's Supper, but that the Lord's Supper is not necessary for salvation.
- We believe the Lord's Supper remembers the death of Christ and proclaims his death until he returns.
- We believe the Lord's Supper is a statement of unity in the body of Christ; we do not believe it creates that unity.

During the distribution, you are encouraged to sing the Distribution Hymns, pray, or meditate on the words "this is my body... this is my blood, given for you."

The cups at the center of the Individual Communion tray contain diluted wine for those with alcohol sensitivities.

Distribution Hymns

What Is This Bread	629
Lamb of God	550
We Give Thee But Thine Own	781

(Please stand)

Benediction

People: Amen

<i>The Recessional: In Thee Is Gladness</i>	818
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† *Service Participants* †

Pastor:	The Rev. Duncan McLellan
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
The Organist:	Sandra Quinlan
The Elders:	Ken Wuerthele & James Neill
The Acolyte:	Augie Bishop (8:00) Lara Luedeman (10:30)
The Greeters:	Peter & Barbara Fisher (8:00) Chuck & Debra LaJeunesse (10:30)
The Ushers:	Kathleen Conn, Bill Schrag Janet & Larry Zreliak(8:00) Sam Dragan, Steve Gauger Kari & John Gresh (10:30)
Altar Guild:	Barbara Oechslein, Diana Schmidt & Megan Pasquini



Attention Parents with Small Children:

Sunday Worship is a time when we can gather together in fellowship to hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. What a wonderful freedom we have. For all to hear the word, we have a nursery located downstairs for children who become inattentive during the service, where the sermon can be heard. Please see an usher if you need assistance finding the nursery!

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (4/26) – 208

Wednesday Attendance (4/29) – 13

Sunday Offering (4/26) – \$4,874.25

Week of May 3rd – May 10th

SUNDAY 5/3	8:00 AM – Worship w/Communion 9:15 AM – Bible Class & Sunday School 10:30 AM–Worship w/Communion
MONDAY 5/4	7:00 PM – Trustees Meeting 7:00 PM – Budget Meeting
TUESDAY 5/5	7:15 PM – Board of Education Meeting
WEDNESDAY 5/6	7:00 PM – Prayer & Preaching Service
THURSDAY 5/7	10:00 AM – Bible Study 7:00 PM – Choir Practice 7:30 PM – Elders Meeting
FRIDAY 5/8	7:00 AM – Free Coffee Friday 6:30 PM – Bowling League
SATURDAY 5/9	8:00 AM – Men’s Bible Breakfast
SUNDAY 5/10 MOTHER’S DAY!	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM – Bible Class & Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion 