

Announcements

Welcome to Zion's liturgical service today! A contemporary/liturgical service is planned for next Sunday. For more details about Zion's worship planning, please check out the Worship Task Force report on our website (zionsaskatoon.com)

WAYS TO GIVE AT ZION – did you know there are many ways to give financially to Zion? Along with your offering envelope with cheque or cash inside, there are other ways to give at Zion. We accept e-transfer (sent to zion.office@sasktel.net – it is set up for auto-deposit) and we can set up monthly withdrawals from your bank account. You can also donate to Zion through canadahelps.ca.

All-Ages Youth Night is coming up – Sunday, March 19th with RRAGSZ+ Andy and friends! Join us from 5:30-8:30 pm; all are welcome!

Naomi Bible Study meets Monday, March 13th at 1:30 pm at Zion.

LuMinHos is hosting KatieLu's Café on Sunday, March 26 from 2-3:30 pm. A suggested donation fee of \$20 includes beverage and dessert with live auction. See the poster on the back bulletin board for more information.

FORWARD PLANNING MEETING PART TWO – is coming up, Sunday, March 26th at 5:30 pm. Supper will be provided. Please plan to join if you are able.

MUSIC FOR LENT – please join us for a series of recitals on the Walker organ in the Heritage Hall. The concerts will be held Sundays in Lent (March 12, 19 and 26) at 3 pm. They will feature some of the finest organists in Saskatoon. See poster on bulletin board for more details.

In Our Prayers: Derwin Hall, Andrea Nostbakken, Nandari Swamy, Weldeyesus family, Mallory Jess, Cecelia Jurgens, Betty McManus, Aaron Froese, Glenn Wood, Borgny Lokken, Samhara & Saraq, Thor Kliev, Ivar Moen, Don Peterson, Louise Dahlen, Mary Kamineski, Linda and Steven, Jennifer Finstad, Bereket and family, Alice Olson, Paul Nostbakken, Gloria Hamp, Kaye Senum, Maxine Olson, Ione Tysseland, Keri Schaffel, Ron & Doreen Boldt, Paul Hansen, Clara Davidson, Connie Friggstad, Allan Grundahl, Darren Stephenson, Marilyn Borch, Roger Uitti. Margaret Fast has appreciated the prayers and support towards her return to better health.

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OFFICE HOURS: Mon – Fri 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

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WELCOME VISITORS! If you would like more information about us, please fill out a communion card (found in the pew) and give it to an usher. Communing members of Zion are encouraged to fill out a communion card each time they commune. **We invite all who are baptized in the Christian faith to commune.** If you do not commune, we invite you to come forward to receive our Lord's Blessing from our Pastor. If you wish to receive communion in your pew, please notify your usher. Grape juice (in the middle of the tray) and red wine are available. Gluten free available on request.

7 Churches Lenten Service Schedule: (all services at 7:30 pm)

Date	Host	Preacher
March 15	Resurrection	Good Shepherd
March 22	Good Shepherd	Zion
March 29	Redeemer	Resurrection

Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?' But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' So Moses cried out to the LORD, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' The LORD said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the LORD, saying, 'Is the LORD among us or not?'

GATHERING

Prelude: "If You but Trust in God" - Boehm
 Invocation & Welcome

Confession

Gathering Hymn: "Jesus, Keep me Near the Cross" – ELW #335

Kyrie – ELW pg. 147

Prayer of the Day: (see front of bulletin)

WORD

First Lesson: Exodus 17:1-7

Psalm 95

Second Lesson: Romans 5:1-11

Gospel Acclamation: ELW pg. 151

Gospel Lesson: John 4:5-42

Homily

Hymn of the Day: "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" – ELW #332

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of Intercession (P: Lord, in your mercy
 C: Hear our prayer)

MEAL

The Peace

Offering: "We are an Offering" – ELW #692;
 "Create in Me a Clean Heart" ELW #186

The Great Thanksgiving – ELW pg. 152

The Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God – ELW #195

Communion:

Communion Blessing

SENDING

Blessings & Announcements

Sending Song: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" – ELW #807

Go in peace. Serve in love. **"Thanks be to God!"**

Postlude: "If You but Trust in God" – J.S. Bach

Romans 5:1-11

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

John 4:5-42

So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink'. (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?' Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will

give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.' Jesus said to her, 'Go, call your husband, and come back.' The woman answered him, 'I have no husband.' Jesus said to her, 'You are right in saying, "I have no husband"; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!' The woman said to him, 'Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.' Jesus said to her, 'Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.' The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah is coming' (who is called Christ). 'When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.' Jesus said to her, 'I am he, the one who is speaking to you.' Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, 'What do you want?' or, 'Why are you speaking with her?' Then the woman left her water-jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, 'Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?' They left the city and were on their way to him. Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, 'Rabbi, eat something.' But he said to them, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.' So the disciples said to one another, 'Surely no one has brought him something to eat?' Jesus said to them, 'My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, "Four months more, then comes the harvest"? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, "One sows and another reaps." I sent you to reap that for which you did not labour. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labour.' Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, 'He told me everything I have ever done.' So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there for two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, 'It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world.'

Third Sunday of Lent

March 12, 2023

10:30 am

Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Prayer of the Day: Merciful God, the fountain of living water, you quench our thirst and wash away our sin. Give us this water always. Bring us to drink from the well that flows with the beauty of your truth through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



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