

Announcements

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

LCBI Choir Concert will be held at Zion on Saturday, April 20th at 7 pm.

Canadian Parish Nursing Conference will be held April 30-May 2, 2024 at Queen's House Retreat and Renewal Center. See poster at the back bulletin board for more information.

Kinasao Annual General Meeting will be held on April 21 at 3 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church, Rosthern, with a potluck meal to follow.

Friday April 12-Sunday April 14 Men's Retreat under the theme: The Life of Paul (Saul). Retired Pastor Dan Haugen is the retreat leader for the weekend. More information can be found at the back bulletin board.

We are looking for volunteers to help out as Stewards at our SK Synod Convention being held this year in Saskatoon from May 30-June 1. The work involves providing designated materials to delegates as they take part in the convention business. If you are available to help out during the day on May 31 and/or June 1, please contact Margaret Fast by email at margaretfast@gmail.com or by text at 306-220-4569.

We are looking for a group of volunteers to help itemize and take inventory for Zion. Ivan Finstad is willing to coordinate this team. If you are willing and able to help, please fill out the sign-up sheet at the back of the Narthex. Also plan to meet after the service on Sunday, April 14th to discuss process.

In Our Prayers: Derwin, Andrea, Nandari, Weldeyesus family, Mallory, Aaron, Samhara & Saraq, Thor, Ivar, Don, Louise, Mary, Linda & Steven, Jennifer, Bereket & family, Alice, Gloria, Kaye, Maxine, Ron & Doreen, Clara, Connie, Marilyn, Fred, Lorna, Walter, Betsy, Anne, Maureen, Gail, Illa & Gordon, Susan, Lara, Luana

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OFFICE HOURS: Mon – Fri 9:00 am – 3:00 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. **Members of Zion are encouraged to fill out a communion card each time they commune. Communion cards are used to track attendance for voting members. All who are baptized in the Christian faith are invited 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 communion wafers available on request. **Please follow the directions of the ushers when proceeding to the altar.**

The Food bins in the Narthex have been re-organized for emergency food donations. They are labeled at the back of the Narthex beside the CLWR bulletin board. Thank you to Naomi Circle for their attention to this project!

Order of Service

GATHERING

Welcome

Prelude

Confession & Absolution – ELW pg. 94

Gathering Hymn: "Now the Green Blade Rises"
– ELW #379

Kyrie – ELW pg. 138

Gloria – ELW pg. 140

Prayer of the Day: (see front of bulletin)

WORD

First Lesson: Acts 4:32-35

Psalm 133

Second Lesson: 1 John 1:1-2:2

Gospel Acclamation – ELW pg. 142

Gospel Lesson: John 20:19-31

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: "Thine is the Glory" – ELW #376

Nicene Creed

Prayers of Intercession (P: God of grace
C: receive our prayer)

COMMUNION

The Peace

Offering: "Christ is Living" – ACS #934

The Great Thanksgiving – ELW pg. 144

Holy Lord – ELW pg. 144

The Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God – ELW pg. 146

Communion: "Come to the Table" – ELW #481;

"Let us Break Bread Together" – ELW #471;

"In the Singing" – ELW #466

Communion Blessing

SENDING

Sending Song: "Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen"
– ELW #548

Benediction

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Postlude

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

"Thanks be to God! Alleluia!"

Acts 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

1 John 1:1-2:2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us— we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Second Sunday of Easter

April 7, 2024

10:30 am

Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Prayer of the Day:

Almighty God,

with joy we celebrate the day of our Lords resurrection.

By the grace among us,

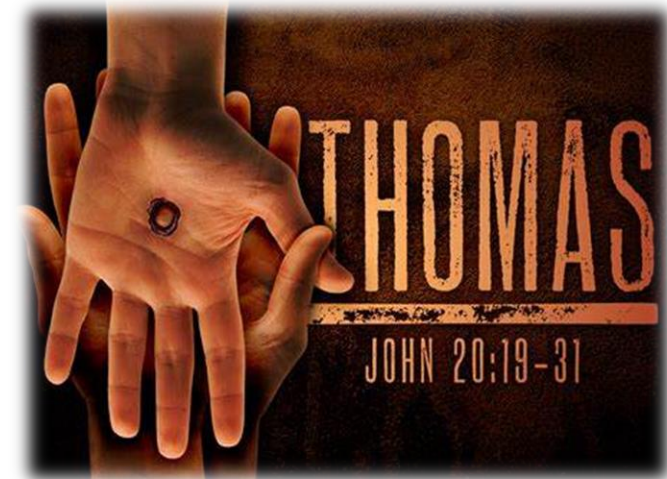
enable us to show the power of the resurrection

in all that we say and do,

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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