

## Announcements

**WAYS TO GIVE AT ZION:** Along with your offering envelope with cheque or cash inside, we accept e-transfers to [zion.office@sasktel.net](mailto:zion.office@sasktel.net). (Please fill out the ‘message’ field so we know where your donation should go. Thank you!) We can also set up monthly withdrawals from your bank account or you can donate to Zion through [canadahelps.ca](http://canadahelps.ca).

**EMERGENCY FOOD BINS:** Please donate when you can.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** meets from 9:30 to 10:15, by arrangement through WhatsApp. If you would like to be part of this children’s ministry, please contact the church office.

**SASKATOON MEN’S CHORUS CONCERT:** Today, Sunday, April 13, 2:30, at Zion. Tickets available at the door. (\$25.00)

**EASTER SUNDAY POTLUCK:** We will have a Cold Potluck following the Easter Sunday service. Bring something to share - buns, muffins, fruit, cheese, cold meats, desserts or whatever! Everyone welcome!

**DOWNTOWN YOUTH:** No gathering in April. See you May 18<sup>th</sup>!

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING ON APRIL 27** immediately after the 10:30 service. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the preferred physical location of a potential amalgamated congregation. There will be an opportunity to indicate your preferences, through a non-binding vote. Everyone is welcome at the meeting.

**WELCOME TO ZION!** If you would like more information about us, please fill in the communion card and give it to an usher. All baptized Christians are welcome to commune. If you do not commune, please come forward to receive the Lord’s Blessing. If you receive communion in your pew, notify the usher. Grape juice is available in the middle of the tray. Gluten free wafers are available on request. Ushers will direct you to the altar.

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YouTube: search Zion Lutheran Church, Saskatoon

OFFICE HOURS: Mon – Fri, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

**IN OUR PRAYERS:** Derwin; Andrea; Nandari; Mallory; Don; Louise; Mary; Linda & Steven; Jennifer; Gloria; Kaye; Doreen; Clara; Connie; Marilyn; Fred; Lorna; Walter; Betsy; Anne; Maureen; Susan; Ron; Lara, for justice; Carolyn; Alice; Neal; Helen; WWK as they seek funding; Jeff and Joanne and their families as they grieve for Joe; Ron; Brenda; Mary.

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### HOLY WEEK WORSHIP AND BIBLE STUDY

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday at Zion:** Morning Prayer at 9 am, Bible Study at noon, Evening Prayer at 5 pm.

**Maundy Thursday at Redeemer:** Communion Worship Service at 7 pm.

**Good Friday at Zion:** Worship with Redeemer at 11 am.

**Holy Saturday at Zion:** Devotions at 11 am at the Altar.

The Ukrainian Catholic Church of the Dormition has invited Zion to join them for Good Friday prayers at 3:00. Please let Pastor Ron know if you are interested in attending.

## Order of Service

### GATHERING

Prelude: “All Glory, Laud, and Honour” – J.S. Bach

Welcome

Palm Sunday Liturgy: ELW p.256

**Processional Gospel:** Luke 19:29-40

**Blessing of the Palms**

**Procession**

**Processional Hymn: “All Glory, Laud, and Honour”**

– ELW #344

**Prayer of the Day:** (see front of bulletin)

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### WORD

**First Lesson:** Isaiah 50:4-9a

**Psalms 31:9-16** (chanted)

**Second Lesson:** Philippians 2:5-11

Sermon

**Hymn of the Day: “Jesus, I Will Ponder Now”**

– ELW #345

**Apostles’ Creed**

**Prayers of Intercession** (Bow down your ear, O Lord.)

### COMMUNION

The Peace

**Offering: “Ah, Holy Jesus” – Zion Choir**

The Great Thanksgiving

**Holy Lord**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Lamb of God**

**Communion: “Beneath the Cross of Jesus”**

– ELW #338; “Three Holy Days Enfold Us Now”

– ACS #930

Communion Blessing

**READING OF THE PASSION:**

*Depart in Silence*

**Luke 19:29-40**

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, ‘Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, “Why are you untying it?” just say this: “The Lord needs it.” ’ So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, ‘Why are you untying the colt?’ They said, ‘The Lord needs it.’ Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,  
‘Blessed is the king  
who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Peace in heaven,  
and glory in the highest heaven!’  
Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, ‘Teacher, order your disciples to stop.’ He answered, ‘I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.’

**Isaiah 50:4-9a**

The Lord God has given me  
the tongue of a teacher,  
that I may know how to sustain  
the weary with a word.  
Morning by morning he awakens—  
wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.  
The Lord God has opened my ear,  
and I was not rebellious,  
I did not turn backwards.  
I gave my back to those who struck me,  
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;

I did not hide my face  
from insult and spitting.  
The Lord God helps me;  
therefore I have not been disgraced;  
therefore I have set my face like flint,  
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;  
he who vindicates me is near.  
Who will contend with me?  
Let us stand up together.  
Who are my adversaries?  
Let them confront me.  
It is the Lord God who helps me;  
who will declare me guilty?

**Philippians 2:5-11**

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,  
who, though he was in the form of God,  
did not regard equality with God  
as something to be exploited,  
but emptied himself,  
taking the form of a slave,  
being born in human likeness.  
And being found in human form,  
he humbled himself  
and became obedient to the point of death—  
even death on a cross.  
Therefore God also highly exalted him  
and gave him the name  
that is above every name,  
so that at the name of Jesus  
every knee should bend,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
and every tongue should confess  
that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

Palm Sunday  
April 13, 2025  
10:30 am  
Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Prayer of the Day:  
Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Saviour, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



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