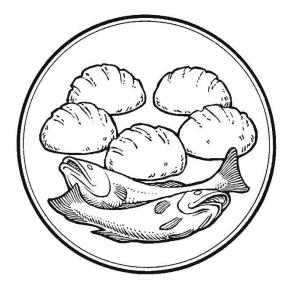
Fourth Sunday in Lent Laetare

March 30, Year of Our

→ Lord 2025



The Lord Feeds His People

The Lord provided bread from heaven for His people in the wilderness (Ex. 16:2-21). Now He who is Himself the living bread from heaven miraculously provides bread for the five thousand (John 6:1–15). This takes place near the time of the Passover, after a great multitude had followed Jesus across the sea, and when He went up on a mountain. Seen in this way, Jesus is our new and greater Moses, who releases us from the bondage of Mount Sinai and makes us free children of the promise (Gal. 4:21–31). Five loaves become twelve baskets—that is, the five books of Moses find their goal and fulfillment in Christ, whose people continue steadfastly in the doctrine and fellowship of the twelve apostles, and in the breaking and receiving of the bread of life, which is the body of Christ together with His precious blood, and in the prayers (Acts 2:41–47). So it is that God's people "shall not hunger or thirst" (Is. 49:8–13). For He abundantly provides for us in both body and soul.



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WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS:

As a way to celebrate and remember the vibrant history of the Christian Church–among many other reasons—we utilize the historic liturgy. This may be new and strange to you, or this may be comfortable and familiar. We invite you to sit next to one of our members who will be happy to assist you as you receive God's gifts of the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation alongside us.

HOLY COMMUNION AT ZION:

Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at the Lutheran altar. Therefore, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor. The Bible teaches we cannot be partakers from two differing tables (1 Cor. 10:15-18), and that communion can be taken to our judgment rather than our forgiveness (1 Cor. 11:27-32). It is our earnest desire at Zion that communion be taken according to our Lord's intent (Matthew 26:26-28). Members of Zion, out of love for their neighbor, can be of great assistance in this endeavor to bring others into the truth of this supper by encouraging visitors to speak with the pastor if they desire Holy Communion.

→ Confession and Absolution →





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Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- ightharpoonup In the name of the Father and of the ightharpoonup Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **©** who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **G** and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

→ Service of the Word →

Introit

Psalm 122:1-2, 6, 8; antiphon: Isaiah 66:10a, 11a

- P Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her;
- C that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast.
- P I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD!"
- © Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!
- Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!

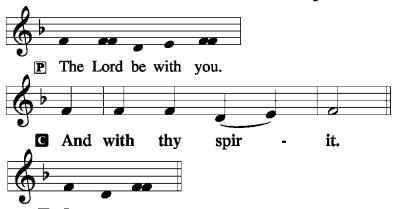
 May they be secure who love you!
- For my brothers and companions' sake I will say, "Peace be within you!"
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning,
 - is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- P Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her;
- C that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast.

Kyrie LSB 186





Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 16:2-21

²And the whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, ³and the people of Israel said to them, "Would that we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

⁴Then the Lord said to Moses, "Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not. ⁵On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily." ⁶So Moses and Aaron said to all the people of Israel, "At evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, ⁷and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your grumbling against the Lord. For what are we, that you grumble against us?" ⁸And Moses said, "When the Lord gives you in the evening meat to eat and in the morning bread to the full, because the Lord has heard

your grumbling that you grumble against him—what are we? Your grumbling is not against us but against the Lord."

⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, 'Come near before the Lord, for he has heard your grumbling.'" ¹⁰And as soon as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. ¹¹And the Lord said to Moses, ¹²"I have heard the grumbling of the people of Israel. Say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. Then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'"

¹³In the evening quail came up and covered the camp, and in the morning dew lay around the camp. ¹⁴And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat. ¹⁶This is what the Lord has commanded: 'Gather of it, each one of you, as much as he can eat. You shall each take an omer, according to the number of the persons that each of you has in his tent.'" ¹⁷And the people of Israel did so. They gathered, some more, some less. ¹⁸But when they measured it with an omer, whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack. Each of them gathered as much as he could eat. ¹⁹And Moses said to them, "Let no one leave any of it over till the morning." ²⁰But they did not listen to Moses. Some left part of it till the morning, and it bred worms and stank. And Moses was angry with them. ²¹Morning by morning they gathered it, each as much as he could eat; but when the sun grew hot, it melted.

 \mathbf{P} This is the Word of the Lord.

GThanks be to God.

Gradual Psalm 122:1, 7

- P I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD!"
- © Peace be within your walls and security within your towers!

Second Reading

Acts 2:41-47

⁴¹So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

⁴²And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴And all who believed were

together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

- Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever.
- As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the Lord surrounds his people, from this time forth and forevermore. Peace be upon Israel!

Holy Gospel John 6:1–15

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.



¹After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. ²And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick. ³Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. ⁴Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. ⁵Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" ⁶He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. ⁷Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." 8One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?" 10 Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. ¹¹Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹²And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, "Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost." ¹³So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten.

¹⁴When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, "This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!"

¹⁵Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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 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,

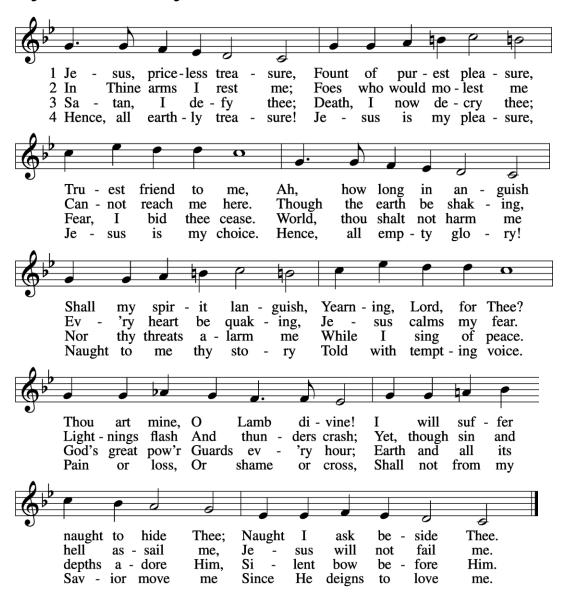
the Lord and giver of life,

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,

Hymn of the Day: 743 Jesus, Priceless Treasure



5 Evil world, I leave thee;
 Thou canst not deceive me,
 Thine appeal is vain.
 Sin that once did blind me,
 Get thee far behind me,
 Come not forth again.
 Past thy hour,
 O pride and pow'r;

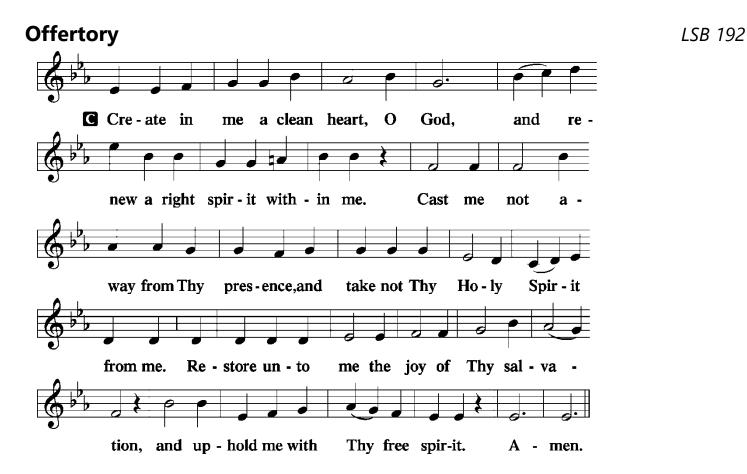
Sinful life, thy bonds I sever, Leave thee now forever.

6 Hence, all fear and sadness!
For the Lord of gladness,
Jesus, enters in.
Those who love the Father,
Though the storms may gather,
Still have peace within.
Yea, whate'er
I here must bear,
Thou art still my purest pleasure,
Jesus, priceless treasure!

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Sermon

Stand



Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Blessed Lord, You give sight to the blind, You open the ears of the deaf and You make the lame to walk. In the darkness of sin, we cry to You. Open our ears by Your Word, our minds by Your Spirit and our hearts by Your grace, that we may know You and give You thanks for all Your benefits to us in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

© hear our prayer.

P Heavenly Father, bless Your Church, Jerusalem on high, who is our mother in Christ until Christ is fully formed in us. Bless all pastors, that they may be faithful stewards of Your mysteries, and guide all who bring the message of salvation to those who have not heard. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord God, Creator of the waters above, receive our thanksgiving for Holy Baptism, whereby You have united Jew and Gentile in the death and resurrection of Your Son. Enliven our confidence in the gracious gift, that we may continue together in its comfort and power. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Almighty Father, uphold in mercy all authorities, especially parents and the civil servants of our nation. Strengthen our homes, and keep families firm in the Christian faith. Preserve our nation from wickedness, and uphold order and justice for a peaceful life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Merciful Father, Your heavenly care extends to all Your children, especially those in depth of need. [Look in kindness upon .] Let them find sustaining food for body and soul and such healing as Your gracious will provides. Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

P O God, look in kindness upon the afflictions of the poor and hungry. Feed them for the sustenance of their bodies, and reveal to them the riches of Your loving kindness as You provide their salvation through the mercy of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Heavenly King, You provided food from heaven for Israel during their days of wandering in the wilderness. So give us also the true food of heaven, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, that we may be sustained in our faith and in hope during our days of pilgrimage through the wilderness of this world until finally we behold Your glory with our own eyes. Lord, in Your mercy,

© hear our prayer.

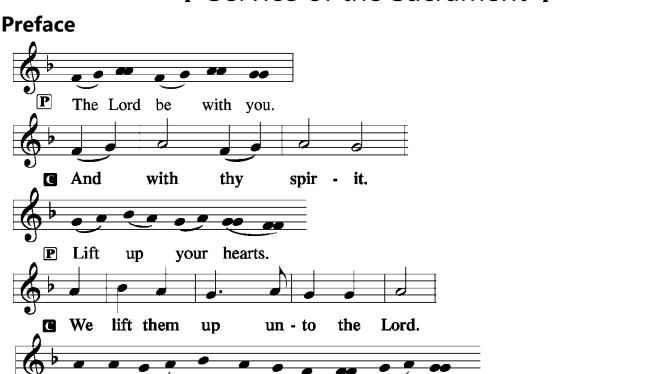
- This morning and throughout this week we hold before You in prayer Gary and Kay Drevlow.
- Heavenly Father, we ask that in Your unconditional love that you would protect Gary and Kay from all physical harm and danger and that You would keep them in the certainty of their salvation that they have by grace through faith in Jesus Christ. We also pray that You would enable us, this congregation of Zion, to hold Gary and Kay in our prayers this week and let them know that we love them in Jesus Christ.
- P Lord God, heavenly Father, grant us always to trust in Your promises, that we may be true sons of the free woman and heirs with Christ; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

P Let us

→ Service of the Sacrament →

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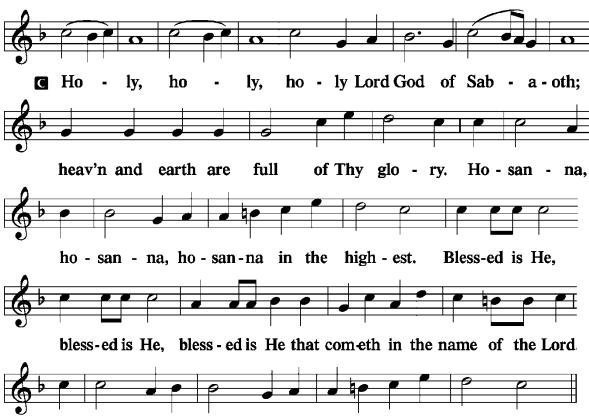
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give thanks un - to the Lord,



It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus LSB 195



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer LSB 196

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.

The Words of Our Lord

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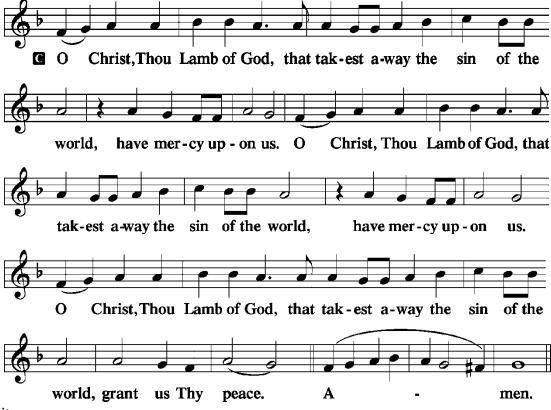
P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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 H blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini LSB 197



Agnus Dei LSB 198



Sit

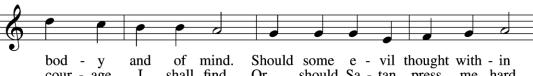
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- sus, grant that balm Your 1 Je and heal - ing In ho ly 2 Should some lust or sharp temp - ta - tion Fas - ci nate my 3 If heart en - tic - es With the the world my broad and 4 Ev 'ry wound that pains grieves me By Your wounds, Lord, or 5 O tow - er, my God, Grant that Your my rock and
- wounds I find, Ev 'ry hour that I am feel ing Pains of

sin - ful mind, Draw me to Your cross and pas - sion, And road, With se - duc - tive, sin - ful eas vi - ces, Let me made whole; When I'm faint, Your cross re - vives me, Grant - ing death trust, Know-ing death has lost its pow - er Ι Since You



should Sa - tan cour - age Ι shall find. Or press me hard, load You were will - ing weigh the aw - ful to en - dure. new life soul. Yes, Your com - fort ren - ders sweet to my dust. let Your crushed it in the Sav ior, ag - o - ny



Tempt my treach-'rous heart sin, Show the to per - il, and from my guard, Say - ing, "Christ for me then be on And to me flee all thoughts im - pure mas - ter each temp-For Your bit - ter cup I meet; all - a - ton - ing 'ry help and com - fort me; When I die be my



Calm in tion. tion, prayer and med - i - ta pas sion Has pro - cured my soul's sal - va tion. tion, Light and life and res - ur - rec tion.

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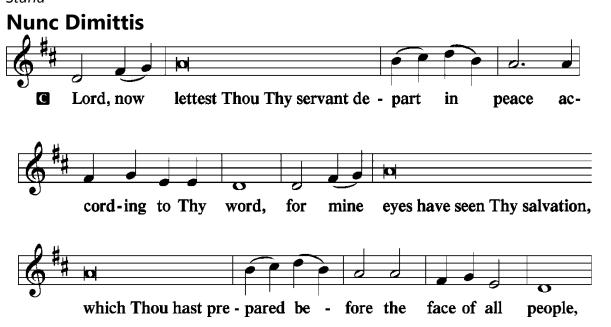
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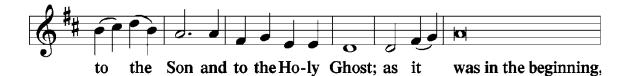
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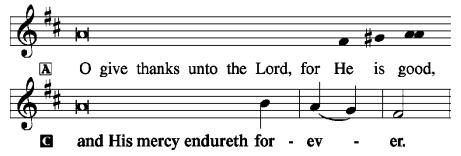








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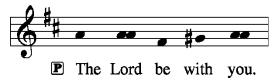


P Let us pray

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



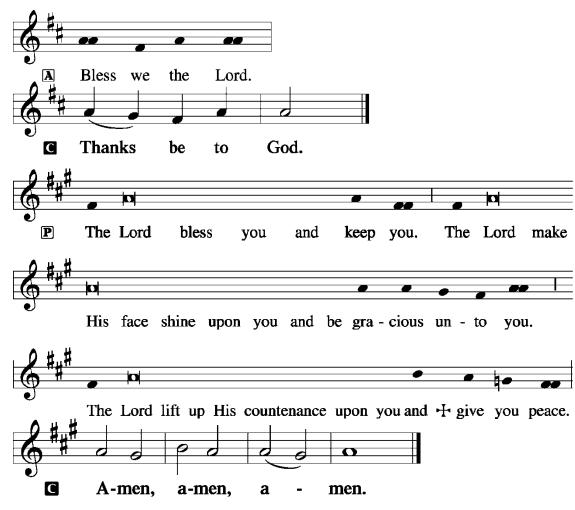
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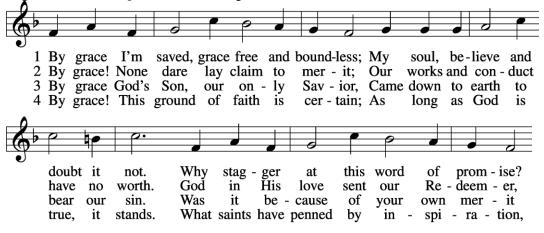


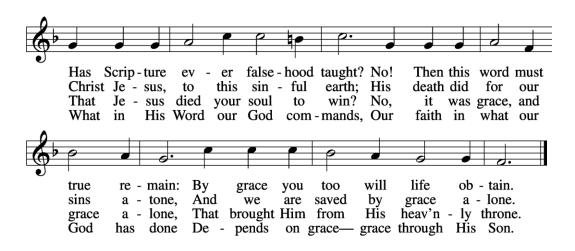
Benedicamus & Benediction

LSB 202









- 5 By grace to timid hearts that tremble, In tribulation's furnace tried,
 By grace, in spite of fear and trouble,
 The Father's heart is open wide.
 Where could I help and strength secure
 If grace were not my anchor sure?
- 6 By grace! On this I'll rest when dying;
 In Jesus' promise I rejoice;
 For though I know my heart's condition,
 I also know my Savior's voice.
 My heart is glad, all grief has flown
 Since I am saved by grace alone.

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MISSION OF THE MONTH – Landon's Light

(see March Newsletter for whole story)

The Landon's Light Foundation has been created to share the pieces of Landon that brought so many of us together. Cancer did not define Landon. His faith, kindness, compassion, strength and courage defined him. The values he demonstrated throughout his life served as an inspiration to many. We plan to honor the lasting impact of his life by shining his light and teaching others to simply "Live like Landon."

Landon's Light Foundation wants to be the light that brightens the path for others. This is achieved by granting a Miracle Moment for kids diagnosed with a serious medical condition such as malignant cancer and/or a critical condition having a progressive or deteriorating impact. Throughout the year, the Foundation strives to provide a small piece of hope, compassion and comfort to families during difficult times.

Prayer Family

Gary and Kay Drevlow 13154 Hwy 13 Gwinner, ND 58040

Cleaners

Mar. 30-Apr. 5: Kelly & Liz Neustel, David & LaVonne Nelson, Geneva Waswick

FB Live for the Month of March

30th Krista

Ushers for the Month of March

30th Andrw

Pastor's Study Hours

Tuesday: 8:30-noon 1-2:30 pm

Wednesday: 8:30-9:00 am 10-noon 1-2:30 pm

Thursday: 8:30-noon 1-2:30 pm Friday: 8:30-noon 1-2:30 pm

This Week in the Congregation of Zion

Today 8:45 am Catechesis and Sunday School

10:00 am Divine Service with Holy Communion

11:15 am Coffee Hour

Tues. 1st 9:30 am Winkle @ Trinity/Great Bend

3:30 pm Youth Catechesis

Wed. 2nd 9:00 am Bible Study

3:45 pm Confirmation5:00 pm Lenten Supper

6:00 pm Private Confession/Absolution6:30 pm Lent Midweek Evening Prayer

Thurs. 3rd 7:00 pm Elders Meeting

Sun. 6th 8:45 am Catechesis and Sunday School

10:00 am Divine Service with Holy Communion

11:15 am Coffee Hour11:15 am Council Meeting

Attendance & Giving at Zion

Sunday, Mar. 23

Worship Attendance: 45

Catechesis: 8

	Received Last		Received for		Monthly					Over/Under	
Category	Week		March		Goal	YTD Received		YTD Needed		Goal	
General Fund	\$	5,530.00	\$	11,205.00	\$ 13,124.83	\$	24,353.99	\$	36,345.69	\$	(11,991.70)
Misc. Income	\$	0.25	\$	1.00		\$	2.75				
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Building Fund	\$	220.00	\$	410.00		\$	1,290.00				
Cemetery Fund	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00							
Memorial Fund											
Vehicle Fund											
ND Missions	\$	530.50	\$	1,500.50	\$ 2,166.67	\$	4,131.00	\$	6,000.00	\$	(1,869.00)
Mission of Month	\$	190.50	\$	660.50		\$	2,178.26				
Parking Lot	\$	165.00	\$	350.00		\$	474.00				

Zion's Income Goal: \$ 157,498.00 ND Mission Goal: \$ 26,000.00

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Prayer and Petitions



March 30, 2025

Please let Pastor know if you want a request added or removed

Remembering Our Shut-Ins

Donna Olson at Beverly Ann, Lisbon Iris Meyer and Corrine Haussler, at Forman Villas

Remembering Those Who Serve

Mark McFarland: US Army in New York

Rick Gaden: National Guard

Nate Utecht: US Navy in Washington DC

Chris Mathias, Jason Asche, Bob Orn, Sam Helm: Volunteer Fire & Rescue

Mother with child

Faith Greenmyer Andrea Schmeling Emma Brockman Maddie (Drew) Asche



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The new Portals of Prayer are available on the table under the church mailboxes. Per a request, the church has ordered a few copies of the large print. If you would like one and they have run out, please notify Ron, so the number can be adjusted for the next order.