**Welcome to Zion!**

Welcome to the intersection of heaven and earth, where Jesus promises to forgive and strengthen you. Please fill out a gray attendance card from the pew rack so we know how to serve you.

***Holy Communion at Zion***

The Lord’s Supper is celebrated at this congregation as Jesus has given it. As he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes. *All communicants* need to register in the narthex prior to the service.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord’s body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, 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, are asked not to commune until they are able to speak with our pastor first. He is happy to visit with you about the Christian faith and how to receive the Lord’s Supper for your good and for the good of others. Those not communing are invited to come to the altar, cross your arms in front of you, and bow your head to receive a pastoral blessing.

***Jesus Is Lifted Up on the Cross so that We May Look to Him and Live***

The people sinned by speaking *“against God and against Moses,”* and the Lord called them to repentance by sending fiery serpents, which *“bit the people, so that many people of Israel died”* (Num. 21:4–6). When the people confessed their sin, the Lord provided a means of rescue from death. He instructed Moses to *“make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole,”* so that *“if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live”* (Num. 21:8–9). Thus, God sent His Son into the world, in the likeness of our sin and death, and lifted Him up on the pole of the cross, that whoever looks to Him in faith *“may have eternal life”* (John 3:14–16). By His cross, *“the light has come into the world,”* not for condemnation, but *“that the world might be saved through him”* (John 3:17–19). While we *“were dead in the trespasses and sins”* in which we once lived (Eph. 2:1), God loved us, calling us to repentance and raising us up with Christ to live *“with him in the heavenly places”* (Eph. 2:4–6).

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| **Prayers for Our Members** |
| Marc & Lyn Hoffman | Awaiting Adoption |
| Amy Hodgson, Amy Nuttelman, Ashli Florang, Jade Florang | Expectant mothers |
| Judy Ahrens | Healing |
| Tom Altwine | Healing |
| Elaine Buss (Cambridge Court) | Healing |
| LaRae Crow | Healing |
| Pat Flodine (Mother Hull) | Healing |
| Vi Fox | Healing |
| Verleen Gentry | Healing |
| Ruby Hatfield | Healing |
| Bryceton Herrera | Healing |
| Bernard Kuhl (Lakeview G.I.) | Healing |
| Lavonne Peterson (Mt. Carmel) | Healing |
| Jane Schmid | Healing |
| Carolyn Westman | Healing |
| Merle Wuehler | Healing |
| Kim Vos | Cancer |
| Brienne Splittgerber | Law Enforcement |
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| ***Prayers for Our Members’ Family & Friends*** |
| Will Brennemann (*Jami Helmbrecht’s father)* | Memory Care |
| Don Berg (*Evelyn Heiden’s brother*) | Healing |
| Sherry Campbell (*Judy Ahren’s cousin)* | Healing |
| Jeweldine Gaibler *(Joyce Hartman’s mother)* | Healing |
| Lois Hanson (*Pastor Hanson’s wife*) | Healing |
| Roger Hoffman *(Marc’s father)* | Healing |
| Miles Margritz (*Wanda Glanzer’s nephew)* | Healing |
| Howard Quandt *(Helmbrecht’s Brother-in-law)* | Healing |
| Barry Rich (*Bruce & Ann Fattig’s Brother-in-law*) | Healing |
| Ashli Tolle ( *Todd Willers’ friend)* | Healing |
| Betty Wilken (*Carol Florang’s mother)* | Healing |
| Patty Ellis (*Fran Junge’s sister)* | Cancer |
| Marcella Esslinger *(Marilyn Fuqua’s sister*) | Cancer |
| Barb Gillion (*Shirley Helmbrecht’s friend)* | Cancer |
| Carol Haubold (*Don Helmbrecht’s sister*) | Cancer |
| Margarete Huebner (*Marion Allwardt’s sister*) | Cancer |
| Ron Koch (*Pam Uhlir’s cousin)* | Cancer |
| Sharon Mulhair ( *Pam Uhlir’s cousin)* | Cancer |
| Donna Peterson *(Lavonne Peterson’s cousin)* | Cancer |
| Christiana Rieker (*Lonna Gronewoller’s cousin)* | Cancer |
| Tyrone Uhlir(*Pam’s nephew)* | Cancer |
| Rev. James, Rev. Trump, Rev. Clausing | Missionaries |
| Kyle Melroy, John Christensen, Trent MacKley, Scott Catterson | Military |
| ***Divine Service Setting Three*** |
| **Welcome & Announcements** |
| **Preparation** |
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| **Gradual** | **Bulletin Insert** |
| **Epistle** | **Ephesians 2:1-10** |
| ***Return to the Lord, your God,*** ***for He is gracious and merciful,*** ***slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love,******and abounding in steadfast love.*** |
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# Serving in Worship Today

# March 11, 9:00am

Acolyte: Addison Helmbrecht

Elder: Bruce Brooks

Usher: Marc Hoffman & Steve Junge

Engineer: Rich Kreutzer

Announcer: Jesse Florang

Altar Guild: Mary Fiddelke & Lyn Hoffman

# Serving in Worship

# Wednesday, March 14, 7:00pm

Acolyte: Abigail Lange

Elder: Bruce Brooks

Usher: Marc Hoffman & Steve Junge

Engineer: Rich Kreutzer

Altar Guild: Shirley Helmbrecht

# Serving in Worship Next Sunday

# March 18, 9:00am

Acolyte: Eli Randolph

Elder: Rich Kreutzer

Usher: Bob Glanzer & Roger Riekenberg

Engineer: Jared Nuttelman

Announcer: Lonna Gronewaller

Altar Guild: Mary Fiddelke & Lyn Hoffman

Special Music: Hand Bells

**Fourth Sunday in Lent ~ March 11, 2018**

**This Week at Zion**

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| **Today****03/11** | 9:00a10:15a10:15aBirthdays | Divine ServiceSunday SchoolBible StudyWes FiddelkeGraydn FisherSylvia Schmidt |
| **Mon****03/12** | 9:00p7:00pBirthdays | Pastor’s Circuit Mtg.Mary MarthaConnie DeLaetHarry Strong |
| **Tues****03/13** | 1:30p7:00p7:00p7:00pBirthdays | Sleeping MatsBoard of EldersBoard of TrusteesBoard of EducationCarolyn Westman |
| **Wed****03/14** | 8:30a5:30-6:30p5:45p6:00p7:00p8:00pBirthdays | ChapelLenten MealMidweekHandbellsLenten ServiceChoirNatalya Nelson |
| **Thurs****03/15** | 7:00pBirthdays | Adult InstructionKaTayla Thomas |
| **Fri****03/16** | 7:00pBirthdays | Scholar Bowl--- |
| **Sat****03/17** | 5:00p5:30pBirthdays | Divine ServicePeace Dinner/Auction--- |
| **Sun****03/18** | 9:00a10:15a10:15a | Divine ServiceSunday SchoolBible Study |

The Radio Broadcast and Altar Flowers today are given to the Glory of the Lord in Loving memory of Douglas Joe Sikes.

**Our Response to the Gospel**

Date: 3/04/2018

Attendance: 190

Offering: $9,524

Weekly Need: $7,302.65

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