**Welcome to Zion!**

All worshippers please fill out an attendance cardin the pew rack and let us know how we might be of service to 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 Christ Is the True Vine Who Bears Much Fruit in Us***

*“God is love,”* and He has manifested Himself to us by sending *“his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him”* (1 John 4:9, 16). By the ministry of the Gospel, *“he has given us of his Spirit,”* so that we also believe and confess *“that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh.”* In this way, we *“abide in him and he in us,”* and we *“love one another”* (1 John 4:2, 7, 13). Such divine love is exemplified in Philip’s preaching of *“the good news about Jesus”* to the Ethiopian eunuch. And when *“they came to some water,”* the eunuch was baptized into the very Gospel that Philip had preached (Acts 8:35–38). That Ethiopian was thereby grafted into *“the true vine,”* Jesus Christ (John 15:1), just as we are. Already we are clean because of the Word that Christ has spoken to us and by the washing of water with His Word. We now abide in Him by faith in His forgiveness. As He abides in us, both body and soul, with His own body and His blood, He *“bears much fruit”* in us (John 15:3–5).

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| **Prayers for Our Members** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Marc & Lyn Hoffman | | | | | | | | | | | | | Awaiting Adoption | |
| Amy Hodgson, Jade Florang  Amy Nuttelman, Keri Hansen | | | | | | | | | | | | | Expectant mothers | |
| Jesse & Ashli Florang | | | | | | | | | | | | | Gift of a child | |
| Family of Bernard Kuhl | | | | | | | | | | | | | Grief | |
| Judy Ahrens | | | | | | | | | | | | | Healing | |
| Vaughn Albrecht *(Mt. Carmel)* | | | | | | | | | | | | | Healing | |
| Tom Altwine | | | | | | | | | | | | | Healing | |
| Elaine Buss *(Cambridge Court)* | | | | | | | | | | | | | Healing | |
| Pat Flodine *(Cambridge Court)* | | | | | | | | | | | | | Healing | |
| Vi Fox | | | | | | | | | | | | | Healing | |
| Verleen Gentry | | | | | | | | | | | | | Healing | |
| Ruby Hatfield | | | | | | | | | | | | | Healing | |
| Bryceton Herrera | | | | | | | | | | | | | Hospitalized | |
| Carol Herron | | | | | | | | | | | | | Healing | |
| Lavonne Peterson | | | | | | | | | | | | | Hospitalized | |
| Jane Schmid | | | | | | | | | | | | | Healing | |
| Carolyn Westman | | | | | | | | | | | | | Healing | |
| Kim Vos | | | | | | | | | | | | | Cancer | |
| Brienne Splittgerber | | | | | | | | | | | | | Law Enforcement | |
| **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 |
| Norman Hockemeier *(Ken’s father)* | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Roger Hoffman *(Marc’s father)* | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Avalon Gibson *(Evelyn Heiden’s infant great granddaughter)* | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Miles Margritz (*Wanda Glanzer’s nephew)* | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Howard Quandt *(Helmbrecht’s Brother-in-law)* | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Jon Rodriguez *(Matt Hodgson’s friend)* | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 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 |
| Sharon Mulhair ( *Pam Uhlir’s cousin)* | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Cancer |
| Ernie North (Michelle Milsap’s father) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| 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 |
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# Serving in Worship This Sunday

# April 29, 9:00am

Acolyte: Shelby Clark

Elder: Bruce Brooks

Usher: Roger Riekenberg

Engineer: Jared Nuttelman

Announcer: Brooke Fisher

Altar Guild: Ellen Hockemeier & Rachael Burger

# Serving in Worship Next Sunday

# May 6, 9:00am

Acolyte: Taylor Zehendner

Elder: Rich Kreutzer

Usher: Fred Flessner & Lennis Hodgson

Engineer: Peter Kreutzer

Announcer: Jesse Florang

Altar Guild: Carolyn Westman & Linda Nuttelman

**This Week at Zion**

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| **Sun**  **04/29** | 9:00a  10:15a  10:15a  Birthdays | Divine Service  Sunday School  Bible Study  --- |
| **Mon**  **04/30** | Birthdays | Udeane Fischer  Alexis Wollberg |
| **Tues**  **05/01** | 1:30p  7:00  Birthdays | Sleeping Mats  Board of Stewardship  --- |
| **Wed**  **05/02** | 8:25a  6:00p  Birthdays | Chapel  Confirmand family meal  --- |
| **Thurs**  **05/03** | 2:00  Birthdays | Helping Hands  Carol Herron |
| **Fri**  **05/04** | Birthdays | Office Closed  Heartland track & field day  Kenzie Ahrens  Hazel Stickney  Robert Vos |
| **Sat**  **05/05** | 2-4  5:00p  Birthdays | Hazel Stickney Birthday Open House  Divine Service  Ann Fattig  Clayton McKillip |
| **Sun**  **05/06** | 9:00a  10:15  10:15a | Divine Service-Confirmation  Sunday School  Bible Study |

The Radio Broadcast and Altar Flowers today are given to the Glory of the Lord by Craig & Linda Nuttelman in celebration of their 40th wedding anniversary.

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**Our Response to the Gospel**

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Offering: $6,690.50

Weekly Need: $7,302.65

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**Fifth Sunday of Easter April 29, 2018**

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