Divine Service



Third Sunday of Lent

March 20th, 2022 Zion Lutheran Church Kearney, Nebraska

Welcome to Zion!

All worshippers: please fill out an attendance card in 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 instituted it. As he says, so 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 repent of all sin, trust his words "given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins," 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.

The Lord's Supper can harm those who receive it unworthily. Holy Communion is also a confession of the faith which is confessed at this 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, are asked not to commune until they are able to speak with our pastor first. He is most 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 Calls You to Repentance

"Unless you repent, you will all likewise perish" (Luke 13:3, 5). By this warning, the Lord would turn us away from wickedness and bring us to life in Himself. For He is patient with us, that we would not be cut down in our sin but live and bear fruit in Him. As He lives, the Lord has "no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live" (Ezek. 33:11). So the Scriptures have been "written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come" (1 Cor. 10:11), that we should not desire evil but trust in Christ. He alone is faithful, the Rock who feeds us with His "spiritual food" and pours out His "spiritual drink" (1 Cor. 10:3–4).

Confession and Absolution

Opening Hymn: #615 "When in the Hour of Deepest Need"

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

Confession of Sins

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- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy 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,
- 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.

Absolution

- 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 5:4–8; antiphon: Psalm 1:6

For the LORD knows the way of the | righteous,*

but the way of the wicked will | perish.

For you are not a God who delights in | wickedness;* evil may not | dwell with you.

The boastful shall not stand be- | fore your eyes;* you hate all evil- | doers.

You destroy those | who speak lies;*

the LORD abhors the bloodthirsty and de- ceitful man.

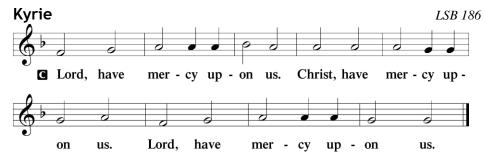
But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love, will en- | ter your house.*

I will bow down toward your holy temple in the | fear of you.

Lead me, O LORD, in your righteousness because of my | enemies;*
make your way straight be- | fore me.

For the LORD knows the way of the | righteous,* but the way of the wicked will | perish.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.



Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.
- P Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 33:7-20

⁷"So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.

¹⁰"And you, son of man, say to the house of Israel, Thus have you said: 'Surely our transgressions and our sins are upon us, and we rot away because of them. How then can we live?' ¹¹Say to them, As I live, declares the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel?

12"And you, son of man, say to your people, The righteousness of the righteous shall not deliver him when he transgresses, and as for the wickedness of the wicked, he shall not fall by it when he turns from his wickedness, and the righteous shall not be able to live by his righteousness when he sins. ¹³Though I say to the righteous that he shall surely live, yet if he trusts in his righteousness and does injustice, none of his righteous deeds shall be remembered, but in his injustice that he has done he shall die. ¹⁴Again, though I say to the wicked, 'You shall surely die,' yet if he turns from his sin and does what is just and right, ¹⁵if the wicked

restores the pledge, gives back what he has taken by robbery, and walks in the statutes of life, not doing injustice, he shall surely live; he shall not die. ¹⁶None of the sins that he has committed shall be remembered against him. He has done what is just and right; he shall surely live.

17"Yet your people say, 'The way of the Lord is not just,' when it is their own way that is not just. ¹⁸When the righteous turns from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it. ¹⁹And when the wicked turns from his wickedness and does what is just and right, he shall live by them. ²⁰Yet you say, 'The way of the Lord is not just.' O house of Israel, I will judge each of you according to his ways."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hebrews 12:2

[O come, let us fix our eyes on] | Jesus,* the founder and perfecter | of our faith,

who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despis- | ing the shame,* and is seated at the right hand of the | throne of God.

Epistle 1 Corinthians 10:1–13

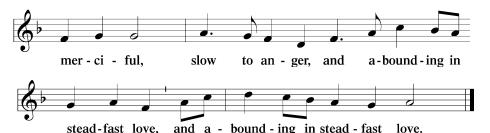
¹I want you to know, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, ²and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. ⁵Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

⁶Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. ⁷Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play." ⁸We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. ⁹We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, ¹⁰nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. ¹¹Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. ¹²Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. ¹³No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

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

Stand





Holy Gospel Luke 13:1-9

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord. C

¹There were some present at that very time who told [Jesus] about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. ²And he answered them, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way? ³No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. ⁴Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? ⁵No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish."

⁶And he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. ⁷And he said to the vinedresser, 'Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?' 8And he answered him, 'Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure. ⁹Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- \mathbf{C} Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

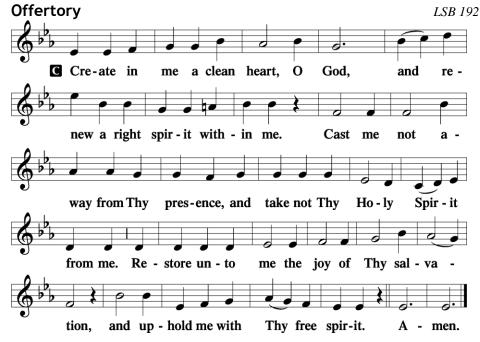
I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints. the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

Hymn of the Day: #765 "God Moves in a Mysterious Way"

Sermon

Stand



Prayer of the Church

Sit

Offering & Preparation

And

with

After the prayers please be seated. The altar is set for the Lord's Supper and the offering is consecrated. As you prepare to receive the sacrament you may use the prayers in the front of the hymnal or meditate on a communion hymn.

Service of the Sacrament

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Preface

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P The Lord be with you.

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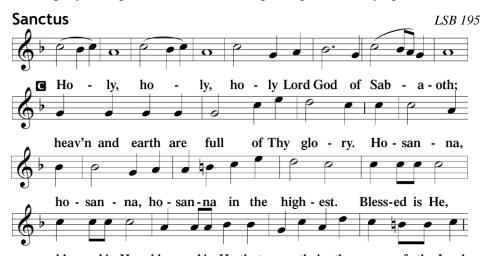
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P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



Proper Preface

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:



bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.



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

Lord's Prayer

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P 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.

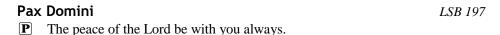
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

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





Distribution

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Hymn #631 "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face" Hymn #427 "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" Hymn #616 "Baptismal Waters Cover Me"

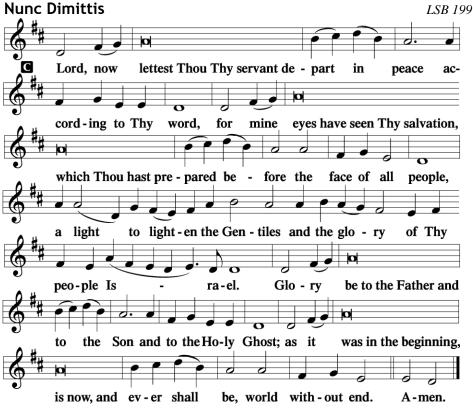
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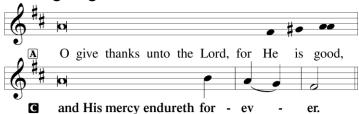
The Dismissal

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart → in peace.
- C Amen.





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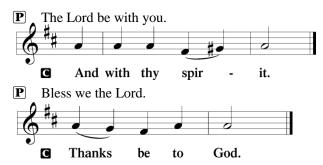


Post-Communion Collect

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.

C Amen.



Benediction LSB 202

Closing Hymn #691 "Fruitful Trees, the Spirit's Sowing"

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Prayers for Our Members			
Tenaya Nuttelman	Expecting		
Norman Abels (Brookestone Meadows - Elkhorn)	Healing		
Judy Ahrens	Healing		
Vaughn Albrecht (Mount Carmel)	Healing		
Tom & DyAnn Altwine	Healing		
Lyle Colsden (Mother Hull)	Healing		
Mary Fiddelke	Healing		
Ryan Fisher	Healing		
Pat Flodine (Cambridge Court)	Healing		
Vi Fox (Prairie View)	Healing		
Bob Glanzer	Healing		
Verleen Gentry	Healing		
Ruby Hatfield	Healing		
Evelyn Heiden (Mother Hull)	Healing		
Lennis Hodgson	Healing		
Linda Luhn	Healing		
Diane Plummer	Healing		
Don Richmond	Healing		
Ivan Bombeck	Cancer		
Bertha Marienau	Cancer		
Kim Vos	Cancer		

Prayers for Our Members' Family 8	+ Friends
Shaylee Kreutzer (Philip's wife)	Expecting
Elaine Arehart (Zion's Music Teacher)	Expecting
Amy Nuttelman (Keith's daughter-in-law)	Expecting
Jean Brooks (Bruce Brooks' & Becky Thornton's	Healing
sister-in-law)	Haaliaa
Larry Bombeck (Ivan's brother)	Healing
Reg Duke (Westman's brother-in-law)	Healing
Jason Ellingson (Friend of Desireé Fiddelke)	Healing
Vivian Fichtner (Ruby Hatfield's sister and wife of	Healing
former principal, Allen Fichtner)	
James Gentry (Verleen's son)	Healing
Roger Hoffman (Marc's father)	Healing
Chris Lallman (Cinda Ward's son)	Healing
Dillon Malchow (Joy Barefoot's nephew)	Healing
Jerry & Sandy Poe (Friends of Bartel's)	Healing
Tim Porter (LaRae Crow's brother-in-law)	Healing
Tim Powers (Kim Wilken's brother)	Healing
Howard Quandt (Don & Shirley Helbrecht's family)	Healing
Roy Reynolds (Verleen Gentry's son-in-law)	Healing
David Shiers (Jessica's father)	Healing
Randy Solomon (Beth Rosenthal's father)	Healing
Cole Vela (Bill and Jackie Ohlmann's grandson)	Healing
Beth Brown (Westmans' Neighbor)	Cancer
Jonah (Jase & Jarren Blattner's friend)	Cancer
Stuart Gronewoller (Lonna's brother-in-law)	Cancer
Linda Heapy (Janel Lange's mother)	Cancer
Ron Halvorsen (Jeff's dad)	Cancer
Sharon Mulhair (Pam Uhlir's cousin)	Cancer
Larry Saathoff (Verleen Gentry's brother)	Cancer
Rick Schnacker (Marilyn Fuqua's nephew)	Cancer
Tyrone Uhlir (Pam's nephew)	Cancer
Scott Catterson (Jim & Pat's Son)	Deployment
Tim Smallcomb (Wilkens' friend)	Deployment
Till Silatteonib (Withers Jilelia)	Deployment

Our Response to the Gospel Date: 3/13/2022

Offering: 13,681 Weekly Need: \$7,457.69



Where our Triune God strengthens us through His mercy in faith toward Him and in fervent love toward one another. Today's Radio Broadcast is for God's glory and thanks for Carol DeLoach on her birthday.

Today's Flower are sponsored by Mike and Kim Wilkens, in honor of their anniversary.

Worship Assistants

Sunday, March 20th ~ 9:00am

Elder: Nathan Gaunt Usher: Andy Wollberg Acolyte: Amy Tonniges Engineer: Jared Nuttelman Announcer: Carol Kreutzer

Altar Guild: Mary Fiddelke & Lyn Hoffman

Book Nook: Carolyn Wilkens

Wednesday, March 23rd - 7:00pm

Elder: Nathan Gaunt Usher: Andy Wollberg Acolyte: Trevor Blessing Engineer: Jared Nuttelman Altar Guild: Shirley Helmbrecht

Sunday, March 27th ~ 9:00am

Elder: Bruce Brooks Usher: Mike Wilkens Acolyte: Brynne Fisher Engineer: Shawn Starkey Announcer: Carol Kreutzer

Altar Guild: Mary Fiddelke & Lyn Hoffman

Book Nook: Jeanne Wollberg

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Radio Broadcast: Sunday @ 10:30 a.m. on

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This Week at Zion

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Sun	9:00a	_		
3/20	10:30a			
	10:30a	Radio Broadcast		
		1460AM & 92.1FM		
	5:00p	Divine Service		
	6:15p	Our Life in Christ		
	Birthdays	Carol DeLoach		
		Dale Johnson		
		Lauren Starkey		
	Anniversaries	Mike & Kim Wilkens		
Mon	12:30p	Senior Potluck		
3/21				
Tues	1:30p	Sleeping Mats		
3/22	Birthdays	Boyd Millsap		
		Harper Florang		
Wed		Spring Break - Wed-Fri		
3/23		Office Open Wed & Thurs 9a-12p		
	5:30p	Midweek		
	5:30p	Lenten Meal		
	6:00p	Bell Choir		
	7:00p	Lenten Service		
	8:00p	Adult Choir		
	Birthdays	Cinda Ward		
Thurs	Birthdays	Reese Florang		
3/24				
Fri	Birthdays	Charles Marienau		
3/25	_			
Sat	Birthdays	Jessica Zehendner		
3/26	_	Kay Banner		
Sun	9:00a			
3/27	10:30a	Bible Study/Sunday School		
	10:30a			
		92.1FM		
	5:00p	Divine Service		
	6:15p	Our Life in Christ		
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Announcements for March 20th, 2022

7 Sins, 7 Virtues, and Jesus - 2022 Lenten Series

Please join us each Wednesday at 7 pm during this year's Lenten season! The first five Wednesdays at 5:30 pm a meal will precede the service.

March 23 rd	Evangelism/Stewardship/Youth	
March 30 th	Men's Bible Class	
April 6 th	Zion Track Team	

We are going to consider the Seven Deadly Sins and their corresponding Seven Holy Virtues. As Christians we cannot consider these without hooking them to Jesus Christ and his redemptive work for us and our salvation upon the tree of the cross. Each week we will consider a deadly sin, how it relates to God's commandments, and how it is evident in our lives. Then we will examine how Jesus not only models the Seven Holy Virtues for us, but also answers for our sins by his death and resurrection.

2022	7 Deadly Sins	7 Holy Virtues
3/23 - Midweek 3	Greed	Generosity
3/30 - Midweek 4	Lust	Holiness
4/06 - Midweek 5	Gluttony	Temperance
4/14 - Maundy Thurs.	Sloth	Perseverance
4/15 - Good Fri.	Dying for Sin	Salvation

We are made holy and live holy lives only as we share in the holiness of Jesus and continually receive the Holy Spirit through our Lord's holy word and sacraments. We respond with thanks to God for our Savior, Jesus Christ, who suffered and died for the forgiveness of all your sins. We are also grateful that our Lord's mercy frees us to live a truly virtuous and godly life.

Zion Youth: The Zion Youth will be getting together for a March Madness party today after Bible study!

<u>Easter Lilies:</u> We are now accepting orders for Easter lilies! It is \$20/plant. The folder will be in the Fellowship Hall on Sundays and in the office the rest of the week. Make checks out to Mary Martha.

<u>Bible Reading Cards</u>: Reading the New Testament in Lent is a worthwhile and doable discipline. A schedule of readings can be found on the purple sheet in the church entryway. You can also pick up a yellow Bible ready check-off card to keep track of your Bible reading progress for the whole year.

<u>Our Life in Christ</u> continues this evening, March 20th, at 6:15 p.m. following our 5 p.m. worship service. The class will meet six times to cover the basics of our Lutheran confession of the Christian faith. The class is offered for those, who want to become a communicant member at Zion or who simply want a review of our teaching. Please contact Pr. DeLoach (308.627.5260) to enroll.

Radio Broadcast & Altar Flowers - The sign-up sheets for the 2022 radio broadcast and altar flowers are up by the mailboxes! Please help Zion spread the Gospel and decorate the sanctuary.

Ask Pastor DeLoach: If an individual or organization seeks financial help from you, then our Board of Elders requests that you contact Pr. DeLoach to 1) advise you on the legitimacy of the request and 2) help coordinate the Zion's mercy work with our community agencies.

Offering Options:

- 1) Place in the offering plate as you enter or leave the sanctuary.
- 2) Go to zionkearney.churchtrac.com/give
- 3) Go to zionkearney.com and click on the ChurchTrac icon.
- 4) Mail to Zion Lutheran Church, 2421 C Ave, Kearney, NE 68847.
- 5) Insert in the mail slot on the south side of the building.



Zion Lutheran School Christ-Content Classical Education SCHOOL NEWS



The theme for our school year is "Together by Christ's Love" based on 1 John 4:7-8.

- ₱ Plant Sales: Be sure to have all orders in by March 31st. Extra forms are available at the office.
- † Track & Field: The season is starting! The season's schedule is posted on the app and website.
- * Registration for 2022-2023 School Year: Be sure to have your registration fees in soon!