

Divine Service



The Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 11th, 2025

Zion Lutheran Church

Kearney, Nebraska

A Warm Welcome to Our Guests!

Please sign our guest book in the narthex or a pew card so we know how we can best serve you. If you are a member in good standing of a sister LC-MS congregation, we invite you to commune with us. Members of other church bodies with whom we are not in confessional fellowship are asked to please refrain from communing. Our pastor will be happy to explain how our desire for Christian care and unity is shown in our communion practice. All communicants need to register in the narthex prior to the service. 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.

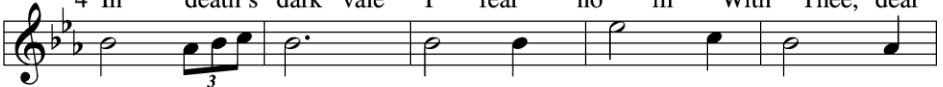
The Good Shepherd Cares for His Sheep

Jesus Christ, the Son of God, came from the Father and became flesh among us in order to rescue us, His sheep. He laid down His life for us and took it up again in order to give us eternal life. By the preaching of His Gospel, He calls His sheep to Himself and keeps them with Him forever. As they hear His voice and follow Him, *“they will never perish”* (John 10:28), for *“no one is able to snatch them out of the Father’s hand”* (John 10:29). In the same way, faithful pastors (literally, “shepherds”) *“care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood”* (Acts 20:28), *“testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ”* (Acts 20:21). Therefore, with all the company of heaven, the Good Shepherd gathers His flock in worship, as they cry: *“Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!”* (Rev. 7:10).

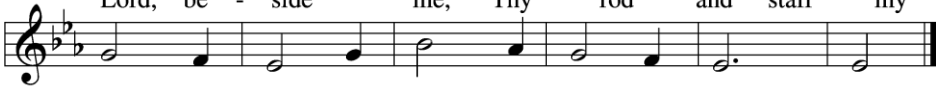
709 The King of Love My Shepherd Is



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But yet in
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul He lead - eth And, where the ver - dant
 love He sought me And on His shoul - der
 Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my



I am His And He is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 gent - ly laid And home re - joic - ing brought me.
 com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
 Thine unction grace bestoweth;
 And, oh, what transport of delight
 From Thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days
 Thy goodness faileth never;
 Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise
 Within Thy house forever!

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Stand

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

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Exhortation

LSB 151

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

Confession of Sins

LSB 151

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Absolution

LSB 151

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore 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 78:70–72; 79:13; antiphon: John 10:14, 15b

I am the good | shepherd.*

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life | for the sheep.

He chose David his servant and took him from the | sheepfolds;*

from following the nursing ewes he brought him to shepherd Jacob his people, Israel his in- | heritance.*

With upright heart he shep- | herded them*

and guided them with his | skillful hand.

But we your people, the sheep of your pasture, will give thanks to you for- | ever;*

from generation to generation we will re- | count your praise.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

I am the good | shepherd.*

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life | for the sheep.

Kyrie

LSB 152

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



C A - men.

This Is the Feast

LSB 155



C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



- 1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
- 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
- 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
- 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
- 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*

gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*



Final Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; 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 A - men.

Sit

First Reading

Acts 20:17–35

¹⁷Now from Miletus [Paul] sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. ¹⁸And when they came to him, he said to them:

“You yourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, ¹⁹servicing the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; ²⁰how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, ²¹testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. ²²And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, ²³except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. ²⁴But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. ²⁵And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. ²⁶Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all of you, ²⁷for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. ²⁸Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. ²⁹I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; ³⁰and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. ³¹Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. ³²And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. ³³I coveted

no one's silver or gold or apparel. ³⁴You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. ³⁵In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual (*Adapt. from Matthew. 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*)

Christ has risen | from the dead.*

[God the Father] has crowned Him with glory and | honor,

He has given Him dominion over the works | of His hands;*

He has put all things un- | der His feet.

Epistle

Revelation 7:9–17

⁹After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵"Therefore they are before the throne of God,
and serve him day and night in his temple;
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

¹⁶They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;
the sun shall not strike them,
nor any scorching heat.

¹⁷For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of living water,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

John 10:22-30

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



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

²²At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly.” ²⁵Jesus answered them, “I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name bear witness about me, ²⁶but you do not believe because you are not part of my flock. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father’s hand. ³⁰I and the Father are one.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

540 Christ, the Word of God Incarnate



1 Christ, the Word of God in - car - nate, Lord and Son of
 2 Christ, the liv - ing bread from heav - en, Food for bod - y,
 3 Christ, the shoot that springs tri - um - phant From the stump of
 4 Christ, our good and faith - ful shep - herd, Watch - ing all Your



A - bra - ham; Christ, the ra - diance of the Fa - ther,
 food for soul; Christ, the man - na dai - ly giv - en,
 Jes - se's tree; Christ, true vine, You nur - ture branch - es
 lambs and sheep; Christ, the gate that guards the sheep - fold,



Per - fect God, the great I AM; Christ, the light, You
 Nour - ish, strength - en, make us whole. Feed us with the
 To bear fruit a - bun - dant - ly. Graft us in - to
 Nev - er - fail - ing vig - il keep. When we stray, Good



shine un - van - quished, Light and life You bring to all; Light our
 food of heav - en, Fore - taste of the feast to be; Quench our
 You, O Sav - ior; Prune our hearts so we re - main Fruit - ful
 Shep - herd, seek us, Find us, lift us, bear us home; Lamb of



path with Your own pres - ence, Grant us grace to heed Your call.
 thirst with liv - ing wa - ter Spring - ing up e - ter - nal - ly.
 branch - es in Your vine - yard Till e - ter - nal life we gain.
 God, our shep - herd, keep us; Let us hear Your voice a - lone.

- 5 Christ, the way that leads unfailing
 To the Father's home on high,
 Christ, the truth that frees the captive,
 Christ, the life that cannot die.
 Mediator to the Father,
 Sacrifice and great High Priest:
 Lead us to Your heav'nly mansions,
 There to share Your wedding feast.
- △6 Christ, the Alpha and Omega,
 Christ, the firstborn from the dead,
 Christ, the life and resurrection,
 Christ, the Church's glorious head:
 Praise and thanks and adoration
 And unending worship be
 To the Father and the Spirit
 And to You eternally.

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Sermon - "Hearing the Good Shepherd's Voice"

John 10:27

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,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Sharing the Peace

Following the prayers, you may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you". Shaking hands is not required unless one is comfortable doing so. Please respect your neighbor's needs.

Sit

Offering

Consecration of the Offering

After the peace 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.

Stand

Offertory

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C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

LSB 160

P The Lord be with you.

C And al - so with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, 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 161



C Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high-est. Bless-ed is He who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

C 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."

Pax Domini

LSB 163

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C A - men.

Agnus Dei

LSB 163



C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution

641 You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

Refrain

You sat-is-fy the hun-gry heart With gift of fin-est wheat.

Come give to us, O sav-ing Lord, The bread of life to eat.

1 As when the shep - herd calls his sheep, They know and
 2 With joy - ful lips we sing to You Our praise and
 3 Is not the cup we bless and share The blood of
 4 The mys - t'ry of Your pres - ence, Lord, No mor - tal
 5 You give Your - self to us, O Lord; Then self - less

heed his voice; So when You call Your
 grat - i - tude That You should count us
 Christ out - poured? Do not one cup, one
 tongue can tell: Whom all the world can -
 let us be, To serve each oth - er

fam - 'ly, Lord, We fol - low and re - jice.
 wor - thy, Lord, To share this heav'n - ly food.
 loaf, de - clare Our one - ness in the Lord?
 not con - tain Comes in our hearts to dwell.
 in Your name In truth and char - i - ty.

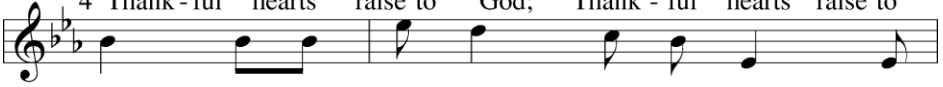
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735 Have No Fear, Little Flock



1 Have no fear, lit - tle flock; Have no fear, lit - tle
 2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; Have good cheer, lit - tle
 3 Praise the Lord high a - bove; Praise the Lord high a -
 4 Thank - ful hearts raise to God; Thank - ful hearts raise to



flock, For the Fa - ther has cho - sen To
 flock, For the Fa - ther will keep you In
 bove, For He stoops down to heal you, Up -
 God, For He stays close be - side you, In



give you the King - dom; Have no fear, lit - tle flock!
 His love for - ev - er; Have good cheer, lit - tle flock!
 lift and re - store you; Praise the Lord high a - bove!
 all things works with you; Thank - ful hearts raise to God!

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666 O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe



1 O lit - tle flock, fear not the foe Who mad - ly
 2 Be of good cheer; your cause be - longs To Him who
 3 As true as God's own Word is true, Not earth nor
 4 A - men, Lord Je - sus, grant our prayer; Great Cap - tain,



seeks your o - ver - throw; Dread not his rage and pow'r.
 can a - venge your wrongs; Leave it to Him, our Lord.
 hell's sa - tan - ic crew A - gainst us shall pre - vail.
 now Thine arm make bare, Fight for us once a - gain!



And though your cour - age some - times faints, His seem - ing
 Though hid - den yet from mor - tal eyes, His Gid - eon
 Their might? A joke, a mere fa - cade! God is with
 So shall Thy saints and mar - tyrs raise A might - y



tri - umph o'er God's saints Lasts but a lit - tle hour.
 shall for you a - rise, Up - hold you and His Word.
 us and we with God— Our vic - t'ry can - not fail.
 cho - rus to Thy praise For - ev - er - more. A - men.

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710 The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want



1 The Lord's my shep - herd, I'll not want; He makes me
 2 My soul He doth re - store a - gain And me to
 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, Yet will I
 4 My ta - ble Thou hast fur - nish - ed In pres - ence
 5 Good-ness and mer - cy all my life Shall sure - ly



down to lie In pas - tures green; He
 walk doth make With - in the paths of
 fear no ill; For Thou art with me,
 of my foes; My head Thou dost with
 fol - low me; And in God's house for -



lead - eth me The qui - et wa - ters by.
 righ - teous - ness, E'en for His own name's sake.
 and Thy rod And staff me com - fort still.
 oil a - noint, And my cup o - ver - flows.
 ev - er - more My dwell - ing place shall be.

Text: The Psalms of David in Meeter, 1650, Edinburgh Tune: William Gardiner, 1770-1853 Text and tune: Public domain

Stand

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.

Thank the Lord

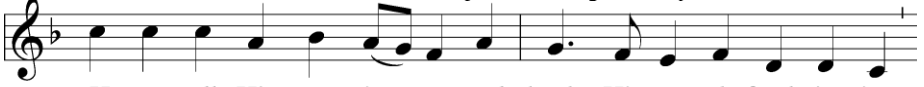
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C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re - calls His prom - is - es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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 166

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

740 I Am Jesus' Little Lamb



1 I am Je - sus' lit - tle lamb, Ev - er glad at
2 Day by day, at home, a - way, Je - sus is my
3 Who so hap - py as I am, E - ven now the



heart I am; For my Shep - herd gent - ly guides me,
staff and stay. When I hun - ger, Je - sus feeds me,
Shep - herd's lamb? And when my short life is end - ed,



Knows my need and well pro - vides me, Loves me ev - 'ry
In - to pleas - ant pas - tures leads me; When I thirst, He
By His an - gel host at - tend - ed, He shall fold me



day the same, E - ven calls me by my name.
bids me go Where the qui - et wa - ters flow.
to His breast, There with - in His arms to rest.

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Prayers for Our Members

<i>Family and Friends of Cindy Gibbons</i>	Grief
Rebecca Dahlgren	Expecting
Gary Albers (<i>St. Luke's</i>)	Healing
Vaughn Albrecht (<i>Mt. Carmel</i>)	Healing
DyAnn Altwine	Healing
Dave Banner	Healing
Jim Catterson	Healing
Connie DeLaet	Healing
James DeLoach	Healing
Pat Flodine (<i>Homestead</i>)	Healing
Jade Florang	Healing
Cindi Foresman	Healing
Marilyn Fuqua	Healing
Bob Glanzer	Healing
Jerry Hansen	Healing
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Jan Hatfield	Healing
Ruby Hatfield	Healing
Evelyn Heiden (<i>Mother Hull</i>)	Healing
Amy Hodgson	Healing
Lennis Hodgson	Healing
Betty Mustard (<i>Broadwell</i>)	Healing
Austyn Plummer	Healing
Don Richmond	Healing
Marion Richmond	Healing
Norrine Rockwell (<i>Mother Hull</i>)	Healing
Jane Schmid	Healing
Gretchen Trampe (<i>Prairie View</i>)	Healing
Tom Barefoot	Cancer
Jill Bates	Cancer
Ivan Bombeck (<i>Veterans' Home</i>)	Cancer

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Prayers for Our Members' Family & Friends

Jordan Harms (<i>Sue Bartels' niece</i>)	Expecting (High Risk)
Logan (<i>Flynn Baker family friend</i>)	Healing
Ryder Barnet (<i>Sue Bartels' relative</i>)	Healing
Kevin Becker (<i>Pam Uhlir's relative</i>)	Healing
Joan Bentley (<i>Kreutzer's friend</i>)	Healing
Derek Callahan (<i>nephew of Pr. Bill Ohlmann</i>)	Healing
Reed Flodine (<i>Pat's grandson</i>)	Healing
Randy Fritson (<i>Carol Herron's friend</i>)	Healing
Gay Koopman (<i>Todd's sister</i>)	Healing
Luetta Lammers (<i>Ruby Hatfield's sister</i>)	Healing
Luanne Lown (<i>Sue Bartels' friend</i>)	Healing
Levada Nielson (<i>Deane's mother</i>)	Healing
Tim Powers (<i>Kim Wilkens' brother</i>)	Healing
Kayla Rozelle (<i>Carol Gaunt's relative</i>)	Healing
Randy Solomon (<i>Beth Rosenthal's father</i>)	Healing
Emmett Sprague (<i>Jill Bates' nephew</i>)	Healing
Joanne Staton (<i>Kristian Arevalo's grandmother</i>)	Healing
Ruth Sturgeon (<i>Joyce Hartman's aunt</i>)	Healing
Gerald Taubenheim (<i>Jan Hatfield's uncle</i>)	Healing
Jeff Wollberg (<i>Andy's brother</i>)	Healing
Pastor Brad Birtell (<i>Willers' friend</i>)	Cancer
Paul Brooks (<i>Bruce & Becky Thornton's brother</i>)	Cancer
Bill Callahan (<i>Ohlmann's brother-in-law</i>)	Cancer
Mike & Sherrie Crow (<i>Rich's brother & sister-in-law</i>)	Cancer
Terry Eirich (<i>Carol Herron's friend</i>)	Cancer
Glenda Fichtner (<i>Ruby Hatfield's niece</i>)	Cancer
Ron Halvorsen (<i>Jeff's dad</i>)	Cancer
Sharon Jones (<i>Rhonda Nielson's mom</i>)	Cancer
Steven Junge (<i>Steve & Fran's nephew</i>)	Cancer
Lynda Kreutzer (<i>Rich & Carol's sister-in-law</i>)	Cancer
Taya Mosley (<i>Miriam Gaunt's friend</i>)	Cancer
Sharon Mulhair (<i>Pam Uhlir's cousin</i>)	Cancer
Lindsey Muniz (<i>Steve & Fran's niece</i>)	Cancer
Milton Naprstek (<i>Marilyn Fuqua's brother</i>)	Cancer
Ashlynn Ostgren (<i>Carol Florang's friend</i>)	Cancer
Jennelle Pietsch (<i>Ellen Koopman's sister-in-law</i>)	Cancer
Tyrone Uhlir (<i>Pam's nephew</i>)	Cancer
Ray Vang (<i>Don & Shirley Helmbrecht's brother-in-law</i>)	Cancer

Response to the Gospel

Date: 5/4/2025

Offering: \$8,091.30

Weekly Need: \$7,900

Offering Options:

To worship the Lord with your offering:

- 1) Place your offering in the offering plate.
- 2) Go to zionkearney.churchtrac.com/give
- 3) Go to zionkearney.com and click on the ChurchTrac icon
- 4) Mail your gift to Zion Lutheran Church, 2421 C Ave,
Kearney, NE 68847

Today's Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Ed & Connie DeLaet,
in honor of their anniversary.

Today's Altar Flowers are sponsored by The Family Lee & Phyllis Wells,
in their memory.

Worship Assistants

Sunday, May 11th - 9:00a

Elder: Keith Nuttelman
Acolyte: Brynn Fisher
Announcer: Lonna Gronewoller
Organist: Carol DeLoach

Usher: Steve Junge
Engineer: Jared Nuttelman
Altar Guild:
Sue Bartels & Chelsea Herrera

Sunday, May 18th - 9:00a

Elder: Bruce Brooks
Acolyte: Noah Randolph
Announcer: Carol Kreutzer
Organist: Teresa Leising

Usher: Andy Wollberg
Engineer: Eric Rosenthal
Altar Guild:
Sue Bartels & Chelsea Herrera

This Week at Zion

Sun 5/11	9:00a 10:30a 10:30a 5:00p <i>Birthdays</i>	Divine Service Adult Bible Class & Sunday School Radio Broadcast 1460AM & 92.1FM Divine Service <i>Hudson Huryta</i> <i>Jackie Ohlmann</i> <i>Sophia Strong</i>
Mon 5/12		
Tues 5/13	10:00a 1:30p 2:00p <i>Anniversaries</i>	Filbert PreK Achievement Ceremony Sleeping Mats Halva PreK Achievement Ceremony <i>Ed & Connie DeLaet</i>
Wed 5/14	10:30a 11:30a <i>Birthdays</i>	Last Day of School Chapel Dismissal <i>Ralston Florang</i>
Thurs 5/15	7:00p	Men's Bible Study (Location below)
Fri 5/16		
Sat 5/17	<i>Anniversaries</i>	<i>Ed & Cindy Luhn</i>
Sun 5/18	9:00a 10:30a 10:30a 5:00p	Divine Service Adult Bible Class & Sunday School Radio Broadcast 1460AM & 92.1FM Divine Service

Announcements for May 11th, 2025

Weekly Devotion Helps for May 18th, 2025:

The "Hymn of the Day" (HOD) for next Sunday is LSB 633 "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing". All our members and students can read, sing, and study it to prepare for next Sunday's worship service.

Go on to your device to access a Bible study based on the hymn. We are also taking part in our synod's "Memory Verse Challenge" as we all memorize the same Bible verse each week:

"So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you."

- John 16:22

Mailboxes: Please check mailboxes for school and church information!

Pastoral Call Update: The Board of Elders has decided to suspend the call process for another pastor until the proper time. We want to ensure Zion can financially support whoever we call without overburdening the congregation. We also hope the strategic planning process will clarify our staffing needs. Thank you to all who provided input.

Zion Visioning Survey: Please take the time to take this survey as we continue the strategic planning process. If you would like a paper copy, please talk to an usher and return it to them when it is completed.



Strategic Planning for Zion: On Thursday, May 22 at 5:30 pm, Zion Lutheran Church will take the next step in our exciting visioning process with LCEF. We will gather together to keep the conversation going. Pastor Eric Kennaugh from LCEF will be leading an interactive workshop designed to help us identify our unique identity as a church and our unique calling to the greater Kearney community. Food and childcare will be provided. Come be part of the conversation in this fun and engaging process.

Please RSVP online at <https://zionkearney.eventbrite.com> and click "Get tickets" so we can plan food and childcare needs! There is also a paper registration in the narthex.

Men's Bible Class: The next Thursday Men's Bible Study for the program year will be Thursday, May 15th at 6pm. We will meet at Dennis Bartels' house (3802 Ave M). We will start with a Burger/Brat meal. Please bring a salad or dessert to share and your drink of choice (Adult beverages are welcome). We will finish the study of Malachi. Please sign-up in the narthex or at the office.

The Great Jungle Journey VBS: An epic cruise from Genesis to Revelation. From July 14th-July 18th 6p-8p, all children from Pre-K to 6th grade are welcome to join in our festivities this year. We are encouraging anyone who can volunteer their time on these dates to please contact either of the following: Adam Herrera (308-708-1576), Lindsay Wilkens (308-627-0885), or Pastor Gaunt.

2nd Quarter Missions: The mission for April-June is Issues, etc., a nationally syndicated talk show that discusses theological topics in relation to society. It is hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Here is a link to their archives: <https://issuesetc.org/archive/>

SCHOOL NEWS

2025-2026 Staffing: The Board of Education is now seeking the following positions:

- Part-time K-8 music teacher
- Part-time pre-kindergarten teacher

If you or someone you know would be great in either of these positions, please contact Mr. Splittgerber.

(Anthony.splittgerber@zionkearney.org)

PreK Achievement Ceremonies: An Achievement Ceremony for the Zion Pre-Kindergarten classes is scheduled for the following days/times:

- Filbert Pre-K class: **Tuesday, May 13th at 10:00 a.m.** in the school gym.
- Halva Pre-K class: **Tuesday, May 13th at 2:00 p.m.** in the school gym.
- Families are invited and encouraged to attend.

8th Grade Graduation: Graduation will be Tuesday, May 13th at 7:00pm in the sanctuary. There will be a reception afterwards.

Congratulations 8th Grade Grads!

**Luke Barefoot, Rachel Barefoot, Samuel Kusek, John Lanka,
Emma Rosenthal and Levi Splittgerber.**

Last Day of School: Wednesday, May 14th will be the last day of school. We will have chapel at 10:30am and dismissal is at 11:30a. **Have a blessed summer!**

Songbird Coffee: Former preschool teacher, Deborah Anderson, will have her coffee truck at Zion on the last day of school! She will be here from 7:30a-9a and 11a-12p. Come say hi and enjoy some wonderful coffee while you're at it!