

Zion Lutheran Church
Thief River Falls, MN

New Traditions Worship
Fifth Sunday in Lent
Camp Sunday

9:00 AM Worship
March 26, 2023

Pre-service Music
Welcome & Announcements
Call to Worship— Shawna Spears

Gathering

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,
who journeys with us these forty days,
and sustains us with the gift of grace.

Amen.

Let us acknowledge before God and one another
our need for repentance and God's mercy.
Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy God,
we confess to you our faults and failings.
Too often we neglect and do not trust your holy word;
we take for ourselves instead of giving to others;
we spoil rather than steward your creation;
we cause hurt though you call us to heal;
we choose fear over compassion.
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
as we seek to follow in your way of life.
Amen.

Hear the good news:
God so loved the world that God gave the only Son,
so that all may receive life.
This promise is for you!
God embraces you with divine mercy,
forgives you in Christ's name,
and revives you in the Spirit's power.
Amen.

Camp Songs - Psalm 25 (To You, Oh Lord)

To You, oh Lord, I lift up my soul
In You I trust, oh Lord (repeat)
Higher than the mountains, Deeper than the sea
Wider than the ocean is Your love for me
You're with me on the mountain and the valley below
You are right here beside me everywhere that I go!

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Peace Like a River

I've got peace like a river (2x), I've got peace like a river in my soul.

I've got peace like a river (2x), I've got peace like a river in my soul.

I've got love like the ocean (2x), I've got love like the ocean in my soul.

I've got love like the ocean (2x), I've got love like the ocean in my soul.

I've got joy like a fountain (2x), I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.

I've got joy like a fountain (2x), I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.

I've got peace like a river. I've got love like the ocean.

I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.

I've got peace like a river. I've got love like the ocean.

I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.

Greeting

From the one who is and who was and who is to come,
and from Jesus Christ, the first fruits of the resurrection,
grace and peace be with you all.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death.
Breathe upon us the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in
Christ and serve you in righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Savior
and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for-
ever. **Amen.**

Word

Psalm: Psalm 130

¹Out of the depths

I cry to you, O LORD;

²**O LORD, hear my voice!**

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

³If you were to keep watch over sins,

O LORD, who could stand?

⁴**Yet with you is forgiveness,**

in order that you may be feared.

⁵I wait for you, O LORD; my soul waits;

in your word is my hope.

**⁶My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning,
more than those who keep watch for the morning.**

**⁷O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love;
with the LORD there is plenteous redemption.**

**⁸For the LORD shall redeem Israel
from all their sins.**

Song “Jesus Loves Me” ELW #595

KIDS TALK Pathways Bible Camp Staff

Noisy Offering—March offering will go to Prowler Pantry

Song “Halle, Halle, Hallelujah” ELW #172

GOSPEL: John 11:1-45

Jesus is moved to sorrow when his friend Lazarus falls ill and dies. Then, in a dramatic scene, he calls his friend out of the tomb and restores him to life. You are invited to participate as the voice of the mourners as we hear this story of resurrection.

Narrator: ¹Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. ²Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. ³So the sisters sent a message to Jesus,

People: “Lord, he whom you love is ill.”

Narrator: ⁴But when Jesus heard it, he said, “This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God’s glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.” ⁵Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, ⁶after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. ⁷Then after this he said to the disciples, “Let us go to Judea again.” ⁸The disciples said to him, “Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?” ⁹Jesus answered, “Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. ¹⁰But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.” ¹¹After saying this, he told them, “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.” ¹²The disciples said to him,

People: “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.”

Narrator: ¹³Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. ¹⁴Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus is dead. ¹⁵For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.” ¹⁶Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us also go,

that we may die with him.”¹⁷ When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days.¹⁸ Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away,¹⁹ and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother.²⁰ When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home.²¹ Martha said to Jesus,

People: “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.²² But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.”

Narrator: ²³Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.”²⁴ Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.”²⁵ Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live,²⁶ and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?”²⁷ She said to him,

People: “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.”

Narrator: ²⁸When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately,

People: “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.”

Narrator: ²⁹And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him.³⁰ Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him.³¹ The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there.³² When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him,

People: “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.”

³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved.³⁴ He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him,

People: “Lord, come and see.”

Narrator: ³⁵Jesus began to weep.³⁶ So the Jews said,

People: “See how he loved him!”³⁷ But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

Narrator: ³⁸Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and

a stone was lying against it. ³⁹Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him,

People: "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days."

⁴⁰Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" ⁴⁴The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." ⁴⁵Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

Sermon "Called to Life" Pastor Kristin Ostercamp

Hymn of the Day "Give Me Jesus" ELW # 770

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Baptism of Tate Jay Thompson, son of Max & Vanessa Thompson.

Tate's sponsors are Alyssa & Kelly Eppers, Terra & Daryl Wockenfuss

In Holy Baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of the saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

Who is presented to receive the sacrament of Holy Baptism?

Parents: Tate Jay

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin and confess the faith of the church, the faith in which we baptize. Do you renounce all the forces of evil, the devil and all his empty promises?

I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,**

**and born of the Virgin Mary, He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again; He ascended into heaven,
And is seated at the right hand of the Father,
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The child is Baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

Let us pray...God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks for freeing your sons and daughters from the power of sin and for raising them up to new life through this holy sacrament. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon Tate Jay the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence.

Tate Jay, Child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Parents, Sponsors, People of God, as Tate Jay has been here baptized, you are now entrusted with these responsibilities: you should faithfully bring him to the services of God's house, and teach him the Lord's prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments. As he grows in years, you should place in his hands the Holy Scriptures and provide for his instruction in the Christian faith, that living in the covenant in his Baptism and in communion with the Church, he may lead a godly life unto the day of Jesus Christ. Do you promise to fulfill these obligations? If so say, I do.

The candle is lit

Jesus says in Matthew 5: "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house." In the same way, Tate Jay, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

Let us welcome our brother in Christ.

We welcome you into the Lord's Family. We receive you as a member of the body of Christ, a child of the same heavenly Father, and worker with us in the kingdom of God.

Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you all. **And also with you.**

Offering - *ushers bring offering forward*

Offertory "Sanctuary"

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.

With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you. (CCLI Lic. # 11095451)

Prayers of Intercession *response: receive our prayer.*

Lord's Prayer

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.

Sending

Camp Benediction

Sending Song "I Want Jesus to Walk With Me" ELW # 325

Dismissal

Go forth in the world knowing Christ and making him known.

Thanks be to God.

Post-service Music

WELCOME! ZION'S LAY MINISTRY/EVANGELISM BOARD SAYS A SPECIAL WELCOME TO YOU THIS MORNING AND MAY YOU BE FED SPIRITUALLY DURING THIS TIME OF WORSHIP.

OUR THANKS TO TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS/ASSISTANTS

Pastor: Kristin Ostercamp

Pianist: Laura Rude

Organist: Marie Longo

Greeters: Jessica Hegland

Psalm: Marie Engen

Ushers: Tom & Kaylynn Wold

Usher/Greeters: Ava Neibuhr, Bria Scheef

Acolytes: Zander Olson, Brielle Walseth

TODAY WE WELCOME THROUGH THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM: (9:00)



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OUR SYMPATHY TO the family of Shari Larson. Shari's funeral will be held at Zion on Saturday, April 1st at 10:30am. Visitation will be Saturday, March 31 from 5-7 PM, prayer service at 6:30 pm.

OUR PRAYERS TO Andy Hart recovering in Rochester.

PRAYERS to keep all who are preparing for their First Communion in prayer.

ZION WORSHIP SERVICE ONLINE Sunday mornings you can listen to the 9:00AM service online. Go to: www.ziontrf.org. in the black banner click Listen Online, Click on the RED link to KTRF.

BROADCASTS today are sponsored by Dick & Jan Haugen in memory of Family & Friends.

ZION'S WEBSITE for March is sponsored by Dick & Jan Haugen in memory of family & friends.

LISTENING DEVICES & LARGE PRINT bulletins are available from an usher.

LENTEN SUPPERS are served at 5:30 PM Wednesdays. March 29 menu: Chili

LENTEN WORSHIP begins at 6:30 Wednesdays. The theme is Amazing Grace.

THE CROSS AND CHAINS near the lectern is a reminder of the weight of our sin. We are spending some time pondering the gift of God that we are saved by grace through faith. During our Wednesday worship services through the season of Lent you are invited to place your burdens on Jesus, to lay down the weight of sin and regret you carry. You are also welcome to spend some quiet time in the sanctuary during weekly business hours in meditation and prayer. Take a slip of paper, pray and we will add it to our chain. We lay our confessions on this cross as a reminder of some of the burden Jesus shouldered as he was crucified for our iniquities.

HOTDISH COOKOFF TODAY, March 26th at 4:00 PM. All funds raised will go towards updating our Youth Room. \$5 per person to sample all hotdishes, jello, breadstick, milk, lemonade. Tickets to vote are \$1 for 1 vote, \$5 for 6 votes, \$10 for 15 votes.

EASTER FLOWERS All wishing to bring flowers for the Easter Season are asked to bring Tulips, Azaleas, Orchids, and Daffodils to adorn the sanctuary. These may be dropped off during the week between Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. Due to allergic reactions, those planning to bring lilies may bring them on Easter Sunday morning before worship. They must be taken home immediately following the service. Any lilies brought prior to Easter Sunday morning or remaining after worship will be discarded. If you wish to honor or remember a loved one with your floral gift, please contact Linda in the church office by Tuesday, April 4 to be included in the Easter bulletin.

LWR PERSONAL CARE KITS — During Lent, WELCA is collecting items for the Personal Care Kits. Items needed for the kits are: *bath towels (may be used, but clean and in good condition), nail clippers, adult-size toothbrushes, sturdy combs, and two 4 oz. bath-size bars of soap.* Also, we use flannel sheets to make diapers for the Baby Care Kits. We also make diapers from large size cotton t-shirts either white or colored. Hand towels & soap are also needed for this kit. A container will be available for you to deposit your items. The confirmands assist with assembling these kits and then the kits

are sent to Lutheran World Relief in early May along with the quilts the ladies are making. For more info, call Sharon Wagner at 681-2473 or Sharon Jorde at 681-4739. Thank you for your donations! A box for donations is beside the narthex steps.

STEWARDSHIP (Envelopes/Vanco Electronic Giving/Silver Creek included in all totals)

March 13-19 income: \$7,045.

March 1-19 income: \$15,320.

2023 Budget \$340,444. \$6,547. needed per week to meet budgeted expenses.

VANCO ELECTRONIC GIVING forms are in the wall rack by the office door. You can also set up contributions thru the link on Zion's website, or contact the church office.

Direct Thrivent Choice Dollars[®] Eligible Thrivent Financial members: Show your appreciation for Zion Lutheran Church by directing Choice Dollars. The individual recommendations you make through Choice Dollars directions can make a profound impact. *Thank you to all who have directed dollars,*

OUTDOOR ELECTRONIC SIGN Donations & Pledges: \$17,008. If you wish to contribute to this project you can drop off or mail to the church office. ***Thank you for your continued donations!***
The physical sign was installed February 27th, it is waiting for electric installation.

THE GROCERIES TO GO PROGRAM is available through our church if you'd like to use that option. If you need this service or would like to be a volunteer for grocery delivery, call the church office at 218-681-3296 and we'll get back to you.

PARISH HEALTH NOTE - Mental Health has become a growing crisis in our country and much improvement is needed especially for the youth. America's youth deserve appropriate well-informed and effective behavior health crisis services. All too often children and youth who experience a behavioral health crisis face hospitalization or justice system involvement; instead of receiving the home-based care and community based services that are in many circumstances best for de-escalating and stabilizing a crisis. Between 2016-2020, the number of children age 3-17 years diagnosed with anxiety grew by 29% and those with depression by 27% according to data from Health and Human Services. In 2020, suicide was the second leading cause of death for youth ages 10-14 and 25-34 and among the top leading cause of death for youth 10-16 years of age according to a report by HHS Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

New National Guidelines for Child and Youth Behavior Health Crisis Care has been developed. It recommends the least restrictive setting possible and if safe, at home and in the community. The goal is to partner with schools, family and peer support community organizations, child welfare and foster care, juvenile justice, pediatricians and other primary providers along with law enforcement when appropriate. St Paul, Mn has recently opened our states first youth 22 bed inpatient mental health hospital called Children's Minnesota. There is a great need for more of these facilities.

Anyone seeking treatment for mental health or substance use issues should call the SAMHSA National Helpline at 800-662-HELP (4357) or visit findtreatment.samhsa.gov If you or someone you know is struggling or in crisis, help is available. Call or text 988 or chat 988lifeline.org May God protect and guide our youth during these difficult years of their lives. — *God's Blessings and Peace be with you. Parish Health*

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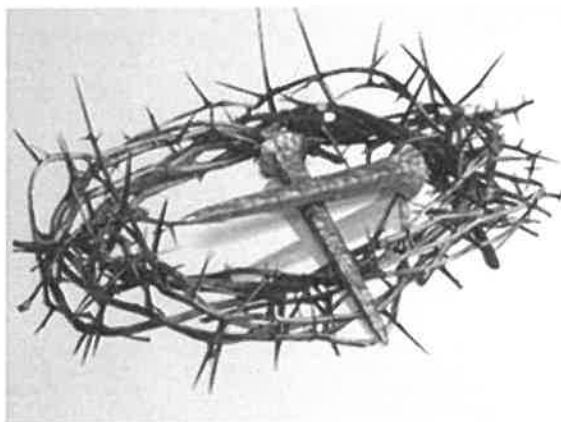
Darlene Wiseth, Faith Community Nurse zionph@mncable.net

David Lee / Tiffany Sterry, Custodial



Palm Sunday Craft Time for Students & Parents and more...

Palm Sunday the Evangelism and Lay Ministry board would like to invite the parents of the Sunday School children to come down to the Fellowship Hall after the service to help their child(ren) with a craft project the board has for them. The board will need the help of the parents with this project, especially the younger children. The rest of the congregation is also invite to come and participate with helping the children!



GOOD FRIDAY

Father, into your hands

I commend my spirit.

Psalm 31

Prayer Vigil

Zion's 14th Annual Good Friday Prayer Vigil will be Friday April 7th starting at noon, breaking for the Good Friday Service and then will continue after the service. There are pieces of paper to put your prayer requests on, then drop them into the box provided. Your requests will be prayed for during the prayer vigil. This is a time of silence, mediation and prayer and will take place in the sanctuary. Booklets will be provided for your use. Questions? Please feel free to call Deb Holtan at 218-449-4645 or text/call 218-686-3758.

Sunday School 10:00-11:00 AM

March Noisy Offering: Prowler Pantry



FIRST COMMUNION CLASS - next class April 5th at 5PM.

Parents are invited to stay for coffee fellowship in the basement following worship. All are welcome!

Muffin Makers: Thank you for providing treats for Coffee Fellowship! (proceeds go to youth funds)
(Please bring 2 dozen baked goods to the fellowship hall on or before Sunday morning.)

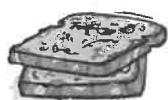
March 26: Michelle Benitt, Mike & Jodi Flaagan, Nick & Ashley Beito

April 2: Nick & Ashley Beito, Nick & Cassie Wilson, Nick & Danielle Harris, Nick Opdahl

April 23: Paul & Becky Peterson, Robert & Laura Fay, Romaine Wilson, Ron & Mandi Lund, Ryan & Jamie Bakken

March 26 Coffee assistants: Jerlyn Lunsetter, Gwen Wojciechowski

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**Next FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP
April 16th**

BIBLE CAMP SUNDAY

MARCH 26TH



CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE - Lenten Worship at 6:30 PM Wednesdays

Lent Service Meal Clean-Up Help

Every year we ask students to help with the clean-up after the Lenten meals.
Here is the schedule with the corresponding grades for each night.
All students are asked to help.

Please be at church by 5:30 on your clean-up night.

*Parental help is needed for elementary nights

- March 29, 2023 9th Grade



**Maundy Thursday- April 6, 2023- First Communion Dinner-
8th grade service project**

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:

Today, Sunday, March 26:

9:00 Zion Worship, Baptism, Camp
Sunday
Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF
10 Sunday School
11:00 Silver Creek worship
12:00 Zion broadcast on cable ch. 37
4 PM Hotdish Cookoff
4 Girl Scouts

Monday, March 27:

9 SAIL Exercise

Tuesday, March 28:

9-1 Faith Community Nurse Office hours
10:30 Bereavement Group in lounge
Noon - Pastor's text study
1:30 TRCC COMMUNION
2:30 OAKLAND PARK COMMUNION

Wednesday, March 29:

5:30 Lent Supper/Council serving
6:30 Lent Worship
7:15 Senior Choir

Thursday, March 30:

9 SAIL Exercise
12:30-4:30 Respite Care in Lounge
1 Quilting/LWR Workshop

Friday, March 31:

8:00 Men's Breakfast at Biff's
9:30 Coffee with Staff
5-7 Visitation for Shari Larson
6:30 Prayer service

Saturday, April 1:

10:30 Shari Larson Funeral

Next Sunday, April 2: Palm Sunday

9:00 Zion Holy Communion Worship,
Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF
10 Sunday School
11:00 Silver Creek worship
12:00 Zion broadcast on cable ch. 37



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

WED., APRIL 5

5 FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 6

5:45 FIRST COMMUNION MEAL

7:00 WORSHIP WITH FIRST COMMUNION

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7

PRAYER VIGIL BEGINS AT NOON

6:30 GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 9

7:00 SUNRISE SERVICE

8:00 EASTER BREAKFAST

9:00 ZION WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

11:00 SILVER CREEK WORSHIP WITH HOLY COM-
MUNION