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5th Sunday in Lent



Pre-Service Personal Prayer: *Blessed Redeemer, let us see the pains of body and agony of soul that were Yours, and help us to realize that our sins were also responsible for them. May we always by faith see You as our Substitute, Who bore the burden of our sin and guilt perfectly, so that we now stand pure and sinless in God's holy eyes. Hear us, for the sake of Your love. Amen.*

Today's Worship!

Greeting and Prayer

Opening Hymn 144 (red hymnal): *Jesus, Grant that Balm and Healing*

The Invocation *We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

P We begin our Savior's worship service today in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen!

The Confession and Absolution of Sins *We come before our Holy God admitting that we are sinful and need His forgiveness.*

P We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

C **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

P God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will!

C Amen!

Lord, Have Mercy *Kyrie*



C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy



on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

Glory to God in the Highest Gloria in Excelsis

C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,
Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:
We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
Who, with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,
Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

The Prayer for the Day

The main thoughts for the day are collected together in this prayer.

P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, enlighten our hearts with your Word of Truth. Remove from our hearts and minds all proud thoughts that we may humble ourselves and give you the honor and praise your truly deserve, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The Old Testament Reading: *Jeremiah 31:31-34*

"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, ³² not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. ³³ But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying,

'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

The Epistle Reading: *Hebrews 5:1-10*

For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ² He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. ³ Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. ⁴ And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵ So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; ⁶ as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek." ⁷ In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. ⁸ Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. ⁹ And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, ¹⁰ being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.

P Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The Apostle's Creed

We boldly confess what we believe.

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

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there 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 297 (red hymnal): *The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace*

The Sermon: *Mark 10:35-45*

And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." ³⁶ And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" ³⁷ And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." ³⁸ Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" ³⁹ And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." ⁴¹ And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. ⁴² And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ⁴³ But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Jesus Does More Than We Ask

- I. He rebukes earthly glory and greed
- II. He serves as the ransom we need
- III. He calls us to follow His lead

The Offertory



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me
not a - way from Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly
Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
Your sal - va - tion. Up - hold with Your Spir - it free.

Hymn 170 (red hymnal): *O Perfect Life of Love*

The Offering of Thankful Hearts

In tangible evidence of our gratitude, we offer the Lord the gift of our money, remembering that He has first given to us that we might have to give to Him.

Prayer of the Church – The 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.

The Benediction

The blessing given by God for His people (Numbers 6:24-26)

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.
- ☩** Amen!

Closing Hymn 761 (tan supplement): *In You Is Gladness*

Announcements

"If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15

WELCOME EVERYONE! Especially any visitors who may be with us. We are glad you are here and invite you to join us again soon in our worship of the One true God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you've found it with us. If you'd like to become a member, we offer a FREE "Information Course" in which the Pastor will meet with you at your convenience to study and discuss the Bible's teachings. Just ask!

LAST CALL FOR MT. ZION T-SHIRTS! If you would still like to purchase a Mt. Zion T-Shirt please get your order into Pastor Naumann ASAP! Order forms can be found in the back of church.

BLESSING BAGS: Mt. Zion's womens group L.I.F.T. and the Outreach Committee are coordinating an effort to put together "blessing bags" for the congregation to distribute. The concept is pretty simple: we are collecting donations of a variety of non-perishable items that might be useful to a person living on the street (i.e. bottled water, toiletries, nuts, granola, pretzels, dried fruit, etc.). The donation box is located in the fellowship room. These items will be bagged along with a small, Gospel-driven devotion booklet and made available for our members to hand out to persons who might appreciate it. Please speak with Susan Fobear if you have questions about what to donate. Lord willing, this can be a nice way for our congregation to practically and spiritually help people in need. *Proverbs 14:31 Whoever oppresses a poor man insults his Maker, but he who is generous to the needy honors him.*

CHURCH SIGN FUND HAS BEEN FILLED! Praise the LORD for cheerful givers! The fund for the building of our new outdoor church fund has been filled. The Board of Trustees will now begin final plans and preparation for construction. If you have any questions or suggestions, please speak with our Trustees, Ben Mueller and Steven Fobear. *Psalm 136:1 Oh, give thanks to the LORD for he is good!*

CLC CALL NEWS: Luther Memorial, Fond du Lac WI, has called the Rev. Nathan Pfeiffer, pastor of Trinity Lutheran, Spokane WA. <> Brian Fox, Messiah Lutheran Church and ILC Boys' Dorm Supervisor, Eau Claire WI, has accepted the call as primary teacher/principal of Valley Bible Academy, St. John's Lutheran, Clarkston WA. <> Paul Tiefel III, Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire WI, has returned the call to be principal and teacher at St. John's Lutheran, Okabena, MN.

NOMINATIONS FOR CLC OFFICES at this summer's Convention – There is a new process which will be used for nominating CLC officers and board members this summer. Any voter from a CLC congregation may submit one or more nominations, with a deadline of March 31. Voters may submit nominations online at the CLC website, www.clclutheran.org (look for the link on the right-hand column marked "2018 CLC Officer Nominations.") There are also printed copies of nomination forms, with instructions, available in the back of church.

DORM SUPERVISOR NEEDED AT ILC: ILC is in need of a boys’ dormitory supervisor for the 2018-19 school year. Men who are CLC members in good standing and are able and willing to fill this position should ask the pastor for more information about the responsibilities and compensation for this position. Those who are interested in applying should contact the ILC president, Prof. Steve Sippert (steve.sippert@ilc.edu, [715-523-1138](tel:715-523-1138)), for an application or for more information. It is hoped that interested parties can reply by April 5.

Important Dates at Mt. Zion

Wed. 3/21	7pm	6 th Midweek Lent Service (Pastor Naumann preaching)
Sat. 3/24	9am	Board of Trustees Meeting
Sun. 3/25	9am	Bible Class
	10am	Worship Service
	11am	LIFT Meeting
Fri. 3/30	7pm	Good Friday Service with Communion
Sun. 4/1	10am	Easter Sunday Brunch (Men Cooking)
	11am	Easter Sunday Service
Tue. 4/3	8pm	Outreach Committee Meeting

Serving Today

Organist: Zaiga Hauserman <> March Usher: Matt Fobear <> Church Cleaning: Naumanns

Our Response to the Gospel

Attendance March 4: Worship 14; Bible Class 13 <> 5th Midweek Lent 10

Bi-Weekly Offerings Needed:	\$1692.31	Other Offerings:	\$30
Bi-Weekly Offerings Received:	\$3219.00		
Offerings Needed Year to Date:	\$8461.54	Sign Fund Goal:	\$700
Offerings Received Year to Date:	\$11014.50	Sign Fund Received:	\$826

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