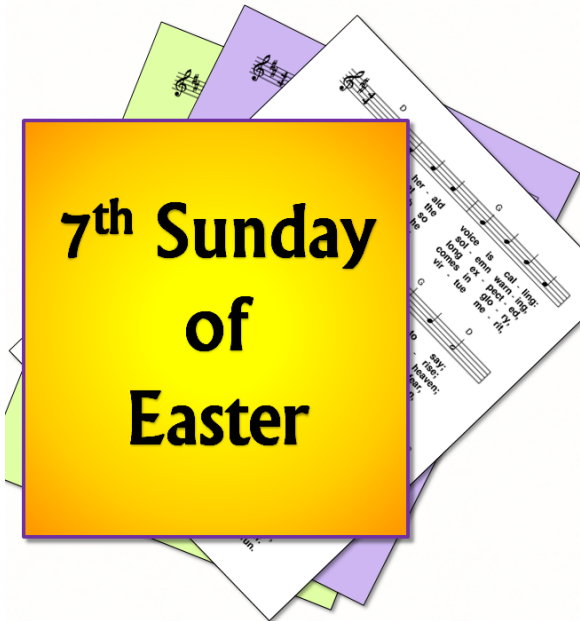


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WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP CELEBRATION!

Thanks for coming to be with us at Zion Lutheran Church. If you are visiting with us for the first time, will you please fill out a visitor card, available in the pew rack in front of you, and drop it in the offering plate. Whether this is your first visit or you worship here regularly, we are delighted that you chose to share with us. We worship together on Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 10:00 a.m. if you have a "prayer request" or a "praise report", please let the pastor know. God bless you on your journey of faith.

INTRODUCTION

In these days between Ascension and Pentecost, we gather with the disciples in the upper room, waiting for the Spirit to transform the church around the world. In today's gospel Jesus prays for his followers and for their mission in his name. Amid religious, social, and economic divisions, we seek the unity that Jesus had with his Father. Made one in baptism, we go forth to live our faith in the world, eager for the unity that God intends for the whole human family.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Simple Gifts

arr. Hassell

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, by whose hand we are given new birth, by whose speaking we are given new life.

C: **Amen.**

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are welcomed, restored, and supported as citizens of the new creation. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, You are the river of life,
You are the everlasting wellspring.

In mercy and might You have freed us from death and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead. In baptismal waters our old life is washed away, and in them we are born anew.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.

P: Glory to You for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams. Honor to You for waters that wash us clean, quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures. Praise to You for the life-giving water of baptism, the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

C: Wash away our sin and all that separates us from You. Empower our witness to Your resurrection. Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.

P: Satisfy the world's need through this living water. Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment. Where despair prevails, grant hope. Where chaos reigns, bring peace. We ask this through Christ, who with You and the Spirit reigns forever.

C: Amen.

HYMN Red hymnal #851

When in Our Music God is Glorified

KYRIE

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

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 mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

C: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and

might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GREETING / PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The grace of Jesus Christ our Savior, the reconciling love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray . . .

O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other in suffering and in joy, that all the world may be drawn into your bountiful presence, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen**

CHANCEL CHOIR Director: Bill Jones *An Hour of Hallowed Peace*
Composer: Steve Danyew

THE WORD

FIRST READING: Acts 1:6-14

R: ⁶When [the apostles] had come together, they asked [Jesus], "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." ⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." ¹²Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. ¹³When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. ¹⁴All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11

R: ²Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you.

¹³But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

^{5:6}Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. ⁷Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you.

⁸Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. ⁹Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. ¹⁰And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

C: **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?**

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

P: The Gospel according to **John 17:1-11**

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: ¹After Jesus had spoken these words [to his disciples], he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, ²since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. ⁵So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. ⁶I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept

your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

CHANCEL CHOIR Director: Susie Gray
Composer: Ruth Elaine Schram

Bring Us Hope

SERMON Pastor Dale Schaefer

HYMN Red Hymnal #579 *Lord You Gave the Great Commission*
All-v 1,3,5, Women-v 2, Men-v 4

RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

APOSTLE'S CREED

P: Let us confess our faith.

C: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.
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.**

PRAYERS (*Response after each petition*)

P: Lord in your mercy,

C: **Hear our prayer . . .**

OFFERING—Invitation—God’s Work Continues

OFFERTORY SONG #207

Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise

Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell ev’ryone what God has done. Let ev’ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and bear the name of Christ. Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER WITH WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION *(All who confess Jesus as their Lord and Savior and believe in the real presence of Christ in the sacrament are invited to receive Holy Communion.)*

BLESSING

P: The God of all, who raised + Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation.

C: Amen.

HYMN Purple hymnal #991

Go to the World

DISMISSAL

P: What is the mission of Zion Lutheran Church?

**C: The mission of Zion Lutheran Church is:
“Serving Christ through serving others.”**

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P: Go in peace. Serve the Risen One.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Old Hundredth Psalm Tune

arr. Portman

*The altar flowers are given to the honor and glory of God
by Tom & Sharon Knick celebration of our anniversary.*

*Prayer concerns for Zion's prayer chain may be submitted
using a 'Prayer Request' card from the pew rack.*

In Helpful Service

Pastor	Dale Schaefer
Acolyte	Alex Garvic
Reader	Gary Groth
Ushers	Tom & Sharon Knick
Greeters	Randy & Debbie Turner

ATTENDANCE 5/13 & 14: 119

Unified Giving: \$ 7,400.00

Sunday School 5/14

Adults: 7 Children & Youth: 11

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GIVING UPDATE Beginning May 14th, if you mark your offering for "Building Fund", it will be going into the Capital Improvement fund. Since we retired the mortgage last fall, we no longer need a building fund.

MISSION OF THE MONTH / SEEDS OF HOPE *On any given day, in Ohio, there are over 16,000 children in foster care and over 124,000 children in kinship care. Our organization was born out of the need to support and encourage the families that care for these children. Over the past 3 years, we have filled over 1,000 need requests from foster and kinship families in Troy, Miami County and the surrounding counties.*

We started with the idea of providing a small bag of basic needs including diapers, wipes and pajamas. Quickly, we saw the need was far greater than this. Requests grew into larger care items including beds, car seats, baby care items and more. Soon we realized that, along with items, families were craving community. We began hosting monthly free shop days, support events and advocacy and education events to create a sense of community and encouragement.

See the display in the narthex for items to choose for donating.

DONATE EYEGLASSES: Did you know there is a collection box for used eyeglasses in the hallway leading into the sanctuary? The Lions Club collects eyeglasses to donate to those who need them but who can't afford the cost. The Lions Club box is next to the collection box for pop can tops that benefit the Ronald McDonald House.

RELAY FOR LIFE of Miami County will be held **June 17, 10 am-11 pm** at the Miami County Fairgrounds. Our team, Holy Walkamolies For the Cure, would love to have some more members. Our next team meeting will be **May 21, 3 pm** in the adult Sunday school room. If you don't want to join the team, you can still help by: **Making a donation.** You can donate online at <http://www.RelayForLife.org/MiamiCounty>. When asked who you are supporting, select the team Holy Walkamolies For the Cure. Checks payable to American Cancer Society may be given to Debbie Rudisill, Erma Swanson, or May Fischvogt. **Purchase a luminaria** in memory of a loved one, in honor of a cancer survivor, or in support of someone currently battling cancer. These will be placed around the track during the event. Luminarias are \$10 each. For an order form see Debbie Rudisill, Erma Swanson, or May Fischvogt. **Garage/Bake Sale** on June 8-10. If you would like to donate garage sale items (no clothes) or baked goods, contact Debbie Rudisill or Erma Swanson.

CHAIR REPLACEMENT: The Women of Zion are looking to replace the chairs in the Fellowship Hall. For \$25 you can purchase a foldable chair without arms (we need 120) or a stackable chair with arms (we need 30) for approximately \$70-\$80. We would like these to be purchased in time for our Congregational Meeting/Thanksgiving Dinner in November. The chairs are on display in the narthex. Check them out! To purchase one, make a check payable to Women of Zion or put money in an envelope marked "Fellowship Hall replacement chairs" in the offering plate or turn it into the office.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL July 17-21

The theme is "Monumental—Celebrating God's Greatness". Dinner will be served at 5:30 and VBS will go from 6:00—8:00 pm. Helpers are needed! Please see Jessica Dorn if you would like to volunteer.





ZION NIGHT AT THE DAYTON DRAGONS

Please join us for a Dayton Dragons baseball game

When: Saturday, July 22 at 7:05 pm

Cost: \$15 per person (cash or check payable to Zion Lutheran Church)

Sign up on the sign up sheet in the hallway by the Fellowship Hall and have your money turned in by **June 25**. There is an envelope on the table in the work room by the office for the money. You will receive a printed ticket prior to the game.

Meet at the church at 6:00 pm if you are interested in carpooling.

Day Air Ballpark concessions are still "contactless". You will need to use a debit or credit card if you wish to purchase any food or drinks.

If you have any questions, contact Jill Greer.

Come on out and enjoy a fun night at the ballpark!

MANY THANKS to the congregation of Zion for helping supply Oesterlen with much needed supplies (116 to be exact) including the George Foreman Grill & Air Fryer funded by Thrivent Action Team Funds. Your generosity is much appreciated. From Judy Bailey

THIS WEEK AT ZION

Sunday, May 21	3:00 7:00	Relay for Life Meeting Women of Zion Meeting
Monday, May 22	10:30 am 3:30-5:00 pm	Mission Quilts TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)
Tuesday, May 23	10:00 am 8:00-9:00 pm	Mission Quilts AA

Staff

Dale Schaefer, *Interim Pastor*; Bill Jones & Susie Gray, *Choir Directors*;
Lori Sebastian, *Organist*; Jessica Dorn, *Christian Education Director*;
Annette Calicoat, *Office Manager*; Sue Rambeau, *Treasurer*;
Tina Putnam, *Sexton*