



Mid-Week  
*Lenten*  
Worship



***Zion Lutheran Church & School***

1301 N. State, Litchfield, IL 62056

April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022

7:00 p.m.

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## UPCOMING SERVICES

Maundy Thursday    Thursday April 14 <sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. <i>"Come to the Table for Heavenly Food" 1 Corinthians 11:26</i>
Good Friday    Friday April 15 <sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. <i>"Come to the Cross to see Your Savior"</i>
Easter Vigil    Saturday April 16 <sup>th</sup> 5:30 p.m.
Easter Sunrise    Sunday April 17 <sup>th</sup> 6:00 a.m. <i>"Come to the Empty Table for Life" Luke 24:5-6</i>
Easter Day    Sunday April 17 <sup>th</sup> 8:00 a.m. <i>"Come to the Empty Table for Life" Luke 24:5-6</i>
Easter Day    Sunday April 17 <sup>th</sup> 10:30 a.m. <i>"Come to the Empty Table for Life" Luke 24:5-6</i>

## SERVING US IN WORSHIP

Pastor.....Rev. Fred Kraemer  
 Organist.....Keith Marburger  
 Elder.....Ernie Thomack

## PRE-SERVICE HYMN SING

### WELCOME

#### HYMN LSB 547 *"The Lamb"*

1 The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice?  
Faith sees, believes God will provide the Lamb of price!

**Ref** Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!  
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

2 The Lamb, the Lamb, One perfect final offering.  
The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing. **Refrain**

3 The Lamb, the Lamb, As wayward sheep their shepherd kill  
So still, His will On our behalf the Law to fill. **Refrain**

4 He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretchedness.  
He lives, forgives, He gives me His own righteousness. **Refrain**

5 He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now overflows.  
His song prolong Till ev'ry heart to Him belong. **Refrain**

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### OPENING SENTENCES Page 229

P: O Lord, open my lips,

C: **and my mouth will declare Your praise.**

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me;

C: **make haste to help me, O Lord.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**Praise to You, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.**

### INTROIT *Luke 1:46-55*

<sup>46</sup>And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord,

<sup>47</sup>**and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,**

<sup>48</sup>for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant.

For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed;

<sup>49</sup>**for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name.**

<sup>50</sup>And his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.

<sup>51</sup>**He has shown strength with his arm;**

**he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts;**

<sup>52</sup>he has brought down the mighty from their thrones

and exalted those of humble estate;

<sup>53</sup>**he has filled the hungry with good things,**

**and the rich he has sent empty away.**

<sup>54</sup>He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy,

<sup>55</sup>**as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his offspring forever."**

**OLD TESTAMENT** *Jeremiah 23:23-24*

<sup>23</sup>“Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God afar off? <sup>24</sup>Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD.

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE** *Ephesians 3:14-21*

<sup>14</sup>For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, <sup>15</sup>from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, <sup>16</sup>that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, <sup>17</sup>so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, <sup>18</sup>may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, <sup>19</sup>and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. <sup>20</sup>Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, <sup>21</sup>to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL** *Mark 8:34-38*

<sup>34</sup>And he called to him the crowd with his disciples and said to them, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel’s will save it. <sup>36</sup>For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? <sup>37</sup>For what can a man give in return for his life? <sup>38</sup>For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

P: O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORY** Page 231

P: Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.

**C: Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.**

P: In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.

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**HYMN**    LSB 688    *“Come, Follow Me” the Savior Spake*

- 1    “Come, follow Me,” the Savior spake, “All in My way abiding;  
Deny yourselves, the world forsake, obey My call and guiding.  
O bear the cross, whate’er betide, take My example for your guide.
- 2    “I am the light, I light the way, a godly life displaying;  
I bid you walk as in the day; I keep your feet from straying.  
I am the way, and well I show how you must sojourn here below.
- 3    “My heart abounds in lowliness, my soul with love is glowing;  
And gracious words My lips express, with meekness overflowing.  
My heart, My mind, My strength, My all, to God I yield, on Him I call.
- 4    “I teach you how to shun and flee what harms your soul’s salvation,  
Your heart from ev’ry guile to free, from sin and its temptation.  
I am the refuge of the soul and lead you to your heav’nly goal.”
- 5    Then let us follow Christ, our Lord, and take the cross appointed  
And, firmly clinging to His Word, in suff’ring be undaunted.  
For those who bear the battle’s strain the crown of heav’nly life obtain.

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**SERMON**    *“Come Empty to be Filled”*    Mark 8:37

**OFFERTORY**    LSB 934    *“My Soul Now Magnifies the Lord”*

- 1    My soul now magnifies the Lord; my spirit leaps for joy in Him.  
He keeps me in His kind regard, and I am blest for time to come.
- 2    For He alone who shows such might has done amazing things to me.  
His mercy flows; His name like light remains in time perpetually.
- 3    His arm is strong; His strength is great. He scatters those of proud intent  
And casts them down from high estate, then gives the low His nourishment.
- 4    He feeds the hungry as His own; the wealthy leave with empty hands.  
He gives His help to Israel; His gracious promise always stands.

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**KYRIE**

**Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

**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.**

## COLLECTS

P: O Lord, hear my prayer.

C: **And let my cry come to You.**

P: Almighty God, grant that in the midst of our failures and weaknesses we may be restored through the passion and intercession of Your only-begotten Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

P: O God, You sent Your Son to restore Your house to be a house of prayer for all nations. Give us courage to approach Your throne in prayer and to invite all nations to be Your people; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

P: O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

## BENEDICAMUS Page 234

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## BENEDICTION

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

C: **Amen.**

## DEPARTURE HYMN LSB 427 *"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"*

1 In the cross of Christ I glory, tow'ring o'er the wrecks of time.  
All the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.

2 When the woes of life o'ertake me, hopes deceive, and fears annoy,  
Never shall the cross forsake me; lo, it glows with peace and joy.

3 When the sun of bliss is beaming light and love upon my way,  
From the cross the radiance streaming adds more luster to the day.

4 Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure by the cross are sanctified;  
Peace is there that knows no measure, joys that through all time abide.