

Zion Evangelical-Lutheran Church of Detroit

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HOLY EUCHARIST is celebrated every Sunday and Wednesday at 10am, and on holy days as announced.

COMMUNICANTS ARE BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS who have been instructed in and publicly confess the Evangelical-Lutheran Faith. If you desire to commune at Zion, please speak with the Pastor before approaching the Altar.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION is taught every Sunday immediately following Holy Mass.

SUNDAY SCHOOL for children ages 3-12 is every Sunday from September through May. Lessons are Bible-story based and activities are designed to reinforce the biblical lesson.

PRIVATE ABSOLUTION is available on Saturdays from 9 – 10am and by appointment.

PASTORAL COUNSELING based on the Holy Scriptures is available from the Pastor. An appointment is necessary.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM is for infants and adults, and may be arranged by contacting the Pastor for an appointment.

COUPLES DESIRING HOLY MARRIAGE should contact the Pastor before finalizing

the wedding date. Biblical instruction in Holy Marriage is required. All marriages are conducted by the Pastor according to Zion's usual order.

NEW MEMBERS are received by Baptism, Confirmation, Transfer or Profession of Faith. Instruction in Luther's Small Catechism and Private Absolution are required for all new members. Please ask the Pastor for further details.

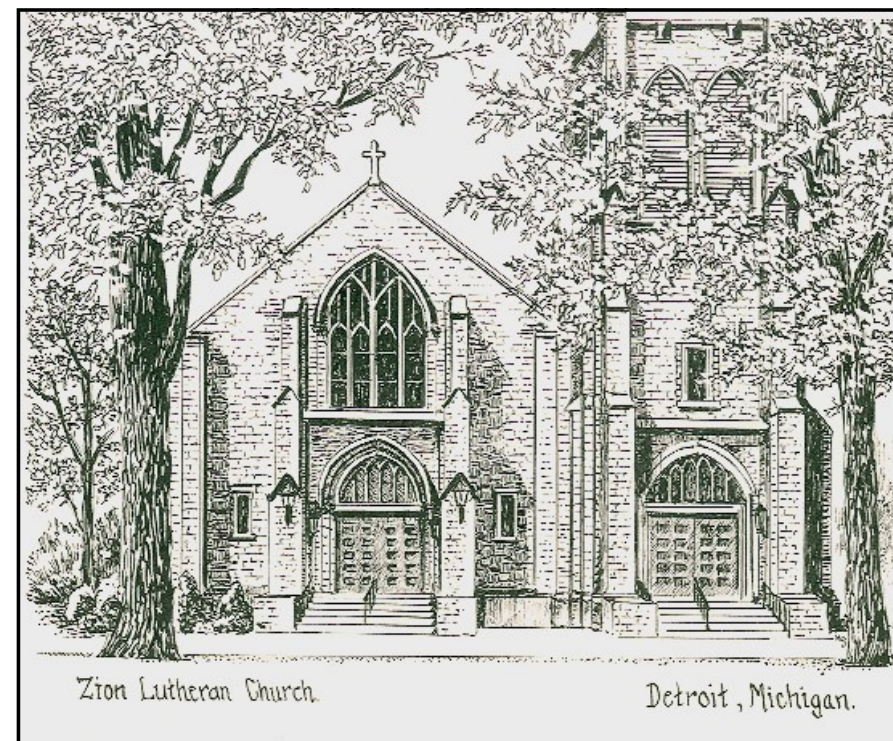
SICK AND HOMEBOUND are visited regularly by the Pastor with the Scriptures and Sacrament. Please contact the Parish Office if you know of any parishioner in need of pastoral visitation.

PARISH OFFICERS DEACONS: William Gramzow, Thomas Habitz, Jr., Eric Russell TRUSTEES: Roderick Atkins, Gregory Gramzow, Paul Snoes; PARISH EDUCATION: Shirley Cross, Alan Kroske, Pamela Ruffin; OFFICERS OF THE VOTERS: Roderick Atkins (chairman), Jason Balaska (vice-chairman), Kristi Russell (secretary), Gregory Gramzow (treasurer), Jessica Chavez (financial secretary).

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS Adult Choir, Altar Guild, Children's Choir, Jubilate Deo Women's Choir, St. Seraphim Prayer Guild, Society of St. Samuel (Altar Boys), Usher Club, Zion Endowment Board.

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Second Last Sunday of the Church Year

November 17, 2013

The Last Judgment

Welcome to all those gathered with us around the throne of Our Lord! Here is where the Lord descends. And here is where He gives us His strength so that we may stand before Him without fear on the Day of Judgment.

The Theme of Today’s Liturgy

“The Day is surely drawing near when God’s Son, The Anointed, shall with great majesty appear as Judge of all appointed” (*Chief Hymn*). Our prayer is that Our Lord judge us not according to our deeds, but rather by His Name and according to His strength (*Introit*). When He judges us by His mercy and loving-kindness then we can be sure we are truly blessed of the Father (*Gospel*). And with that blessing already spoken, we do not fear the Last Judgment but instead have the “patience and faith” to face not only that day, but the day of death and any days that trouble us (*Epistle*).

The Sermon

He claimed to be a Shepherd. But His flock deserted Him. The Shepherd was stricken, and the flock scattered. He claimed to be King. But His Kingdom is not of this world. So too His subjects deserted Him as the violent tried to take the Kingdom by force. But Daniel knew. Daniel saw. He saw the throne of fiery flame with wheels of burning fire. He saw the myriads worshipping before the throne, he saw books opened, he saw the Son of Man come before the Ancient of Days. He is the Good Shepherd, who purifies His Flock in the Judgment, who separates the sheep from the goats. He is the King of Kings, who reigns from His celestial throne forever.

The Holy Eucharist

As His Blood-bought sheep, Christ pastures us on His Body and Blood, keeping us steadfast until He separates us from this world, and leads us into the world to come.

The Readings

Daniel 7.9-14; 2 Thessalonians 1.3-10; St. Matthew 25.31-46

The Prelude and Postlude are listed in the Ordo.

The hymns for today’s Mass are listed in the Ordo.

Music for the Second-Last Sunday in the Church Year

O Jesus Christ, do not delay, But hasten our salvation! The CHIEF HYMN, “The Day is Surely Drawing Near” (# 611) is roughly based on the medieval Sequence *Dies Irae* (# 607). Author Bartholomäus Ringwaldt (1532-1599) published this hymn in 1586. In the ministry, Ringwaldt served as the pastor of three parishes in Germany and was the author of 165 hymns.

The tune “Es ist gewisslich,” based on an old German folk tune, was originally set to a different text: “Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice” (# 387). When the current tune became accepted for “Dear Christians,” this tune became associated with “The Day is Surely Drawing Near.”

Lord, preserve and keep us, In the peace that faith can give. The PROCESSIONAL HYMN, “In the Midst of Earthly Life” (# 590) is Martin Luther’s (1483-1546) funeral hymn based on the medieval antiphon “*Media vita in morte sumus*” (attr. Notker Balbulus, d. 912). Luther altered this text and added two stanzas. As in Luther’s day, it is a hymn of great comfort for the dying, those around them, and all who suffer under the cross in this fallen world.



The thirteenth-century tune was first set to Luther’s text in Johann Walter’s (1496-1570) *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn* in 1524. Walter adapted the tune from medieval Latin antiphon. Walter served as Luther’s kantor. Countless choral and instrumental settings have been written for this timeless, yet timely hymn.

Prepare for Next Sunday

The Last Sunday in the Church Year **November 24, 2013**

Oh, How Blest Are Ye

Isaiah 35:3-10; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; St. Matthew 25:1-13

Hymns: “To Jordan Came the Christ, our Lord” (insert), 609, 598, 67, 446

No. 3829 The Second-Last Week in the Church Year Nov 17-24

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Holy Mass for the Second-Last Sunday in the Church Year with the Installation of the Rev. Fr. Gary W. Schultz as Kantor of Zion Today, 10a, Church Installation Luncheon..... Today, 11:30a, Undercroft
Matins Mon, 8:45a, Chapel
Matins Tue, 8:45a, Chapel
Holy Mass for the Second-Last Wednesday in the Church Year.....**Wed, 10a, Chapel**
Bible Study Wed, 11a, Rectory
Matins Thr, 8:45a, Chapel
Matins Fri, 8:45a, Chapel
Matins Sat, 8:45a, Chapel
Private Confession and Absolution..... Sat, 9a, Chapel
Youth Catechism..... Sat, 10a, Rectory
Ladies’ Group Sat, 1p, Rectory
Pictorial Directory Photos.....Sun, 9-9:45a & 11:30a-12:30p, Undercroft Hallway
Holy Mass for the Last Sunday in the Church Year..... **Sun, 10a, Church**
Adult Bible Study.....Sun, 11:30a, Undercroft
Sunday SchoolSun, 11:30a, Activities Center

IN OUR PRAYERS David Beens (Jennifer Gramzow’s father), Edward Brown, Linda Buskirk, Lela Casey (Lois Meriwether’s sister-in-law), John Chavez, Gladys Cline, Anna Dalton, Martha Draspa, Ellen Hayden, Drucilla Huddleston, Florine Kaiser, Lawrence Kasner, Eleanor Luka, Earlene Maynarich, Michael Maynarich, Robert Murdock, Margaret Quinkert, Pauline Rivard, and Sylvia Schleif.

GIFTS AND DONATIONS For Altar and Statue Flowers from Drucilla Huddleston in honor of the birthday of Linda Buskirk (b. Nov 18).

THE PSALM FOR THIS WEEK IS PSALM 54. PRAY IT EVERY DAY!

In Psalm 54, we pray that the Lord use His strength and might for our benefit. For it is finally only our Lord’s strength that overcomes the many strangers and oppressors that attack us. Instead of defending ourselves, we pray that the Lord help us and uphold our life. In response, we bless and praise our Lord’s name and give Him the sacrifice of all we are. For He is the one who delivers and rescues us from every evil past, present, and to come.

Today's Announcements

INSTALLATION TODAY Following the Intercessions in today's Mass, the Rev. Fr. Gary W. Schultz will be installed as Kantor of Zion.

BAPTISMS NEXT SUNDAY At Mass next Sunday, November 24, Elijah, Josiah, and Anna Edwards, children of Michael and Sherry Edwards, will be baptized. The Mass will begin with the Rite of Holy Baptism. The congregation will gather in the Narthex at the beginning of Mass.

ZION 2014 PICTORIAL DIRECTORY Photographs will be taken starting next Sunday, November 24, from 9-9:45am and 11:30am-12:30pm, and continue on Sundays, Dec 1, 8, and 15. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex today. See the insert in today's bulletin for more information.

ZION BROCHURE A new brochure about Zion has been prepared and is available in the tract racks in the Narthex and outside the Chapel of the Holy Incarnation in the Rectory. Consider sharing the brochures with your family, friends, and co-workers.

ADULT CHOIR The Adult Choir will sing for Gaudete (Third Sunday in Advent) (Dec 15) and Christmass Midnight. Rehearsals will be Sundays, Dec 1 and 8 from 9-9:45a in the Rectory, and Sundays, Dec 15 and 22 from 8:30-9:30a in the Choir Loft. Mark your calendars and sign up today on the sheet in the Narthex.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS There is a correction to the Zion November 2013 Calendar. Please note that Holy Mass will be celebrated on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 28 at 10am in the Church.

THANKSGIVING CHANCEL DISPLAY Harvest vegetables will again adorn the Altar and Chancel for Thanksgiving Day Mass on Thursday, November 28. Donations are being accepted in support of the display. Place envelopes in the offering plate marked "Thanksgiving Display." Donors will be recognized in the bulletin on Sunday, November 24.



ST. ANDREW MASS There is a correction to the Zion November 2013 Calendar. Please note that Holy Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, November 30, at 10am in the Chapel for the commemoration of St. Andrew the Apostle. The Youth Catechism students will attend the Mass and then continue with their lesson.

SUNDAY SCHOOL Volunteers are needed to teach Sunday School. Please sign up on the sheet in the Undercroft.

Zion Pictorial Directory 2014



We need your help with
this project.

In order to help all members of Zion easily identify each other, a photo directory of members and other regular worshippers at Zion is being planned for production in early 2014. This will be especially helpful to our newer members, guests, and Father Schultz to identify our brothers and sisters in Christ by name.

There is no cost.

This project will be created at Zion thanks to Jennifer Balaska, who will take the photographs. There will be no cost and no sales representatives pushing you to buy a package of pictures.

It will be easy.

Photos will be taken in the undercroft hallway at the bottom of the tower stairs.

Update or confirm your contact information.

Please fill out the form with your name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address, *even if nothing has changed*. As we complete the directory, we are going to make our newsletter and other mailings more efficient.

Sign up on the sheet in the Narthex.

Please sign up for the earliest possible time so that we are able to have everyone included.

PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE TAKEN
Sundays, Nov 24, Dec 1, Dec 8, Dec 15
9:00-9:45am and 11:30am-12:30pm