

Zion Evangelical-Lutheran Church of Detroit

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HOLY MASS 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.

THE DIVINE OFFICE OF MATINS is prayed Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday at 8:45am in the Chapel of the Holy Incarnation in the Rectory.

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL for children ages 3-12 is 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 CONSULTATION 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.

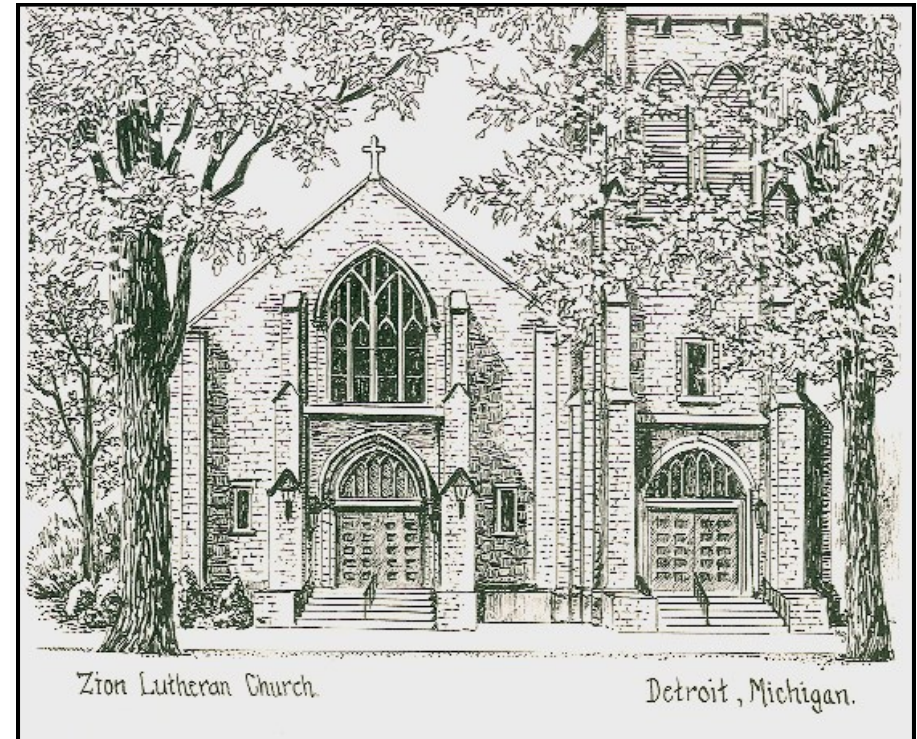
SICK AND HOMEBOUND are visited regularly by the Pastor with the Scriptures and Sacrament. Please contact the Parish Office if you know of any parishioner in need of pastoral visitation.

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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"THE LORD HAS CHOSEN ZION;
HE HAS DESIRED HER AS HIS DWELLING PLACE"



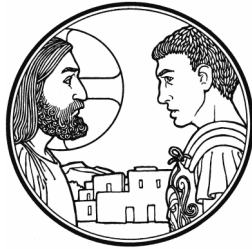
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Third Sunday After the Epiphany

January 26, 2014

“Lord, I am Not Worthy”



Here is where the unworthy are declared worthy by Our Lord to receive the healing He alone gives. As you take to heart Our Lord in His Word, may you also receive that which you, in faith, believe from your Lord and God.

The Theme of Today’s Liturgy

Today’s chief thought is the mercy of God meeting affliction in the person of His Son and thereby making the unworthy worthy (*Gospel*). The story of Naaman reveals that this mercy is tied first to the waters of Baptism (*Old Testament*). Such mercy causes us to acclaim the Lord’s reign of mercy (*Introit*) and gives us the courage to conquer evil with good (*Epistle*). But most of all, this mercy engenders in us the faith of the leper and centurion - faith to implore the Lord to mercifully look on our infirmities (*Collect*).

The Holy Eucharist

Faith in what Our Lord promises and gives in His Supper is what makes us worthy to receive the Blessed Sacrament. For “he is truly worthy who has faith in these words: given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” (*Small Catechism*)

The Readings

2 Kings 5.1-15; Romans 12.16b-21; St. Matthew 8.1-13

The Prelude

Now Let All Loudly Sing Praise

—Healey Willan (1880-1968)

The Postlude

The Only Son From Heaven

—Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

The Hymns for Today’s Mass

Processional Hymn	28
Chief Hymn	“From God the Father, Virgin-Born” insert
Offering Hymn	129
Distribution Hymns	313; 498
Retiring Processional Hymn	512

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The Third Week After the Epiphany

Jan 26—Feb 2

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Holy Mass for the Third Sunday After the Epiphany..... Today, 10a, Church
 Adult Bible Class Today, 11:30a, Undercroft
 Sunday School..... Today, 11:30a, Activities Center
 Matins..... Mon, 8:45a, Chapel
 Matins..... Tue, 8:45a, Chapel
 Vespers..... Tue, 5:30p, Chapel
Holy Mass for Wednesday of Epiphany IIIWed, 10a, Chapel
 Matins..... Thr, 8:45a, Chapel
 Men’s Group Thr, 7p, Rectory
 Matins..... Fri, 8:45a, Chapel
 Matins..... Sat, 8:45a, Chapel
 Private Confession and Absolution Sat, 9:15a, Chapel
 Youth Catechism Sat, 10a, Rectory
 Adult Choir Rehearsal Sun, 9a, Rectory
Holy Mass for the Presentation of Our Lord and the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary Sun, 10a, Church
 Adult Bible Class Sun, 11:30a, Undercroft
 Sunday School..... Sun, 11:30a, Activities Center

IN OUR PRAYERS David Beens, Edward Brown, Linda Buskirk, Lela Casey, John Chavez, Gladys Cline, Anna Dalton, Martha Draspa, Sandy Frey, Ellen Hayden, Dru-cilla Huddleston, Florine Kaiser, Lawrence Kasner, Eleanor Luka, Earlene Maynarich, Michael Maynarich, Robert Murdock, Margaret Quinkert, Pauline Rivard, and Sylvia Schleif.

THE PSALM FOR THIS WEEK IS PSALM 97. PRAY IT EVERY DAY!

In this Psalm, we rejoice in the reign (rule) of the Lord over the earth (v. 1). His rule is righteous and justice (v. 2) – a righteousness and justice which mightily overcomes all those who resist Him (v. 3-6). On the one hand, this is a threat to all those who fear or trust in some other help or god (v 7). On the other hand, it is a strong, glad promise to those who love Him (v. 8-9). We rejoice in the rule of Our Lord, then, because we trust that He comes through for us, and because we partake in the remembrance of His Name in the Holy Eucharist (v 10-12)