

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. *Wednesday Masses during Lent are at 9:30am and 7pm.*

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"



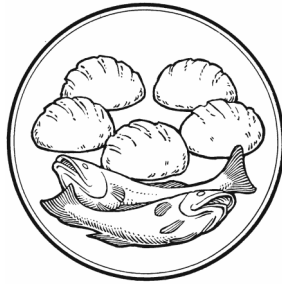
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Laetare—Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 30, 2014

The Bread of Life



Our Lord invites those who have followed Him into the Lenten wilderness to be fed by Him. May you seek the Lord while He is near! And may the heavenly Bread you receive today in Preaching and Sacrament be for your soul the highest good!

The Theme of Today's Liturgy

Where do you go when you are weighed down? To the Lord's house! That is where you are made glad (*Introit & Gradual*). That is where the Lord is found to be your refreshment and nourishment (*Old Testament*).

That is where the children of promise are nurtured and cared for by their mother (*Epistle*). And that is where the bread of Life is given to you (*Gospel*). Here in the Lord's House is where your prayer is heard and answered – where the Lord Himself gives you the comfort of His Grace to mercifully relieve you (*Collect*).

The Sermon

In love, the Lord fed the multitudes. He performed a miracle so that their bodies were sustained, and that those who believed would be strengthened in faith. He came to redeem men, both body and soul. He Himself knew hunger, the Lord Who Provides denying Himself that which He provides for others. There were 5000 men, and the women and children with them, in the desert, without food. Like Israel with the Red Sea before them and Pharaoh's armies behind them, it didn't look good. But the Lord Who Provides, the Lord Who Sees that provided the ram to Abraham on the mountain, now provides bread for the multitudes on this mountain. He provides the miraculous meal through His disciples. And those who understood, those who knew by faith that the true Food He gives sustains unto everlasting life, ate to the full.

The Holy Eucharist

In the Blessed Sacrament, we are given the Bread of Life. Christ is both our Food and Host. He himself feeds us miraculously with His own Body and gives us to drink of His own Blood. Then we are truly satiated and fully satisfied.

The Readings

Isaiah 55.1-7; Galatians 4.21-31; St. John 6.1-15

The Hymns for Today's Mass

Processional Hymn	387 (stanzas 1-6) (choir: stanzas 3 & 5)
Chief Hymn	347 (choir: stanzas 2 & 4)
Offering Hymn	142 (stanzas 1-4)
Distribution Hymns	312; 179
Retiring Processional Hymn	387 (stanzas 7-10)

The Mass: Kyrie

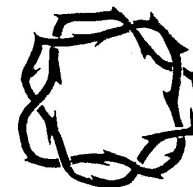
KYRIE MEANS "LORD" and eleison means "have mercy!" This cry became a prayer in the liturgy at a time when the Church still worshipped in the Greek language. It was



the cry of the people when their king entered their city. They felt honored by His visit and expected Him to bestow favors upon the city. The Church has taken over this prayer to greet its King Jesus in the church service. As the people of old expected help from their king, so we Christians expect grace and favor from our Savior. He will help us and deliver us from our greatest trouble and need: sin; for His Name is Jesus.

— Berthold von Schenk,
"The Little Service Book"

Prepare for Next Sunday



Judica—Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 6, 2014

Numbers 21.4-9; Hebrews 9.11-15; St. John 8.46-59

Hymns: 152, 168, 320, 172, 261, 245

Jesus, Priceless Treasure The CHIEF HYMN (# 347) by Johann Franck (1618-1677), is a confession of faith in Christ throughout all situations of life. While studying at the University of Königsberg, Franck became acquainted with Lutheran hymn-writers Simon Dach (1605-1659) and Heinrich Held (d. 1659), who encouraged him in his poetic work. He wrote 110 hymns and is considered second only to the great Paul Gerhardt (1607-1676) as a superb hymn-writer of his era.



The tune, by Johann Crüger (1598-1662) was written for Franck’s text. Crüger was one of the most distinguished church musicians of his time, and is the composer of 71 hymn tunes. He served as kantor of St. Nicholas Church in Berlin and was an instructor at the Greyfriars Gymnasium.

In Lent, Christians emphasize repentance and forgiveness that goes on continually in the Christian life. This hymn leads the Christian to sing about Jesus, our ever-present help in trouble (Psalm 46). Yet though sin and hell assail me, Jesus will not fail me.

The PRELUDE is a partita (multi-movement musical work with variations on a common theme) on “Jesus, Priceless Treasure” by Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748). Walther, a cousin of J.S. Bach (1685-1750), wrote over 130 chorale preludes for organ and is well known for his 1732 *Musicalisches Lexicon*, an exhaustive dictionary of music and musicians, the first in the German language.



Countless arrangements of “Jesus, Priceless Treasure” have been made by composers over the centuries. One such piece is J.S. Bach’s motet on “Jesus, Priceless Treasure” (BWV 227), which features the stanzas of the hymn interspersed with passages from Romans 8. This piece is being performed today and next Sunday by the Detroit Lutheran Singers in their spring concert series. (See page 4 of today’s bulletin for concert information.)

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Holy Mass for Laetare – Fourth Sunday in Lent	Today, 10a, Church
Adult Bible Class.....	Today, 11:30a, Undercroft
Sunday School	Today, 11:30a, Activities Center
Matins	Mon, 8:45a, Chapel
Vespers	Mon, 5:30p, Chapel
Matins	Tue, 8:45a, Chapel
Vespers	Tue, 5:30p, Chapel
Holy Mass for Wednesday of Laetare	Wed, 9:30a, Church
Bible Class	Wed, 10:30a, Rectory
Holy Mass for Wednesday of Laetare	Wed, 7p, Church
Matins	Thr, 8:45a, Chapel
<i>Metro Detroit Pastors’ Study Group at English District Office</i>	12p
Vespers	Thr, 5:30p, Chapel
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
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IN OUR PRAYERS David Beens, Edward Brown, Linda Buskirk, Lela Casey, John Chavez, Gladys Cline, Anna Dalton, Martha Draspa, Sandy Frey, Ellen Hayden, Drucilla 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 122. PRAY IT EVERY DAY!

There is no place better than the Lord’s house (v 1). This is where heaven and earth meet, and so that is where the heart is made glad. Do your feet stand within the heavenly city (v 2)? Are you among the Faithful tribes who go up to give thanks to the Lord by receiving His testimony in the Supper (v 3-5)? If so, you are in the heavenly city, the new Jerusalem. While you are there, pray for peace within these walls, within the Lord’s house (v 6-7). For the devil wishes to bring it down. But for the good of others, listen to the things that make for your peace as you seek the good Our Lord gives (v 8-9).

Today's Announcements

LAETARE The Fourth Sunday in Lent takes its name "Laetare" from the first word of the Introit in Latin, "Rejoice" (Isaiah 66.10). The paraments are rose—a lighter version of violet—signifying quiet rejoicing within the penitential season of Lent.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY Today's study of "A Survey of the New Testament" continues with key passages in the Gospel of St. Luke.

ADULT CHOIR The Zion Adult Choir will sing for Good Friday (Apr 18) and Easter (Apr 20). Rehearsals continue Sundays at 9am in the Rectory.

ZION WOMEN'S GROUP The Zion Women's Group meets this Saturday, April 5 at 1pm in the Rectory. This week's study of the Epitome of the Formula of Concord is Article VIII, "Of the Person of Christ."

DETROIT LUTHERAN SINGERS SPRING CONCERTS will premiere the commissioned piece "Create in Me" by K. Lee Scott honoring Eric Freudigman, director emeritus, for his 40 years of leadership. Other featured works include J.S. Bach's motet, "Jesu, Meine Freude" and Dan Forrest's "In Paradisum." \$15 General Admission | \$10 Students and Seniors | Children under 12 Free. Tickets Available at the door or at DetroitLutheranSingers.com. **TODAY:** 3:30pm St. John, 23225 Gill Rd, Farmington Hills; 7:30pm St. John, 1011 West University, Rochester Hills; **SUNDAY, APRIL 6:** 3:30pm St. Paul, 22915 Greater Mack Ave, St Clair Shores; 7:30pm Angelica, 8400 Park Ave, Allen Park.



THE DIVINE OFFICE For many centuries, the Church has prayed the Divine Office (prayer services like Matins and Vespers) every day, to remember the needs of the church throughout the world. The season of Lent has an increased focus on prayer, both at home and corporately as a parish. Please be invited to join us for daily prayer as you are able, especially during this season of Lent. The Offices are prayed in the Chapel of the Holy Incarnation on the lower level of the Rectory.

MATINS (Morning Prayer) Mon, Tue, Thr, Fri, and Sat at 8:45am

VESPERS (Evening Prayer) Mon, Tue, and Thr at 5:30pm



WEDNESDAYS IN LENT Join us for additional opportunities for worship during Lent at **9:30am** and **7pm** in the Church. The sermon themes will be based on the Wednesday Psalm for each week.

Laetare—April 2 Psalm 34 "Blessed is the man who trusts in Him"

Judica—April 9 Psalm 18 "Your Right Hand has held me up"

HOLY WEEK

Holy Monday—Mass 10am (Chapel)

Holy Tuesday—Mass 10am (Chapel)

Holy Wednesday—Mass 10am (Chapel)

TRIDUUM SACRUM (Latin: "Three Sacred Days")

Maundy Thursday, April 17

Chrism Mass—9:30am

Mass of the Institution—7pm

Good Friday, April 18

Tre Ore—12-3pm

Stations of the Cross—7pm



EASTER

The Resurrection of Our Lord, April 20

Great Vigil of Easter—6:30am

Easter Mass—10am

Easter Monday—Mass 10am

Easter Tuesday—Mass 7pm

Easter Wednesday—Mass 10am (Chapel)

Easter Thursday—Mass 7pm

Easter Friday—Mass 10am (Chapel)

Easter Saturday—Mass 10am