

# 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 Feast of the Most Holy Trinity

June 15, 2014

God In Three Persons



Welcome in the Name of Our Triune God! As you join the angels and arch-angels and all the company of heaven singing, “Holy, Holy, Holy” to Our God, may your faith in the Blessed Trinity be increased and strengthened.

### The Theme of Today’s Liturgy

We bless the Holy Trinity – the Lord of heaven and earth, the God of our fathers (*Gradual; Alleluia*) – because He is the God who has mercy on us (*Introit*). Just as His Being is beyond our understanding, even more so is His mercy (*Epistle*). That mercy comes to us most pointedly in the waters of Holy Baptism (*Gospel*). And that mercy delivered by the Holy Father in the Blood of the Holy Son through the Holy Spirit gives us the ability and boldness to confess the true faith. So our prayer is that this Triune God would continue and keep us steadfast in this Faith (*Collect*).

### The Sermon

We shouldn’t be too hard on Nicodemus. We would have asked the same question: “How can a man be born when he is old?” The birth that men receive from fleshly parents is a birth unto death – all men die. But the birth that Christ teaches, the birth that Christ offers, is a heavenly birth, a birth tied to the Mystery of the Holy Trinity. And in Nicodemus’ hearing, that Mystery is revealed. The Son speaks of the Father and of the Spirit, the Triune God that surpasses man’s understanding, the only God in whom there is rebirth unto everlasting life.

### The Holy Eucharist

The mercy of the Holy Trinity is given in the Supper of Christ’s Body and Blood. For by partaking of the Son of God, you are partaking of God Himself. The Holy Trinity dwells and abides in you and makes His home in you.

**The Readings** Isaiah 6.1-8; Romans 11.33-36; John 3.1-15

**The Prelude** Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest - M. Duruflé (1902-1986)

**The Postlude** Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest (BWV 667) - J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

### The Hymns for Today’s Mass

Processional Hymn	247
Chief Hymn	233
Offering Hymn	6
Distribution Hymn	238, 249, 239
Retiring Processional Hymn	“I Bind Unto Myself Today” (in ordo)

## The Mass: The Lord’s Supper



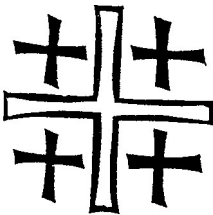
Jesus died upon the cross. The disciples were very sad.

When Easter came, they did not know that Jesus was risen from the dead. Two disciples sadly went home to Emmaus. On the way, Jesus joined them, but they did not know that it was the Lord. He explained to them that Jesus had to die on the cross so that He could rise again. When they arrived at their home, they invited Jesus to have supper with them. He entered with them and took the bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave

to them. Now they recognized Him; for these were the words which He had spoken on Maundy Thursday.

Our risen Lord has ascended into heaven. He still speaks to us in the Word, so that when we listen “our hearts burn within us.” He gives us the Bread which has been blessed. We recognize Him by “the breaking of bread,” in the Holy Communion.

— Berthold von Schenk, “The Little Service Book”



### Prepare for Next Sunday

**Second Sunday After Pentecost**

**June 22, 2014**

Deuteronomy 6.4-13; 1 John 4.7-21; St. Luke 16.19-31

Hymns: 245, 231, 240, 395, 28, 429

**Blessed be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity!** In His great mercy, Our Lord reveals Himself as Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. The Holy Trinity is praised throughout Christian Liturgy and music.



The CHIEF HYMN “Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest” (# 233) is from the ninth century by Rhabanus Maurus (776-856). It has been used as the office hymn for the *Office of Terce*, the church’s prayer at 9am. It is sung at the ordination of candidates into the Holy Ministry.

A Pentecost hymn, it is appointed for Trinity Sunday confessing the Spirit’s relationship to the Father and Son: “Make Thou to us the Father known / Teach us the eternal Son to own.” The tune is a simplification of the ancient plainsong chant for the Latin text.

The PRELUDE is the final movement of *Choral Varié sur la theme du ‘Veni Creator’* by Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986), professor and organist at the Conservatoire de Paris. It begins quietly with a rapid figuration of the melody, and ends with full organ.



The POSTLUDE (BWV 667), also on the chief hymn, is by J.S. Bach (1685-1750) from his collection *The Great Eighteen Chorale Preludes*. The first section features the melody in the top voice (soprano), with a bridge to the second with the melody in the pedal (bass).

The PROCESSIONAL HYMN “God the Father, Be Our Stay” (# 247) is Martin Luther’s (1483-1546) revision of a medieval litany. The COMMUNION HYMN “Isaiah, Mighty Seer” (# 249) is also by Luther, both text and tune, based on the Sanctus (Isaiah 6:1-4).

The RETIRING PROCESSION HYMN “I Bind Unto Myself Today” (insert) is by St. Patrick (c. 380-460), missionary to Ireland. This translation was prepared by C. F. Alexander for St. Patrick’s Day in 1889. This version of the tune is from 1906. Patrick and his followers sang this hymn as they fled the wrath of King Loegaire who demanded they honor a heathen festival.



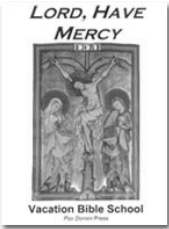
THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

**Holy Mass for the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity**..... Today, 10a, Church Bible Study ..... Today, 11:30a, Undercroft Matins ..... Tue, 8:45a, Chapel  
**Holy Mass for Wednesday after Trinity** ..... Wed, 10a, Chapel Bible Study ..... Wed, 10:45a, Rectory  
**Holy Mass for the Most Holy Body and Blood** ..... Thr, 10a, Chapel Matins ..... Sat, 8:45a, Chapel  
Private Confession and Absolution..... Sat, 9:15a, Chapel  
**Holy Mass for the Second Sunday After Pentecost**..... Sun, 10a, Church Bible Study ..... Sun, 11:30a, Undercroft

**IN OUR PRAYERS** Sylvia Balaska, Edward Brown, Linda Buskirk, Charles Capsel, 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, and Pauline Rivard.

**GIFTS AND DONATIONS** From Shirley Cross for the Benevolence Fund in honor of Father’s Day.

**ZION BIBLE CAMP** The 2014 Zion Bible Camp will be June 23-27, from 9am to noon. Volunteers are needed to help with food, lessons, puppet show, recreation, and crafts. Please let Alan Kroske know how you can help.



**ZION CHURCH PICNIC** It’s only two weeks until the annual Zion Church Picnic, Sunday, June 29, held in conjunction with the completion of the Zion Bible Camp. Volunteers are needed to help with food, set-up, and clean-up. Please let Alan Kroske or Pam Ruffin know how you can help.

THE PSALM FOR THIS WEEK IS PSALM 8. PRAY IT EVERY DAY!

This Psalm focuses on the Name of Our Lord. It speaks of the glory of the Lord (v 1) and the strength which He gives (v 2). However, the central part of this Psalm is Our Lord—that He visits us and becomes like us (v 4-5) and that by His death He has dominion over everything, even death itself (v 6-8). The excellency and majesty of Our Lord is found, then, in the Blessed One who comes in the Lord’s Name (v 1, 9).