

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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Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

August 24, 2014

The Lord and His People



The Lord visits His people in the Gospel and Sacraments. He welcomes all to receive and take to heart the things that make for peace. You are welcomed and invited to partake of the “Peace of the Lord” which remains and abides with you always!

The Theme of Today’s Liturgy

If the Lord is not on our side, then He is against us. He afflicts those who rebel against Him, but He delivers in peace the souls of those who rely on Him (*Introit*). Our confidence is that the Lord declares His power chiefly in showing us mercy and pity (*Collect*), and that he shelters us under the shadow of His wings (*Gradual*). This faith encourages us to cry out day and night to the Lord of

our salvation (*Alleluia*) for grace to live in and from His Word (*Collect*). That grace Our Lord gives in various ways by the Spirit who knits us together as one Body in Christ (*Epistle*). Only in this gracious visitation by our God do we receive the things that make for our peace (*Gospel*).

The Sermon

Jerusalem could not see the things that made for her peace. They were hidden from their eyes. The things that made for peace were hidden in God, who took on human flesh, and dwelt among them. It was the day of their visitation, but they could not see Him. Hearing they could not hear, and seeing they could not see. Their sin and their false religion prevented it. So they sought to destroy Him. But still He came to set them free. Not one stone would be left upon another in that city, but the Stone the builders rejected would become the Chief Cornerstone. Upon that Foundation you are brought from death to life, from deafness and blindness towards God to seeing and hearing God the Son. And so does the same Christ visit you. He is hidden from your eyes in Water and Word, in Bread and Wine, the things that make for your peace with God. But faith sees Christ. In that faith you are made the Temple of the Living God, the Temple that cannot be destroyed. For this is the time of your visitation.

The Holy Eucharist

The things that make for your peace are the Body and Blood of Our Lord as he gives Himself to you in His Supper. Here is the “peace of the Lord” which exceeds your understanding and outdoes your hopes and desires.

The Readings Jeremiah 7.1-11; 1 Corinthians 12.1-11; St. Luke 19.41-47a

The Hymns for Today’s Mass

Processional Hymn	458 (stanzas 1-5)
Chief Hymn	326
Offering Hymn	466
Distribution Hymns	329; 458 (stanzas 6-9); 419
Retiring Processional Hymn	613

The Mass: The Kyrie

When the Celebrant has arrived at the altar, he thereby indicates two things. First, that the faithful are all now standing before God. As the entrance of all the faithful was signified by the procession of the Celebrant to the Altar during the Introit, so their arrival to stand before God is signified by his arrival. They have entered, as it were, with him, and stand with him. Thus it is appropriate that the first words they utter are a plea for mercy: *Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.* Kyrie eleison—Lord have mercy—is the noblest and most venerable of pleas we offer. Not only is it the cry of the ten lepers, of the publican in the temple, of the Canaanite woman, and of blind Bartimaeus; this plea for mercy is also found in Psalms 4, 6, 9, 25, 27, 30, 31, 44, 51, 56, 57, 67, 86, 102, 119, and 123; and the mercy of God is frequently referenced throughout the Psalter. It is the oldest prayer of the faithful, and is the only prayer which remained in Greek through the centuries of the Latin Mass. It is fittingly the first prayer of the Mass. It probably arose liturgically in the early church as a kind of litany, and was traditionally seen as a ninefold rather than threefold Kyrie. Both the threefold and the ninefold Kyrie implicitly acknowledge Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Kyrie is the most basic, simple, and clear form of prayer. The faithful are without help except from the mercy of God in Christ; Thus, they cry to Him as soon as they find themselves in His presence.

The second thing that is indicated by the celebrant’s arrival at the altar is that now, as he stands between the altar (which he is still facing) and the people, is seen as standing between God and the people, rather as Moses once did, and, more importantly, as does Christ whom Moses foreshowed. The primary function of the celebrant at this point is to stand in for Christ; he is himself the central visible element during the saying of the Kyrie by the people.

Our cry for mercy is a confident cry because Christ leads us in this cry. By His own worthiness He intercedes for us who are unworthy; by His merit and sacrifice He becomes the guarantor of mercy for us. The presence of the celebrant standing in for Him is a vivid reminder of this truth.

— Burnell F. Eckardt, Jr.,

“The New Testament in His Blood: A Study of the Holy Liturgy of the Christian Church”

Prepare for Next Sunday



Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost “Pharisee and Tax Collector”
August 31, 2014

Daniel 9.15-19; 1 Corinthians 15.1-10; St. Luke 18.9-14
Hymns: 384, 25, 342, 331, 243, 387

Music for the Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

The Prelude Settings of 'Our Father, Thou in Heaven Above' —I. J.S. Bach (BWV 683)
II. R. Nelson (b. 1927)
III. J.S. Bach (BWV 636)

The Postlude Our Father, Thou in Heaven Above —F.W. Zachow (1663-1712)



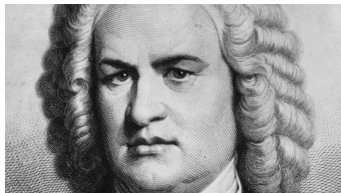
Our Father, Thou in Heaven Above Martin Luther (1483-1546) wrote a hymn for each of the six chief parts of Christian doctrine. This hymn, written in 1539, shows Luther's emphasis on music and its role in teaching the Christian faith.

While other hymn paraphrases of the Our Father existed earlier, Luther's is the most complete, and, in addition to paraphrasing each petition, expounds its teaching to compliment a Christian's prayer.



There are countless musical settings of the tune VATER UNSER which accompanies Luther's text. An earlier Our Father hymn by Michael Weisse (1488-1534) was set to the tune that we now use for Luther's hymn. It is not known for sure if Luther or his cantor Johann Walter (1496-1570) modified the tune to its current arrangement.

The introduction to the processional hymn (stanzas 1-5) is by Johann Krieger (1651-1735). The introduction to the offering hymn (stanzas 6-9) is by Michael Praetorius (1571-1621).



The PRELUDE is three settings of this hymn. The first and last are by J.S. Bach, from his *Clavier Übung III* and *Orgelbüchlein* collections, respectively. The second setting is a twentieth-century setting by Ronald Nelson.



Opening line of Bach's *Orgelbüchlein* setting of "Vater unser"

No. 3869

Eleventh Week After Pentecost

Aug 24-31

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Holy Mass for the Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost..... Today, 10a, Church
Bible Study Today, 11:30a, Undercroft
Holy Mass for St. Bartholomew, Apostle Mon, 7pm, Chapel
Holy Mass for Wednesday of Pentecost XI.....Wed, 10a, Chapel
Bible Study Wed, 10:45a, Rectory
Holy Mass for the Decollation of St. John the BaptizerFri, 10a, Chapel
Holy Mass for the Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost Sun, 10a, Church
Pot-luck LunchSun, 11:30a, Rectory

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 Drucilla Huddleston for the Benevolence Fund in memory of George Parker (b. Aug 28, 1928)

For the Vicar's Bedroom Project: Dr. & Mrs. Michael Anderson, Rev. Fr. & Mrs. Mark Braden, Rev. Fr. & Mrs. James Frey, Mr. Thomas Habitz, Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Eric Russell, Rev. Fr. Gary Schultz, Mr. Kevin Wiedelman, and Mr. & Mrs. Johnny Williams.



ZIONDETROIT

THE PSALM FOR THIS WEEK IS PSALM 55. PRAY IT EVERY DAY!

When you feel let down or as if some injustice has been done to you, this is a good Psalm to pray (v 1-8). The prayer is for God to come through as He promises (v 1). Two things are asked for: destruction of those who oppress us (v 9-15) and deliverance by the hand of God (v 15-21). The two are tied together. For the Lord can finally save our life by killing those who bring death. Therefore, we should be confident that the Lord will sustain us (v 22) while destroying the wicked (v 23).

Today's Announcements

FR. BRADEN VACATION This week, Fr. Braden will be on vacation. Fr. Schultz will celebrate Mass on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE Today is the commemoration of St. Bartholomew the Apostle, called Nathaniel in St. John's Gospel. He spread the Gospel in India and Armenia. Bartholomew was flayed alive and beheaded.

Because the feast falls on a Sunday, it is transferred to tomorrow. Holy Mass for St. Bartholomew will be held **Monday, August 25 at 7pm** in the Chapel. Note the change in time.

Remember this day in your daily prayer. Read Isaiah 61.7-11, 2 Corinthians 4.7-10, and St. Luke 22.24-30. Pray the Collect on page 92.



DECOLLATION OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIZER In addition to his nativity (June 24), the church since the fourth century commemorates the martyrdom of St. John the Baptizer. August 29 marks the discovery of his relics in Samaria. Holy Mass will be held **Friday, August 29, at 10am** in the Chapel

Remember this day in your daily prayer. Read Jeremiah 1.17-19, 2 Timothy 2.8-10, 3.10-12 and St. Mark 6. 17-29. Pray the Collect of the Day: *"O God, who enabled Your forerunner, St. John the Baptist, to recognize in Our Lord Jesus Christ the Savior of the world, grant, we beseech you, that He whom we now see in a mirror dimly, we may hereafter see face to face; through Jesus Christ..."*

VICAR'S BEDROOM PROJECT Our new Vicar moves into the Rectory this week. We received a generous gift of a set of bedroom furniture for the Vicar's bedroom. Thanks to the generous support of the Zion Men's Group and others within our congregation, we have made great strides in funding a new bed for our incoming Vicar. Nonetheless, still have some work to do. Any support for this effort would be appreciated. Please contact Kevin Wiedelman at wiedelman@outlook.com or 248.520.6165.



POT-LUCK LUNCH NEXT SUNDAY Next Sunday, August 31, we will have a pot-luck lunch at the Rectory following Holy Mass. Please sign-up on the sheet in the Narthex and indicate what you plan to bring.



PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE At the May Voters' Assembly on June 1, the parish budget was not ratified pending additional information from the Parish Council. A special Voters' Assembly will be held soon to approve the budget for July 2014-June 2015. Watch the bulletin for details.

THE 2014 ST. MICHAEL LITURGICAL CONFERENCE is Monday, September 29. This conference is a major event for our Parish and brings distinguished theologians, Pastors and members from many different states to Zion. Every year Zion welcomes donations from members and organizations in support of the Conference. At this point, we anticipate needing about \$2,900.00 to cover the remaining cost of the conference. Donations can be made by writing "St. Michael Liturgical Conference" on an envelope, which can be placed in the offering plate or sent to the parish office.

CHRISTIAN ART AND SYMBOLS AT ZION Fr. Schultz, in collaboration with Fr. Braden and Zion's archives, has developed a pamphlet describing art, architecture, and symbols in Zion's church. Copies are available in the tract rack in the Narthex.



CEDAR POINT TRIP Our Cedar Point trip on Monday, August 11 was rained out. The trip is rescheduled for Saturday, October 4. If you did not purchase a ticket previously, you may still do so for the new date. See the flyer in the Narthex for more information.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help maintain the Christus Court and other areas around the Church. Please let Fr. Schultz know how you can help.