### Zion Evangelical-Cutheran Church of Detroit

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COMMUNICANTS ARE **BAPTIZED** CHRISTIANS who have been instructed in and publicly confess the Evangelical-Lutheran Faith. If you desire to commune **NEW MEMBERS** are received by Baptism, before approaching the Altar.

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

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION 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.

**HOLY MASS** is celebrated every Sunday **COUPLES DESIRING HOLY MARRIAGE** and Wednesday at 10am, and on holy 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.

at Zion, please speak with the Pastor 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.

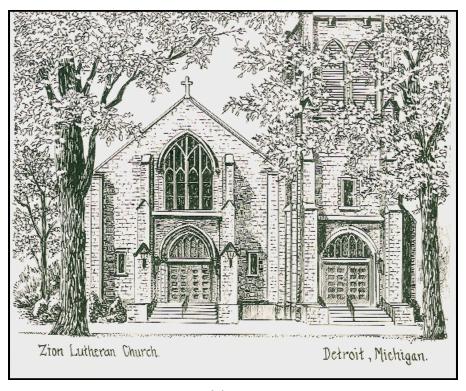
> SICK AND HOMEBOUND are visited regularly by the Pastor with the Scriptures and Sacrament. Please contact the Parish Office if you know of any parishioner in need of pastoral visitation.

> PARISH OFFICERS DEACONS: William Gramzow, Thomas Habitz, Jr., Michael Anderson TRUSTEES: Silas Gray, Paul Snoes; PARISH EDUCATION: Shirley Cross, Robert Kelly III. Sarah Braden ENDOWMENT BOARD: Fr. Mark Braden (chairman) Tom Habitz, Jr., Paul Snoes, Alan Kroske; officers of the voters: Thomas Habitz, Jr. (chairman), Alan Kroske (vice-chairman), Pamela Ruffin (secretary), Paul Snoes (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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## Sixth Sunday After Michaelmass

**November 4, 2018** 

**Death's Conqueror** 

At Holy Mass, the Lord invites you to be a partaker of the inheritance of the saints in light. And so, in His Name, we welcome you. We also pray that, as you partake of this inheritance, you may be comforted with the unsurpassable peace of the Lord.

**The Theme of Today's Liturgy** The Christian desires to "walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him...for all patience and longsuffering with joy" (*Epistle*). That desire is faith which holds God to His promises (*Old Testament*), and expects of Him great things, even rescue from death (*Gospel*). For such faith confesses that the Lord is the Rock of our salvation (*Introit*) who "delivers my soul from death, my eyes from tears, and my feet from falling" (*Gradual*). But since such desire and faith is often lacking, we beseech the Lord to stir up our desire so that it may bring forth this good work of faith (*Collect*).

**The Sermon** He saw the flute players and the noisy crowd wailing. The Lord of Life sees the reaction of the fallen world to death. We try to mask it. We try to cover it up. We wail. We try to drown out the fact of death. But the fallen world seems quite unconcerned with the cause of death. The cause of death is sin. And all the wailing and flute playing the world can muster can't cover that up, nor can it remove sin. "Make room", the Lord said. Then He spoke Words that seemed like utter foolishness to them, and yet brought life to the girl. "Make room", He said, as no room was found for Him at the inn. Nonetheless He came into this world to bring life to the world. "Make room", He says, as the unclean spirit in you was commanded to depart, that the Holy Spirit fill you. He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the Kingdom of the Son of His love, in whom we have redemption through His Blood, the forgiveness of sins. "Make room", He says, as He gives you a place in His Kingdom, at His table, and in the mansion He has prepared for you in heaven.

**The Holy Eucharist** The life and healing, the strength and patience in all longsuffering, and the deliverance from our afflictions that we desire is given to us in the Blessed Sacrament. For there Christ not only applies His wholesome touch. He also implants within our death-riddled bodies His life-bestowing Flesh and Blood.

**The Readings** 1 Kings 17:17-24; Colossians 1:9-14; St. Matthew 9:18-26

### The Hymns for Today's Mass

Processional Hymn	581
Chief Hymn	590
Offering Hymn	356
Distribution Hymns	148, 597
Retiring Processional Hymn	585

#### THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Holy Mass for the Sixth Sunday after Michaelmass	Today, 10a, Church
Reception for the Joseph Family	Today, 11:30a, Undercroft
Bible Study	Today, 11:30a, Undercroft
Sunday School	Today, 11:30a, Rectory
Lutherfest	
Matins	Mon, 8:45a, Chapel
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Holy Mass for the Sixth Sunday after Michaelmass	
Bible Study	Wed, 10:30a, Rectory
Matins	
Vespers	Thr, 7p, Church
Men's Group	Thr, 7:30p, Rectory
Matins	Sat, 8:45a, Chapel
Private Confession and Absolution	Sat 9:15a, Chapel
Ladies Group	Sat, 1p, Rectory
Holy Mass for Third Last Sunday of the Church YearSun, 10a, Church	
Bible Study	Sun, 11:30a, Undercroft
Sunday School	Sun, 11:30a, Rectory

IN OUR PRAYERS Michael Anderson, Gloria Bailey, Nellie Bolton, Linda Buskirk, Lela Casey, Gladys Cline, Anna Dalton, Fr. Erich and the Fickel family, Henry Frey, Bill Gramzow, Nancy Gramzow, Latoya Davis Gray, Drucilla Huddleston, Florine Kaiser, Lawrence Kasner, Richard Kelly, Erika Phares and the Phares family.

LUTHERFEST **2018** will be celebrated today at 4:00 p.m., at St. Paul Lutheran Church in St. Clair Shores. Come hear the Michigan-Ohio Chorale, and the mass choir from many Metro-Detroit congregations. A reception follows the concert. The Lutheran Center Association 's annual meeting precedes the concert at 2:30p.m.. All Zion members are welcome.

#### THE PSALM FOR THIS WEEK IS PSALM 95. PRAY IT EVERY DAY!

Historically prayed every morning at Matins (see p. 33 in *The Lutheran Hymnal*), Psalm 95 invites us to sing to the Lord, come before Him with thanksgiving, and pray loudly the psalms (vv 1-2). We do this because "the Lord is a great God" (v 3). That greatness is shown, primarily, in the salvation He delivers to us and, secondly, because He made all things and holds things in His hands (vv 1,4-5). And so we worship, bow and kneel because He has made us His own (vv 6-7). The opposite of this worship is to harden our hearts by rebelliously refusing the heed and take to heart and live by God's Word. (v 8) That is what the children of Israel did when the murmured against the Lord and His servant Moses, and they were met with God's wrath (vv 9-11). But those who trust in the Lord sing to Him