

# welcome to

Zion Lutheran Church & School

April 5, 2026

To better know & show Christ's Love.



HE IS RISEN!

### Practice of Holy Communion

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes. Because Holy Communion is a confession of faith, which is confessed at this altar, we request that only those who are members at Zion or another LCMS congregation take part today. Please speak to a pastor if you have questions about this. The center of the tray holds non-alcoholic wine. If you would like the option of a gluten free wafer, please let pastor know before the service.



**Easter flowers beautifying our Sanctuary today  
are given in loving memory of:**



- \* Stan & Helen Anderson from Dave & Diane Edgerton & family, Andrew, Andrea, & Sawyer Plouff.
- \* Randy & Barbara Braman from Brad & Bonnie Jenks.
- \* J. LaVerne Chapman from Ardith Chapman.
- \* Jack O. Dora Sr., Caroline Dora, & Kellie Ann Dora from the Dora family.
- \* Bill Gehoski from Barb Gehoski.
- \* Walt, Helen, Joan, Betty, Dorothy, Bill, Ruth, Glen, Lynn, and Billy from Barb Gehoski.
- \* Earl Gerstacker from Shirley Gerstacker.
- \* Fritz & Louise Jammer from Barb, Bonnie, Brenda, & Beverly.
- \* Florence Koch from Ross Koch & family.
- \* Henry & Laura Koch from Ross Koch & family.
- \* Earl & Norma Rosenbrock from Herb & Lynn Leinberger.
- \* Erwin, Irene, & Kay Leinberger from Herb & Lynn Leinberger.
- \* Randall Spiridigliozzi from Don & June DuRussel.
- \* Shirley Wegener from Luanne Wegener.
- \* Guy & Esther Wesson from Mark & Beth Wesson.
- \* Gene, Clara, & Gary Wirsing from Kathy & Larry Barre, and Greg & Diane Wirsing.

**Serving this Weekend**

**Church attendance last weekend:**

Saturday: No Worship

Sunday: 292 C: 196

**Serving today:**

Altar Guild: Deb Shufelt

Sunday Organist 7:00AM: Sarah Diener

Sunday Organist 9:00AM: Luanne Wegener

Sunday Elders 7:00AM: Mark Steih & Don Hilbrandt

Ushers: Carter Rossow, Todd & Dean Gray, Norm Adams

Sunday Elders 9:00AM: Chris List & Jimmy Parsons

Ushers: Aiden & Amanda Boyat, Andrew & Steve Schumacher

**No Family Bible Hour, Sunday School, or New Member Class:** Please join us at Easter Breakfast in the school.

**April is Mite Month for LWML.** If you would like to contribute, there are mite boxes to take home and fill. They are located in the narthex right beside the wooden mite box on the table. You can return the mite boxes by placing them in the wooden mite box at any time. Thank you for your support.

**The 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher Search Continues:** Zion is still searching for a 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher for the 2026/2027 school year. While we hope to fill this position with a called LCMS church worker, we are open to a contracted candidate as well. If you know someone that may be interested, please call the office at 989-662-4264. Thank you.

**Registration for 2026/27 School Year is open!** Come and learn about the Christ-centered education offered here! Contact our principal, Susan Klauer, at 989-662-4264 or email her at [sklauer@zionauburn.com](mailto:sklauer@zionauburn.com) to set up a tour and learn more.

**The Ladies of Zion** are in need of sweaters or sweatshirts in sizes 9 months - 24 months. Please drop lightly used or new items off to the church basement or the office. Thank you.

**Portals of Prayer:** It is time for Portals of Prayer subscriptions. Current subscriptions will automatically renew. If you would like to help offset the cost of the subscription, please submit payment in an envelope marked "Portals of Prayer." Make checks payable to "Zion Lutheran Church, Auburn." The cost is **\$13.75** per subscription if we maintain a minimum of 25 mail orders. If you do not receive these and would like to, include your name and address and you will be added to the subscriptions. Any *new additions or updates* must be to the office by **Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>**. Payments can be put into the offering plate in an envelope marked "Portals of Prayer" or dropped off at the office.

**The Saginaw Valley Antique Society** will host their Spring Antique Show at Valley Lutheran on **Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>** from 9:00am to 4:00pm. \$5 admission provides access to 40+ vendors and 2 free verbal appraisals (available between 10:00am – 2:00pm). A bake sale and lunch will be available for purchase, sponsored by VLHS.

**Save the Date** for the VLHS Drama Department's Spring Production, William Shakespeare's "As You Like It", coming to the stage **April 30<sup>th</sup>, May 1<sup>st</sup>, and May 2<sup>nd</sup>** at VLHS. Tickets will be available in the school office during the week of the play or with limited availability at the door.

**Summer is coming....** which means so are **VL Summer Camps!** Head to [www.vlhs.com/camps](http://www.vlhs.com/camps) to see offerings, schedule and to register. Early bird registration runs through May 26<sup>th</sup>. We look forward to being a part of your summer!

**Valley Lutheran High School invites you** to attend "**Take 5 for your finances: 5 keys to retiring fearlessly and the 5 stages of an IRA**" held at Valley Lutheran on **April 23<sup>rd</sup>** at 6:00pm. Hosted by the Valley Lutheran Foundation and led by VL alumna Katrina Kaschinske,

this engaging workshop will equip you with practical strategies to confidently navigate your financial future. Enjoy a meal, connect with others, and leave with tools to take your next steps forward. Space is limited to 60 attendees. RSVP to Rebecca VanTol ([rvantol@vlhs.com](mailto:rvantol@vlhs.com)).

**Valley Lutheran is seeking applications for the following positions:** *Athletic Director -*

Seeking a dedicated and mission-driven individual to lead and oversee all aspects of the school's athletic program. The Athletic Director models and promotes the values of Lutheran education, integrating faith into all aspects of the athletic program, fosters excellence in athletics, and leads the development of athletes in faith, character, and leadership. *Public Relations Intern* - ideal for a local college Junior or Senior with interest in communications, marketing, graphic design, and/or public relations. *Head Men's Varsity Basketball Coach, and Women's Freshman Volleyball Coach*. For more information about these positions or for directions to apply, go to [www.vlhs.com/jobs](http://www.vlhs.com/jobs).

**LWML Prayer Service Rally** will be on **Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>** at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 10020 E. Monroe Rd (M-46), Merrill, MI. Registration is \$5 and breakfast starts at 8:30am. The prayer service and meeting are 9:30-11:30am. Our "Gifts from the Heart" collection is for 'Hope Works Mid-Michigan' (a homeless shelter). Items for quick and easy breakfasts are needed. Such as cereal, granola bars, canned fruit, oatmeal, pop-tarts, coffee mate, paper towels, and coffee cups. Put your donation in the LWML bag in the narthex if you want to donate but cannot attend. RSVP to Luanne Wegener (989-948-4426) by April 27<sup>th</sup> if you will be attending.

**Thank you** for supporting the Little Caesar's Pizza Fundraiser for the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade Class Trip. 120 kits and 11 meal deals were sold. Orders will arrive in the week of April 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Zion's High Honor Roll (All A's):** 3<sup>rd</sup> grade: Michael Resmer; 4<sup>th</sup> grade: Abigail Miller, Avery Varner; 5<sup>th</sup> grade: Frederick Dore IV, Brinlee Fahy, Claire Gardner, Genevieve Schnell, Hannah Schwannecke, Jacquelyn Stanford; 6<sup>th</sup> grade: Clayton Miller; 7<sup>th</sup> grade: Samuel Bright, Anna Diener; 8<sup>th</sup> grade: Matthew Hemme. **Zion's Honor Roll (All A's & B's):** 3<sup>rd</sup> grade: Collyns Bender, Maxwell Beson, Payton Brady, Owen Dore, Maverick Foco, Lukas Pettipas, Ainsley Schnell, Emma Sieg; 4<sup>th</sup> grade: Rosaly Collins, Liam Cooley, Sydney James, Brylee Marcotte, Madelyn Menz, Liam O'Neill; 5<sup>th</sup> grade: Monroe Arnold, Tyler Brady, Jacob Gardner, Brynlee Martin, Connor Panzner, Hannah Resmer, Lydia Schwannecke; 6<sup>th</sup> grade: Adeline Beson, Lillian Menz, Nicole Moncivaiz; 8<sup>th</sup> grade: Gracyn Dowd, Carter Rossow, Makayla Schwannecke, Graham Varner.

**Thank you** to all who came to the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade classroom to share information on their careers. The students all agreed that your visits were very beneficial and enlightening.

### Calendar of Events

<b>Sat</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Easter Vigil w/communion 5:30 PM</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Easter Sunrise Worship w/communion 7:00 AM</b> <b>Easter Worship w/communion 9:00 AM</b> Easter Breakfast 8:00-10:30 AM
<b>Mon</b>	<b>6</b>	<i>Office Closed (No School-Spring break this week)</i>
<b>Tues</b>	<b>7</b>	<i>Office Hours: 8:00 AM-3:00 PM</i>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>8</b>	<i>Office Hours: 8:00 AM-3:00 PM</i> Ladies Bible Study & Quilting 9:00 AM Ladies of Zion meeting 6:30 PM
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>9</b>	<i>Office Hours: 8:00 AM-3:00 PM</i>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>10</b>	<i>Office Closed</i>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>Worship w/communion 5:30 PM</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Worship w/communion 9:00 AM</b> Bible Study 10:15 AM New Member Class 10:15 AM

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**The Resurrection of Our Lord**  
**April 5, 2026**  
**Divine Service Setting One**  
**Page 151 in Lutheran Service Book**

**Greeting Time**

*Those in attendance are invited to greet those seated near them. As the bell rings, please return to your seat for the opening hymn.*

**Ringling of the Bell**

**Processional**

*(During the opening hymn, please stand and face the processional cross.)*

**“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”**

**LSB 457**

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| <p><b>1 Jesus Christ is ris’n today, Alleluia!</b><br/><b>Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!</b><br/><b>Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!</b><br/><b>Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!</b></p> <p><b>2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!</b><br/><b>Unto Christ, our heav’nly king, Alleluia!</b><br/><b>Who endured the cross and grave,</b><br/><b>Alleluia!</b><br/><b>Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!</b></p> | <p><b>3 But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!</b><br/><b>Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!</b><br/><b>Now above the sky He’s king, Alleluia!</b><br/><b>Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!</b></p> <p><b>4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!</b><br/><b>Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!</b><br/><b>Praise Him, all ye heav’nly host, Alleluia!</b><br/><b>Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!</b></p> |
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*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.
- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.*

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\dagger$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.**

## Service of the Word

### Introit

*Exodus 15:2a, 6, 13, 17–18; antiphon: v. 1b*

- P** I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;  
**C the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.**
- P** The LORD is my strength and my song,  
**C and he has become my salvation.**
- P** Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power,  
**C your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.**
- P** You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed;  
**C you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.**
- P** You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain,  
**C the place, O LORD, which you have made for your abode,**
- P** the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established.  
**C The LORD will reign forever and ever.**
- C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**
- P** I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;  
**C the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.**

### Kyrie

*LSB 152*

- P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.  
♫ **C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.  
♫ **C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.  
♫ **C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.  
♫ **C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.  
♫ **C Amen.**

### This Is the Feast

*LSB 155*

- ♫ **C This is the feast of victory for our God.**  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:**

**Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

### **Salutation and Collect of the Day**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**✪ C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God the Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**✪ C** Amen.

*Sit*

### **Old Testament Reading**

*Jeremiah 31:1-6*

<sup>1</sup>"At that time, declares the LORD, I will be the God of all the clans of Israel, and they shall be my people."

<sup>2</sup>Thus says the LORD: "The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness; when Israel sought for rest, <sup>3</sup>the LORD appeared to him from far away. I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you. <sup>4</sup>Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel! Again you shall adorn yourself with tambourines and shall go forth in the dance of the merrymakers. <sup>5</sup>Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant and shall enjoy the fruit.

<sup>6</sup>For there shall be a day when watchmen will call in the hill country of Ephraim: 'Arise, and let us go up to Zion, to the LORD our God.'"

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

Christ has risen from the dead.

God the Father has crowned him with glory and honor.  
He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;  
he has put all things under his feet.

## Epistle

*Colossians 3:1–4*

<sup>1</sup>If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. <sup>3</sup>For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse

*LSB 156*

**♫C** Alleluia.

Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life.  
Alleluia, alleluia.

## Holy Gospel

*Matthew 28:1–10*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.

**♫C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. <sup>2</sup>And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. <sup>3</sup>His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. <sup>4</sup>And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. <sup>5</sup>But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. <sup>6</sup>He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. <sup>7</sup>Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you.” <sup>8</sup>So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. <sup>9</sup>And behold, Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. <sup>10</sup>Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**♫C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

1 Alleluia!  
Jesus is risen!  
Trumpets resounding in glorious light!  
Splendor, the Lamb,  
Heaven forever!  
Oh, what a miracle God has in sight! *Refrain*

*Refrain:* Jesus is risen and we shall arise:  
Give God the glory! Alleluia!

2 Walking the way,  
Christ in the center  
Telling the story to open our eyes;  
Breaking our bread,  
Giving us glory:  
Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise. *Refrain*

3 Jesus the vine,  
We are the branches;  
Life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree;  
Heaven to earth,  
Christ to the people,  
Gift of the future now flowing to me. *Refrain*

4 Weeping, be gone;  
Sorrow, be silent:  
Death put asunder, and Easter is bright.  
Cherubim sing:  
“O grave, be open!”  
Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light. *Refrain*

5 City of God,  
Easter forever,  
Golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,  
River of life,  
Saints and archangels,  
Sing with creation to God the I AM! *Refrain*

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Sermon

Stand

## Nicene Creed

**☩ I believe in one God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## Prayers of the Church

- For Sally Goodsell (sister of Esther Gerzeski), Roxanne and Sergii Boilore (daughter and grandson of Esther Gerzeski), Tamala Marks, Austin Huebner and family, Marcy Palmiter (sister-in-law of Nigel & Alyssa Palmiter), Lee Davis, Martin Sherman (brother of Augusta Etelamaki), Lori Peters, Valerie Walter, Calvin Mejia (grandson of Megan & David Allen), Diana Mansfield (daughter of Ed & Augusta Etelamaki), Ron Murphy, Polly Oates (sister of Ed Etelamaki), Diana Hebel, Kathy Dowd (friend of Eileen Rosenbrock), Herb Leinberger, Sharon Staudacher, Bryan & Tracy Corbat, John Bartys, Wheston Behmlander (nephew of Deb Shufelt), Mary Lou Jammer, Mel Garchow, Tyler Hatcher (cousin of Patty Hemme), Randy Bigford (1968 Zion Confirmation Class), Bob Schuette, Diane Horning, Becky Fick, Emil Philipp, Tom Kowalkowski, Valerie Satkowiak, Glenn Kohn (brother of Dean Kohn), June DuRussel, and Albert Schanck (friend of the Rash family).
- For Zion's staff and students.
- For Zion's Call process for a principal and 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher.
- For all who serve this country, here and beyond our borders.
- For those suffering with mental illness and for their loved ones.
- For peace in all war-torn countries.

*Sit*

**Offering-** To give online, go to [zionauburn.com](http://zionauburn.com) and click on the "Donate" tab.

*(At this time, we ask that members as well as guests sign the pew book.)*

## Stewardship Verse

**Colossians 3:2-3** "Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God."

*Stand*

**Offertory**

*LSB 159*

**♪C What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?**

**I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.**

**I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.**

**I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,  
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

Service of the Sacrament

**Preface**

*LSB 160*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**♪C And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**♪C We lift them to the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**♪C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore, with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**Sanctus**

*LSB 161*

**♪C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:**

**Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.**

**Hosanna. Hosanna.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

*LSB 161*

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and

preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### Lord's Prayer

LSB 162

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**C** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

### The Words of Our Lord

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✝}$  body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also, He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✝}$  blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### Pax Domini

LSB 163

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

$\text{♪}$  **C** Amen.

### Agnus Dei

LSB 163

$\text{♪}$  **C** Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

*Sit*

### Distribution Hymns

$\text{♪}$  "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

LSB 633

- 1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing  
Praise to our victorious King,  
Who has washed us in the tide  
Flowing from His piercèd side. Alleluia!
- 2 Praise we Him, whose love divine  
Gives His sacred blood for wine,  
Gives His body for the feast—  
Christ the victim, Christ the priest. Alleluia!

3 Where the paschal blood is poured,  
Death's dread angel sheathes the sword;  
Israel's hosts triumphant go  
Through the wave that drowns the foe.  
Alleluia!

4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,  
Paschal victim, paschal bread;  
With sincerity and love  
Eat we manna from above.  
Alleluia!

5 Mighty Victim from the sky,  
Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;  
You have conquered in the fight,  
You have brought us life and light.  
Alleluia!

6 Now no more can death appall,  
Now no more the grave enthrall;  
You have opened paradise,  
And Your saints in You shall rise.  
Alleluia!

7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!  
This alone can sin destroy;  
From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,  
Newborn souls in You to be.  
Alleluia!

△8 Father, who the crown shall give,  
Savior, by whose death we live,  
Spirit, guide through all our days:  
Three in One, Your name we praise.  
Alleluia!

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♪ “Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia”

LSB 466

1 Christ has arisen, alleluia.  
Rejoice and praise Him, alleluia.  
For our Redeemer burst from the tomb,  
Even from death, dispelling its gloom. *Refrain*

*Refrain:* Let us sing praise to Him with endless joy;  
Death's fearful sting He has come to destroy.  
Our sin forgiving, alleluia!  
Jesus is living, alleluia!

2 For three long days the grave did its worst  
Until its strength by God was dispersed.  
He who gives life did death undergo;  
And in its conquest His might did show. *Refrain*

3 The angel said to them, “Do not fear!  
You look for Jesus who is not here.  
See for yourselves the tomb is all bare;  
Only the grave cloths are lying there.” *Refrain*

4 “Go spread the news: He's not in the grave;  
He has arisen this world to save.  
Jesus' redeeming labors are done;  
Even the battle with sin is won.” *Refrain*

**5 Christ has arisen; He sets us free;  
Alleluia, to Him praises be.  
Jesus is living! Let us all sing;  
He reigns triumphant, heavenly King. *Refrain***

***Refrain:* Let us sing praise to Him with endless joy;  
Death's fearful sting He has come to destroy.  
Our sin forgiving, alleluia!  
Jesus is living, alleluia!**

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*Stand*

**Thank the Lord**

*LSB 164*

**♪🎵 Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.  
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy  
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Post-Communion Collect**

**📖** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**♪🎵 Amen.**

**Benediction**

*LSB 166*

**📖** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**♪🎵 Amen.**

*Sit*

**♪ "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"**

**LSB 465**

**1 Now all the vault of heav'n resounds  
In praise of love that still abounds:  
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"  
Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!  
Repeat their song of glory here:  
"Christ has triumphed! Christ has triumphed!"  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**2 Eternal is the gift He brings,  
Therefore our heart with rapture sings:  
“Christ has triumphed! He is living!”  
Now still He comes to give us life  
And by His presence stills all strife.  
Christ has triumphed! He is living!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**3 O fill us, Lord, with dauntless love;  
Set heart and will on things above  
That we conquer through Your triumph;  
Grant grace sufficient for life’s day  
That by our lives we truly say:  
“Christ has triumphed! He is living!”  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**△4 Adoring praises now we bring  
And with the heav’nly blessed sing:  
“Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!”  
Be to the Father and our Lord,  
To Spirit blest, most holy God,  
All the glory, never ending!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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*Sit*

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