

Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church!

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*Rooted in Faith \* Growing in Spirit \* Reaching out to Those in Need*  
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10:45 am Fifth Sunday after Epiphany February 4, 2018

In Jesus' healing work we see the hand of the creator God, lifting up the sick woman to health and service (diakonia). Like Simon's mother-in-law, we are lifted up to health and diakonia. Following Jesus, we strengthen the powerless; like Jesus, we seek to renew our own strength in quiet times of prayer.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

GATHERING

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(please stand)*

Let us come into the light of Christ, confessing our need for God's mercy.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Merciful God,

we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We confess we have sinned against you and one another.

In your infinite compassion, give us your Word of new life,

that we might hear of your saving work for us in Jesus Christ.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

"Call upon me," says the Lord, "and I will answer." In Jesus Christ, our God has come among us to loose every bond and set us free from all that weighs us down. Receive the forgiveness of all your sins in the name of + Jesus Christ, our crucified and risen Savior. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG "Mighty Is Our God"

Mighty is our God, mighty is our King.
Mighty is our Lord, ruler of everything.
Glory to our God. Glory to our King.
Glory to our Lord, ruler of everything.

His name is higher, higher than any other name.
His power is greater, for He has created everything.

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Glory to our Lord, ruler of everything,
Ruler of everything, ruler of everything

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Courtney Bjorgaard

God our Savior, thank you that your Son healed the sick, drove out demons, and brought your good news of salvation. Make us whole in body and spirit, so that we are free to serve you. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen** *(please be seated)*

SPECIAL MUSIC

**"Walk in the Light"
Zion Adult Choir**

Andre' Thomas

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

WORD

PSALM

Psalm 147:1-11, 20c *(read responsively)*

¹Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God!

How pleasant it is to honor God with praise!

²**The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem,
and gathers the exiles of Israel.**

³The LORD heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.

⁴**The LORD counts the number of the stars
and calls them all by their names.**

⁵Great is our LORD and mighty in power;
there is no limit to God's wisdom.

⁶**The LORD lifts up the lowly,
but casts the wicked to the ground.**

⁷Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving;
make music upon the harp to our God,

⁸**who covers the heavens with clouds
and prepares rain for the earth, making grass to grow upon the mountains.**

⁹God provides food for the cattle
and for the young ravens when they cry.

¹⁰**God is not impressed by the might of a horse,
and has no pleasure in the speed of a runner,**

¹¹but finds pleasure in those who fear the LORD,
in those who await God's steadfast love. ^{20c}Hallelujah!

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Pew Bible, NT p. 179

Word of God, Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA *(please stand)*

"Hallelujah"

Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

The holy gospel according to Mark chapter 1.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Mark 1:29-39

Pew Bible NT, p. 36

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ. *(please be seated)*

MESSAGE

Pastor Marcia

SONG OF THE DAY

"I Am Free"

**Through You the blind will see. Through You the mute will sing.
Through You the dead will rise. Through You all hearts will praise.
Through You the darkness flees. Through You my heart screams,
I am free! I am free!**

(Song Leader) I am free to run.

(Cong. Echo) **I am free to run.**

(Song Leader) I am free to dance.

(Cong. Echo) **I am free to dance.**

(Song Leader) I am free to live for You.

(Cong. Echo) **I am free to live for You.**

(Song Leader) I am free!

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APOSTLES' CREED *(please stand)*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.** *(please be seated)*

OFFERING

The children are welcome to come forward and place their offerings in the "For Children Everywhere" box.

OFFERING SONG **"In the Secret (I Want To Know You)"**

In the secret, in the quiet place,
In the stillness you are there.
In the secret, in the quiet hour, I wait only for You.
'Cause I want to know You more.

I want to know You. I want to hear Your voice.
I want to know You more. I want to touch You.
I want to see Your face. I want to know You more.

I am reaching for the highest goal.
That I might receive the prize.
Pressing onward, pushing every hindrance aside, out of my way.
'Cause I want to know You more.

I want to know You. I want to hear Your voice.
I want to know You more. I want to touch You.
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OFFERING PRAYER *(please stand)*

We thank you, Lord, for your greatness and for your care for us. You have set us free; lead us to use our freedom and our gifts to look beyond ourselves and sympathize with other people and help them wherever we can, through Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

MEAL

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION *(please be seated)*

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SUPPER

*All are welcome at the Lord's table. Please come forward as directed by the ushers.
Grape juice and gluten free wafers are available; please indicate to the server by raising your hand.*

DISTRIBUTION SONG

“How Great Is Our God”

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty;
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide;
And trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice.

How great is our God!
Sing with me, how great is our God!
And all will see how great, how great is our God.

And age to age He stands, and time is in His hands;
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End.
The Godhead, Three In One, Father, Spirit, Son;
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb.

How great is our God!
Sing with me, how great is our God!
And all will see how great, how great is our God.

Name above all names, worthy of all praise.
My heart will sing how great is our God.
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How great is our God!
Sing with me, how great is our God!
And all will see how great, how great is our God.
How great, how great is our God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(please stand)*

Almighty and merciful God, you sent your only Son as the word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us by your gifts of word and sacrament to believe with joy what they proclaim. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

The God of glory dwell in you richly.
He names you beloved, and shines brightly on your path;
The blessing of almighty God, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always.
Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is your light.
Thanks be to God.

SENDING SONG

“Everlasting God”

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord.
Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord.
Our God, You reign forever.
Our hope, our strong Deliv’rer.

You are the everlasting God, The everlasting God,
You do not faint, You won’t grow weary.
You’re the defender of the weak,
You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings, like eagles.

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