

FIFTH SUNDAY IN EASTER

May 18, 2025



ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Cultivating communities of caring and belonging as
champions of the gospel by being rooted in faith, growing in spirit, and
reaching out to those in need*

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Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church

We are grateful you chose to worship with us. Your participation is an honor to our community, and we invite you to immerse yourself into the unique expression of Lutheran flavored faith. We love Christ deeply and believe it is He alone that saves, freeing us to respond with joy for all the creator has done, guided by the Advocate to serve the neighbor.

Whether you are a visitor or a long-time member, we invite you to fill out the "Welcome to Zion" connection card, especially if you have any pastoral needs, interests in ministry, or wish to communicate with the office for support.

Small guests are invited to take and utilize the worship toolboxes and bags in the pews or immerse themselves in the Prayground at the rear of the sanctuary. There is also a nursery located next to the restrooms in the hallway between the Sanctuary and the Fellowship Hall, along with changing stations in both restrooms for your convenience.

Your siblings in Christ,
Zion Lutheran Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

GATHERING HYMN ***I Love to Tell the Story*** **ELW #661**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (*please stand*)

KYRIE & THIS IS THE FEAST **ELW, pg. 120**

GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

WORD

KIDS' TIME *(please be seated)*

SONG OF PREPARATION *(please stand)* **Alleluia ELW, pg. 124**

GOSPEL **Luke 2:25-32** Pew Bible NT, pg. 60

PREPARING FOR THE WORD *(please be seated)*

FOCUS TEXT **Acts 15:1-18** Pew Bible NT, pg. 140

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY **The Church's One Foundation ELW #654**

Vs. 1, 3, 5—All; Vs. 2—South; Vs. 4—North
(please stand on last verse)

OFFERING

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING *(please be seated)*

OFFERING HYMN **Create in Me a Clean Heart ELW #188**

OFFERING PRAYER *(please stand)*

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING

LITANY & **HOLY HOLY** ELW, pg. 130

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION *(please be seated)*

COMMUNION HYMN **Lamb of God** ELW, pg. 135

COMMUNION HYMN **Around You, O Lord...** ELW #468

BLESSING & PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

MINISTRY MOMENT

SENDING

BENEDICTION *(please stand)*

SENDING HYMN **Lord, Dismiss Us with...** ELW #545

SENDING WORDS & POSTLUDE

IN OUR PRAYERS

As a community of faith, we are connected through joy, sorrow, and worship and called to pray without ceasing. Please pray with us for:

Delbert Rohrbach, Lois Leicht, Lyle Johnsen, Janice Grieben,
Magdalen Rohrbach, Susie Hoffman, the family of Carol Knispel

And for those with long-term care needs:

Alyssa Weber, Kathy Johnson, Jerry Gab, Barb Gardner, Esther
Ottenbacher, Norma Nielsen, Sharon Wagemann, Kari Brown, Sharon
Paranto, Dal Golz

ZIONS' RADIO BROADCAST

Today's broadcast is sponsored by Zion Lutheran Church.

If you are interested in sponsoring a broadcast, please call the church office or sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex. You can listen along on KSDN radio (930 AM & 102.1 FM) at 9:00 AM each Sunday.

MAY STEWARDSHIP LOVE OFFERINGS

Theme for the month: Living Easter

Church Ministry Focus: Worship Life

Special & Noisy Offering: Lutheran Social Services of South Dakota

Missional Life Event: Adopt-a-Grad support

Special Activities: Chords of Joy free concert event on May 4
Graduate recognition on May 11
What a Mess! VBS May 26-28

GIVEPLUS⁺ For support of Zion ministries please consider electronic giving. If you have a smart phone, you can simply scan the code, and it will take you directly to our "Giving" page on the Zion website. You can also take advantage of the GivePlus mobile app for your smart phone to make giving even more convenient. Just download the GivePlus app, find Zion Lutheran Church, and choose your amount!



Do you need an easy way to contribute to the church? Text giving is a powerful way to give in a matter of seconds. Send a text with your offering amount to **(844-771-9038)**. It's simple and secure.

THIS WEEK AT ZION

SUNDAY—May 18

9:00 AM Worship

10:15 AM Fellowship

MONDAY—May 19

1:00 PM Quilters

TUESDAY—May 20

10:00 AM Staff meeting

12:00 PM MS & HS event

5:30 AM Worship life meeting

WEDNESDAY—May 21

1:00 PM Cardmakers

7:00 PM Council meeting

8:00 PM AA meeting

THURSDAY—May 22

1:00 PM Quilters

SUNDAY—May 25

9:00 AM Worship

10:15 AM Fellowship

LANDSCAPING—If you can help refresh the landscaping around the building, please find a task on the kiosk in the narthex and cross it off the list once you complete it. Thank you for your help!

SAVE THE DATE

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| • Office Closed | May 26 |
| • What a Mess! VBS | May 26-28 @ 5:30 PM |
| • Men's Fellowship | May 28 @ 8:00 PM |
| • Finance meeting | May 29 @ 9:30 AM |
| • Synod Assembly | May 30-31 |
| • Mission Trip meeting | June 1 @ 10:15 AM |
| • Missional Life meeting | June 2 @ 5:30 PM |
| • Altar Guild meeting | June 8 @ 10:30 AM |
| • Mission Trip | June 8-14 |

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

ENVELOPE WALL FUNDRAISER— The mission trip participants are almost on their way to Milwaukee! Help them finalize their fundraising by participating in the envelope wall fundraiser!

Throughout the month of May, stop at the board in the narthex and pick an envelope off the wall to help offset an expense.

Scattered throughout the envelopes are also cards for ingredients you can donate for meals the group will prepare while on the trip.

Monetary donations in the envelopes can be left in the church office.

Please return all food donations by Sunday, June 1. Thank you for your support!

WHAT A MESS! VBS—Make plans to join us for a time where youth can explore their faith through fun and interactive stories, games, crafts, snacks, and more! The theme of our sessions is “What a Mess!”. There will also be messy take-home kits for families to use for the summer! Summer kickoff dates are May 26-28 beginning at 5:30 PM. Registration forms are available in the office, on our website, and on the Band App. VBS is open to all youth in grades preK-5.

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL YOUTH EVENT— There will be a youth event on the last day of school—Tuesday, May 20 from 12:00-2:00 PM. Join us for a fun time of fellowship; lunch will be served! Open to middle and high school youth—bring a friend! Van rides are available; please talk with Sandra.

BETHESDA OPEN HOUSE—Parkside is celebrating 40 years! There will be a Senior Fair held on Thursday, May 22 from 1-5 PM in celebration. In addition to tours and refreshments, there will be Bingo, vendors, and door prizes handed out. For full details, see the flyer on the kiosk in the narthex.

TABLE OF PLENTY—The May Table of Plenty meal has been cancelled due to a lack of sponsorship. The June meal has a sponsor and will be held on June 23; however, the committee continues to look for sponsors for most of the remainder of the year. If you would like to sponsor a monthly meal or know someone who would, please contact the church office, and we’ll put them in touch with the TOP committee.

SERVICES FOR CAROL KNISPEL—Funeral services for Carol Knispel will be tomorrow, Monday, May 19 @ 2:00 PM at Spitzer-Miller Funeral Home. We ask you to continue to hold her family and friends in prayer as they grieve her loss.

THANKS AND PRAISE FOR TODAY’S SUPPORT TEAM

Worship Assistant: Phyllis Gab

Lector: Judy Albl

Sound: Kathy Heffernan

Van Driver: Jerold Gehring

PowerPoint: Wanda Wagemann

Communion: Chastity Madsen; Steve Ottenbacher

Ushers: Lyle & Lois Chapin; Lenny Berger

Greeters: Rose Weidrich; Lester Harty

Organist: Sonya Kempf

Flute: Sue Gates

Altar Guild: Trudy Anderson; Judy Albl

Coffee Hosts: Altar Guild