

# ***THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT***

**March 8, 2026**



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## ***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 CALL TO WORSHIP

### **GATHERING**

KYRIE

***Kyrie***

**ELW, pg. 203**

GATHERING DIALOGUE (*please stand*)

GATHERING SONG

***On Eagle's Wings***

GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

## WORD

KIDS' TIME & NOISY OFFERING (*please be seated*)

FIRST READING      **Psalm 91:1-4, 14-16**      Pew Bible OT, pg. 606

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

SONG OF PREP.      **Word of God, Speak**      (*please stand*)

GOSPEL      **John 11:1-44**      Pew Bible OT, pg. 108

MESSAGE (*please be seated*)

SONG OF THE DAY      **Glorious Day**

## OFFERING

APOSTLES' CREED (*please stand*)

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

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING (*please be seated*)

OFFERING SONG      **I Will Call Upon the Lord**

OFFERING PRAYER (*please stand*)

## MEAL

GIVING THANKS FOR THE MEAL

SONG OF THANKSGIVING      **Let Your Steadfast Love...**

BLESSING OF THE MEAL

LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION (*please be seated*)

COMMUNION SONG      **The Wonderful Cross**

BLESSING & PRAYER AFTER THE MEAL

## SENDING

MINISTRY MOMENT

SENDING BLESSING (*please stand*)

SENDING SONG      **I Am Free**

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, Lois, Lenny, Chad, Mary Jane, Delila, Lorraine, Wilma

**And for those with long-term care needs:**

Barb, Sharon, Esther, Norma, Sharon, Susan, Alyssa, Kari, Dalvin

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## ***ZION'S RADIO BROADCAST***

Today's broadcast is sponsored by an anonymous donor in celebration of the upcoming spring season!

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.

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## ***MARCH STEWARDSHIP LOVE OFFERINGS***

Theme for the Month

Living Legacy as the Image of God

*Special & Noisy Offering:* Food for the Poor

*Special Activities* Visit from Food for the Poor — March 8  
Lenten Services—Mar 11, 18, 25 @ 12:15 & 6:05 PM  
Kickback Thursday—March 12 from 1-3 PM  
USD Chamber Singers Concert—March 15 @ 7:00 PM  
Table of Plenty—March 23 @ 5:30 PM

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**GIVEPLUST**

In 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.

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## ***THIS WEEK AT ZION***

### **SUNDAY—March 8**

5:30 AM Faith Through Fitness  
9:00 AM Worship  
10:15 AM Fellowship  
10:15 AM Faith Explorers  
10:30 AM Faith Insights  
10:30 AM Altar Guild meeting  
11:15 AM Education meeting

### **MONDAY—March 9**

1:00 PM Quilters

### **TUESDAY—March 10**

11:30 AM Book Club

**OUT OF OFFICE—**Pastor Nicole is out of the office from March 5—March 10, returning on the 11<sup>th</sup>. If you are in need of pastoral care during this time, please call the church office.

### **WEDNESDAY—March 11**

11:30 AM Lenten Meal  
12:15 PM Lenten Worship  
1:00 PM Cardmakers  
1:30 PM ZLCW meeting  
5:15 PM Lenten Meal  
6:05 PM Lenten Worship  
8:00 PM AA

### **THURSDAY—March 12**

1:00 PM Quilters  
1:00 PM MS & HS Kickback Th  
6:30 PM Thursdays Together

### **SUNDAY—March 15**

5:30 AM Faith Through Fitness  
9:00 AM Worship  
10:15 AM Fellowship  
10:15 AM Faith Builder  
7:00 PM USD Community  
Concert

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## ***SAVE THE DATE***

- Worship Life Meeting March 17 @ 5:30 PM
- Newsletter Deadline March 20
- Table of Plenty March 23 from 5:30-7:00 PM
- Men's Fellowship March 25 @ 8:00 PM
- Finance meeting March 26 @ 9:30 AM
- Drive Up Donuts March 27 @ 7:30 AM

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## ***OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS***

**USD CHAMBER SINGERS CONCERT—** The award-winning University of South Dakota Chamber will present their musical program, "Americana" on Sunday, March 15 @ 7:00 PM at Zion. The program features music in celebration of the 250th anniversary of the founding of America and will include traditional choral music, as well as several American folk songs, spirituals, and pop music classics. The concert is free to attend; a free will offering will be collected during the intermission.

**VISIT FROM FOOD FOR THE POOR**— Food for The Poor does much more than feed millions of individuals. We drill life-giving water for those who otherwise wouldn't have clean drinking water; we provide lifesaving medical care; we build homes for families without adequate shelter; we provide skills training and micro-enterprise opportunities that enable the poor to work; and we give children an education that will enable them to break free from the cycle of poverty that has ensnared generations. Today, Pr. Darrell D. Golnitz will deliver the Message: *Thirsting for Water*. You will be invited to participate in this ministry through a special offering.

**THURSDAYS TOGETHER**—This spring, the church will be open Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:00 PM for an opportunity for fellowship. This is meant to be a time for people to share their passions with others inside our congregation and invite those outside our church walls to join in the fun!

This month's schedule (board/card games each week):

March 12: Messy Canvases from 6:30-7:15 PM

March 19: Faith and Films\*\*

Every Thursday: Learn to Line Dance from 7:15-8:00 PM

**KICKBACK THURSDAY**—On Thursday, March 12 from 1-3 PM, come enjoy an afternoon to relax and hang out on a no school day! There will be a variety of activities, including games, snacks, a movie, and more! Open to middle and high school youth—bring a friend! Rides are available to and from the event upon request.

**NASHVILLE TRIP FUNDRAISER**— Our Nashville Mission Trip participants are hosting a Fish Bowl Fundraiser, giving you the chance to win a fish bowl filled with gift cards, a wooden cross centerpiece, or a baking gift basket. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased on Sunday mornings or from a youth attending the trip. Thank you for supporting our mission trip and our youth!

### **THANKS AND PRAISE FOR TODAY'S SUPPORT TEAM**

**Preaching/Presiding:** Pastor Darrell Golnitz

**Lector:** Chase Hawkinson

**Worship Assistant:** Sandra Anderson

**PowerPoint:** VanderWeysts

**Sound:** Zach Anderson

**Van Driver:** Loren Nehlich

**Greeters:** Dennis & Julie Beusch

**Acolyte:** Pippa Sahli

**Ushers:** Harvey & Deb Hardy; Doug & Sharlene Wanttie

**Communion Servers:** Kathy Heffernan; Cadence Refsland

**Praise Band:** Stephanie Hawkinson, Stacy Geffre, Phyllis Gab, Vicki Carlson, Garry Johnson, Mike German, Cadynce German, Lexi LaFave; Rhonda Strouckel

**Coffee Hosts:** Bob & Pam Seyer; VanderWeyst family

**Altar Guild:** Marcie Andersh; Trudy Anderson