

PALM SUNDAY

PEOPLE...TOOK BRANCHES
OF PALM TREES, AND WENT FORTH
TO MEET HIM, AND CRIED, HOSANNA.

JOHN 12:12-13



Zion Evangelical Church

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9:00 Sunday School/Bible Study 10:15 - Worship

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Palm / Confirmation Sunday - March 24th, 2024

PRELUDES

"The Palms"

arr. Albin Whitworth

LIGHTING CANDLES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS / GREETING ONE ANOTHER / RINGING BELLS

Praising FATHER, SON and HOLY SPIRIT!

* PRAISE SONG

"In CHRIST Alone" Video

by Mercy Me, #506

**In CHRIST alone my hope is found HE is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All Here in the love of CHRIST I stand**

**In CHRIST alone, who took on flesh Fullness of GOD in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness Scorned by the ones HE came to save
'Til on that cross as JESUS died The wrath of GOD was satisfied
For every sin on HIM was laid Here in the death of CHRIST I live**

**There in the ground HIS body lay Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day Up from the grave HE rose again
And as HE stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For, I am HIS and HE is mine Bought with the precious blood of CHRIST**

**No guilt in life, no fear in death This is the power of CHRIST in me
From life's first cry to final breath JESUS commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man Can ever pluck me from HIS hand
'Til HE returns or calls me home Here in the power of CHRIST I'll stand**

* CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

from Revelation 20:11-15

Pastor Then I saw a great white throne and HIM who was seated on it.

People Earth & sky fled from HIS presence.

Pastor And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne,

People And books were opened.

Pastor Another book was opened, which is the Book of Life.

People The dead were judged according to what they had done

Pastor As recorded in the books.

People The sea gave up the dead that were in it,

Pastor And death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them,

People Each person was judged according to what he had done.
Pastor Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire.
People The lake of fire is the second death.
Pastor If anyone's name was not found written in the Book of Life,
People He was thrown into the lake of fire. Amen and Amen!

Confessing Your Sins to the LORD!

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

O LORD, forgive us for our foolish attitudes which keep us from sharing our faith in **JESUS** with family members, friends, school mates & coworkers. For our foolish fear that they might reject us, rather than being concerned if their name is written in the **LAMB'S** Book of Life. Hear also our confessions in this silent moment.

(please pray in silence)

Dear **FATHER**, fill us with the **SPIRIT** of wisdom, so that we will truly live for **YOUR** glory, honor and praise. For we pray in **JESUS'** name. Amen and Amen!

* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS from Romans 8:1

There is no condemnation for those who are in CHRIST JESUS!

* RESPONSE *"We Will Glorify"* vs 1 #22

We will glorify the **KING** of kings; We will glorify the **LAMB**;
We will glorify the **LORD** of lords; Who is the great I AM.

Praying to GOD!

JOYS/CONCERNS *We Thank YOU / Hear Our Prayer, O LORD!*

INTERCESSORY / THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts and debtors)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For **THINE** is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory, forever, Amen.

OFFERING *"The Old Rugged Cross"* arr. John Innes

Mission of the Month: "Kids for Christ". Loose cash offerings, or checks or envelopes designated "Kids for Christ" which is an after-school outreach to children at MCS. Please give generously.

* RESPONSE *"We Give THEE But THINE Own"* vs 1 #671

We give **THEE** but **THINE** own, What - e'er the gift may be;
All that we have is **THINE** alone, A trust, O **LORD**, from **THEE**.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Listening to the LORD!

SOLO – Mr. Bill Guthrie *"The Holy City"* comp. Stephen Adams

READING OF GOD'S WORD Malachi 3:13-4:3 (p 830)

SERMON *"Is Your Name in the Book of Remembrance?"*

(Re-)Confirming Your Faith !

INVITE CONFIRMAND FORWARD

Katelyn Allen

Wesley Hale

Josephina Rjemann

Ella Weaver

Church President - *Mr. Kurt Pellmann*

INTRODUCTION

Church President - *Mr. Kurt Pellmann*

PRAYER

BCE – *Mrs. Debbie Doerr*

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH “*Apostle’s Creed*” Evangelical Catechism Question #11

Pastor In what creed does the Christian Church confess its faith in the Triune GOD?

People The Christian Church confesses its faith in the Triune GOD in the Apostles’ Creed.

I believe in GOD the FATHER Almighty Maker of Heaven and Earth.

And in JESUS CHRIST, HIS only begotten SON, our Lord: who was conceived by the HOLY SPIRIT, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; HE descended into hell; the third day HE rose again from the dead; HE ascended into Heaven, and sits at the right hand of GOD the FATHER Almighty; from thence HE shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the HOLY SPIRIT; the One Holy Universal Christian Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

* AFFIRMATION OF OUR EVANGELICAL FAITH

BCE – *Mrs. Jodi Notter*

Evangelical Catechism Evangelical (Lutheran & Reformed) Church (1847 & 1929)

Q 1. What should be the chief concern of man?

Man’s chief concern should be to seek after the Kingdom of GOD and HIS righteousness.

Q 2. How do we obtain righteousness?

We obtain righteousness thru faith in our Lord JESUS CHRIST, by whom we are saved.

Q 3. What then must we do to be saved?

We must believe on the Lord JESUS CHRIST.

Q 4. Where are we told what we must do to be saved?

GOD has told us what we must do to be saved in his Word, the Holy Bible, which was written by men who were moved by the HOLY SPIRIT.

Q 5. In what two ways has God in the Bible revealed his will toward man?

In the Bible GOD has revealed His will toward man by the Law and by the Gospel.

CONFIRMATION VOWS

Bulletin Insert

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

BCE – *Mrs. Heather Kish*

CONFIRMATION / LAYING ON OF HANDS / BLESSINGS

BCE – *Debbie, Heather and Jodi*

RECEPTION INTO MEMBERSHIP

Church President - *Mr. Kurt Pellmann*

ADDRESSING THE CONGREGATION

Church President - *Mr. Kurt Pellmann*

CLOSING PRAYER

See MY hands and look at MY feet, It's okay if it's hard to believe
I have faith you will do greater things, It's MY time to go, but before I leave

Chorus

Go tell the world about ME, I was dead but now I live
I've gotta go now for a little while, But goodbye is not the end

Don't forget the things that I taught you, I've conquered death and I hold the keys
Where I go you will go too someday, But there's much to do here before you leave

Chorus

of the journey, the end of the road
My spirit is with you wherever you go, You have a purpose and I have a plan
I'll make you this promise, I'll come back again, But until then

Chorus

(Go tell the world) Go tell them about ME, (Go tell the world) I've gotta go
(Go tell the world) for a little while, But goodbye is not the end

Going out to Serve GOD!

* COMMITMENT HYMN

"I Am THINE, O LORD"

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* BENEDICTION

from Jude 24-25

Now to HIM who is able to keep you from falling and to present you without blemish before the presence of
HIS glory with rejoicing, to the only GOD, our Savior through JESUS CHRIST our LORD, be glory,
majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and for ever. Amen.

* SUNG BLESSING

"GOD Be with You Till We Meet Again"

GOD be with you till we meet again, By HIS counsels guide, uphold you,
With HIS sheep securely fold you, GOD be with you till we meet again.

Till we meet, till we meet, Till we meet at JESUS feet,
Till we meet, till we meet, GOD be with you till we meet again.

GOD be with you till we meet again, Keep love's banner floating o'er you,
Smite death's threat'ning wave before you, GOD be with you till we meet again.

Till we meet, till we meet, Till we meet at JESUS feet,
Till we meet, till we meet, GOD be with you till we meet again.

* POSTLUDES

"All Glory Laud and Honor"

arr. Gordon Young

Community Bulletin Board

Chair Yoga led by Joyce Herman - **Fridays**, Zion's Fellowship Hall, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

St. James CCW presents Born in the USA (A Noon Luncheon Experience), **Thursday, April 11th**, St. James Parish Center ,405 W. Madison, Millstadt. \$15 Per Person 12:00-2:30pm doors open at 10:00am. Menu: Pulled pork, Vegetables, Hash brown casserole, slaw, jello salad, and apple pie.. Featuring: sweet shoppe, quilt/cash raffle, basket raffle, bingo, attendance prizes. Paid RSVPs are required in advance. Please call Jane Kuester at 618-476-1395.

Concordia UCC BBQ - **Saturday, April 20th**, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Pork steak plate, bratwurst plate, slab of ribs, potato salad, slaw, baked beans. Drive-thru and carry outs only. For more information call 476-3377.

Zion Spring Luncheon "It's a Kaleidoscope World" - **Wednesday, May 8th**, 12:00 p.m. As always you will be treated to a delicious lunch, dessert and drink; attendance prizes; entertainment (provided by Laura Schaefer-butterfly ecology); a raffle basket boutique; an opportunity to win a beautiful queen size quilt; table trinkets; fun and fellowship! We are encouraging guests to pay \$15 in advance. Send payment to Zion Church or call Carol (618-334-3266) to make a reservation. Please reply by May 3rd.

Zion Corn Hole Tournament - **Sunday, May 19th**, 1:00 p.m., Zion Park. More details to come!

St. James CCW 2024 QUILT-A-RAMA! Tickets are \$25.00 each with each winner going back into the barrel after each monthly drawing! For additional information please call Kathy Gass 618 971-6208.

Sisters in Faith/Cre8tive Souls would like to challenge everyone to share one card per week with someone. The cards will be: thank you, thinking of you, praying for you, etc. This person can be part of our congregation, community, or beyond. We would like for you to prayerfully consider who could use a card to let them know that they are thought about, prayed for, cared for or you wish that they would come join us at church, bible study, etc. Other persons who could use a card, police, fire-fighters, and servicemen, anyone who you feel could use a card. We will provide cards with envelopes or you are more than welcome to use your own cards. If you are willing, we would also like to hear back if you receive a response from someone whom you have shared a card with that their life was impacted in some way. Please sign the cards as an individual and include - "A Member of Zion Evangelical Church".



March 24, 2024
In the Hospital
Diane Mehrmann
Lucille Reece
Elaine Morris

PRAYER REQUESTS

Steve & Gerry Albert
Bruce Alberter
Emily Alberter
Donna Altermeier
Brayden Baer
Arik Barnes
Linda Barth
Wanda Basse
Marilyn Beil
Roche Beine
Trish Bell
Cindy Bertelsmann
Roberta Billhartz
Lindsay Bourn & Family
Baby Levi Boyle
Joyce Brand (Janice Seidlitz's Mother)
Shirley Brandenburger
Toby Brown
Jamie Case
Steve Crook
Colsen Davinroy
Roger Davis
Sheila Davis (Jessi Doerr's Mother)
Family of Maria DeJesus Mejia
Ann Dietrich
Melissa Dietrich
Bill Ditch
Arlene Dohrman
Annie Dulle
Mark Eckman
Mark Emring
Linda Eurgil
Fritz Fritzingler
Marilyn Gallagher (Linda Hopfinger's Aunt)
Lynn Gass
Brenda Goudey
Mary (Boerke) Graham
Pearl Griebel
Adalyn Harres

Carol & Jim Haury
Rich Heitz
Gary Helfrich
Jack Higgins
Willie Holdener
Charlotte Hoock
Mary Hund
Daryl Jones
Gary & Sharon Jones
Steve Jones
Travis Jones
Joyce Kasper
Jeff Kistner
Billy Klopmeier
Scott (Barbra Knoth's Son)
Jim Kostelac
Elizabeth Koval
Tom & Renee Kreher
Kathy Kuehner
Family of Jessica LaDuke
Lucille Lang
Connie Mack
Richard Madden (Kathi Trent's Brother)
Erin Mahoney
Diane Mehrmann
Charlotte Mehrtens
Jan Morrin
Elaine Morris
Lance Morris
Anna Belle Muskopf
Dean Norrenbem
Andrea Nunnally (Bill Savering's Niece)
Karen O'Donnell
Jim O'Saben
Jerry Obst
Loraine Obst
Baby Ariela Oliver
Pat Parrish (Wayne Jones's Sister)
Janet Pauketat
Don Pellmann
Stephanie Poletti

Josie Potter
Lois Potter
Diane Pulcher
Bruce Reece
Lucille Reece
Family of Dottie Rick
Dottie Rickard (Adam Hubb's Grandmother)
Rich Riemann
Donna Ritson
Family of Jim & Susan Savering
Jan & Cindy Schneider
Jim Scott
Mitch Scott
Sheila Seagal
Janice Seidlitz
Nancy Smith
Shelly Smith
Mike Speichinger
Edgar Stallmann
Willis & Doris Steiger
Mary Stevenson
Lisa Taake
Steve Tade
Ray Teliczan
Mike Toenjes
Lillian Tracy
Kathi Trent
Elizabeth Tubbs
Baby Ty
Lacey Grace Valentine
Mark Vandermyde
Bill & Donna Ward
Joan Wilkins
Jeffrey Willey
Jim Wilshire
Crue Wilson
Marge Woehlke
Bart & Kelley
JOYS

To add a name to our prayer list, please locate a communication card in the pews. Provide the name, address, phone, and reason for the prayer request - place the card in the offering plate or give it to an usher. You may also contact the church office. Members of our prayer team will pray daily for everyone on our list. (Contact Barbara Hohlt for more information (476-1750)). Names will be left on the list for one month unless you contact Barbara Hohlt or the church office.

SERVING OUR COUNTRY Sgt. Anthony Hanson, Jr., Kenny Wolf, Brandon Lester, Kory Klein, Michael Barnes, Erin Green, Adam Stern, Joe Morris, Derek Ferguson, Kasey Davis, Peter Blades serving overseas; Samantha Glaeser, Jesse Eimer, Jason Parrish, Chris Lewis, Sharon Wirth, Robin Davis, Al Wirth, Tristen & Stefan Caswell, and Joshua Trent serving in the States. Families of Service men and women in Afghanistan who lost their lives in the terrorist attack.

Calendar of Events for Zion Evangelical Church

- Sunday, March 24 - Palm Sunday, Rite of Confirmation, Food Pantry**
 Confirmation Photos..... 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday School/Conf..... 9:00 a.m.
 Worship Service..... 10:15 a.m.
- Monday, March 25**
 Preschool..... 8:15 a.m.
- Tuesday, March 26**
 Z-Team..... 8:30 a.m.
 Garden Place Bible Study 1:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, March 27**
 No Preschool
- Thursday, March 28 - Maundy Thursday**
 Quilting..... 9:00 a.m.
 Lenten Meal 6:00 p.m.
 Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 p.m.
- Friday, March 29 - Good Friday, Office Closed**
 No Preschool
 Chair Yoga 10:00 a.m.
 Cross Walk-Starts at Garden Place 12:00 p.m.
- Saturday, March 30**
- Sunday, March 31 - Easter, Conf. 1st Communion, Deacon's Fund**
 Sunrise Service 7:00 a.m.
 Breakfast..... 8:00 a.m.
 Sunday School Easter Egg Hunt. 9:00 a.m.
 Worship Service/Conf. 1st Communion 10:00 a.m.

Council Duties

<u>Sunday, March 24</u>	<u>Thursday, March 28</u>	<u>Sunday, March 31 (7 a.m.)</u>	<u>Sunday, March 31 (10 a.m.)</u>
Andrew Taake	Andrew Taake	Betty Keller Timmer	Josh Seidlitz
Kurt Pellmann	Barb Scharf	Darren Doerr	Andrew Taake
		Sherry Wynn	Kurt Pellmann

Easter Egg Hunt

Please donate candy for our Sunday School Easter Egg Hunt at 9:00 a.m. on Easter Sunday, March 31st

March 17, 2024

Giving: \$1,987.00

Attendance: 70

March 20, 2024

Giving: \$430.00

Attendance: 21



Food Pantry - Our food pantry list for the month of March is: instant potatoes, jelly, Hamburger Helper, and Jello or pudding. The month of April is: cake mixes/ frosting, cereal, jelly, and mac and cheese.

Can Tabs for Ronald McDonald House -- Congregation Member Eric Wolfmeier is a Firefighter in Belleville. His Firehouse is collecting can tabs, keys, and money for the Ronald McDonald House. Please drop off any you collect at the Church. Amanda will have a receptacle labeled for these. Thank you for helping out.

Confirmation Class of 2024

Zion Evangelical Church



*117 W. White St.
Millstadt, IL 62260*

March 24th, 2024

Confirmation Vows

We come to the Vows our Confirmands make confirming their own faith in Jesus, to be His Baptized followers. I also invite all Christians in our congregation to renew your commitment to Jesus Christ by reconfirming these vows for yourself. You may do this silently in your pew, or you may speak these vows out loud if you are so moved.

So now I ask you before this assembly and in the presence of the Lord our God, who knows the secrets of all hearts:

1. *Do you believe in the Triune God: the Father, the Son, & the Holy Spirit, who are 3 persons yet the One & Only True & Holy Eternally Living God? If so answer:*

I believe in the Triune God!

2. *Do you believe that God loves you personally, & has a plan for your life? If so answer:*

I believe in God's love & plan for my life!

3. *Do you acknowledge yourself to be a sinner in the sight of God & without hope for your salvation except in His sovereign grace & mercy? If so answer:*

I acknowledge myself a sinner & trust in God's grace alone!

4. *Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, incarnate in human flesh, who is the only Savior for sinners? If so answer:*

I believe Jesus Christ is the only Savior!

5. *Do you receive Jesus & depend on Him alone for your salvation? If so answer:*

I receive Jesus Christ as my personal Lord!

6. *Do you promise, relying on the grace & power of the Holy Spirit, to live as a faithful follower & witness of the Lord Jesus Christ? If so answer:*

I seek to follow Jesus, with the help of the Holy Spirit!

7. *Do you promise, again relying on the Holy Spirit, to serve the Lord Jesus by regularly & faithfully supporting & participating with this congregation as it worships & serves God, & ministers to the needs of others? If so answer:*

I seek to serve Jesus, with the help of the Holy Spirit!

8. *Finally, do you submit yourself to the constitution & by-laws of Zion Evangelical Church, & so promise to promote the Unity, the Purity, & the Peace of this church & of the Church Universal? If so answer:*

I seek the Unity, Purity & Peace of the Church, with the help of the Holy Spirit!

Katelyn Marie Allen

Parents: Robert Allen & Marcia (Gaulrapp) Twellman

Born: 8/23/2010 Baptized: 8/19/2012

Zion Evangelical Church in Millstadt, IL

Sponsors: Lori Gaulrapp, Evan & Kirby (Forbeck) Vogt

Confirmation Verse: **1 Peter 3:4**

Let your adorning be the hidden person of the heart with the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which in God's sight is very precious.

Wesley Rhymer Hale

Parents: Michael Hale & Stacie (Rhymer) Grootenboer

Born: 6/26/2009 Baptized: 12/6/2009

United Methodist Church (UMC) in Shipman, IL

Sponsors: The members of Shipman UMC

Confirmation Verse: **Revelation 3:20**

Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with Me.

Josephina Leigh Riemann

Parents: Mark & Kelly (Woehlke) Riemann

Born: 11/29/2009 Baptized: 1/3/2010

Zion Evangelical Church in Millstadt, IL

Sponsors: Damon Riemann, Stacy Woehlke

Confirmation Verse: **1 Peter 4:10**

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as stewards of God's grace.

Elle Elaine Weaver

Parents: Bryan & Shannon (Harries) Weaver

Born: 3/8/2010 Baptized: 3/13/11

Zion Evangelical Church in Millstadt, IL

Sponsors: Blake & Angie (Jackson) Weaver

Confirmation Verse: **1 Corinthians 9:25**

Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last for ever.