



*The
Miracle
of Easter
is
Love.*

The Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world. 1 JOHN 4:14

Zion Evangelical Church

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7:00 a.m. Organist – Mrs. Mary Lu Bretsch 10:00 a.m. Organist – Mr. Clark Ferry

Easter – March 31st, 2024 @ 7:00 & 10:00 am

PRELUDES – 7:00 am “*GOD So Loved the World*” *arr. Albin Whitworth*

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES / ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

Gathering in to Praise GOD the FATHER, SON and HOLY SPIRIT!

* 7:00 am RESURRECTION SONGS “*CHRIST the LORD Is Risen Today*” #270

* 10:00 am “*O Worship the Risen CHRIST*” Video by Matt Boswell & Matt Papa

What Name is the praise of the heavens above. That enraptures the wonder of Angels?
Whose Glory outshines all the burning of suns. And shall blaze all the brighter through ages?

Chorus

O praise the ONE, the Risen CHRIST. The Name of names, the Lord of Life.

Let songs of joy now fill the skies. HE lives, HE lives, O Worship the Risen CHRIST.

What morning has known such a glorious light. And what hour beheld such a promise.
When HE who was slain dawned the end of all night. When HE rose to crush death and our darkness.

Chorus

From Heaven to Earth, for a people HE came. From the Earth bore our sin unto Calv’ry.

From Calv’ry HE sank to the depths of the grave. From the grave unto infinite glory.

Chorus

What riches of hope, now what treasures are mine. What a blessed foretaste of redemption.
What oceans of happiness when we meet CHRZIST. And we’re swept into HIS resurrection.

Chorus

* CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive) Selected verses from 1 Corinthians 15

Pastor CHRIST has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

People For as by man came death, by man has come the resurrection.

Pastor For as in Adam all die, so in CHRIST all will be made alive.

People I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed —

Pastor For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality.

People When the perishable is clothed with the imperishable,

Pastor Then the saying that is written will come true: “Death has been swallowed up in victory.”

People “Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?”

Pastor The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

People But thanks be to GOD! HE gives us the victory thru our LORD JESUS.

Praying and Offerings to GOD!

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

OFFERING - 7:00 am **"I Know That My Redeemer Liveth"** arr. Gordon Young

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 **"Doxology"** #668

**Praise GOD from whom all blessings flow, Praise HIM all creatures here below,
Praise HIM above ye heavenly hosts, Praise FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST.**

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Listening to the LORD!

SOLO - 7:00 am - Mrs. Patti French **"In the Garden Medley"** arr. ???

READING OF GOD'S WORD 7:00 am Acts 10:39-43 (p 957), 10:00 am Romans 6:4-11 (p 981)

MESSAGE 7:00 am **"3 Resurrection Witnesses"**, 10:00 am **"Walk in the Newness of Life"**

Communing With CHRIST!

* COMMUNION HYMN **"HE is LORD"** #277

HE is LORD, HE is LORD! HE is risen from the dead, and HE is LORD!

Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess, That JESUS CHRIST is LORD!

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Dear FATHER, I acknowledge my many sins which I have committed by thoughts, words and deeds, from disbelief, ingratitude, unfaithfulness, and lack of brotherly love. I have no other comfort or trust than YOUR grace, which abounds above my guilt. Longing after this grace, I say: FATHER, I have sinned against heaven and in YOUR sight and am not worthy to be called YOUR child. Hear my personal silent confession.

(please pray in silence)

O LORD, I come to YOUR SON'S table of grace, to ask of YOU pardon and peace, for new confidence towards YOU, and for help to lead an ever more righteous life thru YOUR HOLY SPIRIT. In JESUS' Name I pray, Amen!

* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS from John 6:54

Whoever eats MY flesh and drinks MY blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.

* INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH **"Apostle's Creed"** Back Cover of Hymnal

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.

* EVANGELICAL CATECHISM

"Question #128"

What does our communion daily require of us?

Our communion requires that we daily keep in remembrance the crucifixion of our LORD JESUS, and that we consider well how hard it was for our SAVIOR to bear our sins and the sins of the whole world, and to gain eternal salvation for us by offering up HIS life and shedding HIS blood. And since our sins caused the LORD JESUS the greatest sufferings, yea bitter death, we should have no pleasure in sin, but earnestly flee and avoid it; and being reclaimed by our SAVIOR and REDEEMER we should live, suffer and die to HIS honor, so that at all times and especially in the hour of death we may cheerfully and confidently say: LORD JESUS, for THEE I live, for THEE I suffer, for THEE I die! LORD JESUS, THINE will I be in life and death! Grant me, O LORD, eternal salvation! Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

Back Cover of Hymnal

SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

10:00 am First Communion for the Confirmands and their Families

Katelyn Allen

Wesley Hale

Josephina Rjemann

Ella Weaver

Congregational Communion

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Going out to serve GOD!

* 7:00 am COMMITMENT HYMN

"HE Lives"

#269

* 10:00 am

"THINE is the Glory"

#138

* BENEDICTION

from Philippians 3:10

May you know CHRIST and the power of HIS resurrection, Amen and Amen!

*POSTLUDES - 7:00 am

"CHRIST the Lord is Risen Today"

arr. Gordon Young

Calendar of Events for Zion Evangelical Church

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 Communion10:00 a.m.

Monday, April 1

No Preschool

Tuesday, April 2

Z-Team..... 8:30 a.m.
 Garden Place Bible Study 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 3

Preschool..... 8:15 a.m.
 Bible Study 11:00 a.m.

Thursday, April 4

Quilting..... 9:00 a.m.
 Sisters in Faith..... 12:00 p.m.

Friday, April 5

Preschool..... 8:15 a.m.
 Chair Yoga 10:00 a.m.

Saturday, April 6

Sunday, April 7 - Communion

Sunday School/Conf..... 9:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 10:15 a.m.

Council Duties

Sunday, March 31 (7 a.m.)

Betty Keller Timmer
 Darren Doerr
 Sherry Wynn
 Kurt Tegtmeier

Sunday, March 31 (10 a.m.)

Josh Seidlitz
 Andrew Taake
 Kurt Pellmann
 Barb Scharf

Sunday, April 7

Annette Hund
 Betty Keller Timmer
 Darren Doerr
 Sherry Wynn

March 24, 2024

Giving: \$2,136.00

Attendance: 90



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.



March 31, 2024
In the Hospital
Diane Mehrmann

PRAYER REQUESTS

Steve & Gerry Albert
Bruce Alberter
Emily Alberter
Donna Altemeier
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
Family of Maria DeJesus Mejia
Ann Dietrich
Family of Rich Dietrich
Melissa Dietrich
Bill Ditch
Arlene Dohrman
Annie Dulle
Mark Eckman
Mark Emring
Linda Eurgil
Family of Joan Fishbein
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 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
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
Ron Schroeder
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
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.

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.

Evangelical Association Regional Gathering, **Saturday, April 13th**. On April 13th Pastor Darrell and others from Zion will attend the Evangelical Association (EA) Gateway Regional Event, which will be held at the Femme Osage Church (4360 Cappeln Osage Rd, Augusta, MO 63332). It goes from 9:30 am till 2:30 pm. Flyers are on the Church Bulletin Board. Marjie and I are going along with Council Member, Josh Seidlitz. We are inviting our Council and Congregation to join with us and people from EA Churches in Missouri, Southern Illinois and Southern Indiana. We will be carpooling from the Church Parking Lot at 7:00 am. So give me a call (618-972-6010) if you would like to join us.

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/Creative 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, firefighters, 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".



IN HONOR:

Our Family
Church Family &
Timmer Family
Josephina Riemann
Confirmation Class
Wyatt, Henry, Olivia,
Oliver, Lucy & Sam
Chuck & Lola Wynn
Carson Rolland & Lane Bates

PLACED BY:

Les & Kay Mehrtens
Robert Timmer

Mom, Dad & Ali
BCE
Annette & Mike Hund

Art & Sherry Wynn
Charlotte Mehrtens



IN MEMORY:

Milton & Wilma Haas
Herman & Dolly Pellmann
Lester Germann
Ginny Harres
Our Parents
Our Parents
Robert & Marilyn Stumpf,
Albert & Irene Werner,
Alfred & Ruth Stumpf
Richard & Anita Eckert,
Roy & Ardell Eckert,
James & Mary Eckert
Don Mehrtens

PLACED BY:

The Haas Family
The Family
His Family
Ken Harres Family
Darrell & Debbie Doerr
Annette & Mike Hund
Barb Scharf & Family

Randy & Donna Eckert

Charlotte Mehrtens

DONATION TO MEMORIAL FUND

IN MEMORY:

Lori Woehlke

BY:

Mary Lu Bretsch