

God loves me...He loves me...

He loves me...

The time will never come when He loves me not.

I have loved thee with an everlasting love.

JEREMIAH 31:3



Zion Evangelical Church

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

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April 7th, 2024

PRELUDES

LIGHTING CANDLES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS / GREETING ONE ANOTHER / RINGING BELLS

Praising FATHER, SON and HOLY SPIRIT!

* PRAISE SONG

“*Rejoice*” Video

by Keith & Kristen Getty

**Rejoice in the LORD now and always, Sing it again we rejoice
Delight in the love HE has shown us, Gratefully lift up your voice
HIS gentleness among us, Will join our hearts with praise
We gather in HIS goodness, A family of grace**

Chorus:

**With each breath HE's given, Praise the LORD
In these times we live in, we will praise the LORD
Throughout every season, I am sure, We have every reason to praise the LORD**

**Rejoice and be anxious for nothing, Praying for all that you need
Come with a song of thanksgiving, Lay your requests at HIS feet
HIS peace will fall upon us, To guard our hearts and minds
In CHRIST who reigns eternal, The shepherd of our lives**

Chorus

**Rejoice in the LORD now and always, Tell of the good HE has done
Worship the LORD to remember, All of the joy yet to come
The hope that burns within us, The dark cannot destroy
With praise that's never ending, We say again rejoice**

Chorus

**We have every reason to praise the LORD
We have every reason to praise the LORD**

* CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

from Luke 1:13-17

Pastor But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for your prayer is heard, and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John.

People You will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth;

Pastor For he will be great before the LORD, and he shall drink no wine nor strong drink, and he will be filled with the HOLY SPIRIT, even from his mother's womb.

People He will turn many of the sons of Israel to the LORD their GOD,

Pastor And he will go before HIM in the spirit and power of Elijah,

People To turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready for the LORD a people prepared."

Confessing Your Sins to the LORD!

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

FATHER GOD, forgive us when we have confessed our sins without adding repentance - which is the commitment to changing our lives with **YOUR** help. **SPIRIT of GOD**, search our hearts and reveal to us what we need to confess to **YOU** and repent of this day, in order to be in a right relationship with **GOD**. Now receive our silent confession
(please pray in silence)

SON of GOD, receive us so that we may be blessed with healing of body, mind, and soul. For we pray in **JESUS' Name**. Amen!

* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS from 1 John 1:7
I we walk in the light, as GOD is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of JESUS HIS SON cleanses us from all sin.

* RESPONSE 2 times #63
"Awesome GOD"
**Our GOD is an awesome GOD; HE reigns from heaven above,
With wisdom, power and love; Our GOD is an awesome GOD**

Listening to the LORD!

READING OF GOD'S WORD Malachi 4:4-6 (p 830)
SERMON *"Has Your Heart Turned"*

Praying to GOD!

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

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

OFFERING

April Mission is Compassion, supporting needy children around the world. Loose cash offerings, checks or envelopes designated "Compassion" supports this mission. Please give generously.

* RESPONSE #124
"JEHOVAH Jireh"

JEHOVAH Jireh, my Provider, **HIS** grace is sufficient for me, for me, for me.

JEHOVAH Jireh, my Provider, **HIS** grace is sufficient for me.

My GOD shall supply all my needs, According to **HIS** riches in glory.

HE will give **HIS** angels charge over me.

JEHOVAH Jireh cares for me, for me, for me. **JEHOVAH Jireh** cares for me.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Communing with JESUS CHRIST!

* COMMUNION HYMN vs 1 #105
"Grace Greater Than Our Sin"

Marvelous grace of our loving **LORD**, **Grace** that exceeds our sin and our guilt!
Yonder on Calvary's mount out-poured - **There** where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.
Grace, grace, GOD's grace, Grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
Grace, grace, GOD's grace, Grace that is greater than all our sin!

* 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION / 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.

SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

Hold the Bread and then the Cup until the Pastor says, *"Take and eat / drink"*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Going out to Serve GOD!

* COMMITMENT HYMN

"Just a Closer Walk with THEE"

#473

* BENEDICTION

from 2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of the Lord JESUS CHRIST and the love of GOD and the communion of the HOLY SPIRIT be with you all.

* SUNG BLESSING

"Blest Be the Tie"

vs 1 & 4, #389

**Blest be the tie that binds, Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds, Is like to that above.**

**When we asunder part, It gives us inward pain;
But we shall still be joined in heart, And hope to meet again.**

* POSTLUDES

Calendar of Events for Zion Evangelical Church

Sunday, April 7 - Communion

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

Monday, April 8 - Pastor Vacation

Preschool..... 8:15 a.m.
Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 9

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

Wednesday, April 10

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

Thursday, April 11

Quilting..... 9:00 a.m.
Garden Place Worship 2:00 p.m.

Friday, April 12

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

Saturday, April 13

EA Regional Gathering (in Augusta, MO) 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 14

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

Council Duties

Sunday, April 7

Annette Hund
Betty Keller Timmer
Darren Doerr
Sherry Wynn

Sunday, April 14

Kurt Tegtmeier
Josh Seidlitz
Andrew Taake
Kurt Pellmann

March 28, 2024

Giving: \$394.00
Attendance: 30

March 31, 2024 (7 a.m.)

Giving: \$1,505.00
Attendance: 90

March 31, 2024 (10 a.m.)

Giving: \$3,616.00
Attendance: 113



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.



April 7, 2024
In the Hospital

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 Boun & 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
Don Pellmann
Mari 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
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 Cappelin 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, 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".



Zion's Spring Luncheon

It's a Kaleidoscope World

Wednesday, May 8, 2024
12:00 noon

Zion Evangelical Church
117 West White Street • Millstadt
618-334-3266 (Carol H.)

Price: \$15

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WE ARE ENCOURAGING GUESTS TO PAY \$15 IN ADVANCE

Please send this form to Sisters in Faith • 117 West White Street • Millstadt, IL • 62260

NAME: _____

SEAT WITH: _____
(NAME OF CHURCH OR INDIV.)

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____
(MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO SISTERS IN FAITH)

Please reply by Friday, May 3rd