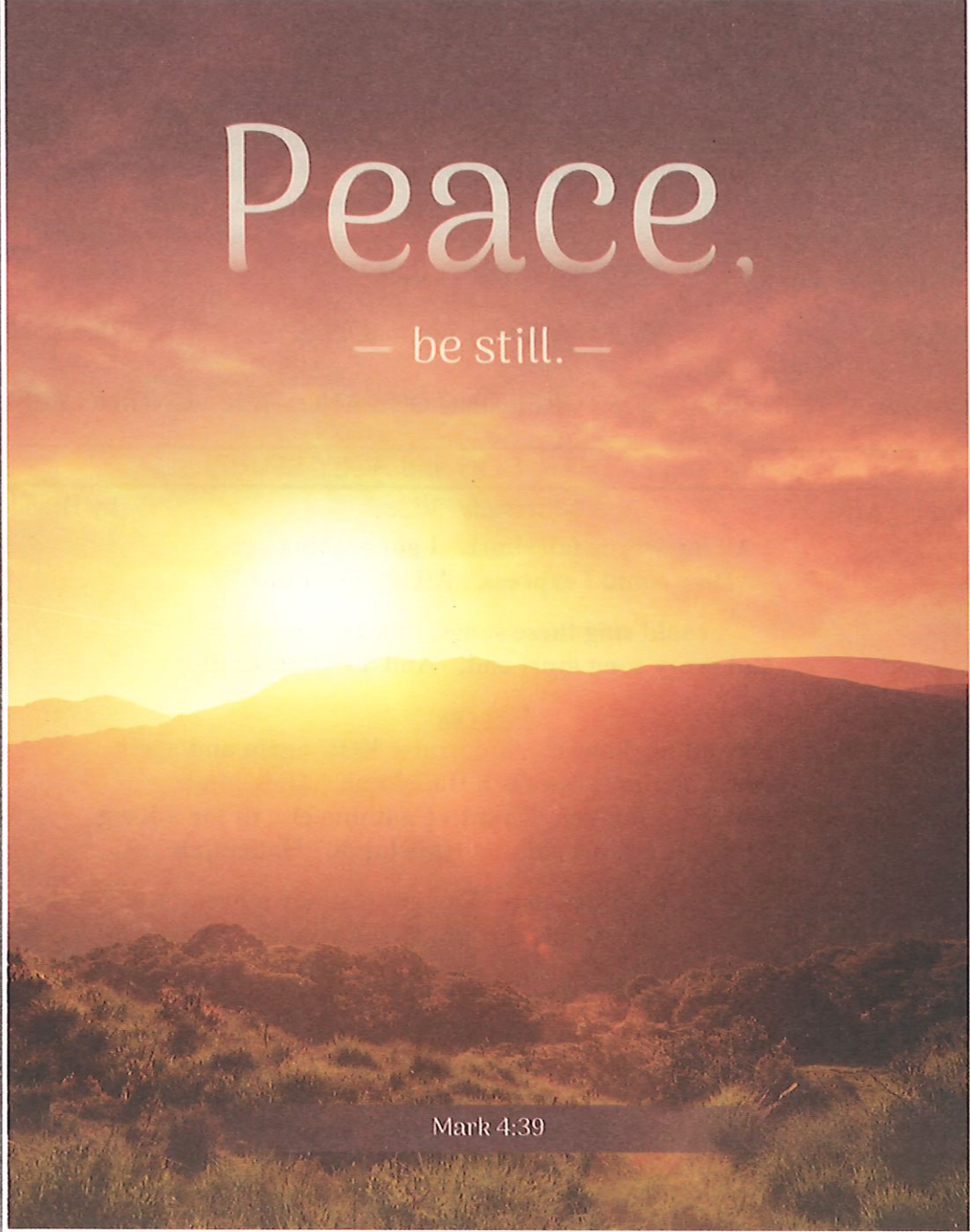


Peace.

— be still. —

Mark 4:39



Zion Evangelical Church

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

Pastor: Darrell Weber CCLI License #1636898/20459364. Organist: Mrs. Mary Lu Bretsch

Guest Pastor – Gary Franke from Bethesda Evangelical Church in South St. Louis

April 21st, 2024

PRELUDES

“My Faith Looks Up to THEE”

arr. Gordon Young

LIGHTING CANDLES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS / GREETING ONE ANOTHER / RINGING BELLS

Praising FATHER, SON and HOLY SPIRIT!

* PRAISE HYMN

“Gratitude” Video

by Brandon Lake

All my words fall short, I got nothing new,
How could I express, All my gratitude?

I could sing these songs, As I often do,
But every song must end, And YOU never do

Chorus

So I throw up my hands, And praise YOU again and again
'Cause all that I have is a Hallelujah, Hallelujah
And I know it's not much, But I've nothing else fit for a King
Except for a heart singing Hallelujah, Hallelujah

I've got one response, I've got just one move,
With my arm stretched wide, I will worship YOU

Chorus

Come on, my soul, Oh, don't you get shy on me, Lift up your song,
'Cause you've got a lion inside of those lungs, Get up and praise the LORD
(Repeat 2 more times)

Chorus

* CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

from Psalm 25:1-5

Leader: To YOU, O LORD, I lift up my soul; in YOU I trust, O my GOD.

People: Do not let me be put to shame, nor let my enemies' triumph over me.

Leader: No one whose hope is in YOU will ever be put to shame, but they will be put to shame who are treacherous without excuse.

People: Show me YOUR ways, O LORD, teach me YOUR paths.

Unison: Guide me in YOUR truth and teach me, for YOU are GOD my Savior, and my hope is in YOU all day long.

Confessing Your Sins to the LORD!

* 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.

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)
Dear Heavenly FATHER, forgive those of us who fail to bear the fruit of righteousness for CHRIST, who fail to bring YOU glory in what we desire, think, say and do. Forgive us all as we confess our failings of this past week in this moment of silent prayer.

(please pray in silence)

Dear FATHER of Grace, Mercy, and Peace, transform our lives by the indwelling work of YOUR SPIRIT, that our lives may be used to build up CHRIST’S Church, bringing YOU Glory. In JESUS’ Name we pray. Amen!

* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS from Romans 10:10
For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

* RESPONSE *“Oh, How HE Loves You and Me”* #170

Oh, how HE loves you and me. (2 times). HE gave HIS life, what more could HE give?

Oh, how HE loves you; Oh, how HE loves me; Oh, how HE loves you and me!

Praying to GOD!

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

MORNING / 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 *“Just As I Am”* arr. Gordon Young

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 *“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 – Mrs. Patti French

“Mighty Fortress Medley”

arr. Sandi Patty

READING OF GOD'S WORD

Psalm 1:1-2 (p 465), Luke 8:1-21 (p 898)

SERMON

“Condition of the Heart”

Going out to Serve GOD!

* CLOSING HYMN

“Take My Life and Let It Be”

#534

* BENEDICTION

from Hebrews 10:22

May we draw near to GOD with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

* SUNG BLESSING

“Go Now in Peace”

by Don Besig & Nancy Price

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. GOD will go with you each hour of every day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know HE will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see.

GOD will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

* POSTLUDES

“Hail Thee Festival Day”

John Behnke

Calendar of Events for Zion Evangelical Church

Sunday, April 21 - Guest Pastor Gary Franke

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

Monday, April 22

Preschool..... 8:15 a.m.
 VBS Decorating..... 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday, April 23

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

Wednesday, April 24 - Secretary's Day

Preschool..... 8:15 a.m.
 VBS Decorating..... 9:00 a.m.
 Bible Study 11:00 a.m.

Thursday, April 25

Quilting..... 9:00 a.m.
 VBS Decorating..... 6:30 p.m.

Friday, April 26

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

Saturday, April 27

Sunday, April 28 - Food Pantry

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

Council Duties

Sunday, April 21

Barb Scharf
 Annette Hund
 Betty Keller Timmer
 Darren Doerr

Sunday, April 28

Sherry Wynn
 Kurt Tegtmeyer

April 14, 2024

Giving: \$2,092.00

Attendance: 49



Food Pantry - Our food pantry list for the month of April is: cake mixes/frosting, cereal, jelly, and mac and cheese. **The month of May is:** cornbread mix, canned vegetables, paper towels, and Jello or pudding.

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 21, 2024
In the Hospital

PRAYER REQUESTS

Steve & Gerry Albert
Family of Bruce Alberter
Donna Altemeier
Brady Arnold
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
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 Lucille Lang
Connie Mack
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

Bruce Reece
Lucille Reece
Dottie Rickard (Adam Hubb's Grand-mother)
Rich Riemann
Donna Ritson
Shelby Ruckreigel
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
Steve Tade
Ray Teliczan
Mike Toenjes
Lillian Tracy
Elizabeth Tubbs
Emily Twellman
Baby Ty
Lacey Grace Valentine
Mark Vandermyde
Bill & Donna Ward
Andi Weber
Joan Wilkins
Jeffrey Willey
Jim Wilshire
Crue Wilson
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.

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**, 12:30 p.m. Games start at 1:00 p.m., Zion Park. \$5 per person, cash prizes for top 3 teams. Bring your own snacks and drinks. Call or text Andrew (618-973-1006) to reserve your spot by May 12th.

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".

Join us for a Cornhole Tournament!

Sunday May 19th at 12:30 p.m. Games begin at 1:00 p.m.

Zion Park 840 S. Jefferson Street

\$5/person, paid at the event

Cash Prizes for top 3 teams!

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