

Zion & St. James Lutheran Churches of Martin County, Minnesota



*Pastor John Henry*

**Forth Sunday of Easter**  
*May 8, 2022*



**Regarding Membership and the Holy Communion**

We believe that, in the Holy Communion, the bread is truly Christ's Body and the wine is truly His Blood, given to us to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins. As we receive this gift individually, we profess that we are truly one body in Christ—that we are united in one faith and teaching (doctrine). Ordinarily, full participation in this Holy Communion is reserved for those who are members in good standing of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. ***Any visitors or guests who desire to partake of the Body and Blood of Christ are asked to please speak with the Pastor or an Elder before the service.***

**Opening Hymn**

*On Eagles' Wings*

**727**

**Easter Acclamation**

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

**Invocation, Confession & Absolution**

**P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

**P** ... in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Entrance Psalm

*Psalm 66:1–2*



<sup>1</sup>*Shout for joy to God, | all the earth;\**  
<sup>2</sup>*sing the glory of his name;*  
*give to him | glorious praise!*

*Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\**  
*and to the Holy | Spirit;*  
*as it was in the be- | ginning,\**  
*is now, and will be forever. | Amen.*

## Kyrie

*LSB pgs. 152-153*

*Repeated 4 times:*

**P** ...pray to the Lord.

**C** *Lord, have mercy.*

**P** *Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.*

**C** *Amen.*

## This is the Feast

*LSB pg. 155*

**C** (Refrain): *This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

*Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. (Refrain)*

*Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His. (Refrain)*

*Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:*

*Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. (Refrain)*

*For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia. (Refrain)*

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with your spirit.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### First Lesson

*Daniel 3:8–27*

<sup>8</sup>Therefore at that time certain Chaldeans came forward and maliciously accused the Jews. <sup>9</sup>They declared to King Nebuchadnezzar, “O king, live forever! <sup>10</sup>You, O king, have made a decree, that every man who hears the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, bagpipe, and every kind of music, shall fall down and worship the golden image.

<sup>11</sup>And whoever does not fall down and worship shall be cast into a burning fiery furnace. <sup>12</sup>There are certain Jews whom you have appointed over the affairs of the province of Babylon: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. These men, O king, pay no attention to you; they do not serve your gods or worship the golden image that you have set up.”

<sup>13</sup>Then Nebuchadnezzar in furious rage commanded that Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego be brought. So they brought these men before the king. <sup>14</sup>Nebuchadnezzar answered and said to them, “Is it true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, that you do not serve my gods or worship the golden image that I have set up? <sup>15</sup>Now if you are ready when you hear the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, bagpipe, and every kind of music, to fall down and worship the image that I have made, well and good. But if you do not worship, you shall immediately be cast into a burning fiery furnace. And who is the god who will deliver you out of my hands?”

<sup>16</sup>Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego answered and said to the king, “O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to answer you in this matter. <sup>17</sup>If this be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of your hand, O king. <sup>18</sup>But if not, be it known to you, O king, that we will not serve your gods or worship the golden image that you have set up.”

<sup>19</sup>Then Nebuchadnezzar was filled with fury, and the expression of his face was changed against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. He ordered the furnace heated seven times more than it was usually heated.

<sup>20</sup>And he ordered some of the mighty men of his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, and to cast them into the burning fiery fur-

nace. <sup>21</sup>Then these men were bound in their cloaks, their tunics, their hats, and their other garments, and they were thrown into the burning fiery furnace. <sup>22</sup>Because the king's order was urgent and the furnace overheated, the flame of the fire killed those men who took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. <sup>23</sup>And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, fell bound into the burning fiery furnace.

<sup>24</sup>Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished and rose up in haste. He declared to his counselors, "Did we not cast three men bound into the fire?" They answered and said to the king, "True, O king." <sup>25</sup>He answered and said, "But I see four men unbound, walking in the midst of the fire, and they are not hurt; and the appearance of the fourth is like a son of the gods."

<sup>26</sup>Then Nebuchadnezzar came near to the door of the burning fiery furnace; he declared, "Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out, and come here!" Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego came out from the fire. <sup>27</sup>And the satraps, the prefects, the governors, and the king's counselors gathered together and saw that the fire had not had any power over the bodies of those men. The hair of their heads was not singed, their cloaks were not harmed, and no smell of fire had come upon them.

**[P]** This is the Word of the Lord.

**[C]** Thanks be to God.

## **Psalm**

*Psalm 148*

<sup>1</sup>Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD from the heavens;

praise him in the heights!

<sup>2</sup>**Praise him, all his angels;**

**praise him, all his hosts!**

<sup>3</sup>Praise him, sun and moon,

praise him, all you shining stars!

<sup>4</sup>**Praise him, you highest heavens,**

**and you waters above the heavens!**

<sup>5</sup>Let them praise the name of the LORD!

For he commanded and they were created.

<sup>6</sup>**And he established them forever and ever;**

**he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.**

<sup>7</sup>Praise the LORD from the earth,  
you great sea creatures and all deeps,  
<sup>8</sup>**fire and hail, snow and mist,  
stormy wind fulfilling his word!**

<sup>9</sup>Mountains and all hills,  
fruit trees and all cedars!  
<sup>10</sup>**Beasts and all livestock,  
creeping things and flying birds!**

<sup>11</sup>Kings of the earth and all peoples,  
princes and all rulers of the earth!  
<sup>12</sup>**Young men and maidens together,  
old men and children!**

<sup>13</sup>Let them praise the name of the LORD,  
for his name alone is exalted;  
his majesty is above earth and heaven.  
<sup>14</sup>**He has raised up a horn for his people,  
praise for all his saints,  
for the people of Israel who are near to him. Praise the LORD!**

## Second Lesson

*1 Corinthians 15:42–56*

<sup>42</sup>So is it with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable; what is raised is imperishable. <sup>43</sup>It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness; it is raised in power. <sup>44</sup>It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body. <sup>45</sup>Thus it is written, “The first man Adam became a living being”; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. <sup>46</sup>But it is not the spiritual that is first but the natural, and then the spiritual. <sup>47</sup>The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. <sup>48</sup>As was the man of dust, so also are those who are of the dust, and as is the man of heaven, so also are those who are of heaven. <sup>49</sup>Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the man of heaven.

<sup>50</sup>I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. <sup>51</sup>Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, <sup>52</sup>in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. <sup>53</sup>For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. <sup>54</sup>When the perishable puts

on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:

“Death is swallowed up in victory.”

<sup>55</sup>“O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?”

<sup>56</sup>The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

**[P]** This is the Word of the Lord.

**[C]** Thanks be to God.

#### Alleluia & Verses

LSB 266

**[C]** *Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.*

*Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed.*

*Raised from the dead, He will never die again.*

*Death has no more dominion over Him.*

*Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.*

*Dying, Christ dies to sin, once for all.*

*Living, He lives to God.*

*Count yourselves as dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus, our Lord.*

*Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.*

#### Easter Acclamation

**[P]** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**[C]** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

#### Holy Gospel

John 14:1–12

**[P]** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

**[C]** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me.

<sup>2</sup>In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup>And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. <sup>4</sup>And you know the way to where I am going.”

<sup>12</sup>“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

**C** *What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?  
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of  
the Lord.  
I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the  
Lord.  
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,  
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.*

### The Preface

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** **And with your spirit.**  
**P** Lift up your hearts.  
**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**  
**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**  
**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary [...] evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus

*LSB pg. 161*

- C** *Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:  
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.  
Hosanna. Hosanna.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

### The Lord's Prayer

*inside the back cover of the hymnal*

### The Consecration

#### Pax Domini

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C** Amen.

### Agnus Dei

*LSB pg. 163*

- C** *Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.*

### Communion Hymns

<i>Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands</i>	<b>458</b>
<i>Crown Him with Many Crowns</i>	<b>525</b>
<i>Water, Blood, and Spirit Crying</i>	<b>597</b>

### Thank the Lord

*LSB pg. 164*

- C** *Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.  
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy  
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.*



### **Easter Acclamation**

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**C** He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

### **Thanksgiving & Benediction**

**P** Let us pray... who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with your spirit.

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give ☩ you peace.

**C** Amen.

### **Closing Hymn**

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

**649**

### IN OUR *Thoughts and Prayers*

#### **St James**

*Baptism Birthdays:* Joseph Gonzalez, Wyatt Luhmann, Connor Rode,  
Torri Mohwinkel, Shelby Weihe, Dristen Juhl, Lois Lenz,  
Kaleb Mohwinkel, Betty Wiederhoeft, Mariah Garlick

*Serving our Country:* Adam Quade

*Sick & In Distress:* Mitchell Wagner, Chris Enevold, Marianne Hagen,  
Myla Roskop, Eugene Simmering, Rochelle Franzen, Audrey Gable

*Homebound:* Bev Graplar, Janice Peterson, Carl Luhmann

#### **Zion**

*Baptism Birthdays:* Katelynn Sommer, Laurie Brandt, Marissa Poppe,  
Lori Grand

*Seminary Student:* Peter Preus

*Serving our Country:* Ben Peymann, Dalton Fette, Kory Brown,  
Jesse Peterson

*Sick & In Distress:* Greg Wallace, Duane Behrens, Lynn Schwieger

*Homebound:* Dale Schwieger, Arlene Darmer, Bill Peymann,  
Lenore Wendt, Norma Patsche

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**Welcome to Jayden Moeller, and Dennis & Debbie Neitzke** who have become new members at Zion. Please make them feel welcome and invite them to join in our church activities.

**2022 High School Graduates** should have received a letter regarding our Graduate Recognition Sunday on May 22nd. If you have not gotten one, please contact the office. Also, please remember to submit information on your high school and any future plans **by May 16th**. (436-5289 or sjl\_office@frontiernet.net)



- **SJL Eve Circle** reminder that May's monthly meeting has changed to Thursday, May 19th @ 7pm.
- **NFL** May meeting will be held Sunday, May 22nd @ 7pm.

**Fundraiser for the Zion Kitchen Remodel Fund** .... Cheryl Hoppe is hosting a Tastefully Simple Open House tasting at Zion on Saturday, May 14 from 2-5 pm. The kitchen fund will receive 25% of sales. If you are unable to attend, you can still help out and order at <https://www.tastefullysimple.com/p/11432599> hostess Cheryl Hoppe. You can also access it from her Facebook page. If you have any questions call/text Cheryl at 507-382-0911. Tastefully Simple has many sauces, dips, mixes, and seasonings that are delicious. Something for everyone.

At the last SJL Voter's Meeting, the decision was made to replace one of the heaters in the gym. The 30+ year old heater is no longer working and will be replaced with a 95% efficient model. Anyone interested in helping with this expense, please earmark your donation as "Gym Heater".  
Thank you ~SJL Trustees



**VOTERS MEETING**

**SJL Special Voter's Meeting will be held Sunday, May 22 @ 6:30PM.** On the agenda is information regarding the possibility of moving 7th & 8th grades to MLHS.

## MARTIN LUTHER

**Martin Luther High School's annual Pennies for Patients week starts Monday, May 9th through the 13th.** The National Honor Society conducts the Pennies for Patients fundraiser for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Its mission is to cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease, and myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and their families. MLHS has raised on average about \$500 every year for Pennies for Patients and the students always enjoy donating to this cause. Anyone willing to donate to Pennies for Patients can send their donations to MLHS at PO Box 228, Northrop, MN 56075 or drop them off by Friday, May 13th. Thank you in advance for your support.


## LYF

**LYF Higher Things Egg Fundraiser:** Free-will donation for farm fresh brown eggs from Lincoln Becker. They will be available Sundays after church in the Narthex @ SJL. Please return empty cartons if possible. If anyone else has a surplus of eggs and would like to contribute to the fundraiser contact Lynn Becker @ 230-2700. Thank you for your generous support to help the youth get to Montana in July.

**The next LYF meeting will be Sunday, May 15th at 4pm.** We will be inviting other area youth groups to join in the fun! Be watching your email for more information from Larissa.

**St John's Lutheran Church of Willow Creek** is in need of a church office secretary. If you have any questions about the position, please contact Pastor John Bennett at (507) 327-7383. Information about this position can be found at <http://stjohnswillowcreek.org/secretary.html>

**Heaven's Table Food Shelf** is celebrating their 10th Anniversary with an Open House on Saturday, May 14th, 1:30-3PM. Come for a tour of the facilities, refreshments, information about Heaven's Table Food Shelf, and an opportunity to sign up to volunteer. Food donations will be accepted. 909 Winnebago Ave, Fairmont.

		Those Serving our Lord	
		Greeters	Acolyte
SJL	5-8	Larry & Annette Bremer	Mason Engel
	5-15	Jim & Betsy Burkey & Ashley	Camrin King
Zion	5-8	Cody & Morgan Roberts	John Henry IV
	5-15	Mayson & Monica Sands	Kane Sharp

<b>THIS WEEK WITH OUR LORD:</b>		<b>May 8 - 15, 2022</b>
<b>CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:</b>		<b>Monday-Friday 8:30AM–1:00PM</b>
<b>Office phone:</b> 436-5289		<b>Email:</b> sjl_office@frontiernet.net
		<b>Website:</b> sjlnorthrop.com
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Mother's Day</b>	
	Divine Worship	(SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM
	Sunday School/Bible Class	(Z) 8:45 AM, (SJ) 9:45AM
<b>Tuesday</b>	Chapel	(SJ) 8:40 AM
<b>Wednesday</b>	LWML @ Dorie's	(Z) 1:30 PM
	Confirmation Class for 6th & 7th grades	(SJ) 4:00 PM
	<b>NO</b> 8th Grade Confirmation Class	
	Zion Trustees's Meeting	(Z) 7:00 PM
<b>Thursday</b>	Chapel	(SJ) 8:40 AM
<b>Friday</b>	Morning Bible Study	(SJ) 8:00 AM
	Individual Prayer & Absolution	(SJ) 9:15-9:45 AM
<b>Saturday</b>	Tastefully Simple Fundraiser	(Z) 2:00-5:00 PM
<b>Sunday</b>	Divine Worship	(SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM
	Sunday School/Bible Class	(Z) 8:45 AM, (SJ) 9:45 AM
	LYF Area Get Together	(SJ) 4:00 PM



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Reflecting our Stewardship – Zion			May 1, 2022
Attendance	105 (HC 64)	Home	\$3,577.70
Loose	\$207.00	Missions	\$275.00
Kitchen	\$150.00	MLHS	\$550.00

Reflecting our Stewardship – St James			May 1, 2022
Attendance	106 (HC 91)	Home	\$3,510.00
Online	\$435.56	Missions	\$25.00
Loose Plate	\$294.00	Memorial	\$25.00
SJL School Misc	\$733.80	MLHS	\$300.00
SJL Church Misc	\$1,000.00		