

THIS WEEK WITH OUR LORD: **March 5 - 12, 2023**
CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: **Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - Noon**
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Sunday Divine Worship (SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM
 Sunday School (Z) 8:45 AM, (SJ) 9:30 AM
Tuesday Chapel (SJ) 8:40 AM
Wednesday **LENT II**
 NO LWML
 Confirmation Class (6th & 7th grades) (SJ) 4:00 PM
 Confirmation Class (8th grade) (SJ) 5:00 PM
 Lenten Supper (Z) 6:00-6:45PM
 Lenten Vespers (Z) 7:00 PM
 Zion Trustee's Meeting (Z) 8:00 PM
 Choir Practice (Z) 8:00 PM
Thursday Chapel (SJ) 8:40 AM
 BOCE Meeting (SJ) 7:00 PM
Friday Morning Bible Study (SJ) 8:00 AM
Saturday Fine Arts Festival (ML)
Daylight Savings - Set your clocks ahead!
Sunday Divine Worship (SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM
 Sunday School (Z) 8:45 AM, (SJ) 9:30 AM
 NFL (SJ) 7:00 PM

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Reflecting our Stewardship – Zion			Feb 26, 2023
Attendance	90 (HC 61)	Home	\$3,172.20
Missions	\$200.00	Loose Plate	\$26.00
SJL School	\$50.00	Kitchen Repairs	\$1,000.00

Reflecting our Stewardship – St James			Feb. 26, 2023
Attendance	92 (HC 71)	Home	\$3,130.00
Loose Plate	\$108.00	Missions	\$135.00
Online	\$608.47	MLHS	\$50.00
Tuition	\$4,100.00	Ash Wed: Bethesda	\$60.00
SJL School	\$1,366.57		

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



Pastor John Henry

Second Sunday of Lent

March 5, 2023



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 *Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me* **683**

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 O almighty God, merciful Father,
C I, a poor miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserve Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
P ... in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Holy Baptism: Mia Fae Morris *LSB pgs. 268-271 Zion only*

Entrance Psalm

Psalm 25:6, 22



⁶Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your | steadfast love, *
for they have been | from of old.

²²Redeem Israel, | O God, *
out of all his | troubles.

The Litany

LSB pg. 288-289

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And with your spirit.

P Let us pray.

O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; through 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

Genesis 32:22-32

²²The same night he arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok.

²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had. ²⁴And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day has broken." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." ²⁷And he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then he said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip. ³²Therefore to this day the people of Israel do not eat the sinew of the thigh that is on the hip socket, because he touched the socket of Jacob's hip on the sinew of the thigh.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Adult Bible Study Opportunities

Sunday morning Adult Bible Class.

Zion: 8:45am, Narthex. Please join us as we study topics in The Lutheran Witness. Please bring your Lutheran Witness magazine if possible. Extra copies are available.

SJL: 9:45am, Fellowship Hall. We are using the Focus on the Family video series "That the World May Know", the current study is entitled, "What's Your Mission.... God gave an assignment to His people thousands of years ago: Bring "lost sheep" back into the love and safety of His kingdom. It's still our task today. Discover the mission that can give your life, and the lives of those around you, greater meaning than you ever imagined."

Friday Morning Bible Study is held at 8am in the Fellowship Hall at SJL. We are continuing our study on hymns of Advent and Christmas.

ISSUES, ETC. SCHEDULE:

Sundays on KSUM 1370AM - 9 am

March 5 - The Danger of Cynicism - Rev. John Koopman

March 12 - Your Unanswered Bible Questions - Rev. Bryan Wolfmueller

March 19 - Apparent Contradictions in the Events of Holy Week -
Dr. Rev Peter Scaer

March 26 - The Holy Week Hymn "The Royal Banner Forward Go" -
Rev. Will Weedon

THE LUTHERAN HOUR TODAY:

Sundays on KSUM 1370AM- 11 am

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

"An Arresting Encounter" A devoutly religious person has an arresting encounter with Jesus and learns what it means to be "born again."
(John 3:16)

Those Serving our Lord

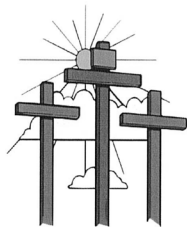
		Greeters	Acolyte
SJL	3-5	Kirk & Kay Vogt	Bryce Borkenhagen
	3-12	Heather Wiederhoeft & Jordan	Joseph Crissinger
Zion	3-5	Lon & Marilyn Oelke	Jadyn Montgomery
	3-8	Gary & Connie Peymann	7pm
	3-12		James Steuber



Worship Schedule For Lent

FEBRUARY	22	ASH WEDNESDAY Vespers	7:00PM (Z) (<u>Bethesda</u>)
	26	Divine Service	8:30AM (SJ); 10:00AM (Z)
MARCH	01	LENT I Vespers	7:00PM (Z) (<u>KSUM Broadcast for local Pastors</u>)
	05	Divine Service	8:30AM (SJ); 10:00AM (Z)
	08	LENT II Vespers	7:00PM (Z) (<u>Lutheran Bible Translators</u>)
	12	Divine Service	8:30AM (SJ); 10:00AM (Z)
(Daylight Saving begins)			
	15	LENT III Divine Service	7:00 PM (Z) (<u>Camp Omega</u>)
	19	Divine Service	8:30AM (SJ); 10:00AM (Z)
	22	Divine Service for Annunciation	7:00 PM (Z) (<u>SJ & Z Scholarship Fund</u>)
	(Annunciation observed)		
APRIL	26	Divine Service	8:30AM (SJ); 10:00AM (Z)
	29	LENT V Vespers	7:00PM (Z) (<u>MLHS</u>)
	02	PALM SUNDAY Divine Service	8:30AM (SJ); 10:00AM (Z)
	06	MAUNDY THURSDAY Div Service	7:00PM (Z) (<u>General Missions</u>)
	07	GOOD FRIDAY Vespers	7:00PM (SJ)
	09	EASTER Divine Service	6:30A (Z): 8:30A (SJ)

Serving Lenten Suppers	
ASH WED (2/22):	LWML
LENT I (3/1):	LWML
LENT II (3/8):	PTL
LENT III (3/15):	NFL
LENT IV (3/22):	BOCE
LENT V (3/29):	Eve Circle



Wednesdays in Lent
6-6:45PM Supper
7:00PM Worship

Easter Morning Brunch
Zion: 7:45AM
SJL: 9:45AM

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 38:1-3, 21-22



¹O LORD, rebuke me not in your | anger,*
nor discipline me | in your wrath!
²For your arrows have sunk | into me,*
and your hand has come | down on me.
³There is no soundness in my flesh
because of your indig- | nation;*
**there is no health in my bones
because | of my sin.**
²¹Do not forsake me, | O LORD!*
O my God, be not | far from me!
²²Make haste to | help me,*
O Lord, my sal- | vation!

Second Lesson

Romans 3:10-26

¹⁰as it is written:

“None is righteous, no, not one;

¹¹no one understands;

no one seeks for God.

¹²All have turned aside; together they have become worthless;

no one does good,

not even one.”

¹³“Their throat is an open grave;

they use their tongues to deceive.”

“The venom of asps is under their lips.”

¹⁴“Their mouth is full of curses and bitterness.”

¹⁵“Their feet are swift to shed blood;

¹⁶in their paths are ruin and misery,

¹⁷and the way of peace they have not known.”

¹⁸“There is no fear of God before their eyes.”

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

²¹But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a propitiation by

his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins.
²⁶It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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Holy Gospel

Matthew 15:21–28

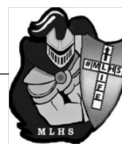
P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²¹Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²²And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon." ²³But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying out after us." ²⁴He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." ²⁵But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." ²⁶And he answered, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." ²⁷She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." ²⁸Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.



MARTIN LUTHER JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL

SJL & Zion are full association members

The **Region IV Lutheran Elementary Schools Fine Arts and Science Festival** will be held at Martin Luther JR/SR High School, Northrop on Saturday, March 11th. Students from seven schools are participating. Viewing of art and science entries and individual performances begin at 8:00 a.m. Large group music performances begin following judging completion which is expected to be around noon. A combined concert featuring "The Coloring Song" will be the grand finale. Guests are welcome to join in celebrating the God-given talents of our students in Art, Music, Science, Creative Writing and Speech. Concessions will be available. The event is free and open to the public.

Everyone is invited to a **Soup and Sandwich Lunch** at Martin Luther JR/SR High School, Northrop on Sunday, March 19th from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Serving: Homemade Chicken Noodle, Sausage Tortellini, and Cheesy Potato Soups; Beef Stew with homemade dumplings; Egg Salad and Cheese Spread on Crimp Bread; Bars; Cupcakes; Greg's Heavenly Homemade Ice Cream. Cost is a free-will donation that will go toward the Student Tuition Aid Fund.

The **March Delegate Meeting** will be held at Martin Luther JR/SR High School, Northrop on Sunday, March 19th at 1:00 p.m. in the Music Room. All delegates are encouraged to attend. The 2023-2024 budget will be presented.

The **Spring Rummage and Bake Sale** will be held at Martin Luther JR/SR High School Thursday, March 30th from 4-8 p.m.; Friday, March 31st, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and Saturday, April 1st, 8 a.m. to noon. Set up will begin on Saturday, March 25. Volunteer workers are most welcome to set up, operate the sale and help with take down. Donations of spring and summer clothing (in good condition), household items, and furniture will be accepted Saturday-Tuesday. Your help is essential to our success! Come help when you can and leave when you wish! Volunteers can sign up online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508094CACAA2DA2F94-spring1>. For more information go to www.martinlutherhs.com or call 507-436-5249.

Tickets are on sale for the **OH! What a KNIGHT Dinner Auction** that will be held at Martin Luther JR/SR High School, Northrop on Saturday, April 22nd. Auction preview and social hour will begin at 4:30 p.m. Valet parking service will be available. A dinner of bacon wrapped chicken breast will be served at 6:00 p.m. The Live Auction will follow with many fine items, experiences, and services on the docket. Tickets are \$30 each and must be purchased by April 15th and are available at area churches, the ML school office and online at www.martinlutherhs.com. Hundreds of new items, gift certificates, theme baskets and handmade items will be up for bids. Donations are welcome. Pictures and notification of donations are appreciated now with delivery of items to MLHS from April 1 until April 10. Call 507-436-5249.

Contact information updates are appreciated. Please contact the church office if your information in the Annual Report is incorrect or if you can help fill in some of the missing information.

Weather Related Announcements can be found on SJL Facebook page, or on KEYC (TV, website, Facebook page). If you are interested, KEYC has an option for notifications for any organization you chose. Download the **KEYC News Now** app on your phone, go to **Settings** and choose **Closings**, then scroll down to **St James Lutheran Church - Northrop or Zion/Fraser Lutheran - Fairmont**.

Easter Choir Practice will be held Wednesdays through Lent after the Vespers service. We will be singing on Maundy Thursday and Easter Morning. All skill levels are welcome! Please contact Heidi Koeritz if you have any questions 436-5557.



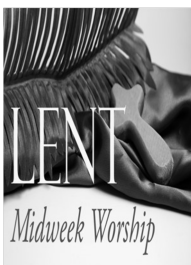
Easter Flowers available through Dee's Floral & Designs 235-9856. Last day to order is March 27th.

Easter Lily - \$18 Cyclamen - \$18
Kalanchoe - \$18 Hydrangea - \$40

Knights of Columbus Fish Boil Dinner, 920 E 10th St, Fairmont, MN. Friday March 10th, 5-7:30 pm. Suggested \$15 donation to benefit Orphan Grain Train, Veterans Services and local organizations. All you can eat Codfish, Baby Potatoes, Pearl Onions, Coleslaw, French Bread, Dessert & Beverages.

CREST is currently in need of more volunteers to help provide non-professional services to those in need in Martin County. Volunteers shop, cook, drive or just check in on many people with long-term health care needs. Even just a few hours a month can make a world of difference. Find out how good it feels to volunteer by calling the CREST office for more information today at 235-3833

Our Lenten Journey continues this week. All Wednesday services are joint and will be held at Zion at 7pm with supper served at 6. Please join us as we prepare for Easter.



LENT II: March 8th @ Zion Lutheran

PTL

will be serving supper from **6-6:45PM**

Walking Tacos, dessert and beverages

7:00pm Divine Service

Sermon Hymn *Jesus, Grant That Balm and Healing* **421**

Sermon **"Life: Resistance & Surrender"**

Nicene Creed *inside the back cover of the hymnal*

Offering

Offertory for Lent *LSB pg. 422*

C *On my heart imprint Your image, blessed Jesus, King of grace,
That life's riches, cares, and pleasures, never may Your work erase;
Let the clear inscription be: Jesus, crucified for me,
Is my life, my hope's foundation,
And my glory and salvation!*

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. 195*

C *Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the
name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.*

The Prayers of the Church

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. 198*

C *O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.*
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Communion Hymns

<i>The Lamb</i>	547
<i>Christ, the Life of All the Living</i>	420
<i>Not All the Blood of Beasts</i>	431

Post-Communion Hymn for Lent

LSB. pg. 632

C *O Jesus, blessed Lord, to Thee*
My heartfelt thanks forever be,
Who hast so lovingly bestowed
On me Thy body and Thy blood.

Break forth, my soul, for joy and say:
What wealth is come to me this day!
My Savior dwells within my heart:
How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

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

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

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Lutheran Schools in Martin County
St James Lutheran School, Martin Luther High School
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St James

Baptism Birthdays: Larry Bremer, David Rode, Lisa Gravlin,
Carole Schultze, Kris Rode, Heidi Steuber
Sick & In Distress: Mitchell Wagner, Rochelle Franzen
Homebound: Bev Graplar, Carl Luhmann

Zion

Baptism Birthdays: Mia Morris, Jeff Moeller
Seminary Student: Peter Preus
Serving our Country: Ben Peymann, Dalton Fette, Kory Brown,
Jesse Peterson
Sick & In Distress: Greg Wallace, Lynn Schwieger, Caleb Roiger
Homebound: Dale Schwieger, Lenore Wendt, Norma Patsche



Today at Zion we celebrate as Mia Fae Morris, daughter of Tyler & Mikaela, is baptized into the family of God. Her sponsors are Ellie Rose Nelson and Jackson Luhmann. May God continue to bless Mia and her family.

SPECIAL VOTERS MEETING after services **TODAY**, March 5th. This meeting will be to elect our congregational representatives to vote in the upcoming election for Synod President and VP.

Donations for Zion Church and Parsonage Repairs are still welcomed. Nearly \$12,000 has been donated towards Zion church and parsonage repairs! Your generosity has helped offset the costs of recently completed work. We are still anticipating to incur a couple of larger expenses in the near future, such as repairs to the bell tower to fix leaks and updating the parsonage windows. Please consider donating to keep our facilities in good condition. Designate donations to "Zion Repairs".
Thank you! - Zion Trustees

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