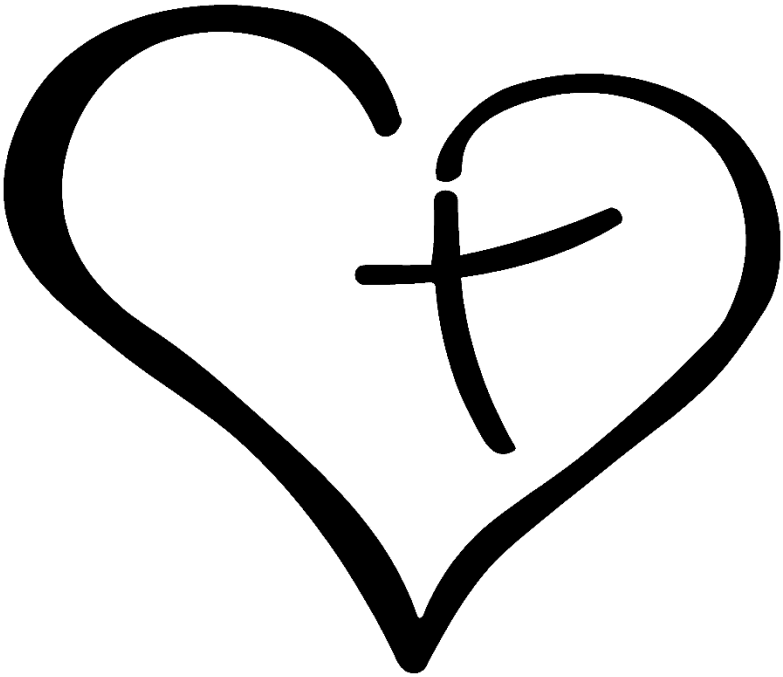


First Sunday in Lent



*God: I love you so very much;
Jesus is my gift to you forever*



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EDUCATION FOR LIFE!

Good Morning and Welcome!

Prayer before worship: *Dear Father in heaven, thank you for the gift of your Son, who endured temptations of body and soul, as he fasted and prayed. Strengthen our hearts, as we enter Lent, so we resist temptations and endure hardships, trusting in you--in Jesus' name. Amen.*

This Week's Prayer List – remember these in prayer: We pray for a portion of Zion's family and friends...Wally and Vivian Buetow; Richard Buetow; Earl and Inez Buetow; Ralph and Carol Buetow; Helen Buetow; Steve, Jen, Austin, and Carly Buetow. We pray for those under the care of a physician, undergoing treatment and therapy; for all difficulties meeting obligations, and a strong faith for every need.

LENT 2: (3:30 & 7pm) A Place for You: Service (Luke 22:14-38). Join us in worship. The meal at 4:30 is hosted by the Ladies Aid/LWML.

Youth Sledding Event Today! Today is the day for all youth to join us on the hill, from 2 – 5 PM, for some sledding! Food and hot cocoa will be provided, but if you would like to bring some munchies to share, you can. Hope to see you all there!

Sledding Thrivent Choice: Thrivent Choice donations need to be made March 31 for the year 2018. If you have an account with Thrivent that utilizes Thrivent Choice Dollars, we ask that you consider donating to Zion Lutheran Church and/or School. This is an important source of funding for Zion Lutheran Church and School and can be done online or by contacting your Thrivent agent.

Special Voters Meeting on March 11th at 8 PM to discuss the church roof. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Thank You to all who helped make Zion's Annual Breakfast and Auction a huge success! Thank you to those who donated, volunteered, joined us for the meal, and bid on our items. We were able to raise over \$18,000 for the school and we are so grateful for your help!

Hymn #418

“O Lord, throughout These Forty Days”

Confession of Sins and Absolution

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Kyrie

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Hymn of Praise – This is the Feast

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Collect of the Day

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 26:1–11

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

Romans 10:8–13

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia Verse

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Gospel Reading

Luke 4:1–13

Children’s Message

Sunday School to follow in Mr. M’s room

Sermon Hymn #706

“Love in Christ Is Strong & Living”

Called as Witnesses: The Purpose of Everyday Life!

Rejoice in the good that the Lord God has given you.

Points to ponder: Witness where you are!

1. God has crafted us: We are his W_____.
2. Being what God called you to be: V_____.
3. The purpose of your everyday life: W_____.
4. I received mercy so I could show M_____.
5. We are all in place so that we show J_____.

6. Essential part of your life is R_____.
7. Church is limited, but you are an E_____.
8. It's not "Me & Jesus" but us in C_____.
9. Cyprian: We cannot have God as a Father without the church as a M_____.

Question to consider:

Who is non-churched among you? (Unconnected with Christ)
 What bridge can be made to connect that person?

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Prayers

The Offering

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The Communion

Distribution Hymn #571

Distribution Hymn #730

"God Loved the World"

"What Is the World to Me"

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Benediction

Closing Hymn # 576 **"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"**

Pork Chop Dinner @ LHS has been CANCELLED due to the incoming weather! Please plan accordingly.

Food Shelf: March is MN State Food Shelf fundraiser. Checks should be made out to the food shelf. Paper products and soaps are needed as these are not received from Second Harvest. Canned meats and fruits, vegetables, and pasta products are also good. Thank you for your donation.

Finances

Salary:

Beginning Balance (1/1/2019)	-\$59,568.86
YTD Income	\$63,088.13
YTD Expenses	-\$77,946.34
Current Balance (3/6)	-\$74,327.07

Missions:

YTD Total (12/11)	\$6,790.00
Budgeted	\$6,310.00
Unbudgeted	\$480.00
2018 Pledged	\$7,500.00
2018 Goal	\$15,000.00

LHS:

Year to date total (12/11)	\$10,612.66
2018 Commitment	\$22,715.00
Per communicant member	\$55.00

Building/Repair Fund:

Account Balance (2/25)	\$29,786.97
Suggested household contrib.	\$550.00
Dietzel Memorial Balance	\$10,612.26

Salary Fund Donations Needed

The Salary Fund is approaching the upper limit on its borrowing potential. During the month of January, it was necessary to borrow \$12,500 to meet its commitments. Therefore, the Salary Fund bank loan stands at \$73,500 out of a maximum loan limit of \$85,000. In order to avoid the need to negotiate the loan limit upwards, we are encouraging Zion members to consider donating to this fund as they are able in the months ahead. 2019 will present financial challenges that can best be met if all of its membership joins together to meet its obligations to our church and school.

-The Finance Board

March 10th – March 16th

Sunday, 10th	Sunday Service w/Communion 9:30 AM
Monday, 11th	GBB (B Team) @ Waconia Special Voters Meeting 8 PM
Tuesday, 12th	GBB (B Team) @ Howard Lake Dartball @ Hollywood 8 PM
Wednesday, 13th	Lenten Service 3:30 PM Dinner Following Service Confirmation 5:15 PM Lenten Service 7 PM
Thursday, 14th	Chapel @ the Harbor 10:15 AM GBB (B Team) @ Watertown
Friday, 15th	Chapel 8:10 AM

March 17th – March 23rd

Sunday, 17th	Sunday Service 9:30 AM K-8 Choir & Tone Chimes
Tuesday, 19th	GBB vs. Wayzata @ Hamburg Evangelism Meeting 7:30 PM
Wednesday, 20th	Camp Omega Chapel 8:10 AM Lenten Service 3:30 PM Dinner Following Service Confirmation 5:15 PM Lenten Service 7 PM
Thursday, 21st	Chapel @ the Harbor 10:15 AM GBB @ Watertown
Friday, 22nd	Central Drive Day End of 3 rd Quater

This Week's Reader
Next Week's Reader

Jon Henschen
Loren Morschen

Answers to Sermon Questions

1. workmanship 2. vocation 3. witness 4. mercy 5. Jesus
6. relationships 7. extension 8. Christ 9. Mother
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without the church as a Mother"*