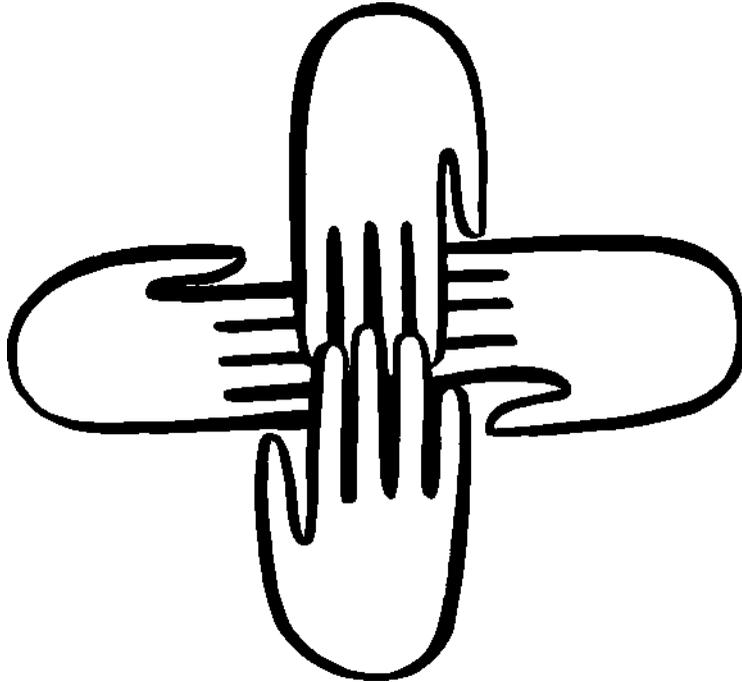


5th Sunday of Easter
ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH | IOWA CITY, IOWA
MAY 14 & 15, 2022



Zion Lutheran Church...
As God welcomes all people through the grace of Jesus, so do we seek to welcome God's people of all races, social statuses, physical and mental abilities, sexual orientations, and gender identities to be together in Christ—to love, to grow, and to serve.

Available during worship. Ask an usher for assistance.



Large
Print
Bulletins



Personal
Hearing
Devices



Child
Worship
Activities



Seat cushions
for sitting
comfort



Whether you are worshipping online or in-person, you are invited to participate in this service as you are able, by standing, sitting, praying and singing aloud as you may be moved. We may not be with you to hear you, but we join our prayers with yours, and offer them to God with joyful hearts.

Know too, that your offerings support the many ministries of Zion Lutheran, and your gift helps realize the vision of a spiritually alive world.

Thank you for your generosity, and for being part of Zion Lutheran today.

Give online:



Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church

The community of Zion Lutheran Church invites all who enter our building to join in a covenant of care for one another. Covenant language in the Bible describes the relationship God has with us through God's promise to love us and God's invitation for us to love each other. As reflectors of that love, we use covenant language to describe our relationships with each other. As the Body of Christ gathered at Zion, we invite all to join us in a covenant of care for one another.

Zion's Covenant Foundations

- As God invites and welcomes all, we hope to offer that same radical hospitality here.
- As God prioritizes those who are littlest, last or least among us, we seek to extend tenderness and patience with each other.
- Our care for each other, as beloved and equal members of the Body of Christ, should guide our interactions at all times.

Accessibility for all

Accessible washrooms are on each floor of the building.
All-gender washrooms are on the lower level and upper level.
Gendered washrooms are on the main level.
Changing stations are available in all washrooms.
Scent free zone is located in the southeast section of the pews (far left, front)
Gluten free communion option: Speak to a pastor when you receive communion.

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*Audio and video recording of this worship service is in progress.
The recording will be made available on the Zion website for public viewing.*

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Come Down, O Love Divine

arr. Howard Helvey

OPENING DIALOGUE

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

But now, this is what the LORD says-
who created you, who formed you:

“Do not fear for I have redeemed you;
I have summoned you by name; you are mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you.

When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned;
The flames will not set you ablaze.

For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior;
You are precious and honored in my sight, and I love you.

OPENING HYMN | *With High Delight Let Us Unite*

ELW (red hymn book) #368

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

And also with you.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,

al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb

who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,

al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 2 Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and

strength, and hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,

al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 3 Sing with all the peo-ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or,

glo-ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
 al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
 slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
 Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

WORD

FIRST LESSON

Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. ² So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, ³ saying, “Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?” ⁴ Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ⁵ “I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. ⁶ As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. ⁷ I also heard a voice saying to me, ‘Get up, Peter; kill and eat.’ ⁸ But I replied, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ ⁹ But a second time the voice answered from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, you must not call profane.’ ¹⁰ This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. ¹¹ At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. ¹² The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction⁵

between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³ He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; ¹⁴ he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' ¹⁵ And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. ¹⁶ And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁷ If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" ¹⁸ When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND LESSON

Revelation 21:1-6

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; ⁴ he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

⁵ And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶ Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

John 13:31-35

P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 13th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

³¹ When he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³² If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³ Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ ³⁴ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

P The Gospel of our Lord.

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

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY | *Remember and Rejoice*

ELW (red hymn book) #454

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM | *(see blue insert)*

PRAYERS

SHARING OF THE PEACE

MEAL

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

ELW (front portion of red hymn book) #144

LORD’S PRAYER (TRADITIONAL VERSION)

ELW (front portion of red hymn book) #145

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The ushers will invite you to the altar rail to receive a fellowship cup. Those who wish to remain in their pew, may pick up a fellowship cup in the narthex. You may consume it upon returning to your seat. Gluten free wafers are also available. Ushers will collect the empty fellowship cups.

Lamb of God

ELW (front portion of red hymn book) #145

I Come With Joy

ELW (red hymn book) #482

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

OFFERING

Offering plates are located at the entrance to the worship space.

BLESSING

God, the Author of life, Christ, the living Cornerstone, and the Spirit of adoption,
✠ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN | *Awake, O Sleeper, Rise from Death*

ELW (red hymn book) #452

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Let the Whole Creation Cry

arr. Anne Krentz Organ

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

9:30 a.m. Worship

Cynthia McKenzie, pastor

Presider

Jennifer Lutz, pastor

Preacher

Marlys Boote

Pianist

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