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The Second Sunday of Easter ~ April 28, 2019

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Psalm: Psalm 148
First Reading: Acts 5:12-32
Epistle Reading: Revelation 1:4-18
Gospel Reading: John 20:19-31

Sermon: "Peace Be With You" John 20:19-31 Pastor Gless

8:00 AM Hymns:

"He's Risen, He's Risen" LSB 480

"Alleluia! Jesus is Risen" LSB 474

"We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight" LSB 720

"Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me" LSB 756 [April Hymn of the Month]

"Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise" LSB 917

The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod belief about the Sacrament of the Altar:

(also called the Lord's Supper and Holy Communion)

What is the Sacrament of the Altar?

It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ [in, with, and] under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us Christians to eat and to drink. *(Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25)*

What is the benefit of such eating and drinking?

These words “given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins” show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation are given to us in the sacrament through these words.

Who receives the sacrament worthily?

The person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words “for you” require all hearts to believe. *(Martin Luther, Small Catechism).*

“We must never regard the sacrament as a harmful thing from which we should flee, but as a pure, wholesome, soothing medicine that aids you and gives life in both soul and body. For where the soul is healed, the body is helped as well. Why, then, do we act as if the sacrament were a poison that would kill us if we ate of it? Of course, it is true that those who despise the sacrament and lead unchristian lives receive it to their damnation... But those who feel their weakness, who are anxious to be rid of it and desire help, should regard and use the sacrament as a precious antidote against the poison in their systems. For here in the sacrament you are to receive from Christ's lips the forgiveness of sins, which contains and brings with it God's grace and Spirit with all his gifts, protection, defense, and power against death, the devil, and every trouble.” *Martin Luther Large Catechism*

FOR OUR GUESTS...

We are delighted to have all guests and visitors with us today! As we celebrate Holy Communion, if you have not yet been instructed in the faith, or if you hold to a faith different than the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, it is out of love that we would, for the moment, invite you to refrain from partaking of this meal until we have had a chance to talk with you about our beliefs and practices. If you desire to learn more about our practice of the Lord's Supper, you are invited to be a part of Zion's *Welcome to Worship* class which is held twice a year. In the meantime, please feel free to come forward for a blessing, placing your arms across your chest to let the pastor know you would like to receive that blessing. As our pastors desire to faithfully love and care for you, please respect our position of love on this matter. In addition to the individual cups, we also offer the **Common Cup** during the administration of the Lord's Supper. **Non-Alcoholic White Wine** is also available in the center portion of each communion tray. **Gluten free wafers** are available. Please request a gluten-free wafer from the pastor.

IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK, please include:

- *Those who are in God's care, especially our shut-ins*
- *Also for Pastor LeRoy LaPlant, Arlys Honebrink, Lorraine Thaemert, Dick Krahn, James Hagen, Carol Carlson, Lucille Farniok, Edna Ernst, Dolores Hoese, Kathy Ecklund, Myron Schuette, Lynn Zellman, Eldoras Schuette, Loren Splettstoesz, Barb Splettstoesz, Pastor Lucas Woodford, Matt Rahne, Ann Soderstrom, Ed Gless, Leon Franke.*
- *Blessings for those celebrating birthdays this week: 28-Mary Cohrs, Christian Turner; 30-Laura Guetzkow, Justin Houser, Jayce Jopp, Teagan Studer; 2-Chloe Maetzold, Caleb Shipler; 4- Jack Chmielewski, Kathy Ecklund, Daniel Lundeen.*
- *Blessings for those celebrating anniversaries this week: 26- Dan & Brenda Vinkemeier (33); 29-Gregg & Tracey Asplund (36); 1- David & Connie Rikke (37); 3- Art & Amy Knutson (28), Randy & Joan Maass (39).*
- *Our missionaries: Pastor James May and Family (Lutherans in Africa). Seminarian Mark Peters & his wife Martha (nee Buckentin) (Fort Wayne)*



PRAYER MINISTRY– Zion's Prayer Chain is available for your use! To initiate a prayer, please call one of the following contact persons: Arleen Hoese (657-1049), Marlene Jopp (657-2398), or Sharon Buckentin (657-2549). You may also use prayer cards (found in church pews) to request prayers from prayer chain or during Sunday worship.

INCLUDING CHILDREN IN WORSHIP—We welcome children in the worship service! Worship Bags for toddlers are available to help you share the worship experience with your child. They're located at the balcony stairs.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING —Operating Fund (Church, School, LHS, Missions): \$17,537.24; Help A Neighbor: \$310; Debt Reduction: \$95; Endowment Fund: \$100. *Honor the Lord with your wealth, and with the first fruits of all your income. Then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine." Proverbs 3:9-10.*

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April 28 – Easter II – “Young men and maidens together, old men and children! Let them praise the name of the Lord[!]” (Psalm 148:12-13). Every life—however little, however weak, however seemingly miserable—has been brought forth by our good God for joyful purpose. He takes hold of even the most hopeless-looking situations (Revelation 1:18) to show—and share—His abundant, everlasting life (John 20:27). Behold it, believe it, and receive it!

Adult Bible Class resumes TODAY—The Great Deceiver: For four Sundays (April 28 - May 19), Pastor Gless will be leading a class from the Lutheran Hour Ministry's series called The Great Deceiver. Though popular culture may paint the devil as a cartoon character with a pitchfork and tail, or as someone needing our sympathy, or as having gone down to Georgia, those depictions make light of his sinister and diabolical nature. His approach is straightforward; his objective is final: separate every man, woman, and child from God--forever--and then throw the switch on their complete annihilation. Into this sick and twisted plan, God threw the ultimate wrench: Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Through the suffering and humiliation of the cross, God's own Son yielded His life--not to death and defeat but, paradoxically--to life and victory--for us all, for all time.

Special Voters' Meeting: Zion will be holding a Special Voters' Meeting TODAY after second service to call a new Senior Pastor. Information on the candidates for the call are available in the narthex.

Director of the Worship Team needed: Zion Lutheran Church in Mayer is looking for a part time Director of the Worship Team for their Sunday 10:30am service. This person will work closely with Pastor(s) to organize the worship service, which includes music, musicians, etc. The ideal candidate should have a good understanding of the LCMS faith and its practice, extensive experience with selecting music, ability to play piano/another instrument/or be able to sing, as well as working with a team. They should also have knowledge of technology used during the services (i.e. PowerPoint, sound systems, etc). This is a salaried position estimated at ~10 hours per week. Interested individuals should apply at Zion's website: www.zionmayer.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS ...

Member Photo's needed: We are working on a special Mother's Day project! Please submit family/mother & child photos to Ashley in the office, by emailing



zion.mayer.office@gmail.com or by bringing them to the office for scanning. Photos will be displayed in Church and on social media.

Please do not submit photos without all parties approval. Thank you! If you have any questions, please contact the office. Please submit by May 8th.

Save the date for Zion VBS ~ June 17-21 Lift off for an intergalactic adventure with Miraculous Mission: Jesus Saves the World. Explore God's miraculous mission and learn about His plan of salvation from creation to the cross! Registration will open May 1st. Registration can be found on our website www.zionmayer.org and will also be emailed out on May 1st!



Lutheran Witness Subscriptions are due. If you are already a subscriber, it's time to renew yours. If you are not yet a subscriber, now's the time! The Lutheran Witness is the official monthly periodical of our Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. It contains many articles of interest, news from the church at large, from our LCMS and our District. To renew or subscribe, put \$19.70 in the Lutheran Witness envelope in your packet, or in any envelope marked "Lutheran Witness", and place it in the offering plate. Subscriptions are Due by May 26th.

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Graduates: We will be honoring our high school and college graduates at services on June 2nd. Parents, please submit your child's name, school they are graduating from, and their current post-graduation plans. Please submit to the office by May 22nd. High school graduates will receive a special gift from the Board of Family Ministry during the service.

National Day of Prayer is May 2nd. Join us at Zion school at 8:20 for a school wide prayer. The theme this year is "Love One Another" from the words of Jesus in John 13:34.



Celebrate Mom-Canvas Painting Event—Mayer Lutheran is hosting a canvas painting event for Mothers' Day. Saturday May 11th from 9am-11:30am. Ages 8 and up, \$35/student. There are 30 spots available. Please contact Jill Hahn to register jill.hahn@mayerlutheran.org or 952-657-2251 ext 1050

Sunday School: End of year is approaching here are the upcoming activities for Sunday School. April 28 - Sunday School class resumes, May 5 Sunday school class

May 12 Last Day of Sunday school -- Children will sing at both services. There will be a Ice Cream party during the Sunday school hour that parents are welcome to join their children for. Look for upcoming info about Sunday School registration and events. Thanks for a great year!!

Singing Friends Chorus spring concert series Church of Peace 2:00 p.m. Sunday April 28th, 424 Franklin Street Norwood/Young America, Mn. / Westview Acres Good Sam 6:40 p.m. Tuesday, May 7th Cherry Street, Waconia, Mn. / the Crossings 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 14th 200 South Olive Street Waconia, Mn. Free will donation and cookies after the concert

Camp Omega Wood Cutting Day Calling all adult volunteers! Bring your woodcutting, construction, and landscaping skills to camp for the Wood Cutting Work Day on Saturday, May 4th, 2019! Get your work clothes on, bring your trucks and chain-saws! Breakfast, Lunch and Supper served. It's been six months since the tornado struck Southern Minnesota. Many have blessed Camp Omega with their time and talents, however much work is yet to be done. So join us for a Saturday of work and fun! You can register by calling the office at (507)685-4266 or filling out a form on their website!

John 20:19 – “On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’” Fear is the opposite of faith; that is the cringing fear we have in the face of something that is hostile to us and more powerful than we are. Jesus spends a lot of His time telling the disciples to not be afraid. Our fears constantly hem us in and prevent us from following the Lord’s will. But there is no need to fear. Jesus has conquered. No fear can keep us locked up. We have been set free by Jesus for lives that declare His marvelous deeds.

ZION SCHOOL NEWS...

“Sharing Hope, Teaching Christ!”...

Zion’s website www.zionmayer.org



Chapel offerings for fourth quarter go towards the LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces. Chapel will be lead by Joel Landskroener this Wednesday.

SALT SALES – If you are in need of salt, please use the salt sheets in the narthex, or call the school office, 952-657-2339. Thank you for your support!

Our next Auction for Education will be May 4th. We will be accepting reservations through April 29. Our theme will be the Kentucky Derby! This event will include a dinner, silent auction, and live auction. Reservations are available now! *How can you help?*

-Please plan on attending the event -Spread the word and invite family and friends -Consider donating an item or asking your employer to donate an item, service, gift certificate, or sponsor the event. –Pick a Rose—Stop by the office or church and Pick a Rose that lists items to donate for the silent auction. Collect the item and drop off in the office.



Do you know any families with children entering 4 year old preschool or kindergarten? We have openings in both of these classes. Please invite them to check out what we have to offer or pass their information to Mr. Baumann.



SHARING HOPE—TEACHING CHRIST . . .
during the week of April 28th

Today:	Food Shelf Sunday	
	Worship/Holy Communion	8:00 AM
	Bible Class/Sunday School	9:15 AM
	Worship/Holy Communion	10:30 AM
	Special Voters' Meeting	11:45 AM
	Senior Youth	12:15 PM
	Financial Peace University	6:00 PM
Tuesday:	Elders Meeting	7:00 PM
Wednesday:	VBS Registration Opens	
	Chapel -VBS	8:30 AM
	Midweek Catechesis	3:45 PM
	Ladies Bible Class	7:15 PM
Thursday:	National Day of Prayer	
	Council Meeting	7:00 PM
Friday:	Zion Track & Field Day	
Saturday:	Auction for Education	5:30 PM
Next Sunday:	Worship/Holy Communion	8:00 AM
	Bible Class/Sunday School	9:15 AM
	Worship/Holy Communion	10:30 AM

SERVING THE LORD & HIS PEOPLE TODAY:

Worship Leader/Preacher: Rev. Adam Gless

Elder: Robert Luecke

Greeters: **Early:** Lyle & Joanne Hartwig, Newell & Barb Hoback, Donna Lindstrom

Late: Brad & Vicki Schultz, Gary & Holly Zajicek, Bob & Tice McPadden

Organist: Autumn Frey

Acolytes: Isaiah Wasser Julia Maetzold
Ashley Smith Sam Shipler

Powerpoint: Korinne Kramer Adam Erdman