

Second Sunday in Lent

Zion Lutheran Church
210 North Wayne Street
St. Marys, OH 45885

March 13, 2022
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Setting 3

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PRELUDE

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

Larson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Lord Jesus, Think on Me"

#599

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father,
and of the + Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: In this season of Lent, let us draw near to the Lord and examine our hearts and minds for the ways in which we have fallen short of the glory of God.

P: Most merciful God,

C: **we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.**

**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.**

**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 mercy of almighty God,

Jesus Christ was given to die for us,
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.

As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ,
and by his authority,

I therefore declare to you
the entire forgiveness of all your sins,
in the name of the Father,
and of the + Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

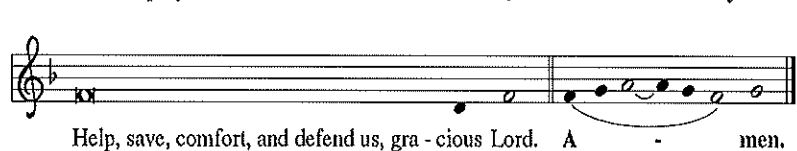
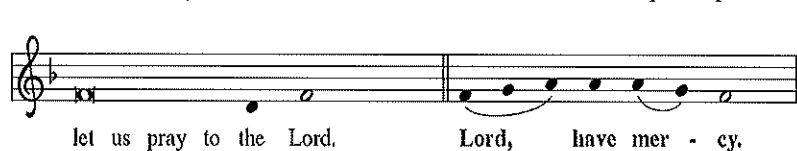
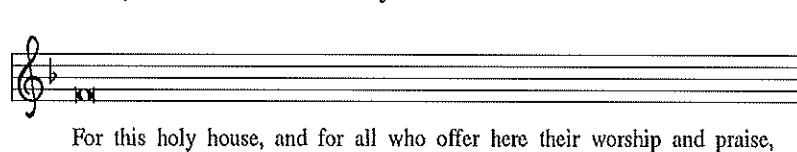
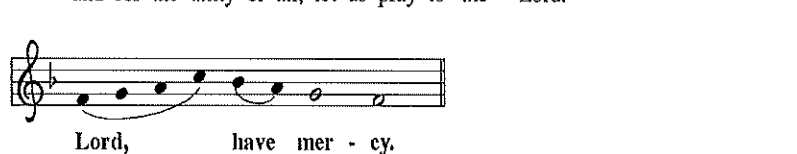
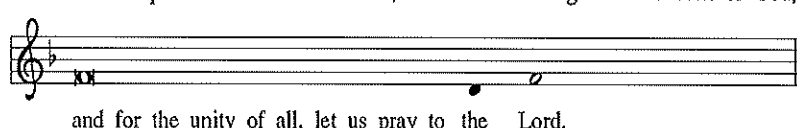
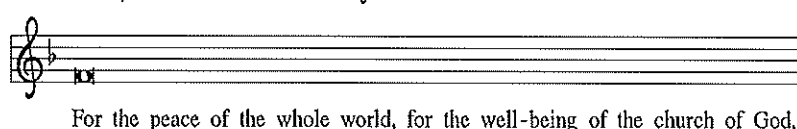
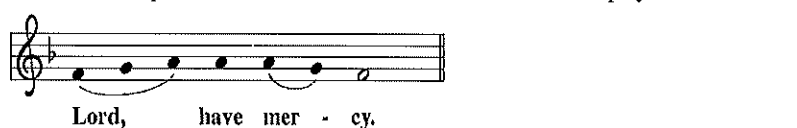
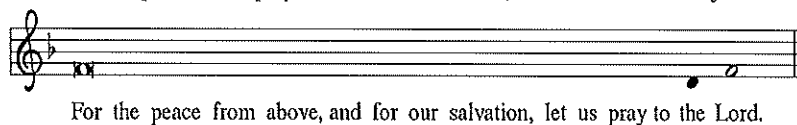
C: **Amen.**

GREETING

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

C: **And also with you.**

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Insert

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 26: 8-15

Insert

PSALM 4

Insert

SECOND READING

Philippians 3:17 – 4:1

Insert

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and

mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in

stead - fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

P: The holy gospel according to Saint Luke the thirteenth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Luke 13:31-35

Insert

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Bill

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"

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APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Parry



OFFERTORY RESPONSE HYMN

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right

spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your

pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -

store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,

and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

God of love, you have provided for our every need from your abundant bounty. Grant us grateful hearts that we may give generously to those in need and thereby show your love to the world around us.

C: Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Lord in your mercy...

C: Hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

BLESSING

P: Pray in the Spirit at all times so that you may discern the will of God. Keep alert as you walk in faith. Speak with the boldness of the apostles who came before you so that all might know the good news. And may the Lord bless you

and keep you, now and forever, in the name of the Father,
the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit. (Ephesians 6)

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG *"Eternal Lord of Love, Behold Your Church"* #321

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE *Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy* McKibben

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Memory Verse:

Psalm 4

*I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep;
for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.*



*The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God in memory of Mary
Suchland's birthday on March 17 by Bob & Linda Suchland and
Family.*



Two sets of roses have been placed on the altar in honor of 50+ anniversaries

- *Bob & Linda Suchland's 53rd Wedding Anniversary on March 15th.*
- *Robert & Janice Sudman's 64th Wedding Anniversary on March 15th.*



The baby rose is in honor of the birth of a
son, Felix William
to
Adam & Erin Behrendt

THE BABY ROSE

We recognize God's miracle of life as we place the Baby Rose on our altar and remember the family in prayer.

The Baby Rose begins life as a small bud, gradually unfolds and grows to a beautiful flower, ever looking upward to the Lord. May the life of this child grow in the Lord, so that love and faith may be evident to all who come near the child. May the rose remind the parents that although God has given them this child, it is not theirs to keep, but theirs to love, nurture, and teach until the Lord calls that life home to Him.

Today, March 13*

Acolytes:	8AM: Braylon Lampert 10:30am: Grady Hughes
Ushers:	8AM: Jody Slemmons, John & Amy Hesse, Bob Hinschlager 10:30AM: Dwayne Hoenie, Dan Macklem, Ken & Suzie Ankerman
Fellowship Table:	8AM: Kraig & Miriam Johns 10:30am: Dan & Cheryl Macklem
Greeters:	8AM: Ed & Linda Yahl 10:30AM: Joni Immenschuh, Ruth Hoenie
Readers:	8AM: Alexa Coldiron 10:30AM: Stephanie Ross

Next Sunday, March 20*

Acolytes:	8AM: Calianna Bond-Awls 10:30am: Jake Ackroyd
Communion Assistants:	8AM: John Hesse, Chris White 10:30AM: Pam Fledderjohann, Ann Maki
Crucifers:	8AM: Zoey Henning 10:30AM: Genevieve Brown
Ushers:	8AM: Steve & Dora McAfee, Mark & Connie Torsell 10:30AM: Dan Macklem, John & Donna Ankerman, Darl Bishir
Fellowship Table:	8AM: Pastor Bill & Ann Maki 10:30am: Bill & Marilyn Nedderman
Greeters:	8AM: Vic Von Blon, Sandy Wierwille 10:30AM: Jeremy & Alexa Kemmann

Readers: 8AM: Vic Von Blon
10:30: Stanley Brown

* Subject to change, correct as of time printed

ATTENDANCE Last Wednesday: 97
..... Sunday 8 a.m.: 50, 10:30 a.m.: 40, Total for the Day, 90
..... Total for the Week, 187
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CHURCH WEBSITE..... www.zionstmarys.org
CHURCH OFFICE.....419-394-3115

Calendar for March 13-27, 2022

S/13	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service ⁺
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service
M/14	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop #360
T/15	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
	3:30 p.m.	Newsletter Article Deadline
W/16	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Information Deadline
	5:00 p.m.	Lenten Soup Supper
	6:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
	7:00 p.m.	Lenten Midweek Service
Th/17	9:00 a.m.	Workday
	7:00 p.m.	Contemporary Rehearsal
S/20	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service*
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School/Bring a Friend
	10:30 a.m.	Contemporary Worship Service*
	1:30 p.m.	Grief & Loss Support Group
	7:00 p.m.	Men's Workshop
M/21	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop #360
T/22	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
W/23	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Information Deadline
	5:00 p.m.	Lenten Soup Supper
	6:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	7:00 p.m.	Lenten Worship Service*
S/26	7:00 p.m.	St. Marys Tri-Squares
S/27	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service

**Holy Communion*

**Livestreamed on zionstmarys.org & broadcasted on WCSM 96.7*



We invite you to include the following people in your daily prayers: Janet Dicke, Judy Von Blon, Juli Clark, Brent Paulus, Lindsay Stephan, Sandi Deerhake, Marvin Elsass, Alma Kuffner, Caleb Yahl, Carol Bishir, Mark, Amelia Green, Michael Moore, Tom Kaster, Vicki Bishir, Kason Thobe, Ann Morris, Craig Raney, Ken Ankerman, John & Katie, Darlene Henekener, Ron & Sandy Suchland, Betty Paulus, Mike Mammane, Bill Nuss, Eileen Zimmerman, Judy Howell, Kathy, David, Kristin Hemmelgarden, Colton Mustard, Teresa Roode, Stephanie Tenyak, Deb Ranly, Beth Baharani, Ruth Schreffler, Linda Diers, Chuck, Mike, Andrew, Rick Broyles, Pastor Phil Gagnon, Peter Ackroyd, Brian Comer, Sandy Bergman, and the Family of Emily Leonhard.

Please pray for Sean Lawler, Andrew Johnson, Michael Carroll, Nathan Adams, Jacob Yahl, Jason Gross, Daniel C. Lukac IV, Michael Franklin and Kyle Schmehl who are in the service. Please pray for them, their family, and their safe return home.

Christian Sympathy to the Family of Emily Leonhard.

Our loose offerings for March are earmarked for the NALC Great Commission Fund.

Thank you to Eric Langsdon and his helpers for preparing the fish, Chris White and Nora Staunton for organizing and preparing the

food and all the women who made desserts. We can't forget all the other helpers who did a terrific job working to put this event on. It took all of us as a family to make this a successful event. We collected \$2,500 towards our seminary expense fund. Thank you everyone!

A thank you from Sandee Burd for the beautiful birthday cards.

Thank you to the Youth Board for taking care of last Wednesday's Soup Supper. The Soup Suppers will continue to be served between, 5—6:30 p.m., in the auditorium during lent.

Our Women's Lenten Fundraiser envelopes were handed out last Wednesday. If you did not get one but would like to participate, there are envelopes on the tables in the narthex. The funds go toward the yearly expenses of our women programs here at Zion. Thank you for participating and supporting what the women do.

The Community Easter Egg Hunt is Saturday, April 9, 10-12 noon. Candy donations (no peanut products) are needed **now** to start filling thousands of eggs. Cookie, prize, and cash donations are welcomed and needed as well. Prayerfully consider donating or volunteering your time to help us with this event. Teens and older children can help too! Thank you in advance.

Spring Forward with Heritage Trails Park District **today**, with a 5k hike along the Miami Erie Canal! Meet at Noble Township Hall, located at 16586 CR 66A (also known as Brewer Rd.) just north of St. Marys anytime from 1-3pm. Bring the whole family! Pets on a leash are welcome as well. Lose your cabin fever by getting outdoors & seeing the first signs of spring along the canal towpath. Hope to see you all there!

Easter Food Drive for Agape Ministries Food Pantry going on now until **March 18**. Drop off items at Agape Client Services Building Monday thru Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Items needed: Instant Potatoes, Gravy, Stuffing, Boxes of Scalloped & Cheesy-Au Gratin Potatoes, Egg Noodles, Pie Filling, Brownie & Cake Mixes with Frosting, Pie Crusts, Baking Essentials-Oil, Flour, Sugar, Salad Dressing, Mayonnaise, Mustard, Can Fruit, Jelly and Jam. Please note clients can only visit the food pantry every 30 days so the food items will start to be given out on March 21st.

God's invitation for us to return to him, and promise of his grace, mercy, patience, and steadfast love, finds its fullness in Jesus Christ. Following different events during our Lord's Passion we focus on the people that followed Jesus to see how God calls his people to return to him. Here is our worship schedule for rest of Midweek Lent:

- **March 16**, Midweek 2: "Return from Betrayal"
- **March 23**, Midweek 3: "Return from False Witness"
- **March 30**, Midweek 4: "Return from Denial"
- **April 6**, Midweek 5: "Return from the Kingdom of God"
- **April 14**, Holy Thursday: "Return to the Table"
- **April 15**, Good Friday: "Return to the Truth"
- **April 17**, Easter Sunday: "Return and See"

Bring a Friend Sunday is **Sunday, March 20**, for all grades. Invite your friends to attend Sunday school with you!

The Women of Zion are invited to the Lenten Breakfast, on **Saturday, March 26**, at 9:30 a.m., at Wayne Street United Methodist Church. Guest speaker is Julie Jacobs from Joint Township District Memorial Hospital. Please call WSUMC to make your reservation.

First Communion Class is for all baptized students, grade 3 and older, and/or whose parents believe them to be ready to receive the Sacrament. As the opportunity to fulfill the baptismal vow to bring your child to Lord's Supper, parent, godparent, or guardian attendance for this two-hour course is expected as well. This course will be held on **Saturday, April 2**, from 10-12 noon. First Communion will be on Maundy Thursday, April 14, service. Please RSVP to the church office by phone, 419-394-3115, or by a note on your "I worship today" form.

Flower Chart: the first 6 months of 2022 is available on the bulletin board by the alley entrance. We invite you to select the date you wish to provide flowers. On the Tuesday before the date you selected, order your arrangement from your favorite florist, and contact the church office, 419-394-3115, to let us know what information you would like included in the bulletin. Upcoming dates still available: **April 3 & 10.**

A Seder Meal will be held in the Auditorium on **Sunday, April 10**, beginning at 5pm. Please RSVP on an "I Worshiped Today" or call the office to reserve your place for the event. Please let us know how many people you will be bringing to the meal.

Easter Breakfast will once again be held at 8:00 a.m. on **Easter Sunday, April 17**. Please sign up on your "I Worshiped Today" if you plan to attend with the number attending.

April's Crafty project is Aromatherapy bracelets, hosted by Linda Yahl. The date is **Sunday, April 24**, from 2-4 p.m., in the All-Purpose Room. The cost will be \$10, plus a minimal charge for additional oil blends to be used on the bracelets. The oil used on the bracelet the day it is made is figured into the cost of the bracelet. There are samples of beads and spacers on the women's

craft table in the narthex. When you sign up, there is a sheet that we are asking you to fill out, so the proper oils are brought to the event. Contact Linda Yahl if there are questions. 419-305-3591.

We have installed equipment for livestreaming of our worship services. The worship services can be found on our Facebook page. Volunteers are needed to help with recording each of the services. Please contact the church office, 419-394-3115, or Pastor Bill about this new ministry.

Our 8 a.m. worship service is broadcast live on WCSM radio 96.7 FM. Thank you to our primary sponsor of our WCSM radio broadcast—St. Marys Chrysler. Volunteers are needed to help with the sound board. No experience needed! Anyone interested in running the sound board during worship will be trained. We would like to have more people for rotation purposes. Contact the church office, 419-394-3115, or Pastor Bill if you can help.

Weekly Needs 10 Week	Budget Y-T-D	Received 3/6	Offerings Y-T-D	On Hold
Current \$6,068.75	\$60,687.50	\$7,839	\$48,970	\$0
NALC Offering \$290	\$2,900	\$81	\$1,386	
Bank Balance as of 3/7:		\$75,004		

Council Installation 2022

ORGANIZATION:

President Neal Brady
Vice President: Chris White
Secretary: Jeanne Wurster

Assistant Secretary: Genevieve Brown
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Assistant Secretary Andrew O'Bryan

COUNCIL AT LARGE: *Cheryl Macklem, Andrew O'Bryan, Darl Bishir,
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YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE: *Genevieve Brown*

MEMBERS TO THE TRUST FUND: *Doris Cook, Darl Bishir,
Marion Slater, Rick Green, Bill Kellermeyer*

Listening for the Promise

Weekly Devotional

Second Sunday of Lent – March 13, 2021

“But know that the LORD has set apart the godly for himself; the LORD hears when I call to him.”

– Psalm 4:3 -

Life, as we all know, comes with many challenges and difficult circumstances along the way. During those times, we often long for relief and rescue from what we are experiencing. We may long for greater financial security, health, healing in our relationships, a satisfying job, freedom from fear, pain, grief, addictions, or character flaws. The list of our longings varies as widely as we do.

But as we long for rescue from our trials, we come to believe that only rescue can bring us relief. Psalm 4 points to a relief that transcends any trial we may face in life, even while still experiencing the pain of the trial. Psalm 4 depicts David, in distress, crying out to God for deliverance from his troubles (v. 1). But we see no easy resolution. Even though his troubles may have remained, the psalm ends with David knowing that God is able to fill his heart with joy even when the godless experience great abundance (v. 7). He then lies down knowing he will sleep in peace because he knows his security rests in God alone.

Yes, God alone brings David security, peace, and joy. His trials may persist, but David lives in intimate relationship with God, for which God set him apart (v. 3). He communes with God, knowing he hears his prayers. And, through this continual abiding bond, God sustains David through his trials.

God, in Christ, sets us apart for intimate relationship with Himself too. He invites us to, like David, cry out to him in our distress and trust that he hears our prayers. Our turning to God in dependent trust, no matter what our circumstances, turns our focus from ourselves, our desires, and our present situation, and it trains our focus on the rightful center of our lives. When this happens, the Lord becomes the landscape of our thoughts and images in our mind, and we come to understand who we truly are: his beloved who can peacefully dwell in the safety of the Lord no matter what trials we may be experiencing.

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