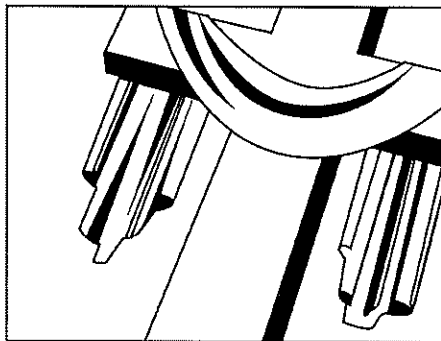


# FOURTH

## Sunday in Lent

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



March 27, 2022  
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

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Setting 3

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PRELUDE      *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN      *"Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"*      #608

### 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.

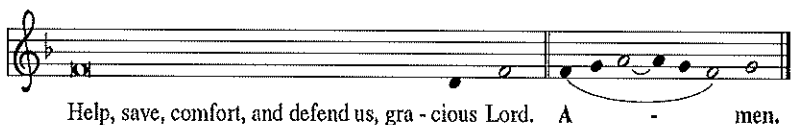
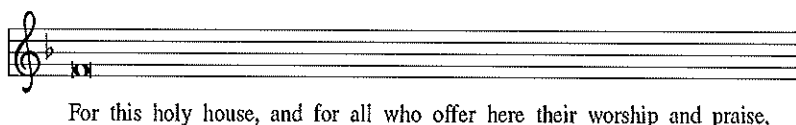
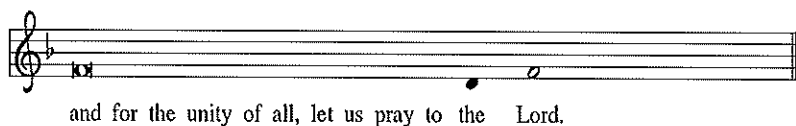
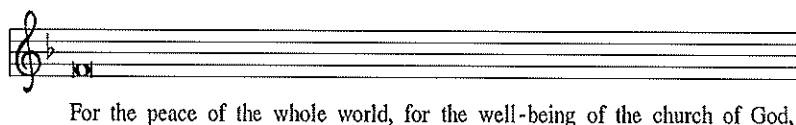
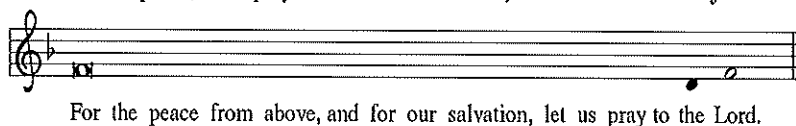
C: Amen.

#### 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**

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**FIRST READING**

**Isaiah 12:1-6**

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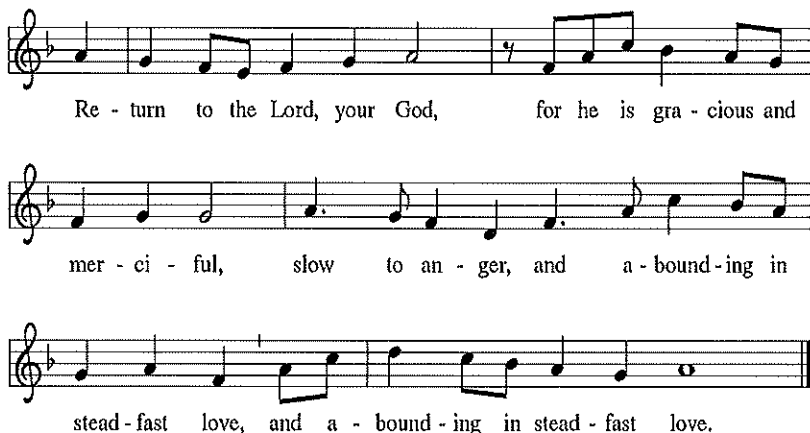
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**SECOND READING**

**2 Corinthians 5:16-21**

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**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 fifteenth chapter.

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

**GOSPEL**

**Luke 15:1-3, 11-32**

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**P:** The gospel of the Lord.

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

**SERMON**

Pastor Bill

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*"Just As I Am, without One Plea"*

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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

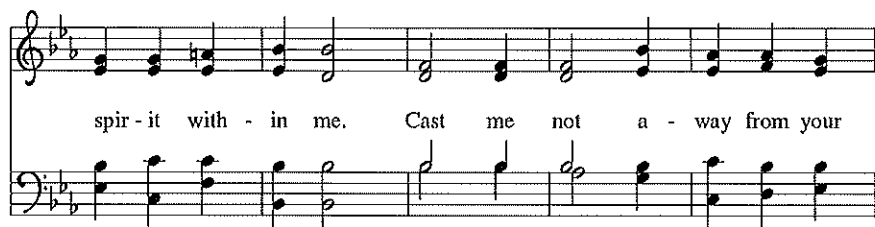
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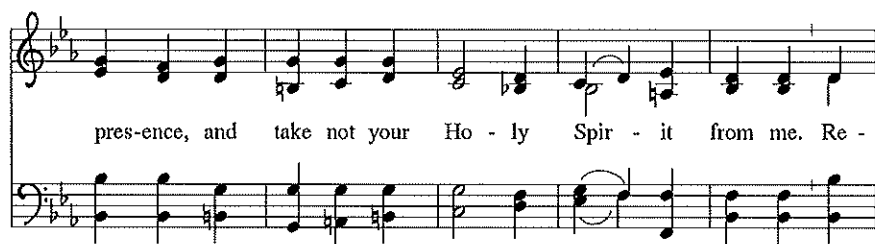
# OFFERTORY RESPONSE HYMN



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



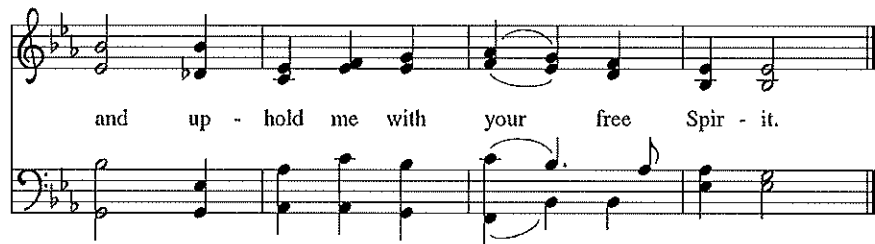
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your



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**     *"Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing"*

**#807**

**DISMISSAL**

**P:**     Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C:**     Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE**

*Allegro Marcato*

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**Memory Verse:**

**Luke 15:32**

*It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was  
dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found."*

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**Happy  
Birthday!**

*The Altar Flowers are Given to the Glory of  
God and in Honor of Aunt Luella Siebert's 103  
birthday today by Dwayne & Ruth Hoenie.*



***Today, March 27\****

<b>Acolytes:</b>	8AM: Makenna Meinerding 10:30am: Megan Miller
<b>Ushers:</b>	8AM: Jeanne Wuster, Rhonda Weaver, Bob Hinschlager, Mark Torsell 10:30AM: Sandy Wierwille, John & Donna Ankerman, Darl Bishir
<b>Fellowship Table:</b>	8AM: Doug & Martha Stetler 10:30am: Stan & Debbie Brown
<b>Greeters:</b>	8AM: Nora Staunton, Becky Harvey 10:30AM: Dwayne & Ruth Hoenie
<b>Readers:</b>	8AM: Linda Decker 10:30AM: Debbie Brown

***Next Sunday, April 3\****

<b>Acolytes:</b>	8AM: Aiden Meinerding 10:30am: Allison Ankerman
<b>Communion Assistants:</b>	8AM: John Hesse 10:30AM: Allison Ackroyd
<b>Crucifers:</b>	8AM: Zoey Henning 10:30AM: Liz Ackroyd
<b>Ushers:</b>	8AM: Jody Slemmons, John & Amy Hesse, Rhonda Weaver 10:30AM: Sandy Wierwille, Dan Macklem, Dana Cook, Keith Fledderjohann
<b>Fellowship Table:</b>	8AM: Deb Henning 10:30am: Sandy Wierwille
<b>Greeters:</b>	8AM: Chris White, Sandy Wierwille 10:30AM: Steve & Dora McAfee

**Readers:**        8AM: Doris Cook  
                     10:30: Liz Ackroyd

\* Subject to change, correct as of time printed

ATTENDANCE ..... Last Wednesday: 70  
..... Sunday 8 a.m.: 54, 10:30 a.m.: 75, Total for the Day, 129  
..... Total for the Week, 199  
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## Calendar for March 27—April 10, 2022

S/27	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service <sup>+</sup>
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service
M/28	9:00 a.m.	Lily Order Deadline
	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop #360
T/29	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
W/30	8:00 a.m.	Men's Workshop
	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 Worship Service
T/31	3:30 p.m.	Council Report Deadline
S/2	10:00 a.m.	First Communion Class
S/3	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service <sup>**</sup>
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service <sup>*</sup>
M/4	1:00 p.m.	Blooming Babies
	2:00 p.m.	Movers & Bloomers
	5:00 p.m.	Elders' Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop #360
T/5	9:30 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
	6:00 p.m.	Trustee Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Council Meeting
W/6	8:00 a.m.	Men's Workshop
	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Information Deadline

	1:00 p.m.	Book Club
	5:00 p.m.	Lenten Soup Supper
	6:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
	7:00 p.m.	Lenten Worship Service*
S/9	9:00 a.m.	Men in Mission Bible Study
	10:00 a.m.	Community Easter Egg
S/10	8:00 a.m.	Palm Sunday Worship*
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School Easter Egg Hunt
	10:30 a.m.	Palm Sunday Worship*
	5:00 p.m.	Seder Meal

*\*Holy Communion*

*\*Livestreamed on [zionstmarys.org](http://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 Deerkake, 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, 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, Jim, Beth Olberding, Gary Kesley, Rhonda's Dad, Pastor Phil Gagnon, Gerry Cordier, Ruth Brandenburg, Peter Ackroyd, Mike Paulus, Shelly Finke, Diana Paulus, and the Family of Marvin Elsass.

**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 Marvin Elsass, brother of Sandy Wierwille.

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

**Thank you** to the Boy Scouts 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.

**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 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 17**, Easter Sunday: "Return and See"

**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.

**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.

**Burning of the Roof Loan** will take place on **Palm Sunday, April 10**, at both services. We will also do the processional of palms.

**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 you place for the event. Please let us know how many people you will be bringing to the meal.

**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 10 & 24**.

**Dorcas Quilting** has completed a baby quilt on display in the narthex. This quilt is for auction with a minimum bid of \$60. If interested, please fill out bid form and place in box on table with the quilt. Bids will be taken until **Tuesday, April 12**, and highest bid will be notified.

**Maundy Thursday** worship service will be held on **April 14** at 7:00pm in the main Sanctuary. Public foot washing will be held from 6:15pm to 6:45pm in the main Sanctuary prior to the service.

**Our Good Friday service** will be held **April 15**, at 7pm in the main Sanctuary. It will again be a service of shadows in which scripture accounts of Christ's passion will be read as the light in the Sanctuary is dimmed.

**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.

**Our Women's Lenten Fundraiser** envelopes were handed out. 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.

**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 12 Week	Budget Y-T-D	Received 3/20	Offerings Y-T-D	On Hold
Current \$6,068.75	\$72,825	\$4,921	\$61,363	\$0
NALC Offering \$290	\$3,480	\$215	\$1621.00	
Bank Balance as of 3/21:		\$75,568		