

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

**March 12, 2023**  
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

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Setting 3

Page 138 Red Hymnal

**PRELUDE**

*Jesus, Lover of My Soul*

Parry

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

*"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"*

#623

**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.

*(Stand/Kneel)*

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**

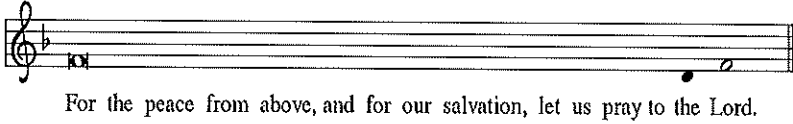
L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the  
communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

# KYRIE



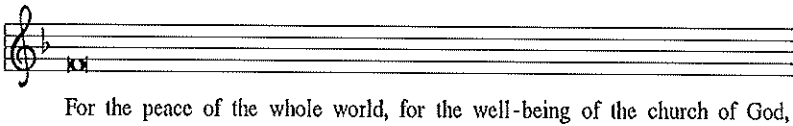
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



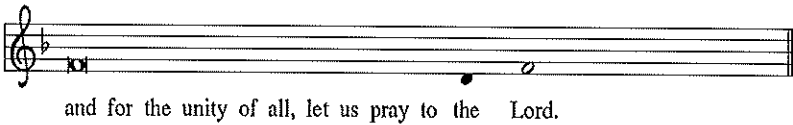
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



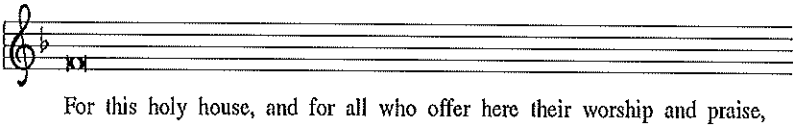
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



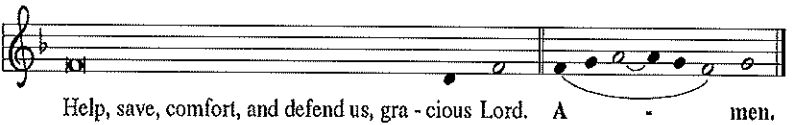
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Insert

FIRST READING

Exodus 17:1-7

Insert

PSALM 95:1-9

Insert

SECOND READING

Romans 5:1-8

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 John the fourth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

John 4:5-30, 39-42

Insert

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Bill

HYMN OF THE DAY

*"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"*

#332

**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.**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**L: Lord in your mercy...**

**C: Hear our prayer.**

**PEACE**

**P: The peace of Christ be with you always.**

**C: And also with you.**

**OFFERING (8:00)      *Shepherd Me, O God*  
(10:30)              *Meditation on "Southwell"***

Lasky

## 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

L: 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.

### 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

*"When Peace like a River"*

#785

**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:**

**John 4:42**

*They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world."*

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*The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God for all the miracles He gives us by Dan & Cheryl Macklem.*



***Today, March 12\****

- Acolytes:** 8AM: Makenna Meinerding  
10:30am: Grady Hughes
- Ushers:** 8AM: Ryan, Brandy & Eliza Yahl, Judy Schultz  
10:30AM: Dwayne Hoenie, Darl Bishir  
Stanley & Debbie Brown
- Fellowship**  
**Table:** 8AM: Deb Henning  
10:30am: Bill & Marilyn Nedderman
- Greeters:** 8AM: Ed & Linda Yahl  
10:30AM: Dwayne & Ruth Hoenie
- Readers:** 8AM: Dora McAfee  
10:30AM: Debbie Brown

***Next Sunday, March 19\****

- Acolytes:** 8AM: Hunter Coldiron  
10:30am: Allison Ankerman
- Communion**  
**Assistants:** 8AM: Chris White  
10:30AM: Cheryl Macklem
- Crucifers:** 8AM: Genevieve Brown  
10:30AM: Aiden Meinerding
- Ushers:** 8AM: John & Amy Hesse, Bob Hinschlager,  
Judy Schultz  
10:30AM: Dan Macklem, Sandy Wierwille,  
Dana Cook, Keith Fledderjohann
- Fellowship**  
**Table:** 8AM: Sandy Wierwille  
10:30am: Sandy Wierwille
- Greeters:** 8AM: Vic Von Blon, Sandy Wierwille  
10:30AM: Sandy Wierwille, Joni Immenschuh
- Readers:** 8AM: Kathy Langsdon  
10:30: Ruth Hoenie

\* Subject to change, correct as of time printed

ATTENDANCE .....Last Wednesday: 76  
.....Sunday 8 a.m.: 42, 10:30 a.m.: 72, Total for the Day: 114  
..... Total for Week: 190  
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CHURCH OFFICE.....419-394-3115

## Calendar for March 12-26, 2023

S/12	8:00 a.m.	Worship Service <sup>+</sup>
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
	2:00 p.m.	Women's Celebration
M/13	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout #360 Meeting
T/14	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
	7:00 p.m.	Jeremiah Bible Study
W/15	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Information Deadline
	3:30 p.m.	Newsletter Article Deadline
	5:00 p.m.	Lenten Soup Supper
	6:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
	7:00 p.m.	Lenten Midweek Service
Th/16	9:00 a.m.	Workday
S/18	9:30 a.m.	First Communion Class
S/19	8:00 a.m.	Worship Service <sup>**</sup>
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School/Bring a Friend
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service <sup>*</sup>
M/20	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout #360 Meeting
T/21	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
W/22	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 <sup>*</sup>
S/25	7:00 p.m.	Tri-Squares
S/26	8:00 a.m.	Worship Service <sup>+</sup>
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	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, Brent Paulus, Sandi Deerhake, Alma Kuffner, Caleb Yahl, Michael Moore, Tom Kaster, Ann Morris, John & Katie, Darlene Henkener, Margaret Moore, Amelia Green, Dwight & Carmen Axe. Ron Suchland, Elaine Marbaugh, Dale Sprague, Pam Fledderjohann, Bill & Carolyn Slemmons, Mary & Tim Smith, Lesley Cook, Brandye Patterson, Andrew O'Bryan, Emily Henkle, Eric Kupay, Nolina Moran, Kristin Hemmelgarn, Mary Willmann, Kathy Hart, Doug Mucci, Kelsey, Karen Vornholt, Brenda Purdy, Sandee Burd, Lisa Suchland, Eileen Zimmerman, Curt Wurster, Sharon Sullivan, Family of Gerald Johns, the people affected by the train wreck in East Palestine, Ohio and the community of Orient Ohio, recovering from tornado damage.

**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 Gerald Johns, father of Melissa Elshoff.

**Our loose offering** each Sunday/Wednesday for the month of March is earmarked to support the NALC "Today, Tomorrow, Forever" fund. Give to our 2020 Vision to Grow, Serve, Renew and fulfill our Church as we continue to mature and expand as a unified

denomination, embracing challenges and opportunities along the way.

**Thank you to the Women's Fellowship Group** for taking care of last week's Soup Supper. Soup Suppers will continue to be held during Lent thru Wednesday, March 29, between 5–6:30 p.m., in the auditorium.

**Pam Fledderjohann** wishes to thank everyone who made a meal, called, visited, texted, sent cards and prayed for her during her recovery from her recent surgery. God bless you all!

**We wish to thank** everyone who was involved with our Annual Fish Fry. Proceeds after expenses were \$3,085, which will be applied to our Intern/Seminarian expenses.

**Please! Candy is needed ASAP** for the Community Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 1, and the Sunday School Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 2 so we can start filling the thousands of eggs. *We cannot use anything with peanuts/peanut butter or not individually wrapped.* Please leave your donation in the Sunday School box by the elevator, or the church office, or give it to Mindy. Thank you in advance!

**It's time for our seniors** and college students to apply for our annual scholarship. Apply online at the [www.theSMCF.org](http://www.theSMCF.org). Application deadline is **Today**.

**Our Midweek Lenten services** will be held in the main sanctuary, at 7 p.m. The theme this year is "Eyes on Jesus". **Next Wednesday, March 15: "Denying Eyes"** (Mark 14:26–31; 66–72)—First Peter and the other disciples cannot see how they could ever fall away from Jesus. Then when Peter is spotted by a servant girl

and sees that his own neck is on the line, he sees fit to deny Jesus, which leads to his own eyes weeping in remorse. We sinners likewise deny our Lord in many ways, but Jesus denied Himself to take up the cross for our salvation.

**The next workday** is **Thursday, March 16**, at 9 a.m. We will be putting personal care kits together for the NALC disaster response warehouse and knotting quilts. Hope to see you then.

**Lenten Breakfast:** Wayne Street United Methodist Church will host this event on **Saturday, March 18**, at 9:30 a.m. The guest speaker is Connie McEldowney from Rustic Hope. Rustic Hope helps babies and mothers with support, clothing, furniture, and adoption information. This is a free event. There is a group going from Zion. If interested, contact Nora Staunton.

**For all 3<sup>rd</sup> graders and above**, we have a First Communion Class scheduled for 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on **Saturday, March 18**. The class will be held in the Youth Room. It is preferred to have at least one parent with their child as they go through this two-hour class. This is a very important sacrament in the church, and we are happy to help your child prepare for this special moment. Please call the church office or sign up on your "I Worshiped Today" to reserve you and your child's spot in the class.

**The first part** of the 2023 Flower Chart is 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: **March 26, and April 2, 9, 23 & 30.**

**Bible Release Time** will begin on **Thursday, March 30**, here at Zion. More volunteers are still wanted at this time. If you can help with this ministry, please talk to Pastor Bill.

**Volunteers and cookies** are needed for the Community Easter Egg Hunt on **Saturday, April 1**, 10-noon. We can always use monetary donations for prizes as well. Please notify Mindy if you can donate or volunteer with us that day. Kids and teens are welcome!

**The Seder Meal** will be held in the Auditorium beginning at 5 p.m. on **Sunday, April 2**. We will once again have the traditional foods of the Seder and their meaning, along with roasted Lamb, Turkey breast, mashed potatoes, green beans, and wine. Please RSVP on your "I Worshipped 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.

**April 16** is our next Creative Crafters project. Let's learn how to crochet. Watch for more details or flyers. Sign up in the notebook in the Narthex.

**Your 2022 Financial Statements** have been sent in the mail. Please retain this information for filing your 2022 taxes.

**We invite our members** of Thrivent to direct your Choice Dollars to Zion or other organizations of your choice. When you make a direct your Choice Dollars at [thrivent.com/thriventchoice](https://thrivent.com/thriventchoice), Thrivent pays the processing fees so 100% of your donation goes to your organization of choice.

**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 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.

<b>Weekly Needs 10 Week</b>	<b>Budget Y-T-D</b>	<b>Received 3/5</b>	<b>Offerings Y-T-D</b>	<b>On Hold</b>
Current \$6,133	\$61,330	\$5,671	\$51,017	\$0
NALC Offering \$290	\$2,900	\$288	\$1,459	
Bank Balance as of 3/6: \$68,286				