



# JOY

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Now the God of hope  
fill you with all JOY  
and peace in believing.

ROMANS 15:13, KJV

**FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF ZION SANCTUARY  
ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH  
SAINT MARYS, OH 45885**

8AM & 10:30AM

The Prelude

Coronation Fanfares

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The Opening Hymn

"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

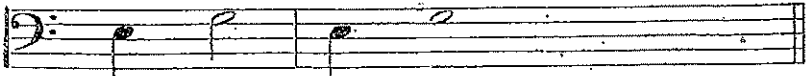
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The Versicles

*Organ*

*Minister*

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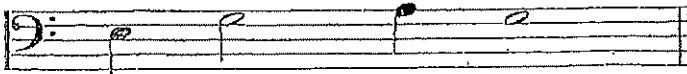


O Lord, open thou my lips.

*Congregation*

A two-staff musical score for a congregation. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. The music consists of a series of chords and single notes. The lyrics are: "R. And my mouth shall show forth thy praise." The notes are: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (quarter), B3 (quarter), A3 (quarter), G3 (quarter).

*Minister*



Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

*Congregation*

A two-staff musical score for a congregation. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. The music consists of a series of chords and single notes. The lyrics are: "R. Make haste to help me, O Lord." The notes are: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (quarter), B3 (quarter), A3 (quarter), G3 (quarter).

1 How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!

**2 My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.**

3 Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

**4 Blessed are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise! (Selah)**

5 Blessed are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

**6 As they go through the Valley of Baca they make it a place of springs; the early rain also covers it with pools.**

7 They go from strength to strength; each one appears before God in Zion.

**8 O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob!**

(Selah)

9 Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of your anointed!

**10 For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.**

11 For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor. No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.

**12 O LORD of hosts, blessed is the one who trusts in you!**

The Gloria Patri

**C: Glory be to the Father: and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, Is now and ever shall be, World without end. A-men.**

The "Act Up" Skit (8:00) *Big and Small He Loves Us All*

The First Lesson 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 3:9-17

<sup>9</sup> For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building.

<sup>10</sup> According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building upon it. Let each one take care how he builds upon it. <sup>11</sup> For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. <sup>12</sup> Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw— <sup>13</sup> each one's work will become manifest, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. <sup>14</sup> If the work that anyone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. <sup>15</sup> If anyone's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire.

<sup>16</sup> Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? <sup>17</sup> If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.

The Response

L: O Lord, have mercy upon us.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## The Choir Anthem

8:00 *Sing, Sing, Unto the Lord*

Yannerella

10:30 *How Great Thou Art*

Soloist: Bob Hinschlager

## The Second Lesson

Matthew 21:1-9

21 Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup> saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup> If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." <sup>4</sup> This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

<sup>5</sup> "Say to the daughter of Zion,  
'Behold, your king is coming to you,  
humble, and mounted on a donkey,  
on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.'"

<sup>6</sup> The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them.

<sup>7</sup> They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup> Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup> And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"

## The Response

L: O Lord, have mercy upon us.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

The Hymn "All Glory, Laud and Honor"

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The Gospel

Luke 19:39,40

<sup>39</sup>And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." <sup>40</sup>He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out."

The Sermon

Rev. Mark Brodbeck

The Offering

The Hymn "Built on a Rock"

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The Versicles

P: Lord now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace,

**C: According to thy word;**

L: For my eyes have seen thy salvation,

**C: Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people.**

P: A light to lighten the Gentiles,

**C: And the glory of thy people Israel.**

L: Glory be to the Father

**C: and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;**

P: As it was in the beginning,

**C: is now and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen.**

The Prayers

(Lord have mercy on us... Christ have mercy on us)

The Lord's Prayer

The Words of Institution

The Communion Hymns

"Beautiful Savior"	#838
"Now We Join in Celebration"	#462
"Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"	#779

The Post Communion Blessing

The Closing Hymn "O Savior, Precious Savior" #820

Postlude *Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens Adore Him*

**Memory Verse:**

**Luke 19:40**

<sup>40</sup> And he answered and said unto them, I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out.

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*The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God honoring Zion's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the sanctuary building, by Keith & Pam Fledderjohann.*

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***Today, April 7\****

<b>Acolytes:</b>	8AM: Cason Meinerding 10:30am: Noah Torsell
<b>Communion</b>	8 AM: Jody Slemmons
<b>Assistants:</b>	10:30AM: Ruth Hoenie
<b>Crucifers:</b>	8 AM: Calianna Bond-Awls 10:30AM: Jake Ackroyd
<b>Ushers:</b>	8AM: Judy Schultz, Jeanne Wurster, Dora McAfee, Bob Hinschlager

10:30AM: John & Amy Hesse,  
Mark & Connie Torsell

**Fellowship Table:** Confirmation Reunion

**Greeters:** 8AM: Ed & Linda Yahl  
10:30AM: Steve & Dora McAfee

**Readers:** 8AM: Dora McAfee  
10:30AM: Jeremie Houser

### ***Next Sunday, April 14\****

**Acolytes:** 8AM: Jessi Eberle  
10:30am: Colton Ankerman

**Ushers:** 8AM: Ryan, Brandy, Eliza & Zaila Yahl  
10:30AM: Dan Macklem, Dana Cook,  
Keith Fledderjohann, Sandy Wierwille

**Fellowship Table:** 8AM: Miriam & Kraig Johns  
10:30AM: Kathy & Craig Miller

**Greeters:** 8AM: Brandy & Ryan Yahl  
10:30AM: Cheryl Macklem,  
Sandy Wierwille

**Readers:** 8AM: Kathy Lampert  
10:30AM: Stan Brown

*\* Subject to change, correct as of time printed*

ATTENDANCE .....	Maundy Thursday: 102
.....	Good Friday: 64
Sunday 7 a.m.: 99; 10:30 a.m.: 125; Total for the Day: 224	
.....	Total for Week: 390
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## Calendar for April 7-21, 2024



s/7	8:00 a.m.	50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Worship+*
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	9:15 a.m.	Cookie Fellowship:
		Confirmation Classes 2000 to
		2009
	10:30 a.m.	50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Worship*
M/8		Office/Building Closed
T/9	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
	1:30 p.m.	Bulletin Deadline
	7:00 p.m.	Congregation Council Meeting
W/10	9:30 a.m.	Women's Board Meeting
	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	Worship*
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
	7:00 p.m.	Holy Spirit Bible Study
Th/11	8:00 a.m.	Men's Workshop
	11:30 p.m.	Middle School Bible Release
	2:00 p.m.	Holy Spirit Bible Study
S/13	9:00 a.m.	Men in Mission Bible Study
S/14	8:00 a.m.	Worship+
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship
	1:15 p.m.	Creative Crafters
M/15	3:30 p.m.	Newsletter Deadline
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship Group
	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop #360
	7:00 p.m.	Pastor's Bible Study
T/16	8:00 a.m.	Men's Workshop
	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting

	1:30 p.m.	Bulletin Deadline
	6:45 p.m.	Trust Fund Meeting
W/17	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	Worship
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
Th/18	9:00 a.m.	Workday
	11:30 a.m.	Middle School Bible Release
S/21	8:00 a.m.	Worship+*
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship*

*\*Holy Communion*

*+Livestreamed on [www.zionstmarys.org](http://www.zionstmarys.org) & on WCSM 96.7  
Radio*



**We invite you** to include the following people in your daily prayers: Janet Dicke, Judy Von Blon, Brent Paulus, Sandi Deerhake, Michael Moore, Tom Kaster, Ronald Suchland, Vicki Bishir, Emily Henkle, Faith Williams, Don, Warren Hoenie, Bill & Carolyn Stemmmons, Vicki Homan, Allie Gross, Margaret Miller, Donna Maynard, Janet, Bill Fuller, Alan Bishir, Analisa Bouscaren, Carol Eshelman, Forrest Cooper, Kelsey, Anthony (Tony) Hardeman, Lisa Suchland, Eileen Zimmerman, Kate Elsass, Dyne Hoenie, Vic Von Blon, Debra Williams, Deb, Julie Vogel, Teresa Roode, Heather, Christina Schelby, Connor Schelby, Don Applegate and the people affected by the recent tornadoes.

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

**Thank you** for your help with the Easter Egg Hunts! Whether you volunteered, donated, or simply prayed for us, thank you! With your help, we reached many families.

**Thank you** to our Act Up performers today: Xander Meinerding, Liza Yahl and Zaila Yahl.

**Our loose offerings** each Sunday/Wednesday for the month of April are earmarked for the NALC Disaster Response Fund. The Disaster Response Fund provides resources for: respond rapidly when domestic natural disasters occur, alleviate human suffering, provide transitional assistance, and enable those affected to begin the rebuilding process. For more information check out the April newsletter.

**The trustees** are announcing the part-time paid position, as Office Assistant, is now available. Inquiries and resumes are to be submitted to the church office.

**The trustees** are looking for individuals to help with mowing the church cemetery. If you are interested, contact the church office or Dana Cook.

**We have had** a trustee pass away. We are looking for someone to finish his 8-month term, as member of the Board of Trustees. If you are interested, contact the church office or Dana Cook.

**The Sanctuary's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** will be recognized today **Sunday, April 7**, during the services. We will be celebrating 50 years since the building of our Sanctuary, Chapel, Lounge and Offices in 1974. We welcome, Mark Brodbeck, as guest speaker. Mark is the son of Onnolee & Eugene Brodbeck and brother to Joyce Finke. **Thank you to Mark Brodbeck** for being our guest speaker today.

**Thank you to everyone** who gave to the Women's Lenten Fundraiser. We collected \$1,113 to go towards our programs and mission activities. If you forgot or still want to give, please drop off your donation at the church office. Thank you from the Women's Board for participating.

**The "Act Up" performers** will be presenting their first skit on **Sunday, April 7**, during the service. If your child is interested in being a part of this new group, please indicate on "I Worship Today." If you have questions, about this group please contact Dianne Uhlenhake at 419-305-5387.

**Creative Crafters will meet on Sunday, April 14**, at 1:15 p.m., we will make simple tool/kitchen Aprons, this will go along with the Women's Celebration topic. The cost is \$10. **In May** we will have a guest speaker, Jeannine Roediger, The Art of Fiber on May 5, at 1:30 p.m. **Free**. Let's fill the auditorium. This is open to all—men, women and children.

**The Women's Fellowship** and Pastor's Bible Studies will resume on **Monday, April 14**, at 7 p.m.

**The 2024 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: **April 21 & 28**.

**Sunday Funday** is **Sunday, April 28**, for grades PreK - 5. Join us in the Auditorium for a day filled with fun activities!

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**Please save the dates** for this year's North American Lutheran Church OHIO MISSION REGION ANNUAL CONVOCATION AND MISSION EVENT.

**Dates: Friday, May 3 and Saturday, May 4, 2024.**

**Place: Saint John Lutheran Church in Grove City.**

**Who's invited? Every pastor and member of our North American Lutheran Church congregations in Ohio!**

This annual gathering brings together members and pastors not just to transact the business we do together in our Region (the state of Ohio) and our five mission districts (Northwest, Northeast, Southeast, North Central, and Southwest Ohio), but also is a time to worship together, fellowship together, learn together, pray together, and plan together.

This year the focus of **mission event on Friday, May 3**, will be on **senior adult ministry**, from ministering to seniors and their families to empowering senior adults to share the Gospel of Jesus with others.

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**Sunday, May 5**, is the annual Sunday School breakfast for students and parents. Join us at 9:15 a.m., in the Auditorium. Come hungry!

**SCUBA**, Diving into Friendship with God VBS will take place at Wayne Street Church on June 3 - 6, 6:30 - 8 p.m. and volunteers are needed! Teen and adults are needed for all positions. Need not commit to all week! If interested, please let Mindy know ASAP.

**We will be collecting** new or good used Bibles, to will be given to the NALC warehouse, they will hand out the Bibles to those who have experienced a natural disaster. We will no longer collect ink cartridges.

**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 Budget</b>	<b>14 Week Budget</b>	<b>14 Week Income</b>	<b>Received 3/31</b>
\$6,271--Current	\$87,794	\$74,772	\$9,457
\$290--NALC Offering	\$4,060	\$1,870	\$128



## Council Organization 2024

### ORGANIZATION:

*President* ..... Neal Brady  
*Vice-President* ..... Cheryl Macklem  
*Secretary* ..... Sandy Wierwille  
*Assistant* ..... Melanie Rose  
*Treasurer* ..... Stanley Brown  
*Assistant* ..... Doug Stetler

- **COUNCIL AT LARGE:** *Thelma Kellermeyer, Cheryl Macklem, Doug Stetler, Melanie Rose, Dwight Schramm, & Stanley Brown*
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- **BOARD OF TRUSTEES:** *Eric Langsdon, Jeremie Houser & Dana Cook\**
- **BOARD OF PARISH EDUCATION:** *Sandy Wierwille\*, Kerri Masonbrink & Ann Maki*
- **BOARD OF PARISH EDUCATION DIRECTOR:** *Mindy Thiebeau*
- **YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE:** *Genevieve Brown*
- **MEMBERS TO THE TRUST FUND:** *Doris Cook\*, Darl Bishir, Marion Slater, Rick Green, Bill Kellermeyer*

**\*Chairperson of the Board**

# ***Listening for the Promise***

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL

Easter Day - March 31, 2024

*“And he said to them, “Do not be alarmed.  
You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified.  
He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him.”*

- Mark 16:6 -

A boulder blocked the entrance to the tomb. It was sealed and Roman guards watched over it. There was no chance for tampering. The disciples were in hiding, afraid to show their faces to the world. They did not know what awaited them. If Jesus, who was so good and truthful, was dead, what must become of them? As morning approached, the women awakened to the sad task of preparing Jesus' body for permanent burial. They were surprised by what they saw. The tomb was empty.

What amazing love is this? Tears cloud our eyes when we hear the proclamation of the Gospel and sing the Alleluias in an atmosphere of brightly colored banners, sweet smelling flowers, and talented musicians. It is no wonder we become emotional on Easter Sunday. The emotion is a mixed bag; we regret our own failures and we rejoice that God loves us with a grace that is greater than any human can comprehend. We don't deserve His loving embrace, and yet Jesus reached out His hands to draw us into His heart for eternity. He lived, died, and rose again so that we might be saved. We are overcome with awe and thanksgiving.

He is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! How will you respond to this good news? Will you be like the women who were afraid? Will you be like the disciples who did not believe the story? Will you be like Peter who had doubts but went to the tomb to see? Will you be like Mary who wept because the body of her Lord was missing? Will you hear His voice and believe?

This is a joyous time for Christians, but there are still those in our world who are afraid, who do not believe, and who continue to weep because they do not know the joy. This joy is part of the promise. Christ's death and resurrection give us life, not only in the future eternal promise, but also in the here and now. We are Easter people, not just on this Resurrection day, but every day. Today we can take a moment to experience the emotions that flood our hearts as we worship our amazing God and then go out into the world with that joy taking God's grace to those who still need to believe.