

# Zion Evangelical-Lutheran Church of Detroit

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**HOLY MASS** is celebrated every Sunday and Wednesday at 10am, and on holy days as announced.

**COMMUNICANTS ARE BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS** who have been instructed in and publicly confess the Evangelical-Lutheran Faith. If you desire to commune at Zion, please speak with the Pastor before approaching the Altar.

**THE DIVINE OFFICE OF MATINS** is prayed Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 8:45am in the Chapel of the Holy Incarnation in the Rectory.

**ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION** is taught every Sunday and Wednesday immediately following Holy Mass.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** for children ages 3-12 is from September through May. Lessons are Bible-story based and activities are designed to reinforce the biblical lesson.

**PRIVATE ABSOLUTION** is available on Saturdays from 9 - 10am and by appointment.

**PASTORAL CONSULTATION** based on the Holy Scriptures is available from the Pastor. An appointment is necessary.

**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM** is for infants and adults, and may be arranged by contacting the Pastor for an appointment.

**COUPLES DESIRING HOLY MARRIAGE** should contact the Pastor before finalizing the wedding date. Biblical instruction in Holy Marriage is required. All marriages are conducted by the Pastor according to Zion's usual order.

**NEW MEMBERS** are received by Baptism, Confirmation, Transfer or Profession of Faith. Instruction in Luther's Small Catechism and Private Absolution are required for all new members. Please ask the Pastor for further details.

**SICK AND HOMEBOUND** are visited regularly by the Pastor with the Scriptures and Sacrament. Please contact the Parish Office if you know of any parishioner in need of pastoral visitation.

**PARISH OFFICERS DEACONS:** William Gramzow, Thomas Habitz, Jr., Michael Anderson **TRUSTEES:** Silas Gray, Paul Snoes; **PARISH EDUCATION:** Shirley Cross, Robert Kelly III, Sarah Braden **OFFICERS OF THE VOTERS:** Thomas Habitz, Jr. (chairman), Alan Kroske (vice-chairman), Pamela Ruffin (secretary), Paul Snoes (treasurer), Jessica Chavez (financial secretary).

**PARISH ORGANIZATIONS** Adult Choir, Altar Guild, Children's Choir, Jubilate Deo Women's Choir, St. Seraphim Prayer Guild, Society of St. Samuel (Altar Boys), Usher Club, Zion Endowment Board.

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"THE LORD HAS CHOSEN ZION;  
HE HAS DESIRED HER AS HIS DWELLING PLACE"



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# Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

August 5, 2018

The Lord and His People



The Lord visits His people in the Gospel and Sacraments. He welcomes all to receive and take to heart the things that make for peace. You are welcomed and invited to partake of the “Peace of the Lord” which remains and abides with you always!

**The Theme of Today’s Liturgy** If the Lord is not on our side, then He is against us. He afflicts those who rebel against Him, but He delivers in peace the souls of those who rely on Him (*Introit*). Our confidence is

that the Lord declares His power chiefly in showing us mercy and pity (*Collect*), and that he shelters us under the shadow of His wings (*Gradual*). This faith encourages us to cry out day and night to the Lord of our salvation (*Alleluia*) for grace to live in and from His Word (*Collect*). That grace Our Lord gives in various ways by the Spirit who knits us together as one Body in Christ (*Epistle*). Only in this gracious visitation by our God do we receive the things that make for our peace (*Gospel*).

**The Sermon** They presumed grace because of their piety, false though it was - which, at its base, is simply to trust that God will overlook sin, even that God would reward transgression - which is blasphemy, a violation of the entire First Table of the Law. But God is a God of grace. And while there is always Law for the sinner, there is Gospel hope for all who believe. So the Words of the Prophet, and the Words our Lord spoke outside of Jerusalem, include a Promise: The things that make for peace. He was not referring to peace with the Romans. The peace He promised is peace with God, a peace that surpasses understanding, a peace only He can give.

**The Holy Eucharist** The things that make for your peace are the Body and Blood of Our Lord as he gives Himself to you in His Supper. Here is the “peace of the Lord” which exceeds your understanding and outdoes your hopes and desires.

**The Readings** Jeremiah 7:1-11; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; St. Luke 19:41-48

## The Hymns for Today’s Mass

Processional Hymn	326
Chief Hymn	419
Offering Hymn	466
Distribution Hymns	444; 310
Retiring Processional Hymn	613

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Eleventh Week After Pentecost

Aug 5—12

## THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Holy Mass for the Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost ..... Today, 10a, Church Bible Class..... Today, 11:30a, Undercroft  
 Holy Mass for Wednesday of Pentecost XI..... Wed, 10a, Chapel Bible Study..... Wed, 11a, Rectory  
 Holy Mass for the Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost..... Sun, 10a, Church Bible Class..... Sun, 11:30a, Undercroft

**IN OUR PRAYERS** Michael Anderson, Gloria Bailey, Nellie Bolton, Edward Brown, Linda Buskirk, Lela Casey, Gladys Cline, Anna Dalton, Fr. Erich and the Fickel family, Henry Frey, Bill Gramzow, Latoya Davis Gray, Drucilla Huddleston, Florine Kaiser, Lawrence Kasner, Richard Kelly, Keith Phares.

**BISHOP STECHHOLZ, ARCHDEACON OF ZION** – Today after the Intercessions the Right Reverend Dr. David P. Stechholz will be inducted as Archdeacon of Zion Evangelical-Lutheran Church of Detroit. Archdeacon is a liturgical position that has a long history in the Western Church. It is an honor and a blessing that Bishop Emeritus Stechholz is available and willing to serve Zion in this capacity. A brief reception will be held in the Undercroft after Mass today to welcome Archdeacon Stechholz. Please take a minute to join us at the reception and to welcome him to his new position!

**FR. BRADEN ON VACATION**— The Bradens will be on vacation from August 5-12. Fr. Braden flies to Racine, Wisconsin for a *Gottesdienst* Editors’ meeting. He will return Wednesday morning, August 15, and will preside at the special Mass for the Dormition of Mary.

**GIFTS AND DONATIONS** from Linda Buskirk, for the St. Michael Liturgical Conference, in memory of Ella Parker (August 8, 1998).

## THE PSALM FOR THIS WEEK IS PSALM 55. PRAY IT EVERY DAY!

When you feel let down or as if some injustice has been done to you, this is a good Psalm to pray (v 1-8). The prayer is for God to come through as He promises (v 1). Two things are asked for: destruction of those who oppress us (v 9-15) and deliverance by the hand of God (v 15-21). The two are tied together. For the Lord can finally save our life by killing those who bring death. Therefore, we should be confident that the Lord will sustain us (v 22) while destroying the wicked (v 23).