

# 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  
**ENDOWMENT BOARD:** Fr. Mark Braden (chairman) Tom Habitz, Jr., Paul Snoes, Alan Kroske; **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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# Fourth Sunday After Michaelmass

October 21, 2018

Forgive Us Our Trespases



The Holy Spirit gathers and welcomes you today to receive the forgiveness of God in the Holy Eucharist. Here is where forgiveness and salvation come to you through the benefits of Our Lord's suffering and death! May you know and truly believe that in this Christian Church the Spirit richly and daily forgives the sin of all believers.

**The Theme of Today's Liturgy** If Our Lord kept a record of sins, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with Him (*Introuit!*)! Therefore we beg the Lord today to hear the devout prayers of His Faithful people and grant us the forgiveness we desire (*Collect*). And with that forgiveness comes the courage to share that forgiveness with others - to forgive in the same way that we have been forgiven (*Gospel*). For he who has begun a good work in you by His mercy will complete it in the day

of Our Lord Jesus Christ (*Epistle*).

**The Sermon** "...forgive us our trespases, as we forgive those who trespass against us..." That is your prayer. The Prayer is the perfect prayer, the Prayer the Lord bids His Church pray that your petitions be in perfect accord with His will. "We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look upon our sins..." That is your confession. The inability, the unwillingness, the refusal to forgive is a disease of the heart and the soul. It imbitters, it creates divisions, it weighs you down with a spiritual sickness that only gets worse. The answer, the resolution, the rectification, the correction, the solution, your salvation, you have already confessed: "but that He would grant them all to us by grace..." It is a Kingdom parable. It is an earthly way of speaking about the Kingdom of God. And in His Kingdom, there is grace. There is mercy. The King is benevolent and kind. He forgives.

**The Holy Eucharist** The Supper of Christ's Body and Blood gives forgiveness of sins. And "where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation" (*Small Catechism*). So this Food is truly our Life and Saving Health!

**The Readings** Proverbs 3:11-20; Philippians 1:3-11; St. Matthew 18:21-35

## The Hymns for Today's Mass

Processional Hymn	384
Chief Hymn	321
Offering Hymn	152
Distribution Hymns	331, 304
Retiring Processional Hymn	45

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Fourth Week After Michaelmass

Oct 21—28

## THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

**Holy Mass for the Fourth Sunday after Michaelmass** ..... Today, 10a, Church Reception for Luke Thompson-Kolar.....Today, 11:30a, Undercroft Bible Study ..... Today, 11:30a, Undercroft Sunday School..... Today, 11:30a, Rectory Choir Practice.....Sunday 12:30p, Church Matins ..... Mon, 8:45a, Chapel Adult Catechesis.....Mon, 7p, Rectory Matins ..... Tue, 8:45a, Chapel Vespers.....Tue, 7p, Chapel Men's Group.....Tue, 7:30p, Rectory

**Holy Mass for the Wednesday of Michaelmass IV** .....Wed, 10a, Chapel Bible Study ..... Wed, 10:30a, Rectory Matins ..... Thr, 8:45a, Chapel Vespers ..... Thr, 6p, Chapel Adult Catechesis ..... Thr, 6:30p, Rectory Matins.....Sat, 8:45a, Chapel Private Confession and Absolution.....Sat 9:15a, Chapel Vespers.....Sat, 1p, Chapel Ladies Group.....Sat, 1:30p, Rectory

**Holy Mass for Fifth Sunday after Michaelmass** ..... Sun, 10a, Church Voters Assembly .....Sun, 11:30a, Undercroft

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

**ANNUAL MEETING** The annual meeting of our congregation will be held Sunday, October 28, immediately following Mass. This is one of two only voters assemblies held each year. All Zion members should plan to attend, as the business of the congregation takes place at these meetings. At the October meeting the officers of our congregation are elected. Mark your calendar now!

THE PSALM FOR THIS WEEK IS PSALM 130. PRAY IT EVERY DAY!

Psalm 130 is the plea of a sinner who knows and feels his sin against God—both the countless sins he commits daily and especially the particular sin that troubles him which he tries so hard to hide from himself and others. This Psalm is also the despairing cry of the person who is mourning the loss of a loved one. In both cases, the word of comfort is that Our Lord does not keep a record of sin. Instead, for those who cry to him in faith, our Lord overwhelms with His forgiveness and mercy. That is the only hope for the children of Israel (the Church)! This Psalm may be sung according to hymn #664 in the hymnal.