

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.

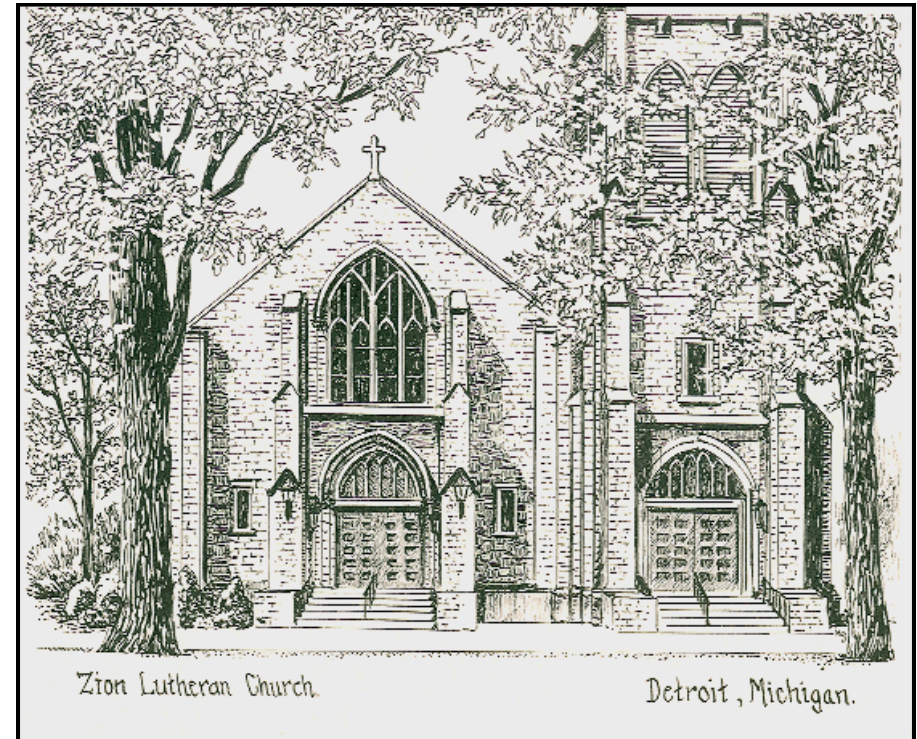
SICK AND HOMEBOUND are visited regularly by the Pastor with the Scriptures and Sacrament. Please contact the Parish Office if you know of any parishioner in need of pastoral visitation.

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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Second Sunday After Michaelmass

October 7, 2018

The Great Supper



Welcome to the Marriage feast of the Lamb of God! Here the faithful are invited to receive Our Lord as He comes in His Body and Blood. Here singing and rejoicing mark the celebration of the union of God and man! May this feast also encourage your faith and hope in the God who lives for you and in you.

The Theme of Today's Liturgy To walk not as fools means that we walk in the will of the Lord, filled with the Spirit, rejoicing and giving thanks in everything Our Lord gives (*Epistle*). For we rely on a Lord who deals with us according to the multitude of His

mercies (*Introit*). By His mercy, he cleanses us from our sins and bids us to serve Him with a quiet mind (*Collect*). So we take to heart Our Lord's invitation to be gathered to feast with Him (*Gospel*). For only fools stay away from the Lord's house; but the wise confess that our Jesus is the one who satisfies the desires of every living thing (*Gradual*).

The Sermon "The days are evil", the Apostle writes. Looking around he saw the ungodliness and the unbelief of the fallen world. True wisdom is the knowledge of God. Without that knowledge all else is foolishness. So do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is. It is His will that the visible church be filled. But even in the visible church there are those not vested in Christ's righteousness. Men cannot see that vestment. But God can. There is an outer darkness prepared for those who will not believe. But the Feast is prepared for those who, by faith in Christ, are wise. For many are called, but few are chosen.

The Holy Eucharist The Marriage Feast of the Lamb is the Supper of Christ's Body and Blood. Let us not make light of this invitation but rejoice in the Food Our Lord gives us. For it is the Lord you receive that vests you in the wedding garment of His Holiness.

The Readings Proverbs 2:1-9; Ephesians 5:15-21; St. Matthew 22:1-14

The Hymns for Today's Mass

Processional Hymn	4
Chief Hymn	305(1-5)
Offering Hymn	361
Distribution Hymns	305(6-9); 306
Retiring Processional Hymn	53

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Second Week After Michaelmass

Oct 7-14

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Holy Mass for the Second Sunday after Michaelmass..... Today, 10a, Church Bible Study..... Sun, 11:30a, Undercroft
 Sunday School..... Sun, 11:30a, Rectory
Holy Mass for Wednesday of Michaelmass II..... Wed, 10a, Chapel Bible Study..... Wed, 10:45a, Rectory
Holy Mass for The Maternity of the Blessed Virgin Mary..... Thr, 7p, Church Men's Group..... Thr, 8p, Rectory
 Lutheran Church Musicians Guild Mtg..... Sat, 8:30a - Noon, Church Matins..... Sat, 8:30a, Church
 Private Confession and Absolution Sat, 9:15a, Chapel Parish Council..... Sat, 10a, Rectory
 Vespers..... Sat, 1p, Chapel
 Ladies Group..... Sat 1:30p, Rectory
Holy Mass for the Third Sunday After MichaelmassSun, 10a, Church Bible Study..... Sun, 11:30a, Undercroft
 Sunday School..... Sun, 11:30a, Rectory
 Choir practice..... Sun, 12:30p, Church

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, and Patty Braden.

AFTER MASS today, Fr. Braden will travel to Kewanee, Illinois to serve at the Oktoberfest Conference with Fr. Burnell Eckardt. Fr. Braden will return on Wednesday, October 10 in the late afternoon. Archdeacon Stechholz will preside at the 10:00 a.m. Mass on 10/10. Fr. Braden will be available by cell phone in case of emergent Pastoral needs.

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 48. PRAY IT EVERY DAY!

As you pray this Psalm, think of Zion. What causes her beauty? Is it the stones and craftsmanship? Is it the effort and money we put into the building? Is it the people? The beauty of Zion is that here, in this temple, is where we hear of and receive God's loving kindness. Here is where we find shelter and refuge when we are troubled. For while God is everywhere, here is where he is our God, giving himself whole-heartedly to us, guiding us even through death.