

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, Friday, 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.

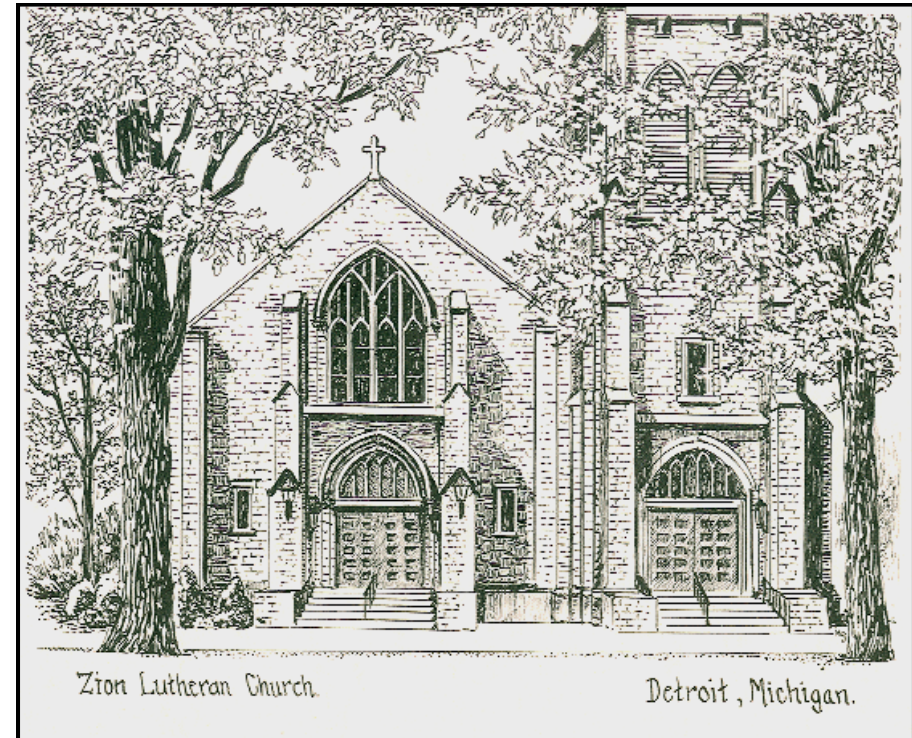
SICK AND HOMEBOUND are visited regularly by the Pastor with the Scriptures and Sacrament. Please contact the Parish Office if you know of any parishioner in need of pastoral visitation.

PARISH OFFICERS DEACONS: William Gramzow, Thomas Habitz, Jr., Michael Anderson TRUSTEES: Silas Gray, Paul Snoes, Bill Arthur; PARISH EDUCATION: Shirley Cross, Robert Kelly III, Janet Stechholz ENDOWMENT BOARD: Fr. Mark Braden (chairman) Tom Habitz, Jr., William Gramzow, 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 the Epiphany

February 3, 2019

“The Lord of Creation”



The creation cries out that there is a God. And so it must be, for it is subject to its Creator. It is He that made you, He that redeemed you, He that sanctifies you, He that gathers you here today to receive in time the Gifts that benefit you eternally.

The Theme of Today’s Liturgy The omnipotence of God is the central theme of the periscopes today, as the angels, men, the islands, and the whole earth rejoices (Introit). He protects His chosen people (Old Testament), delivering them from death by water (Gospel), and delivering them into life by Holy Baptism. At His speaking, it is done (Communio). It is He that grants us strength and protection, supports us in all danger, and carries us through all temptation (Collect).

The Sermon It seemed calm enough. The boat seemed safe. It is a factual record of an historic event. But it is also a parable for life in this fallen world. In an instant, without warning, life’s calm seas can become violent, dangerous, unpredictable. Perhaps you have known such turbulence in your life. Perhaps, like the disciples, you too have prayed “Lord, save me, for I am perishing!” For you the account of the stilling of the storm is a Word of comfort and hope. For with a Word, the Lord through whom all things were made commanded His creation to obey, and it obeyed. The same Lord gave His life for you, that you might truly live. So in the tempests of this life you have a Comforter, and Mediator, and Intercessor, a loving Lord to save you.

The Holy Eucharist The Lord that spoke and brought the great calm speaks today through His Verba and places His body with bread and His Blood with wine; that believing, eating and drinking you may know the great calm, the peace with which He alone can give: the forgiveness of all your sins and the strengthening of your faith.

The Readings Exodus 14:21-31; Romans 13:8-10; St. Matthew 8:23-27

The Hymns for Today’s Mass

Processional Hymn	26
Chief Hymn	383
Offering Hymn	14
Distribution Hymns	500; 269
Retiring Processional Hymn	429

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The Fourth Week After the Epiphany

Feb 3—10

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Holy Mass for the Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany..... Today, 10a, Church Adult Bible Class..... Today, 11:30a, Undercroft Sunday School Today, 11:30a, Rectory Matins Mon, 8:45a, Chapel Matins Tue, 8:45a, Chapel Vespers..... Tue, 7p, Church Men’s Group..... Tue, 7:30p, Rectory
Holy Mass for Wednesday of Epiphany IV**Wed, 10a, Chapel** Adult Study..... Wed, 11a, Rectory Matins Thr, 8:45a, Chapel Vespers Thr, 6p, Church Adult Catechesis..... Thr, 6:30p, Rectory Matins..... Sat, 8:45a, Chapel Private Confession and Absolution..... Sat, 9:15a, Chapel
Holy Mass for Transfiguration Sunday..... **Sun, 10a, Church** Adult Bible Class..... Sun, 11:30a, Undercroft Sunday School Sun, 11:30a, Rectory

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, Nancy Gramzow, Latoya Davis Gray, Drucilla Huddleston, Florine Kaiser, Lawrence Kasner, Richard Kelly, Erika Phares and the Phares family.

THE PSALM FOR THIS WEEK IS PSALM 97. PRAY IT EVERY DAY!

In this Psalm, we rejoice in the reign (rule) of the Lord over the earth (v. 1). His rule is righteous and justice (v. 2) – a righteousness and justice which mightily overcomes all those who resist Him (v. 3-6). On the one hand, this is a threat to all those who fear or trust in some other help or god (v 7). On the other hand, it is a strong, glad promise to those who love Him (v. 8-9). We rejoice in the rule of Our Lord, then, because we trust that He comes through for us, and because we partake in the remembrance of His Name in the Holy Eucharist (v 10-12)