



A WELCOMING FAITH COMMUNITY.
GROWING. CARING. SERVING.



TRADITIONAL SERVICE
MARCH 16/17, 2024
5TH SUNDAY IN LENT

Please silence your cell phones. Thank you!

Welcome to Worship

If you are a visitor please stop at the Welcome Desk in the lower level for a visitor bag. For more information contact us at www.zionanoka.org.

PREACHING:

Pastor Connie Tiede

ASSISTING:

9 AM Katie Weiland

READER:

5 PM Greg Bergeron

8 AM Marcia Wilson

9 AM Ron Gray

ORGANIST: Mary Jo Gothmann

PRELUDE

GATHERING

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

Let us confess our sin to God, who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.


Silence for reflection

God of compassion,

We confess that we have not lived up to the example of Jesus, and that we serve and love ourselves instead of you and our neighbors. Deliver us from all that dims the light of your Holy Spirit within us, and from all that prevents us from delighting in you. Forgive our sins, merciful God, that our hearts may burn with love for you and for all people, and that our lives may bear witness to your never-failing love.

The death Christ died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also, by the power of the Holy Spirit, are dead to sin and alive to God, in Jesus Christ.

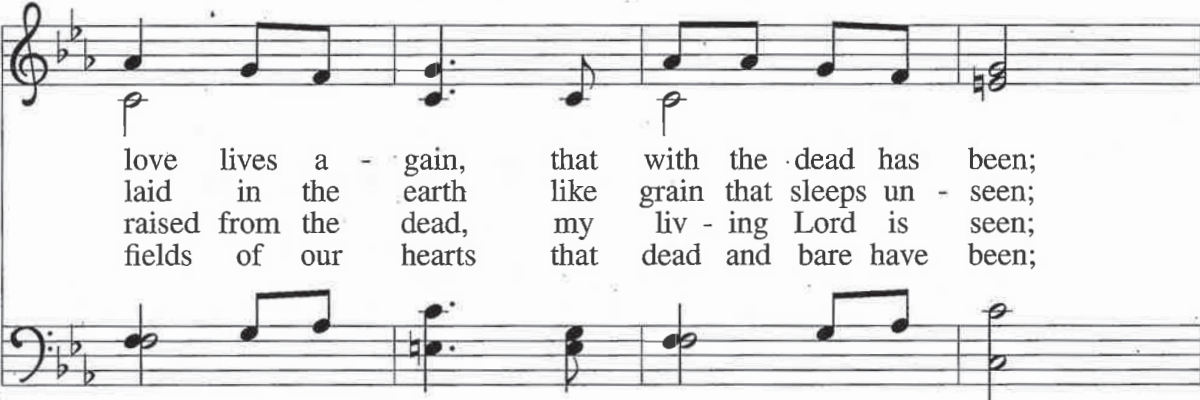
Amen



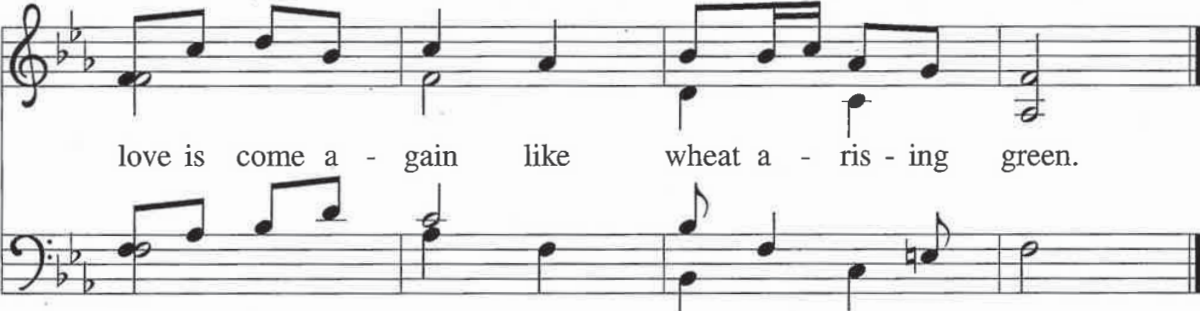
1 Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,
 2 In the grave they laid him, love by ha - tred slain,
 3 Forth he came at Eas - ter like the ris - en grain,
 4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,



wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
 think - ing that he would nev - er wake a - gain,
 He that for three days in the grave had lain;
 your touch can call us back to life a - gain,



love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;
 laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen;
 raised from the dead, my liv - ing Lord is seen;
 fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;



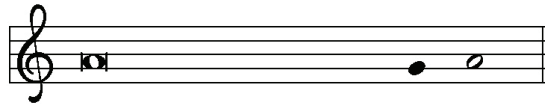
love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

GREETING:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE:



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



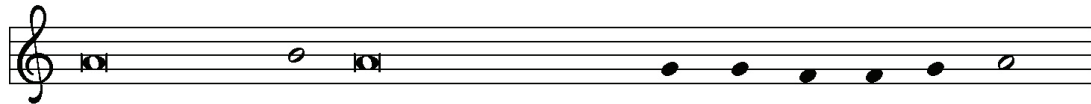
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



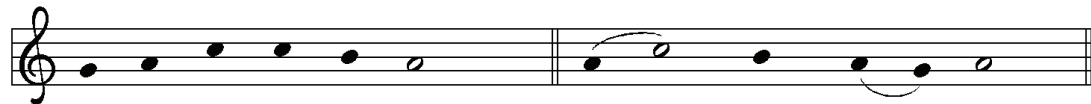
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord.

A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:


O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

WORD FOR KIDS (9 AM)

LESSONS: Jeremiah 31:31-34

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,

slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

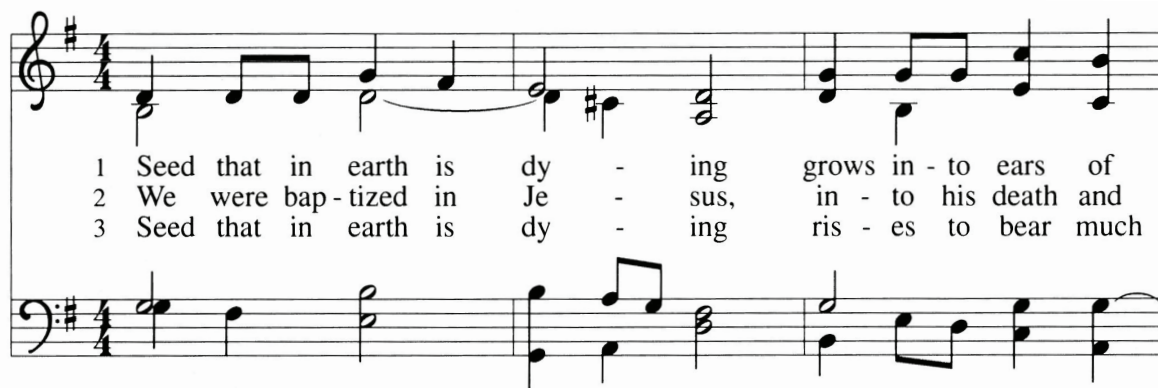
The Holy Gospel according to John 12:20-33

Glory to you, O Lord.

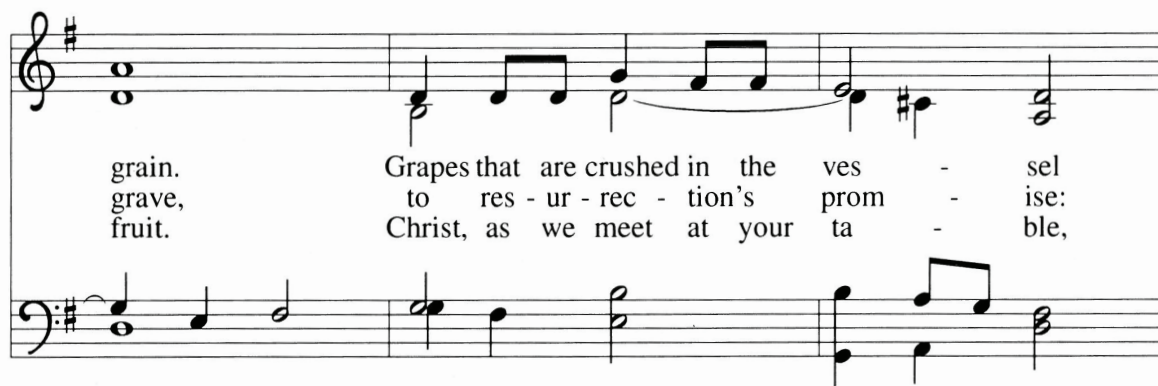
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON: *"We Wish to See Jesus"* by Pastor Connie Tiede



1 Seed that in earth is dy - ing grows in - to ears of
 2 We were bap - tized in Je - sus, in - to his death and
 3 Seed that in earth is dy - ing ris - es to bear much

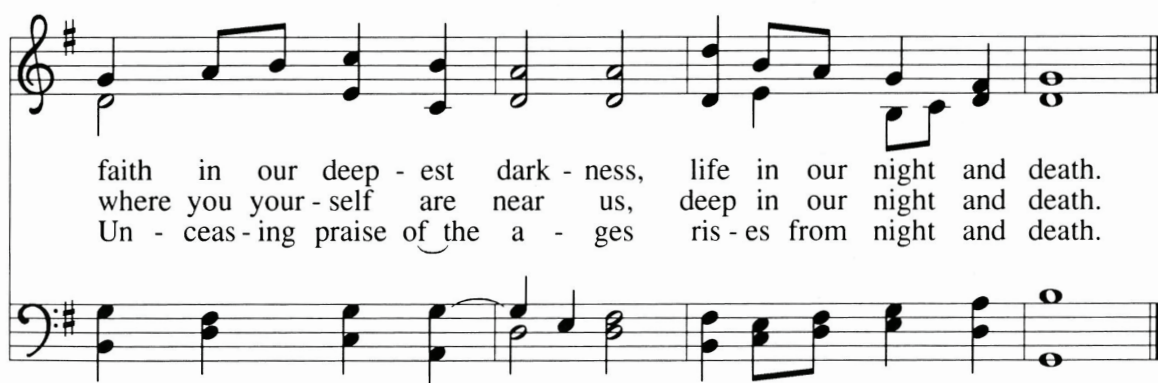


grain.
 grave,
 fruit.

Grapes that are crushed in the ves - sel
 to res - ur - rec - tion's prom - ise:
 Christ, as we meet at your ta - ble,



turn in - to gold - en wine. God, through this mys - ter - y grant us
 praise and e - ter - nal life. Heav - en's own prais - es be - gin here
 give us the bread of life. Lord, we do thank and a - dore you!



faith in our deep - est dark - ness, life in our night and death.
 where you your - self are near us, deep in our night and death.
 Un - ceas - ing praise of the a - ges ris - es from night and death.

Text: Svein Ellingsen, b. 1929; tr. Hedwig T. Durnbaugh, b. 1929

Music: Harald Herresthal, b. 1944

Tr. © Hedwig T. Durnbaugh

Music © Norsk Musikforlag

THE APOSTLES' CREED:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH:

After each petition

Lord of the Cross...

Hear our prayer.

SHARING THE PEACE:

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

(Share the peace with a wave and word of peace.)

MEAL

OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC (9 AM):

"Be Not Afraid" by Jonathan D. Campbell
Adult Choir, Jonathan Campbell, dir; Mary Jo Gothmann, piano

Be not afraid for I am your God.

When you walk through the waters, I will be with you always.

When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned.

Oh, be not afraid for I am your God.

Fear not, little flock, I am with you till the end.

I will wipe all tears away; death and pain will be no more.

Oh, be not afraid, you are mine.

MANY WAYS TO GIVE

TEXT: 763-710-2209

ONLINE www.zionanoka.org
click on "GIVE TODAY"

ELECTRONIC GIVING
<https://cutt.ly/ziongivetoday>
or



OFFERTORY: *When it Seems the Day Will End*, vs 1

When it seems the day will end, and all
light gives way to fear, we will speak your name a -
gain to re - mind us you are here.

Refrain

New life ris - ing, New life ris - ing, ash - es fall - ing, ash - es fall - ing,
joy and weep-ing, joy and weep-ing, in your call-ing. in your call - ing.

The musical score is written on five staves. The first three staves contain the main verses of the offertory, and the last two staves contain the refrain. The music is in a single melodic line on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes.

Text: Justin Rimbo, b. 1980
Music: HUMBLE WALK, Justin Rimbo
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OFFERTORY PRAYER:

Jesus, you are the bread of life. Bless these gifts that we have gathered that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food but with hunger to share what we have first been given by you. We pray this in your name.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

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Refrain

Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness



call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,



stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.



- 1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
- 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,
- 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
- 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;
 and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;
 then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;
 From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;



and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing:
 and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,
 and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,
 our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.



"A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings."
 then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.
 when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.
 With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

Refrain

1 For the bread which you have bro - ken, for the wine which you have poured,
 2 By this prom - ise that you love us, by your gift of peace re - stored,
 3 With the saints who now a - dore you, seat-ed at the heav'n - ly board,
 4 In your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; in our hearts keep watch and ward;

for the words which you have spo - ken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.
 by your call to heav'n a - bove us, hal - low all our lives, O Lord.
 may the church still wait - ing for you keep love's tie un - bro - ken, Lord.
 in the world to which you send us let your king - dom come, O Lord.

Text: Louis F. Benson, 1855–1930, alt.

Music: OMNI DIE, *Gross Catolisch Gesangbuch*, Nürnberg, 1631; arr. William Smith Rockstro, 1823–1895

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POST COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER:

Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus, the Bread of life.

Amen.

SENDING

BENEDICTION:

Beloved, we are God's own people, holy, washed, renewed. God bless you and keep you, shower you with mercy, fill you with courage, and † give you peace.

Amen.

1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless-ing, fill our hearts with joy and peace;
 2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's joy - ful sound.
 3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us from our strug - gling pil - grim way,

let us each, your love pos - sess-ing, tri - umph in re - deem-ing grace.
 May the fruits of your sal - va - tion in our hearts and lives a - bound.
 let no fear of death ap - pall us, glad your sum - mons to o - bey.

Oh, re - fresh us; oh, re - fresh us, trav - 'ling through this wil - der-ness.
 Ev - er faith-ful, ev - er faith-ful to your truth may we be found.
 May we ev - er, may we ev - er reign with you in end-less day.

Text: attr. John Fawcett, 1740–1817, sts. 1–2, alt.; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 3, alt.
 Music: SICILIAN MARINERS, Sicilian, 18th cent.

DISMISSAL:

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

HOSPITAL VISITS AND PASTORAL CARE

If you or a family member are in the hospital or have had a change in your health status and would like a pastoral visit, please call the church office at 763-421-4656, email Kristine at kjohnson@zionanoka.org or Pr. Sue at swallager@zionanoka.org or let any of the pastors know. The pastoral staff will be very happy to visit you and provide pastoral care. Thank you.

COMMUNION FOR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

One of Zion's most important ministries is reaching out to our homebound members. We do this by radio, Cable-TV and livestreaming of worship services, visits by our Visitation Minister Ken Johnson, Zion's monthly newsletter "The Herald" and monthly services at assisted living facilities. Sharing Holy Communion is one of the most meaningful ways we connect with our homebound members. Zion has a visitation team that provides this ministry. If you or a family member would like a monthly home communion visit please call the church office at 763-421-4656. We are also looking for kind, caring souls to add to our visitation team. Please contact Pastor Sue at swallager@zionanoka.org if you would like to become part of the *Home Communion Visitation Team*.

CONGREGATIONAL GODPARENTS NEEDED

Every child needs AAA (authentic, available and affirming) adults in their lives – the more the better! At Zion we believe in "marinating" our children in prayer and being present from the beginning. That is why we have Congregational Godparents – AAA adults who are willing to be present at the baptism of a child and pray for them every day and send cards (which are provided) on their birthdays and the anniversary of their baptism. It's an easy job, but a vital one. We are in need of people who would like to be part of this ministry and be present at the baptism. Contact Pr Connie at ctiede@zionanoka.org or Kristine Johnson at kjohnson@zionanoka.org for more info.

MEMORIAL FUNDS DESIGNATION

Following the loss of a loved one, Zion members frequently name Zion Lutheran Church to be a recipient of Memorial gifts in memory of their loved one. We are sometimes asked about the ministry areas families may designate or " earmark" their memorial gifts.

Here is the current list of established Memorial Funds:

- Children & Youth Ministry Memorial Fund
- Radio Broadcast Ministry Fund
- Zion Foundation Building Maintenance Fund
- Zion Foundation Mortgage Reduction Fund (Foundation matches gift)
- Music & Worship Ministry Memorial Fund
- Undesignated Memorial Fund
- Zion Foundation General Mission Fund

If you have questions about Memorial Funds please feel free to call the Church Office and talk to Tracy Kinn, Director of Finance, or Pastor Brent. Memorial checks may be made out to Zion Lutheran Church and the memo line of the check should indicate the Memorial Fund for which the donation(s) are intended.

WE WELCOME YOU TO WORSHIP

Hearing Assistance Units Available

*Hearing assistance units
are available at the
sound booth at the
back of the Sanctuary.*

Mobility Concerns

*We have areas in the
sanctuary where a wheel-
chair or walker will fit.
Ushers can assist you.*

Children Welcome

*Activity bags are avail-
able outside the sanctu-
ary. We have two "pray
grounds" in the sanctuary
with plenty of places just
outside the sanctuary as
well where children can
sit and play.*

LIVE STREAM

SUNDAY 9 & 11 AM
www.zionanoka.org
(click "Worship Online")
- or -
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ZionLutheranChurch
AnokaMn](https://www.facebook.com/ZionLutheranChurchAnokaMn)
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CABLE TV

Metro Cable Network
Channel 6
SUNDAY | 10 AM & 5 PM

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SUNDAYS | 9:10 AM

OFFICE HOURS

M - TH: 9 AM - 5 PM
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GREETERS NEEDED - SAT 5 PM AND SUN 8 & 11 AM SERVICES

We need you to help us be a welcoming church! Come share a smile and a warm greeting with all who come to worship. Please contact Linn Hauck at linn.hauck@gmail.com or Suzanne at sgaboury@zionanoka.org if you are interested or have questions.

COMMUNION SERVERS NEEDED!

We are in need of communion servers. If you are interested in helping with this important ministry, there is a notebook in the Sacristy where you can sign up for the weekend and worship service time that is convenient for you. Thank you!

The Call to "I AM" – A Lenten Series

NOON & 6:30 PM

Continues

MARCH 20: *I AM the Resurrection and the Life*

John 11:17-27 Pr Steve Schmidt - preaching

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday

MARCH 23/24 | 5PM, 8, 9 & 11 AM

Maundy Thursday

MARCH 28 | NOON, 6:30 PM

I AM the Bread of Life

John 6:35-40 Pr Sue Wallager - preaching

Good Friday

MARCH 29

FAMILY SERVICE | 10 AM & 6 PM | CHAPEL

TRADITIONAL SERVICE | NOON & 6:30 PM | SANCTUARY

I AM He = the Absolute I AM

John 8:21-30 Pr Connie Tiede - preaching

Easter

Christ is Risen, He is Risen Indeed!

SATURDAY MARCH 30 | 5 PM

SUNDAY MARCH 31 | 8, 9:30 & 11 AM