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TRADITIONAL SERVICE  
APRIL 13/14, 2024  
3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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## 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](http://www.zionanoka.org).

**PREACHING:**

Pastor Sue Wallager

**ASSISTING:**

SAT Deb Oas Koepsell  
SUN Pastor Connie Tiede

**READER:**

5 PM Greg Bergeron  
8 AM Deb Oas Koepsell  
9 AM Bill Travis

**ORGANIST:**

Mary Jo Gothmann

PRELUDE

GATHERING

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, One God, the fountain of living water, through whom we have life and salvation. Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of Baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of Baptism.

**We give you thanks, gracious God, for the gift of water that sustains life and creation and for the gift of Baptism.**

God, speaking through the prophet Isaiah said: "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine."

**Thank you for the gift of Baptism and for our identity as baptized children of God. Thank you for the promise that in the waters of Baptism you have called us by name and we are yours, now and forever.**

Thank you for the new life in Jesus Christ that is available through the promises of Baptism.

Show us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your Baptismal promises of forgiveness, grace, love and eternal life. Thanks be to God!

GATHERING SONG: *As We Gather at Your Table* ..... 522

1 As we gath-er at your ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your word,  
2 Turn our wor-ship in - to wit - ness in the sac - ra - ment of life;  
3 Gra - cious Spir - it, help us sum - mon oth - er guests to share that feast

help us know, O God, your pres - ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.  
send us forth to love and serve you, bring - ing peace where there is strife.  
where tri - um - phant Love will wel - come those who had been last and least.

Nour - ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own;  
Give us, Christ, your great com - pas - sion to for - give as you for - gave;  
There no more will en - vy blind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy,

teach us through this ho - ly ban - quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known.  
may we still be - hold your im - age in the world you died to save.  
as we join with saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound - ing joy.

Text: Carl P. Daw, Jr., b. 1944  
Music: IN BABBLONE, *Gude en Nieuwe Hollantse Boerenliden en Contradansen*, 1710; arr. Julius Röntgen, 1855-1932  
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## 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.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE:

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

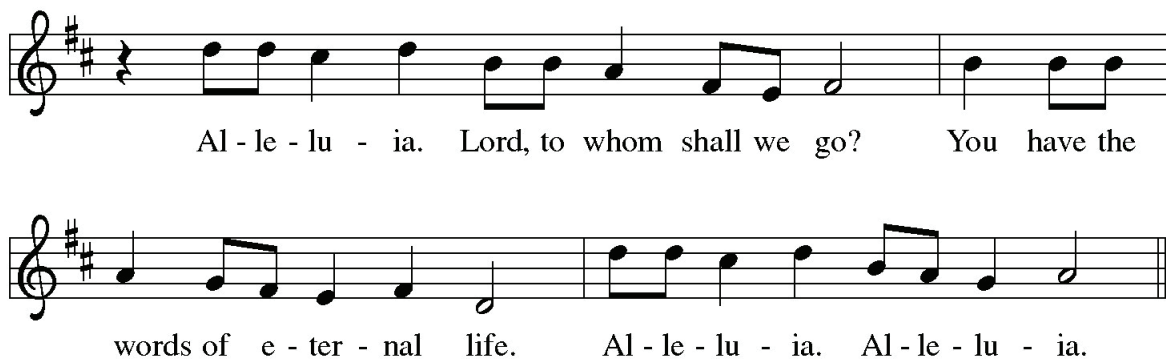
**Holy and righteous God, you are the author of life, and you adopt us to be your children. Fill us with your words of life, that we may live as witnesses to the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

WORD

WORD FOR KIDS (9 AM)

LESSONS: Acts 3:12-19

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

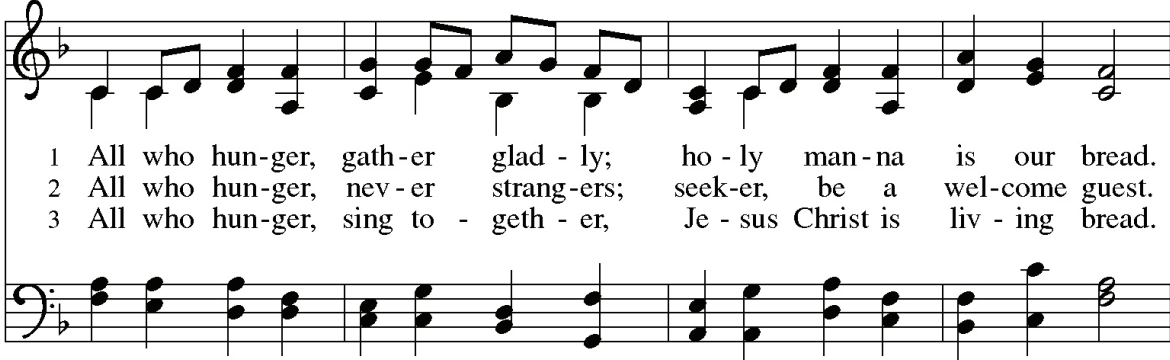
The Holy Gospel according to Luke 24:36b-48

**Glory to you, O Lord.**


The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE SERMON: by Pastor Sue Wallager




1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread.  
 2 All who hun-ger, nev - er strang-ers; seek-er, be a wel-come guest.  
 3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil-der - ness and wan - d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.  
 Come from rest-less - ness and roam-ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.  
 Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here in peace we have been fed.



You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a - round us is our food.  
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com - mu - nion's love have stood.  
 Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat-i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.  
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Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993  
 Music: HOLY MANNA, W. Moore, *Columbian Harmony*, 1825; arr. hymnal version  
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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*

Through your resurrection power...

**Hear us, Living God.**

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.)*

MANY WAYS TO GIVE

TEXT: 763-710-2209

ONLINE [www.zionanoka.org](http://www.zionanoka.org)  
click on "GIVE TODAY"

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

or



MEAL

OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC (9 AM):

"Break the Bread" ..... Sleeth  
Adult Choir; Jonathan Campbell, dir.; Mary Jo Gothmann, piano

OFFERTORY: *We Give Thee But Thine Own*..... 686

**We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;  
all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.**

OFFERTORY PRAYER:

Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. **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

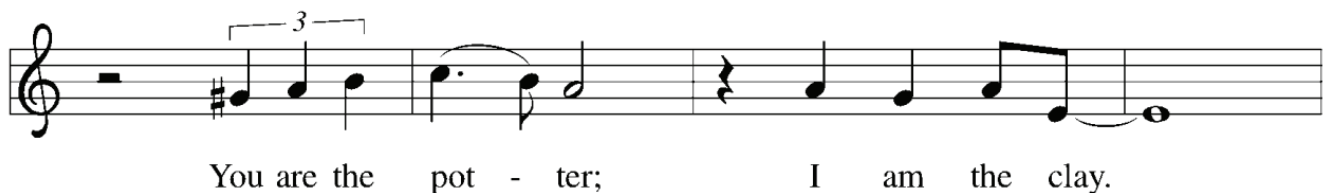
### THE LORD'S PRAYER:

**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.**

## DISTRIBUTION/ DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

### Change My Heart, O God

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Text: Eddie Espinosa, b. 1953

Music: CHANGE MY HEART, Eddie Espinosa

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# This Is My Father's World

824



1 This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis-t'ning ears all  
2 This is my Fa-ther's world; the birds their car - ols raise; the  
3 This is my Fa-ther's world; oh, let me not for - get that,



na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres.  
morn - ing light, the lil - y white, de - clare their mak - er's praise.  
though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul - er yet.



This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought of  
This is my Fa-ther's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the  
This is my Fa-ther's world; why should my heart be sad? The



rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won - ders wrought.  
rus - tling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me ev-'ry-where.  
Lord is king, let heav - en ring; God reigns, let earth be glad!

Text: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1858–1901

Music: TERRA PATRIS, Franklin L. Sheppard, 1852–1930, adapt.

## POST COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER:

Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

## SENDING

### BENEDICTION:

The blessing of the living God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, surround and sustain you and fill you with courage. **Amen.**





1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, our true faith con - fess - ing,  
 2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er - liv - ing,



the peo - ple of God from this dwell - ing take leave.  
 the tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face—



The sup - per is end - ed. Oh, now be ex - tend - ed  
 our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing,



the fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.  
 em - brac - ing God's chil - dren, the whole hu - man race.



The seed of Christ's teach - ing, re - cep - tive souls  
 With your feast you feed us, with your light now



reach - ing, shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.  
 lead us; u - nite us as one in this life that we share.



Your grace shall in - cite us, your love shall u - nite us  
 Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing



to work for your king - dom and an - swer your call.  
 give hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916–1997, alt.  
 Music: THE ASH GROVE, Welsh folk tune  
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DISMISSAL:

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### CAMP WAPO - REGISTER NOW!

Camp Wapo is a Bible camp located near Amery, WI, supported by Zion and a number of other Twin Cities area congregations. Zion dates are June 14-16 Seeds camp (Gr. 1-3) and the June 16-21 Youth camp (Gr. 4-12). Zion provides automatic scholarships for all of our campers. Seeds campers receive \$100 per child, 8th grade confirmation campers receive \$400, and all other week-long campers receive \$300. To receive the scholarships, only pay the deposit fee when you register. Zion will then add the scholarship to your account, and you'll be billed for any remainder. Additional support is available through Zion and Camp Wapo. Questions? Contact Katie Weiland at [kweiland@zionanoka.org](mailto:kweiland@zionanoka.org). Register at <http://lwlbc.com/zion-anoka>.

### CAMP WAPO SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Zion has a long history of supporting kids and youth active in our children and youth programming to go to Bible camp at Camp Wapo, and we need your help to be able to continue to support our families through the Camp Wapo Scholarship Fund. Our main sources of funds for these scholarships are from Thrivent Choice Dollars and direct donations. If you are a member of Thrivent Financial, you can look into your eligibility to direct Thrivent Choice Dollars at [www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice](http://www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice) or call Thrivent at 1-800-847-4836, follow the prompts and a Thrivent representative will work with you to direct your Choice Dollars to Zion. You can also send donations to Zion for the Camp Wapo Scholarship Fund. Checks should be made out to Zion Lutheran Church and "Scholarship Fund" written in the memo line. Thank you for your continued support of our Bible camp scholarship fund at Zion!

### 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](mailto:linn.hauck@gmail.com) or Suzanne at [sgaboury@zionanoka.org](mailto: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!

## MATTHEW BAGS

Thank you to all who have generously donated to the Matthew Bag Ministry. You may wonder "Where do these bags go?" Besides parishioners handing them out to those in need, that we see, they also go to the following: Salvation Army store at Northtown, ACBC, Hope4Youth, Anoka Metro Regional Treatment Center, Anoka Ramsey Community College, Anoka Technical College and Hennepin Technical College. Each bag contains water, food bars, personal hygiene items and socks. Again thank you for your continued support.

**MORTGAGE REDUCTION OPPORTUNITY** Zion's Foundation has made a matching grant of up to \$300,000 available for the purpose of encouraging special gifts toward the eventual elimination of Zion's mortgage. We are pleased to report that special gifts of almost \$100,000 were received in the last two months toward the mortgage reduction effort. With the Foundation's match, we have made a payment of about \$200,000 toward mortgage reduction. This will save about \$200,000 in interest over the remaining life of our loan and allow us to pay our loan off about 2.5 years early. The balance of our mortgage will soon be below \$2 million for the first time in many years. "Mortgage Reduction" envelopes are available at the front desk. Any new gift over and above current pledges in place for our capital appeal, will be matched dollar for dollar by the Zion Foundation over the next 3 years, up to \$300,000. Thank you to all who contribute to the current capital appeal/building fund and to those who have made special gifts to the mortgage reduction effort.

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

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 Connie. 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 wheelchair or walker will fit. Ushers can assist you.*

### Children Welcome

*Activity bags are available outside the sanctuary. 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  
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## 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](mailto:kjohnson@zionanoka.org) or Pr. Sue at [swallager@zionanoka.org](mailto: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](mailto:swallager@zionanoka.org) if you would like to become part of the *Home Communion Visitation Team*.

## PRAYER MINISTRY INVITATION

If you have a celebration or concern you would like the prayer team to include in their prayers, complete a green prayer card located in the Sanctuary pew racks, in Zion's Chapel and also at the front desk or you can email your celebration/concern to [prayer@zionanoka.org](mailto:prayer@zionanoka.org). If you would like to be a part of Zion's Prayer Team Ministry or would like more information, contact Pastor Sue [swallager@zionanoka.org](mailto:swallager@zionanoka.org).

GREEN PRAYER CARDS are available in the pew holders for you to write a prayer request. Place them in the wooden prayer collection boxes located in the Sanctuary, Chapel or at the Welcome Desk. All prayer concerns or thanksgivings are confidential and are shared only with the Prayer Team.