

Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church

If you are visiting with us for the first time, we invite you to sign our guest book at the Entrance to our Sanctuary. Our ushers are happy to assist you in any way. Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA).

Holy Communion: Participation in Holy Communion is open to all Christians that believe Christ is truly present in this sacrament. We now offer gluten free wafers for those requesting them. Let the Pastor know your preference.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SIGN THE ATTENDANCE PADS AT THE END OF EACH PEW. This is very helpful as it keeps us up to date on attendance numbers.

Circle of Prayer: Marilyn Wilson
 Fran Wishard

The Altar Flowers are dedicated to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. James H. Dean and John & Kim Dean. Given by Susan, Nancy and Brittney.

The Bulletin today is dedicated to the Glory of God and in loving memory of our departed loved ones and in honor of our family members. Given by Jack & Carol Turner.

The Sanctuary Light is dedicated to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my grandparents, Vernon & Jean Harp. Given by Michael Harp.

The Festival Lights are dedicated to the Glory of God.

Lunches this month are dedicated to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Paul, Ruth and Leon Thomas. Given by H. Ray Thomas.

April 5, 2026
Resurrection Sunday
Liturgy – Setting 4, Red Hymnal, Page 147

GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

“Toccatà on Christ the Lord Is Risen Today” arr. Diane Bish

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne
and to the Lamb! **Amen.**

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.

Merciful God,

you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come.

You lead us beside still waters.

We thank you for the waters of creation:

morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves.

We thank you for the waters that nourish us.

Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness
who accompanies us on our journeys.
We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection.
We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow.
Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows.
Break down barriers that divide us.
Fill us with the breath of peace.
Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism,
and for making us a new creation.
We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise,
now and forever. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn: #365 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

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 (Red Hymnal, Page 147)

HYMN OF PRAISE (Red Hymnal, Page 149)

PRAYER OF THE DAY (on insert)

WORD

First Reading

Acts 10:34-43

Psalm

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 (spoken)

Second Reading

Colossians 3:1-4

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (stand) (Red Hymnal, Page 151)

Gospel

Matthew 28:1-10

After announcement: Glory to You, O Lord

Response after reading: Praise to You, O Christ

(Please be seated)

Hymn of the Day #376 Thine Is the Glory

THE APOSTLE'S 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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P/ Merciful God,

C/ Receive our prayer.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Musical Offering

**“Ye Choirs of Jerusalem”
Charles V. Stanford
Adult Choir**

MEAL

OFFERTORY Hymn #184 Let The Vinyards Be Fruitful

OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)

Merciful God,
accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory.
You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day
when we will hunger and thirst no more.
Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus,
that goodness and mercy may follow us
and bless the world you love.
In the name of Jesus,

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Red Hymnal, page 152)

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.

SANCTUS (Red Hymnal, Page 153)

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (spoken)

**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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

**Come to the table of new life.
Receive the risen Lord.**

AGNUS DEI (Red Hymnal, Page 154)

DISTRIBUTION: Salvation and new life come to us through the bread and wine at Christ's command as he says, "This is my body given for you and this is my blood shed for you." Communion is being served at the altar or in your pew. Follow the directions given by the Pastor & the Ushers.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

**“The Strife Is O’er” arr. James Allen Dash
Hymn #338 Beneath the Cross of Jesus**

Please stand

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**Holy One,
through this meal you have made your home among us
and are making all things new.
Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts,
to love our enemies,
and to bring your healing to the nations.
In the name of Jesus,**

Amen.

Blessing

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end,
Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead,
and the Spirit, our advocate and peace,
bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN #366 The Strife Is O’er, the Battle Done

Dismissal

**Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Postlude “Pastorale: mvt. IV” J.S. Bach

THE WEEK AHEAD

April 5, 2026	Easter Sunday
6:30 am	Sunrise Service, The Springfield Barn
8:15 am	Worship Service
9:30 am	Sunday School
10:45 am	Worship Service
April 6, 2026	Office Closed
April 7, 2026	
6:30 pm	Kinder Haven Board of Directors
7:00 pm	Jazz Band
April 8, 2026	
8:00 am	Men's Fellowship
11:00 am	Bible Study
April 9, 2026	
6:00 pm	Bells
6:30 pm	AA
7:00 pm	Choir
April 11, 2026	
8:00 am	Spring Clean Up
10:00 am	Soup Sale

WORSHIP SERVERS FOR APRIL 5, 2026 (EASTER SUNDAY)

Ushers

8:15 am	John Doub
10:45 am	Vaughn Miller

Greeters

8:15 am	Terry & Debbie Grossnickle
10:45 am	Marjorie Dilworth

Lay Readers

8:15 am	Debbie Grossnickle
10:45 am	Michael Harp

Communion Assistants

8:15 am Kathy Himes, Charles Crown, Joe Moser
Bob Budnicki, and Darlene Teach
10:45 am Kathy Himes, Dawn Stiles, Brandon Stiles,
Jamie Neikirk and Charles Crown

8:15 am Acolyte: Ian Baran Crucifer: Loren Baran
10:45 am Acolyte: Andrew Snook Crucifer: Lean Snook

Altar Care

8:15 am Brent & Jackie Taylor
10:45 am Joy & Jamie Neikirk

Film Schedule:

10:45 am Brandon Stiles

WORSHIP SERVERS FOR APRIL 12, 2026

Ushers

9:30 am Ray Thomas, Randy Miles

Greeters

9:30 am Sharon Raun

Lay Readers

9:30 am Charles Crown

Communion Assistants

9:30 am Kathy Himes and Charles Crown

9:30 Acolyte: Jeremy Cassner Crucifer: Jordyn Miles

Altar Care

9:30 am Brent & Jackie Taylor, and Joy & Jamie Neikirk

Film Schedule:

9:30 am Amanda Baran

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please keep in prayer: Patty Allen, Randy Anderson, Loretta Bassler, Terry and Ellie Doub, Sally Drury, Marvin Gower, Kristine Griffith, Terry Grossnickle, Kay and Mary Guessford, AJ Haque, Ronnie Jackson, Robert Kerns, Sarah Kiley, Harry Knode, Rachel Knox, Saundra and Frank Largent, Charles Matlack, Liam Manuel, Vaughn Miller, Pat Myers, Linda Perry, Mackenzie Raidt, Driver Spade, Millie St. Peter, Dolly Trumpower, Diane Wollard.

Homebound & Shut Ins – Randy Anderson, Bob Bowers, Barbara Burger, Jean Brechbill, Terry Conrad, Bob Gordon, Dorothea Heavner, Demeta Matlack, Roger Nicodemus, Linda Perry, Marilyn Schoenian, Ien & Heng Ya Srun, Kitty Smalts, Bonnie Thomas, James Thomas.

We welcome Ross Himes with his trumpet to help us celebrate Resurrection Sunday.

There will be one service on April 12, 2026, at 9:30 am. There will be a potluck in the Fellowship Hall after the service.

The office will be closed on Friday, April 3 (Good Friday) and Monday, April 6 (Easter Monday). Dorothy will return to the office on Tuesday.

On April 5, 2026, Fellowship will be held at 9:30 am only.

If you have a child, that is at least 6 years older and is ready to begin the journey to taking Communion with our family, classes will be held in April. First Communion will be celebrated on April 26. Please see Pastor Kim for more information.

There will be a soup sale on April 11, 2026. The cost is \$8.00 per quart. It will be from 10 am – 2 pm, carry out only. Pre-orders are encouraged. There are sign-up sheets in the Fellowship Hall and the Sanctuary. For more information, please contact Kathy Himes.

Spring Clean up has been rescheduled to April 11, 2026 from 8 am – 11 am. Please come help.

The mowing list is up on the Bulletin Board in the Hallway. Please take a day or two to help keep Zion looking great.

And speaking of looking great, Lois Dreisbach could use some help with our many flower beds. Please contact Lois if you can help.

Calling all graduating seniors – Zion will honor our seniors on May 31, 2026, at both services. Please contact the office to let us know you are graduating and what your future plans are.

The Property Committee has a gently used snowblower for sale. It has only been used once. It is 24 inches. Asking \$400.00. Please see Joe Moser for more information.

The Williamsport Food Bank has the following needs for the month of March: cereal, canned beef stew, canned chicken and dumplings, vegetable soup, spaghetti and spaghetti sauce, beef or chicken cup o' noodles, canned peaches, canned pears, jarred applesauce, baked beans, canned chili, canned spinach, canned chicken, tuna, and peanut butter and grape jelly. Donations can be placed in the bin outside of the Fellowship Hall. If it is easier for you, you can make a monetary donation made payable to the Williamsport Food Bank. Thank you for your help and generosity.

SAVE THE DATE:

April 11, 2026	8 am Spring Clean-Up
April 11, 2026	10 am – 2 pm Soup Sale
April 26, 2026	Family Movie Night (<i>The Prince of Egypt</i>)