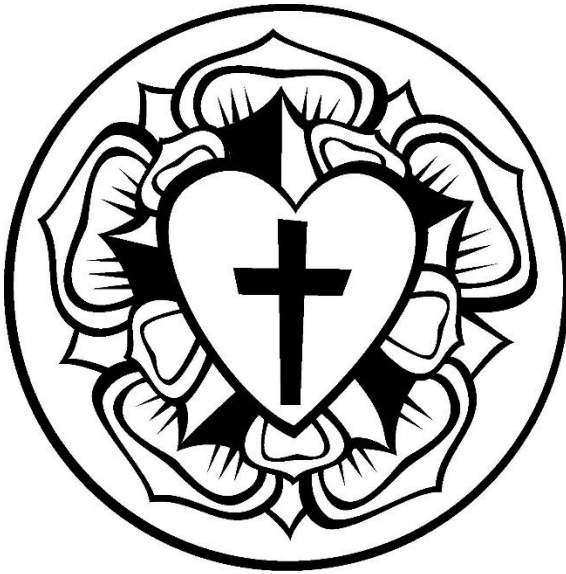


*Zion Evangelical Lutheran  
Church*

*April 26, 2026*

*Fourth Sunday of Easter*



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**April 26, 2026**  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
**Liturgy – Setting 3, Red Hymnal, Page 138**

**GATHERING**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE**

**“Brother James’ Air” arr. Dale Wood**

**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: #502 The King of Love My Shepherd Is**

**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 138)**

**HYMN OF PRAISE (Red Hymnal, Page 139)**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY (on insert)**

**WORD**

**First Reading**

**Acts 2:42-47**

**Psalm**

**Psalm 23 (spoken)**

**Second Reading**

**1 Peter 2:19-25**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (stand) (Red Hymnal, Page 142)**

**Gospel**

**John 10:1-10**

**After announcement: Glory to You, O Lord**

**Response after reading: Praise to You, O Christ**

**(Please be seated)**

**Hymn of the Day #778 The Lord's My Shepherd**

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM (10:45 am)**

**Grayson Steven Sears**

**Hymn #732 Borning Cry**

**THE APOSTLE'S CREED (8:15 am only)**

**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**

**8:15 am "Holy"**

**arr. Tom Fettke**

**Adult Choir**

**10:45 am "Be Though My Vision"**

**arr. Pepper Choplin**

**MEAL**

**OFFERTORY Hymn #182 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 144)**

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 144)**

### **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 146)**

**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**

**Hymn #810 O Jesus I Have Promised**

**Hymn #789 Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us**

*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 #324 In the Cross of Christ I Glory**

## **Dismissal**

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

## **Postlude “Hymnus” Franz Liszt**

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## THE WEEK AHEAD

April 26, 2026

8:15 am

Worship Service

9:30 am

Sunday School

10:45 am

Worship Service

6:00 pm

Movie Night

April 27, 2026

6:30 pm

Property Committee

April 28, 2026

5:30 pm

Finance Committee

April 29, 2026

11:00 am

Bible Study

April 30, 2026

6:00 pm

Bells

6:30 pm

AA

7:00 pm

Choir

## WORSHIP SERVERS FOR APRIL 26, 2026

### Ushers

8:15 am

Dave Knode

10:45 am

Kershner Wyatt

### Greeters

8:15 am

Sherri & Bob Taylor

10:45 am

Lesa & Joey Mason

### Lay Readers

8:15 am

Sherri Taylor

10:45 am

Michael Harp

### Communion Assistants

8:15 am

Dave Knode and Joe Moser

10:45 am

Lesa Mason and Ed Shaw

8:15 am            Acolyte: Loren Baran            Crucifer: Ian Baran  
10:45 am            Acolyte: Eideann Banzhoff    Crucifer: Sloane Dzbynski

**Altar Care**

8:15 am            Brent & Jackie Taylor  
10:45 am

**Film Schedule:**

8:15 am            The Baran Family

**WORSHIP SERVERS FOR MAY 3, 2026**

**Ushers**

8:15 am            John Doub  
10:45 am            Steve Himes

**Greeters**

8:15 am            Lois Dreisbach and Darlene Teach  
10:45 am            Lesa & Joey Mason

**Lay Readers**

8:15 am            Bob Budnicki  
10:45 am            Joy Neikirk

**Communion Assistants**

8:15 am            Joe Moser and Darlene Teach  
10:45 am            Charles Crown and Jamie Neikirk

8:15 am            Acolyte: Dawson Miller            Crucifer:  
10:45 am            Acolyte: Andrew Snook            Crucifer: Leah Snook

**Altar Care**

8:15 am  
10:45 am

**Film Schedule:**

10:45 am            Brandon Stiles

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please keep in prayer: Patty Allen, Randy Anderson, Loretta Bassler, Tarita Buhagier, Cindy Dean, 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, Sandra and Frank Largent, Charles Matlack, Liam Manuel, Vaughn Miller, Pat Myers, Juanita Netzkie, Linda Perry, Mackenzie Raidt, Marilyn Schoenian, Driver Spade, Millie St. Peter, 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.

Today, we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Baptism at the 10:45 am service. James and Betsy Sears are presenting their son, Grayson Steven to receive the Sacrament of Baptism. Proud grandparents are Ed & Susie Shaw and Ivan & Christine Sears. Grayson's siblings are Harrison and Palmer.

Today at both Services we celebrate those making their First Communion. Please welcome Lucillia Stardust Cubit, Janis Jade Sparrow Cubit, Harrison Sears, Jaden Snyder, Lisa Snyder, and Robert Snyder into Fellowship with the Body of Christ.

Kinder Haven's Spring Raffle has begun. There are 4 great prizes, each valued over \$100.00. Tickets are \$5.00 each and are available on the Kinder Haven Table or in the church office. The drawing will be held on Friday, May 8. You do not need to be present to win. Please support our childcare ministry. It is impacting many lives in our community.

Our next movie night is tonight at 6:00 pm. We will be watching ***The Prince of Egypt***. Bring the whole family to watch the story of Moses. Bring pillows, blankets or a comfy chair. Light refreshments will be provided. If you would like to help with refreshments, please see Michael Harp.

The Mother's Day Honor Roll is being assembled. This is a great way to honor our mothers. Please sign up on the clipboard in the Fellowship Hall or in the Sanctuary.

Volunteers are needed to help at the 10:45 service. If you can serve as an Usher, please see Pastor Kim. If you can help with Altar Care, please see Jackie Taylor.

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.

On May 9, 2026, we will have a Chicken BBQ fund raiser. It will be carry out only from 11 am – 2 pm. The menu includes half a chicken, baked beans and applesauce. The cost is \$12.00.

The Williamsport Food Bank has the following needs for the month of April: 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 26, 2026	Family Movie Night ( <b><i>The Prince of Egypt</i></b> )
May 9, 2026	Chicken BBQ – Carryout 11 – 2
May 10, 2026	Mother's Day
May 16, 2026	Lunches
May 25, 2026	Memorial Day (office closed)
May 30, 2026	HARC Hike at Zion
May 31, 2026	Honoring our Graduating Seniors
May 31, 2026	Family Movie Night ( <b><i>How to Train Your Dragon</i></b> )