

# Historic Zion Lutheran Church

## DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

9:00 am ..... Sunday, March 31, 2024

### RECEIVING OF THE LORD'S SUPPER AT ZION

As intended by Christ and as practiced by the one, holy, catholic and apostolic church throughout her history, "Closed Communion" is observed in this congregation, in which the Lord's Supper is distributed only to those:

- (a) who have been **baptized** in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit;
- (b) who have been **instructed** in the truth of Holy Scripture as taught in the Lutheran Confessions, who have been **confirmed** in this Lutheran faith, and who now confess the same doctrines that are taught in this congregation, holding membership in a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod;
- (c) who **believe that in this sacrament the real body and blood of Christ are truly distributed to them and orally received by them**, bestowing on them the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation;
- (d) who **sincerely repent** of all their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this holy meal.

Guests at our services, before receiving the sacrament, are requested to affirm these facts with one of our pastors. Thank you for honoring our practice. If you are looking for a church home, would like to be a member of Zion, or would like to learn more about the Christian Faith, please speak to one of our pastors about our membership classes.

✠ = *appropriate to make the baptismal sign of the cross*

*When "rise" or "kneel" is indicated, it is appropriate to sit if needed*

*The Congregation rises, turns towards the entrance of the nave, and faces the Cross of Christ, the reminder of Christ's promise to come and dwell among His people as they are gathered in His name.*

### Easter Acclamation

Christ is risen. Al- le- lu- ia! He is risen in- deed! Alleluia! Al- le- lu- ia!

### Invocation

*In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. .... Amen!*

### Processional Hymn ..... Now All the Vault of Heaven ..... Burgundy Hymn 465

### Kyrie

Lord, have mer-cy up - on \_ us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.  
Lord \_ have mer - cy up - on \_ us.

### Gloria

*Glo-ry be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will toward men.*  
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor-ship Thee, we  
glo-ri - fy Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glo - ry  
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God \_ the Fa-ther Al - might - y.  
O Lord, the on-ly be-got-ten Son, Je-sus Christ, O Lord God,  
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Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, that tak - est a-way the sin of the  
 world, have mer-cy up - on \_ us: Thou that tak-est a-way the sin of the  
 world; re - ceive our prayer Thou that sit-test at the right hand of God the  
 Fa - ther, have mer-cy up - on us. For Thou on - ly art ho - ly, Thou  
 on - ly art the Lord. Thou on - ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly  
 Ghost, art most high in the glo - ry of God \_ the Fa - ther. A - men.

**Salutation**

*The Lord be with you.*

And with thy spir— it.

**Collect for the Resurrection of our Lord:** *Almighty God the Father, through Your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

A ——— men!

[ Be Seated ] + **The Office of the Word of God** +

**Old Testament Reading** ..... **Isaiah 25:6-9**

[ After the reading ] *This is the word of the Lord.* ..... **Thanks be to God.**

**Epistle of the Day** ..... **1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

[ After the reading ] *This is the word of the Lord.* ..... **Thanks be to God.**

[ Rise ] **Sequence Hymn .... Christians to the Paschal..... Burgundy Hymn 460**

[ As the Gospel is processed, the men of the Choir sing the "Choir" parts;  
 All join in to sing Hymn 459, as printed in the hymnal. ]

**Holy Gospel** ..... **St. Mark 16:1-8**

[ The Gospel is announced. ]

[ The Gospel is proclaimed. ]

Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord!

Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

[ After the Gospel has been returned to the Altar, the congregation is seated. ]

**Hymn of the Day** ..... **Christ Jesus Lay** ..... **Burgundy Hymn 458**

[ All sing stanzas 1 & 2; Women sing stanza 3; Men sing stanza 4; All sing stanzas 5, 6, & 7. ]

**Sermon**

[ Rise for stanza 4. ]

+ The Office of Confession of Sins and Holy Absolution +

Having heard the Word of God, and as we prepare for the great gift of the Holy Sacrament of Christ's body and blood, let us confess our sins and receive God's forgiveness.

[ Kneel ]

Our help is in the name of the Lord ..... Who made heaven and earth. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord. .... And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

O almighty God, merciful Father, ..... I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. .... Amen!

[ Rise ] Confession of Faith (The Nicene Creed)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

[ Bow ] And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And sits at the right hand of the Father; And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe in one Holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen!

Prayer of the Church

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs: [ After each petition ]:..., Lord, in Your mercy: ..... Hear our prayer. [ After the final prayer ]:..., one God, now and forever ..... Amen.

[ Be Seated ] Offerings

Choral Voluntary ..... "Then Let Us Feast this Easter Day ..... J. Pachelbel [ from the Easter Cantata, "Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands" ]

[ Rise ] Offertory ..... Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right  
spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy pres - ence, and  
take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of  
Thy sal - va - tion; and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

+ The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

**Preface**

*The Lord be with you.*

*Lift up your hearts.*



And with thy spir-it.                      We lift \_ them up un -to \_ the Lord.

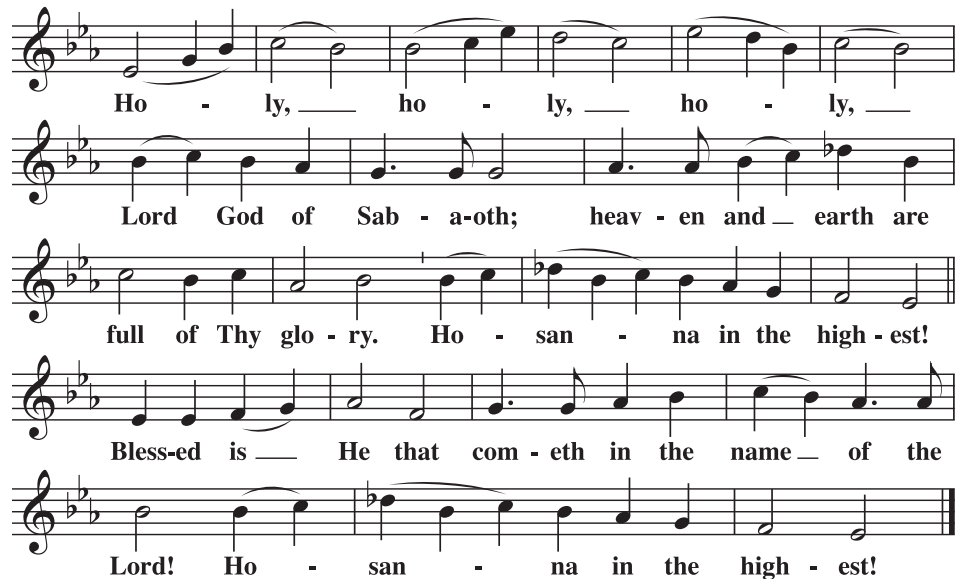
*Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.*



It is meet \_\_\_ and right so \_\_\_ to do. \_\_\_

**Proper Preface for Easter, Sanctus**

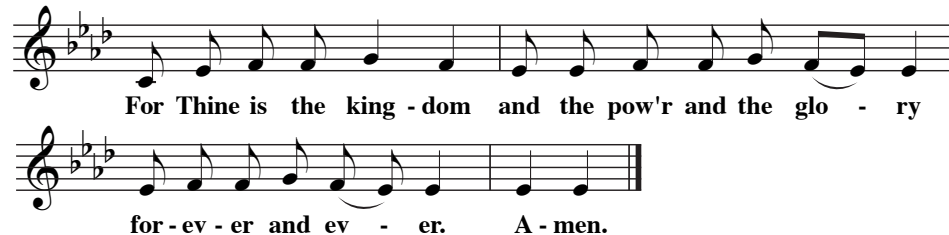
*It is truly meet, right and salutary . . . . . ever more praising You and saying:*



Ho - ly, \_\_\_ ho - ly, \_\_\_ ho - ly, \_\_\_  
 Lord God of Sab - a-oth; heav - en and \_ earth are  
 full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!  
 Bless-ed is \_\_\_ He that com - eth in the name \_ of the  
 Lord! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

[ Remain standing ] **Lord's Prayer**

[ Pastor chants: ] *Our Father who art in heaven; . . . . . but deliver us from evil.*



For Thine is the king - dom and the pow'r and the glo - ry  
 for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

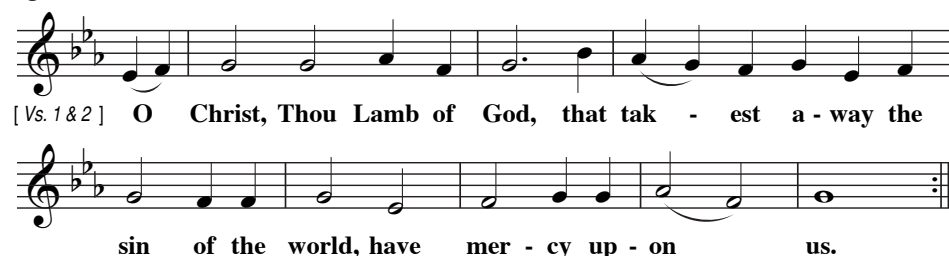
**Words of Institution, Pax Domini**

*The peace of the Lord be with you always!*



A - men

**Agnus Dei**



[ Vs. 1 & 2 ] O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the  
 sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.

[ Vs. 3 ] O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the  
sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - - - men.

[ Be Seated ]

**Distribution Hymns ..... Jesus Lives! ..... Burgundy Hymn 490**  
**All the Earth with Joy ..... Burgundy Hymn 462**  
**At the Lamb's High Feast ..... Burgundy Hymn 633**

[ All sing stanzas 1 & 2; Men sing stanzas 3 & 5;  
 Women sing stanzas 4 & 6; All sing stanzas 7 & 8. Rise for stanza 8. ]

### Eucharistic Benediction

*The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting! ✠ Depart in Peace! ..... Amen!*

### Post-Communion Canticle ..... The Nunc Dimittis

1. Lord now— lettest Thou Thy  
servant, de- part— in — peace, ac- cord- ing to Thy Word.
2. For mine\_\_ eyes have seen  
Thy Salvation,  
which Thou hast pre- pared\_\_ be— fore the face of all\_\_ people.

3. a Light to light- en the Gen- tles and the Glo- ry of Thy peo- ple Is - - - - ra- el.

4. Glo- ry\_\_ be to the  
Father, and to\_\_ the\_\_ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.

5. As it\_\_ was in the  
beginning, is  
now, and e- ver shall be, world with- out end. A- men.

### Post Communion Rite

*Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.*

And His mercy endureth for - ev — er.

### Prayer of Thanksgiving ... now and forever.

A — men.

The Lord be with you.

Bless we the Lord.



And with thy spir — rit.



Thanks be to God.

### Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



A-men, A-men, A - men.



Christ is risen. Al-le-lu-ia! He is risen in- deed! Alleluia! Al-le-lu-ia!

During the Recessional, the Congregation turns and faces the Processional Cross, the symbol of Christ's promise to remain with and lead His people as they now go and live in the world in His name.

### Recessional Hymn ..... Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem ..... [ St. Fulbert of Chartres ]



1. Ye choirs of new Je - ru - sa - lem your
2. Lo, Ju - dah's Li - on bursts His chain, and
3. He frees the pri - soned and op - pressed, he
4. From sin's de - vou - ring jaws the prey, a -
5. While joy - ful thus his praise we sing, his
6. All glo - ry to the Fa - ther be, all



sweet - est notes em - ploy, The Pas - chal vic - to -  
 storms death's ci - ta - del; He saves his own from  
 foils our fierc - est foe. Christ ga - thers those whom  
 lone, our Lead - er bore; His ran - somed hosts pur -  
 mer - cy we im - plore: In - to his pa - lace  
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry Ho - ly



ry to hymn in strains of ho - ly joy.  
 death's do - main, breaks down the gates of hell.  
 sin pos - sessed, His par - don to be - stow.  
 sue their way where he has gone be - fore.  
 Christ to bring and keep us ev - er - more.  
 Ghost to Thee, while end - less a - ges run.



Al-le - lu - ia! A-men.

### Postlude ..... Marche Royale ..... Jean-Baptiste Lully

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## **Readings for Easter Sunday, The Festival of the Resurrection of Our Lord**

### **The Old Testament Reading is Isaiah 25:6-9**

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples  
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine,  
of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

And he will swallow up on this mountain  
the covering that is cast over all peoples,  
the veil that is spread over all nations.

He will swallow up death forever;  
and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,  
and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,  
for the LORD has spoken.

It will be said on that day,  
“Behold, this is our God;  
we have waited for him, that he might save us.  
This is the LORD; we have waited for him;  
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

### **The Epistle is 1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you— unless you believed in vain.

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

## **The Gospel is St. Mark 16:1-8**

When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. And they were saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?” And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back— it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. And he said to them, “Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.” And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.



# Hymns for Easter Sunday, The Festival of the Resurrection of our Lord

## **LSB465 Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds**

**Paul D. Strodach**

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1. Now all the vault of heav'n resounds  
In praise of love that still abounds:  
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"  
Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!  
Repeat their song of glory here:  
"Christ has triumphed! Christ has triumphed!"  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
2. Eternal is the gift He brings,  
Therefore our heart with rapture sings:  
"Christ has triumphed, He is living!"  
Now still He comes to give us life,  
And by His presence stills all strife.  
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
3. O fill us, Lord, with dauntless love;  
Set heart and will on things above  
That we conquer through your triumph;  
Grant grace sufficient for life's day  
That by our lives we truly say,  
"Christ has triumphed! He is living!"  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- △ 4. Adoring praises now we bring  
And with the heav'nly blessed sing,  
"Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!"  
Be to the Father, and our Lord,  
To Spirit blest, most holy God,  
All the glory, never ending!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

## **Choir: LSB460 Christians, to the Paschal Victim**

**Wipo of Burgundy**

## **with Congregation: LSB459 Christ Is Arisen**

**German 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> cent.**

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- 460.1 *Christians, to the Paschal Victim Offer your thankful praises!  
The Lamb the sheep has ransomed: Christ, who only is sinless,*

*Reconciling sinners to the Father.*

*Death and life have contended In that combat stupendous:*

*The Prince of life, who died, Reigns immortal.*

459.1 Christ is arisen From the grave's dark prison.

So let our joy rise full and free;

Christ our comfort true will be. Alleluia!

460.2 *“Speak, Mary, declaring What you saw when wayfaring.”*

*“The tomb of Christ, who is living, The glory of Jesus' resurrection;  
Bright angels attesting, The shroud and napkin resting.*

*My Lord, my hope, is arisen; To Galilee He goes before you.”*

459.2 Were Christ not arisen, Then death were still our prison.

Now with Him to life restored,

We praise the Father of our Lord. Alleluia!

460.3 *Christ indeed from death is risen, Our new life obtaining.*

*Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning!*

459.3 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Now let our joy rise full and free;

Christ our comfort true will be. Alleluia!

### **LSB458 Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands**

**Martin Luther**

1. Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bands For our offenses given;  
But now at God's right hand He stands And brings us life from heaven.  
Therefore let us joyful be And sing to God right thankfully  
Loud songs of alleluia! Alleluia!

2. No son of man could conquer death, Such ruin sin had wrought us.  
No innocence was found on earth, And therefore death had brought us  
Into bondage from of old And ever grew more strong and bold  
And held us as its captive. Alleluia!

W 3. Christ Jesus, God's own Son, came down, His people to deliver;  
Destroying sin, He took the crown From death's pale brow forever:  
Stripped of pow'r, no more it reigns; An empty form alone remains;  
Its sting is lost forever. Alleluia!

M 4. It was a strange and dreadful strife When life and death contended;  
The victory remained with life, The reign of death was ended.  
Holy Scripture plainly saith That death is swallowed up by death,  
Its sting is lost forever. Alleluia!

5. Here our true Paschal Lamb we see, Whom God so freely gave us;  
He died on the accursed tree—So strong His love--to save us.  
See, His blood now marks our door; Faith points to it; death passes o'er,  
And Satan cannot harm us. Alleluia!
6. So let us keep the festival To which the Lord invites us;  
Christ is Himself the joy of all, The sun that warms and lights us.  
Now His grace to us imparts Eternal sunshine to our hearts;  
The night of sin is ended. Alleluia!
7. Then let us feast this Easter Day On Christ, the bread of heaven;  
The Word of grace has purged away The old and evil leaven.  
Christ alone our souls will feed; He is our meat and drink indeed;  
Faith lives upon no other! Alleluia!

**LSB457 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today** Latin, 14<sup>th</sup> cent.; Charles Wesley, st. 4

1. Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!  
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!  
Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!
2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!  
Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia!  
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!  
Sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!
3. But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!  
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!  
Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia!  
Where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!
- △4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!  
Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

**LSB490 Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won** Christian Fürchtegott Gellert

1. Jesus lives! The vict'ry's won! Death no longer can appall me;  
Jesus lives! Death's reign is done! From the grave Christ will recall me.  
Brighter scenes will then commence; This shall be my confidence.
2. Jesus lives! To Him the throne High above all things is given.  
I shall go where He is gone, Live and reign with Him in heaven.  
God is faithful; doubtings, hence! This shall be my confidence.

3. Jesus lives! For me He died. Hence will I, to Jesus living,  
Pure in heart and act abide, Praise to Him and glory giving.  
All I need God will dispense; This shall be my confidence.
4. Jesus lives! I know full well Nothing me from Him shall sever,  
Neither death nor pow'rs of hell Part me now from Christ forever.  
God will be my sure defense; This shall be my confidence.
5. Jesus lives! And now is death But the gate of life immortal;  
This shall calm my trembling breath When I pass its gloomy portal.  
Faith shall cry, as fails each sense; Jesus is my confidence!

### **LSB462 All the Earth with Joy Is Sounding**

**Stephen P. Starke**

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1. All the earth with joy is sounding: Christ has risen from the dead!  
He, the greater Jonah, bounding From the grave, His three-day bed,  
Wins the prize: Death's demise—Songs of triumph fill the skies.
2. Christ, the devil's might unwinding, Leaves behind His borrowed tomb.  
Stronger He, the strong man binding, Takes, disarms his house of doom;  
In the rout Casting out Pow'rs of darkness, sin, and doubt.
3. Jesus, author of salvation, Shared in our humanity;  
Crowned with radiant exaltation, Now He shares His victory!  
From His face Shines the grace Meant for all our fallen race.
4. Praise the Lord, His reign commences, Reign of life and liberty—  
Paschal Lamb, for our offenses, Slain and raised to set us free!  
Evermore Bow before Christ, the Lord of Life adore!

### **LSB633 At the Lamb's High Feast**

**Latin, c. 5<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> cent.**

1. At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to our victorious King,  
Who has washed us in the tide Flowing from His piercèd side.  
Alleluia!
2. Praise we Him, whose love divine Gives His sacred blood for wine,  
Gives His Body for the feast—Christ the victim, Christ the priest.  
Alleluia!
- M 3. Where the paschal blood is poured, Death's dread angel sheathes the sword;  
Israel's hosts triumphant go Through the wave that drowns the foe.  
Alleluia!

- W 4. Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Paschal victim, paschal bread;  
With sincerity and love Eat we manna from above.  
Alleluia!
- M 5. Mighty Victim from the sky, Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;  
You have conquered in the fight, You have brought us life and light.  
Alleluia!
- W 6. Now no more can death appall, Now no more the grave enthrall;  
You have opened paradise, And Your saints in You shall rise.  
Alleluia!
7. Easter triumph, Easter joy! This alone can sin destroy;  
From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free, Newborn souls in You to be.  
Alleluia!
- △ 8. Father, who the crown shall give, Savior, by whose death we live,  
Spirit, guide through all our days; Three in One, Your name we praise.  
Alleluia!

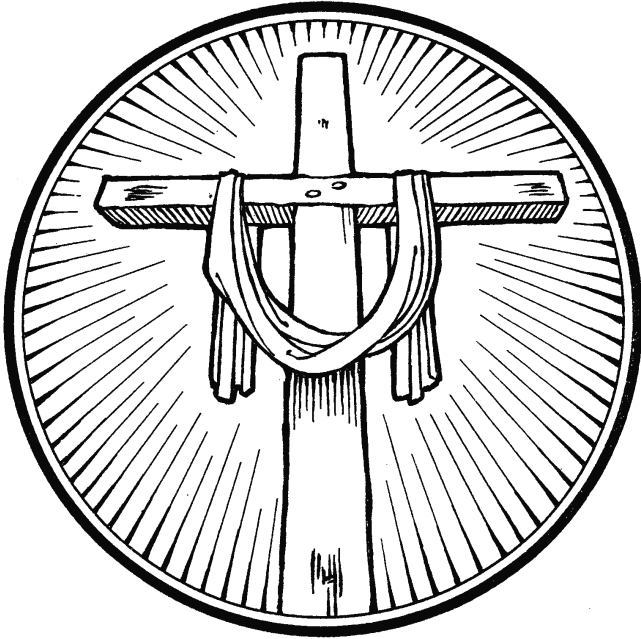
### **Printed Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem**

**Fulbert of Chartres**

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1. Ye choirs of new Jerusalem, Your sweetest notes employ,  
The Paschal victory to hymn In strains of holy joy.
2. Lo, Judah's Lion bursts His chains, and storm's death's citadel;  
He saves His own from death's domain, breaks down the gates of hell.
3. He frees the prisoned and oppressed, He foils our fiercest foe.  
Christ gathers those whom sin possessed, His pardon to bestow.
4. From sin's devouring jaws the prey, alone, our Leader bore;  
His ransomed hosts pursue their way where He has gone before.
5. While joyful thus His praise we sing, His mercy we implore:  
Into His palace Christ to bring and keep us evermore.
6. All glory to the Father be, All glory to the Son,  
All glory, Holy Ghost, to Thee, While endless ages run.  
Alleluia! Amen!

# The Festival of the Resurrection of Our Lord



## Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Zion Lutheran Church is the body of Christ at Hanna and Creighton in Fort Wayne, Indiana that:

- Receives Christ's gifts in Word and Sacraments; and
- Responds to God's love in Christ by
  - Reaching out to those who do not know His love; and
  - Revealing His love in acts of kindness and mercy.

### The Pastoral Ministry at Zion

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Principal: Amber Bahr (744-0459; [www.lsusfw.org](http://www.lsusfw.org))  
Teachers: Yvonne Schwantz (8<sup>th</sup>, MS ELA), Michael Cullen (7<sup>th</sup>, MS Science),  
Chase Mertz (6<sup>th</sup>, MS Social Studies), Danielle Ramsey (5<sup>th</sup>), John Kuker (4<sup>th</sup>),  
Abbey Zelt (3<sup>rd</sup>), John Fink (2<sup>nd</sup>), Hannah Maresh (1<sup>st</sup>),  
Cathie Wakeland (K-A), Rachel Wiegman (K-B), Natalie Reynolds (Art & Music),  
Lizzy Hoham (Progress Partners Coach), Marcus Rush (K-5 PE)

### The Support Staff

Organist and Director of Parish Music: Michael Hollman, MM  
Church Office Manager: Melvia Culpher

## PRAYERS FOR TODAY

- + For the church, especially those bearing the cross of persecution, including Bishop Juhana Pohjola and Dr. Päivi Räsänen
- + For those who serve our Lord at home and abroad, especially our fieldworkers Paul Mroczenski and Matthew Harrison
- + For our nation; for our leaders; for our military, including James Hall; especially at this perilous time in our world
- + For our schools, especially Lutheran South Unity School, Concordia Lutheran High School, and Concordia Theological Seminary
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound
- + For those who are on hospice care
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including David Seifert, Bryson Scott, Connie Houser, Sarah Hollman, Jessica Krause, Bill Weinrich, Janice Grim, Debra Busche, John Starks, Dwight Bieberich, Willodean Bates, Dick Hollman, Bob Ockree, Joe Harrison, Louisa Porter, Marlow Hogan, Gregory Hogan, Marissia White, Dwight Johnson, Ron Rastl, Robert & Jenny Hobby, and Mayor Tom Henry
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages
- + For the gift of life and for length of days
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed
- + For our communicants and for a fruitful use of the most Blessed Sacrament of our Lord's Body and Blood

## IN THE SERVICE TODAY

Today is the Divine Service for the Resurrection of Our Lord. Please see the flower dedications in the insert. Please also complete an attendance/communion card, including the names of all children, and indicate if you are communing. Non-members, please read the back of the card.

## CALENDAR

### **March 31, 2024 thru April 6, 2024**

<b>SUN.</b>	<b>7:00 AM</b>	<b>Easter Sunrise Matins</b>	<b>Church</b>
	7:45 AM	Easter Breakfast	Bauer Hall
	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Festival Divine Service</b>	<b>Church</b>
	10:30 AM	Easter Egg Hunt	
<b>MON.</b>		No Jr. Catechesis — it's Spring Break	
<b>TUES.</b>			
<b>WED.</b>	9:30 AM	Men of Zion	Conference Room
	<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>Wednesday Divine Service</b>	<b>Church</b>
<b>THURS.</b>	7:00 PM	Council of Elders	Conference Room
<b>FRI.</b>			
<b>SAT.</b>	11:00 AM	Private Confession	Church
	1:00 PM	Adult Catechesis	Conference Room

### **April 7, 2024**

<b>SUN.</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Divine Service</b>	<b>Church</b>
	7:45 AM	Education Hour	Various

## ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

**EDUCATION HOUR:** No Adult Bible Class today after Divine Service. There is an Easter Egg hunt for the little ones. Young people, please stay to help hide Easter Eggs.

**THANK YOU** to all who helped with the Easter Breakfast this morning and to all who brought in sweet breads and rolls. Thank you also to everyone who helped in any way during these past 40 days of Lent and Holy Week. It is much appreciated.

**SPRING CLEAN-UP:** The days are getting longer and warmer, which means it's almost time for Zion's annual spring clean-up! Please plan to join us April 20 between 9 a.m. and noon to weed, trim, spruce up mulch, tidy up inside and out, and do other chores needed to keep Zion beautiful. Bring garden rakes and any other items you might need. Refreshments will be served! For more information contact Kevin Leininger at 615-9896. **Also**, on May 4, is the City of Fort Wayne's "Great American Clean-up." We need 20 volunteers to help clean up the neighborhood. Gloves, T-shirts, and trash bags will be supplied. A sign-up sheet is on Julie's table.

**HELP:** Melvia has been working hard on a new cookbook for Zion. If you have any recipes that you would like to share, please send them to her via email at [mculpher@zionfw.org](mailto:mculpher@zionfw.org), or leave a paper copy on her desk. Thanks.

**ZION'S SCRIP PROGRAM:** Do you need a gift card? Are you going to lunch after church? Do you want to support Zion in an easy way? On Sunday mornings, we offer a wide variety of gift cards at the scrip table in the Great Hall. We buy gift cards at a discount, and you pay face value for them. How easy is that? You get full value of your card purchase and Zion gets anywhere from 1.5% to over 15% of the value depending on the merchant. We even carry several local business gift cards. We accept cash and checks. Through this program, we currently transfer \$1,000 a year to the General Fund towards our commitment to Christian Education.

**MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE:** 1 Corinthians 15:55—"O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" No that's too short. Add to it verses 56-57: "The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." Last week's verse was Hosea 6:1-2.

**GOLDEN HEIRS:** We received word that the April 4 tour of the Courthouse and lunch at Club Soda have been cancelled. Please note this if you signed up to go.

**GIFT PLANNING** creates solutions for donors. A gift planning counselor is a built-in companion for the journey so that you don't have to go through the process alone. Your need for answers might be as simple as, "How do I change a beneficiary designation to create a gift from my estate." Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can be there for you to assist with your learning. Contact Mark Muehl at [Mark.Muehl@lfnf.org](mailto:Mark.Muehl@lfnf.org) or 260-241-4845.

**THE LUTHERAN WOMAN IN MISSION OF FORT WAYNE** are hosting a three-zone gathering for women of all ages on April 13, 2024 at Bethlehem Lutheran Church on Anthony Boulevard. The theme for our gathering is "Into All the World" which is based on Mark 16:15 (NIV): "*He said to them, 'Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.'*" The gathering will start at 8:30 with a breakfast and fellowship. To register for this event please tell the office by Sunday, April 7. There will be a registration fee of \$7 at the door and our ingathering will be donations for the financial support of the Romanian Ministry.

**EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH (SOEST)**, 9909 Wayne Trace, Fort Wayne, will be having their Spring Rummage & Bake Sale on Thursday, April 18th, from 8am-4pm and on Friday, April 19th, from 8am-noon. Bag Sale will be on Friday, one paper grocery bag for \$2, or one 13-gal. garbage bag for \$5.



**For the family of God's Priestly People at Zion**

**God calls His own people a "Royal Priesthood." God makes us kings and queens, princes and princesses** who are bound together by the Holy Spirit in Baptism for the Christian benefit of each other. Priests **PRAY** -- They talk to God about their neighbor! Priests **TEACH** -- They talk to their neighbor about God! Priests **OFFER SACRIFICES** -- They offer to God the sacrifice of broken and contrite hearts; they offer their bodies and work as holy services to God for their neighbors. Join in this priestly work of prayer with your fellow members.

**Morning Prayer**

Mark 16:1-8  
Hebrews 9:1-28  
Hebrews 10:1-18  
Hebrews 10:19-39  
Hebrews 11:1-29  
Hebrews 12:1-24  
Hebrews 13:1-21

**DAILY LECTIONARY**

**The Resurrection of Our Lord**

Monday  
Tuesday  
Wednesday  
Thursday  
Friday  
Saturday

**Evening Prayer**

Isaiah 25:6-9  
Exodus 15:1-18  
Exodus 15:19-16:12  
Exodus 16:13-35  
Exodus 17:1-16  
Exodus 18:5-27  
Exodus 19:1-25

**THE DAILY PETITIONS OF THE CHURCH**

[Daily] **O Lord, have mercy upon us. O Christ, have mercy upon us. O Lord, have mercy upon us.** Let us pray:

[S] For the joy of the Resurrection among us; for true and godly worship throughout the world; for diligent preaching and hearing of God's Word of Law and Gospel; for our pastors; for the teachers and students of our Sunday School; for our Bible Class leaders and their students; for our catechumens; Lord, in Your mercy,..... **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[M] For workers; for the unemployed; for farmers; for seasonable weather; for businesses small and large; for our leaders, federal, state and local; for the economic welfare of the nations on earth; for peace in our world; Lord, in Your mercy, ..... **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[T] For the tempted; for the addicted and despairing; for the tortured and oppressed; for the lonely; for the sick, the hospitalized, and the needy; Lord, in Your mercy, ..... **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[W] For fathers, mothers, and families; for those adults who must rear their children alone; the teachers and students of Lutheran South Unity School and Concordia Lutheran High School; Lord, in Your mercy, ..... **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[T] For the Church and her pastors; for the training of ministers of the Word; for missionaries of the Church; for the leaders of the Church, including Matthew, our synod president, and Richard, our district president; for those who have not heard the Gospel; for the fruitful use of the blessed Sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood; Lord, in Your mercy,..... **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[F] For the preaching of the Cross; for those persecuted for the sake of Gospel; the confession of the orthodox Lutheran faith in our community; Lord, in Your mercy, ..... **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[Sat] For faithfulness unto life's earthly end; for the revival of those who have withered in the faith or fallen away; for the dying; Lord, in Your mercy, ..... **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[Daily] **The Our Father**

**TO PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

**The Second Sunday in Easter**

Acts 4:32-35

1 John 1:1-22

John 20:19-31



# What Doctor Luther Says:

## *About Christian Funerals — Comfort in Resurrection*

[At funerals, we Lutherans] sing ... comforting hymns of the forgiveness of sins, of rest, sleep, life, and of the resurrection of departed Christians so that our faith may be strengthened and the people be moved to true devotion.

For it is meet and right that we should conduct these funerals with proper decorum in order to honor and praise that joyous article of our faith, namely, the resurrection of the dead, and in order to defy Death, that terrible foe who so shamefully and in so many horrible ways goes on to devour us.

Thus the holy patriarchs ... [and later] the kings of Judah [did rites] to spite the stinking and shameful Death and to praise and confess the resurrection of the dead and thus to comfort the sad and the weak in faith.

Here also belong the traditional Christian burial rites, such as that the bodies are carried in state, beautifully decked, and sung over, and that tombstones adorn their graves. All this is done so that the article of the resurrection may be firmly implanted in us. For it is our lasting, blessed, and eternal comfort and joy against death, hell, devil, and every woe. ...

If the graves should be honored in other ways, it would be fine to paint or write good epitaphs or verses from Scripture on the walls above (where there are such) so that they may be seen by those who go to a funeral or to the cemetery, namely, these or the like: ... [Luther has a large number of verses here]

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints. Psalm 116 [:15].

On this mountain the Lord will remove the covering that covers all peoples, and the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death forever. Isaiah 25 [:7-8]. ...

Such verses and inscriptions would more fittingly adorn a cemetery than other secular emblems, such as shields and helmets.

*Luther's Works*, 53:326-330.



*Flower  
Dedications*

Given in loving memory of  
Carl & Myrtle Albersmeyer &  
Byrle & Joyce Greenamyer  
by Carl & Rosie Albersmeyer

Given in loving memory of  
Don Allen & Berniece Allen  
by Bruce Allen

Given in loving memory of  
Elizabeth Hope Bahr  
by Michael & Amber Bahr

Given in loving memory of  
Paul & Esther Bieberich &  
David & Agnes Shutt  
by Don & Beth Bieberich

Given in celebration of 50 years of marriage  
for David & Janeen Kaiser  
by the Brooks family

To our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ  
Mike & Rita Davies

Given in loving memory of my  
mother Virginia Hollman &  
my grandmother Hulda Sonne  
by Beth Hollman

Given in loving memory of my  
beloved wife Virginia Hollman  
by Richard Hollman

Given in loving memory of  
Alonzo & Ora Edmonds, Alma Jackson,  
Gerald & Amanda Stewart  
by Frank & Alanza Jackson

In celebration of our 50th  
wedding anniversary  
by David & Janeen Kaiser

Given in loving memory of  
Marcile Keck  
by her children Kristine, Peter, Jonathan,  
Philip and Klare

Given in loving memory of Spiro & Anne  
Kostoff and Karen Kostoff Wood  
By their family

“Christ is Risen”  
by Rev. George & Lois Lange

Given in loving memory of  
Dr. Robert & Katherine Leininger &  
Fred, Betty, Teresa & John Beckman  
by Kevin & Maribeth Leininger

Given in loving memory of  
Willie Manning & Betty Terlosky  
By Rose Manning

Given in loving memory of  
Robert & Loretta Manth,  
Albert & Caroline Manth,  
Ferdinand & Henrietta Bornkamp, &  
Mrs. Clara Tegtmeyer  
by Jennifer Manth

Given in loving memory of  
Walt & Georgianna Ostermeyer  
by their children

Alleluia!  
Christ is risen!  
“Death is swallowed up in victory!”  
by Pastor & Marge Punke

Given in loving memory of my parents  
Albert A. & Emma B. Dirks  
by Marilyn Shafter

Given in loving memory of my wife  
Jill Stokes and my parents  
David & Savannah Stokes  
by Bo Stokes

Given in loving memory of  
Eileen Porter my grandmother,  
Keith Vlot my father  
by Kurt Vlot

Given in loving memory of  
Earl & Helene Hayes and  
Roy & Coraine Voelz  
by Jim & Judy Voelz

Given in loving memory of  
William Wallschlaeger  
by Carolyn Wallschlaeger

Given in loving memory of  
Annie Tunnell  
by Carolyn Wallschlaeger

“He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!  
by André Woodard

Given in loving memory of  
Margaret Traschel  
by Charlene Young

# Zion Family Board Game Night

We have invite LSUS  
students & families here  
to have fun with us.  
Volunteers and table  
games are needed.

**Friday**

**APRIL 12TH**

**5:00 PM to 8:00 PM**

## Food & Drinks provided

\*If you have board games  
that could be use for this  
event please let Melvia know.  
They will be marked with  
your name and given back to  
you .



## LSUS NOTES

### Praying for You!

**Please pray for these students/staff:**

Ramya	Isabella
Santino	Max
Trushon	Jesse
Dontae	Carlos
Alonte	Mr. Morales
Key'Vontay	Mrs. Washington
Hailey	Successful Art & Music Festival



## Music and Arts Festival

Sunday, March 17th we joined all the other area Lutheran Schools to celebrate music and art! Several choirs including our 3rd-5th grade choir sang, our band students performed, and several of our students had artwork on display. A special shout out to Angelina and Stephanie for winning top awards for their artwork!

Congrats to all who had displayed work: Ja'maire, Yanuell, Holly, Royce, Anyla, Monroe, Major, Layla, Avenly, l'Mani, Yu, NaTika, Matthew, Truvayah, Josue, Megan, Gracelynn, Key'Vontay, Ivan, Vaeda, Sirah, Khloe, Pla, Kali, Ja'veah, Aaleyah, Hailey, Abigail, De'Lyn, Ivan, Cataleya, Nycole, Emeraude, Laydia, Messiah, Wayde, Forever, Kendall, Aveyah, Ximena, Larkin, Damari, Maxwell, Elizabeth, Cynthia, Keh Ter Re, Sophia, Gay Doh, De'Cora, Yaronna, Zane, Evoleth, and Natasha.







## Phoenix Spirit Wear

The Lutheran South Unity Apparel Store is now open!

<https://lutheransouthunity.itemorder.com/shop/home/>

Don't have internet access, order in the office with cash, check, or credit.

- ◆ Check out what's available!
- ◆ All orders will be processed after the store closes.
- ◆ The store will close at midnight on **March 31st**.



## ENROLLING NOW

Do you have a K-8 student or know someone with a K-8 student? Come join the Lutheran South Unity School family! Registration for the 2024-2025 school year is now open. Schedule a visit and see our classrooms, programs, and all of the benefits we have to offer. We seek to share our faith with all who enter our building. Contact Barb Johnson or the office at LSUS for information on how to enroll! 260-744-0459

We have financial aid and scholarships available. We also accept School Choice vouchers.

## Encouragement Found in Scriptures:

So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" —John 12:13



# Easter Evening Prayer

**The Schola Cantorum and Kantorei of Concordia Theological Seminary will perform Bach Cantata 67, "Hold in Remembrance Jesus Christ."**

Kantor Kevin Hildebrand, director

Dr. Charles Brown (Concordia University Chicago),  
Jonathan Busarow, Emily Bird, and Ashlee Bickley, soloists

Dr. Daniel Schwandt, guest organist

Chamber orchestra and brass ensemble

**Sunday, April 14**  
**4:00 p.m.**

## **Concordia Theological Seminary**

Kramer Chapel  
6600 N. Clinton St.  
Fort Wayne, IN 46825  
(260) 452-2100

[ctsfw.edu/chapel](https://ctsfw.edu/chapel) 

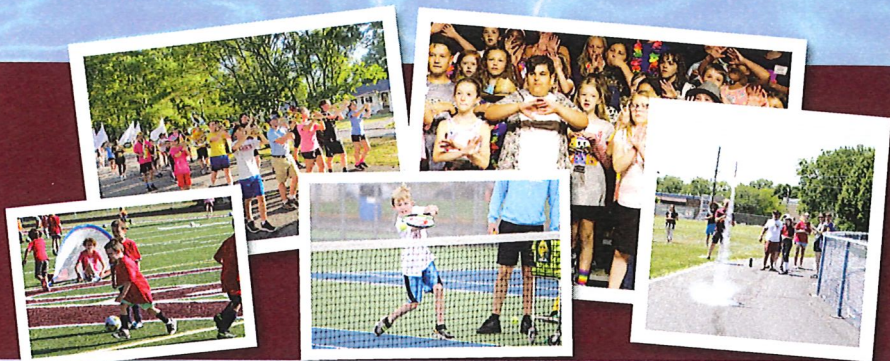
  
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# Summer Camps

**At Concordia Lutheran High School**

**Register online at [www.clhscadets.com/summer](http://www.clhscadets.com/summer)**



- Art Camp - June 24-28 (Grades 6-8)
- Junior Cadets Band Camp - July 1-3, 5, 8-12 (Grades 5-9)
- Cadet Baseball Camp - June 10-14 (Boys, Grades 2-8)
- Boys Basketball Camp - June 17-21 (Grades 3-8)
- Lady Cadets Basketball Camp - June 10-13 (Grades 4-9)
- Cheer Camp - June 24-26 (Girls, Grades K-8)
- Junior Cadets Color Guard Camp - July 1-3, 5, 8-12 (Grades 6-9)
- Computer Camp--Raspberry Jam: Video Game System - June 10-13 (Grades 5-12)
- Computer Camp - Summer of Code with Robots - June 17-20 (Grades 5-12)
- Drama Camp - July 1-5 (Camp will meet on July 4) (Grades 4-9)
- Filmmaking Camp - June 10-13 (Grades 6-12)
- Fundamentals Football Camp - June 24-27 (Boys, Grades 4-8)
- Golf Camp - June 17-21 (Grades 3-8)
- Journalism Camp - June 10-13 (Grades 6-10)
- Photography Camp - June 17-20 (Grades 6-12)
- Rocket Science Camp - June 11-14 (Grades 6-8)
- Rowing (Crew) Camp - June 17-21 (Grades 7-9)
- Soccer Camps - July 8-12 (Co-ed, Grades K-4); July 22-26 (Girls, Grades 4-8); and July 15-19 (Boys, Grades 3-8)
- Softball Camp - July 17 (Girls, Grades 1-8)
- Tech Theater Camp - July 1, 3, 5 (Grades 7-9)
- Tennis Camps - June 3-6 (rainout date is June 9) (Grades 1-12)
- Textiles Camp - June 24-28 (Grades 6-12)
- Volleyball Camps --June 5-7 (Girls, Grades K-8)