

# First Sunday in Lent

**March 6, 2022**

9:00 am

Communion



*279 Years Of  
"Joyously proclaiming the good news of God's love"*

**ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH**

SPRING CITY, PENNSYLVANIA

Founded in 1743

## THIS WEEK AT ZION

Sunday 3/6	7.45	am	Bell choir
	<b>9.00</b>	<b>am</b>	<b>Worship</b>
	9.45	am	SCS/ Confirmation
	<b>10.45</b>	<b>am</b>	<b>Service of Word and Table</b>
	6.30	pm	Youth group
Monday 3/7	6.30	pm	Praise band
	6.30	pm	Sunday school
	7.00	pm	AA meeting
Tuesday 3/8	5:00	pm	Tae Kwan Do
	7.30	pm	Council meeting
Wednesday 3/9	7:00	pm	Lenten Bible study-(in person)
	8:00	pm	Lenten Bible study-(zoom)
Thursday	6.15	pm	Hymn Singer/Special Music Rehearsal
	7.00	pm	Zion adult choir
Sunday 3/13	7.45	am	Bell choir
	<b>9.00</b>	<b>am</b>	<b>Worship</b>
	<b>10.45</b>	<b>am</b>	<b>Service of Word and Table</b>

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### **Sunday, March 6th, 2022**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

*These forty days called Lent are like no other. It is our opportune time to return to the God who rescues, to receive the gifts of God's grace, to believe with the heart and confess with the mouth the wonder of God's love in Jesus, and to resist temptation at every turn. This is no small pilgrimage on which we have just embarked. It is a struggle Jesus knew. It is a struggle Jesus shares. The nearness of the Lord, in bread and wine, water and word, will uphold and sustain us.*

#### **PRELUDES**

**On Tannenberg- Variations on "Hendon" - Tune by Henri A.C. Malan, Arr. Rachel Sawyer**  
**On Allen Organ- "Antiphon"- by Henry Kihlken**

#### **WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **GREETING**

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

**C: And also with you.**



Text and Music: Doris Akers, 1922-1995

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### KYRIE

#### CONFESSION

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

P: In the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness, walks with us, and guides us in our pilgrimage.

**C: Amen.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Holy One,  
**we confess that we have wandered far from you:  
 we have not trusted your promises,  
 we have ignored your prophets in our own day,  
 we have squandered our inheritance of grace,  
 we have failed to recognize you in our midst.  
 Have mercy on us!**

**Forgive us and turn us again to you.**

**Teach us to follow in your ways,  
 assure us again of your love,  
 and help us to love our neighbor.**

**C: Amen.**

P: Beloved in Christ,  
 the Word draws near to you,  
 and all who call out to God shall be saved.  
 In Jesus, God comes to you again and again  
 and gathers you under wings of love.  
 In ☩ Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven.  
 God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love.

**C: Amen.**

*Please be seated*

#### First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

*The annual harvest festival, called the Feast of Weeks, provides the setting for this reading. This festival celebrates the first fruits of the produce of the land offered back to God in thanks. In this text, worshipers announce God's gracious acts on behalf of Israel.*

R: A reading from the book of Deuteronomy:

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name.

You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous.

When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

R: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm: Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16**

*God will give the angels charge over you, to guard you in all your ways. (Ps. 91:11)*

R: You who dwell in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty

**C: you will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my stronghold, my God in whom I put my trust."**

R: Because you have made the Lord your refuge, and the Most High your habitation,

**C: no evil will befall you, nor shall affliction come near your dwelling.**

R: For God will give the angels charge over you, to guard you in all your ways.

**C: Upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.**

R: You will tread upon the lion cub and viper; you will trample down the lion and the serpent.

**C: I will deliver those who cling to me; I will uphold them, because they know my name.**

R: They will call me, and I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and honor them. With long life will I satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

*Those able, please stand*

**ACCLAMATION**

**Gospel: Luke 4:1-13**

*After being filled with the Holy Spirit at his baptism, Jesus is led in the wilderness. Through his responses to the temptations of the devil, he defines what it means to be called "the Son of God."*

P: The Holy Gospel according to Luke

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ**

*Please be seated*

**THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**MESSAGE by Pastor Tina Mackie**

*Please stand*

**HYMN**

**God Loved the World**

**ELW #323**

**Vs. 1 & 4**

Text: Gesangbuch, Bollhagen, 1791; tr. August Crull, 1846-1923, alt.

**Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again 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**

*You can add names to the prayer list by contacting the church office. After three weeks names will be removed from the prayer of intercession unless resubmitted. These removed people will still be in our private prayers.*

A: Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A: We pray for the church. Sharpen its proclamation of the word so that your people learn to reject voices of deception and distraction. Strengthen all who are tempted to believe lies about themselves or others. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: We pray for the earth and all its creatures. Protect wilderness places and all plant and animal species that call them home. Sustain farmers and all laborers who work the land and harvest the fruits of its abundance. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: We pray for the nations of the world. Awaken elected leaders and government officials to the needs of those who are oppressed and grant them compassion to deal mercifully with immigrants and refugees who reside among us. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: We pray for those in need. Rescue those experiencing mental illness or contending with addiction. Ease the anxiety of those who live with dementia. Command your angels concerning all who are sick. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: We pray for this assembly. Bless those who bake bread and prepare the table for our communion celebration. Accompany those who share the bounty of this meal with those who are homebound or hospitalized. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: For all who are sick. Hear our prayers for **Kate** Ciavarelli, **Roger** Batten, **Amy** Mandik, **Jack** Rousseau, **Helen** Christman, **Nicki** Grubb, **Joy** Moyer, **Anne** Carroll and those we lift before you now. Surround them with your unwavering presence. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

P: We give thanks for those who have died. Gather them with all the saints into your heavenly dwelling place. Encourage us with the promise that all who call upon your name are saved. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

P: Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ.

**C: Amen.**

### **THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

*Let us share the peace with one another*

### **OFFERING INVITATION**

**March 6, 2022 (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent, Year C)**

**Luke 4:3** –The devil said to Jesus, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

*Our consumer culture tells us again and again that our happiness is measured in how many of our wants we can fulfill. Jesus resists temptation by remembering that we live “by every word that comes from the mouth of God” (Matthew 4:4b).*

*Please be seated*

**OFFERING with Special music**

**"One Pair of of Hands" Brian Mickiewicz and Megan Shaw Duet**

**OFFERING PRAYER**

A: Extravagant God,  
you have blessed us with the fullness of creation.  
Now we gather at your feast  
where you offer us the food that satisfies.  
Take and use what we offer here, come among us,  
and feed us with the body and blood of Christ,  
in whose name we pray.

**C: Amen.**

*Please stand*



**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**



*Believing in the real presence of Christ, this church practices communion hospitality. All baptized persons are welcome to participate in the Lord's Supper. Parent(s)/Grandparent(s) will place their hands on untutored young people for a blessing given by the Pastor. The response when receiving the bread and wine could be: "Amen" or "I believe." (Grape juice and Gluten Free wafers are available)*

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord**

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

P: Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray,

**C: 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**

P: Here is food and drink for the journey. Take and be filled.

**C: Amen.**

### **DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

#### **COMMUNION HYMNS**

**Song #1- "Let us Break Bread Together"- ELW 471- All verses**

Text and Music: African American spiritual

**Song #2- "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" ELW #484**

Text: Omer Westendorf, Music: Robert E. Kreutz, Licensing- Text and music © 1977 Archdiocese of Philadelphia

**Song #3- "I Received the Living God" ELW #477- All verses**

Text and Music: Anonymous

#### **POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in His grace.

**C: Amen.**

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A: Blessed Jesus, in this rich meal of grace, you have fed us with your body, the bread of life. Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope to a world in need.

**C: Amen.**

#### **BLESSING**

P: You are children of God, anointed with the oil of gladness and strengthened for the journey. Almighty God, motherly, majestic, and mighty, ☩ bless you this day and always.

**C: Amen.**

#### **THE SENDING HYMN**

**"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"**

**ELW #505, Vs. 1, 2, & 4**

Tune: Ein Feste Burg Text: Martin Luther

#### **DISMISSAL**

A: Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

#### **POSTLUDE**

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In honor and memory of Irvin “Bud” Custer, a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather by Laura Clark and family.

With honor and pride on my daughter Jessica’s birthday, by Laura Clark.

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**BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday	I Chronicles 21:1-17	Satan tempts David
Tuesday	Zechariah 3:1-10	Satan tempts Jeshua
Wednesday	Luke 12:1-34	A warning against hypocrisy
Thursday	Luke 12:35-59	Be ready for the Lord’s coming
Friday	Job 1:1-22	Satan tempts Job
Saturday	Psalms 17	Prayer for protection from evil ones

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**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS: We thank you for your service to the church.**

<b>This week (3/6)</b>			
<b>9.00 am</b>		<b>10.45 am</b>	
Assistant Minister	Jena Dietrich	Assistant Minister	Ron Hoinowski
Reader	Amy Kirk	Reader	Peg Hoinowski
Greeter	Shawn Rogers	Greeter	Shawn Rogers
Greeter	Maggie Munz	Greeter	Maggie Munz
Hymns	Zion choir	Hymns	Zion choir

<b>Next week (3/13)</b>			
<b>9.00 am</b>		<b>10.45 am</b>	
Assistant Minister	Bruce Wilson	Assistant Minister	Ron Hoinowski
Reader	Sharon Wilson	Reader	Peg Hoinowski
Greeter	Shawn Rogers	Greeter	Shawn Rogers
Greeter	Maggie Munz	Greeter	Maggie Munz
Hymns	Zion choir	Hymns	Zion choir