



*Zion & Carpio Lutheran
Joint Lenten Worship Service
March 4, 2026*

WELCOME
We're glad you're here!

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Dialog From Psalm 61

Please stand as you are able

L: Hear my cry, O God; listen to my prayer.

C: from the end of the earth I call to you.

L: Lead me to the rock that is higher than I;

C: you are my refuge, a strong tower.

L: Let me abide in your tent forever,

C: and find refuge under the shelter of your wings.

L: You, O God, have heard my vows.

C: I will always sing praises to your name.

Gathering Song #597 *"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"*

Greeting

Prayer

Let us pray. **God of our salvation, you are the rock in whom we take refuge. Hear our cry and make our way safe. Plant our feet on solid ground. Support us with your love shown to us through the cross of Christ. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

Reading: 1 Peter 2:4-10

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Please stand as you are able for the reading of the gospel.

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Gospel: Matthew 7:24-27

"Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great was its fall!"

Silent Reflection and Prayer

During this time, as you are comfortable, go to the table and take a piece of cloth/paper to write your prayers, burdens, etc. Take them to the cross and hang/lay them, entrusting them into the care of Jesus. You may also bring to the table a cross to be blessed, which you can take home after the service.

Prayers

- L: Let us pray. Beneath the cross of Jesus,
C: we lift up our joys and our sorrows to God.
- L: O Lord, amid the shifting sands of this world,
C: be our rock and our foundation.
- L: In the fears and uncertainties of our lives,
C: be our home and our resting place.
- L: When we lay our sins and burdens before you,
C: be our comfort and our guide.
- L: As we gaze upon the cross of Christ,
C: be our hope and our salvation.

Offering is Received

Offering Song #803 *“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”* vs 1&4

Offering Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Luther’s Evening Prayer

Blessing

Sending Song #338 *“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”*

Dismissal

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

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| * Today ~ | Minister Office Hrs – Zion, 10am-5:30pm
Lent Soup Supper at Zion, 6pm
Lenten Worship at Zion, 7pm |
| * Thursday, 3/5 ~ | NO Bible Study
Western Prairie Conference at Zion, 10am
SAM Mentor Meeting, 12pm |
| * Sunday, 3/8 ~ | Worship with Holy Communion, 9am
Fellowship/Sunday School, 10am
Zion Church Council, 6:30pm |
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PARISH BIBLE STUDY there is NO Bible study this Thursday, March 5th.

WHEN THERE IS A 5TH SUNDAY in the month we will be having a Joint Worship Service with Carpio. Our next Joint Service will be on Palm Sunday at Zion at 9am.

DURING LENT the ZLCW is collecting items for the Personal Care Kits. Here is a list of the items needed (combs are provided by the ZLCW):

- *1 light weight, dark colored bath towel
- *2 bath size bars of soap
- *1 adult size toothbrush
- *1 metal nail clipper

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME starts NEXT Sunday. Please be sure to set your clocks ahead one hour when you go to bed on Saturday so you're not late for church!



THE GARY GATHMAN MEMORIAL SPRING BASEBALL BLOOD DRIVE will be March 17th at the Berthold High School in the Old Gym from 1-7pm. In honor of Gary's 75th Birthday, they are striving for 75 or more pints. Please call Laurie (701)720-1029 or Andy (701)822-3481.



Please check our website to get all the up-to-date news, calendar and links to our available online worships. Zion worship is being recorded and will be available on YouTube – the link is available on the webpage.