

Zion Evangelical-Lutheran Church of Detroit

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HOLY MASS is celebrated every Sunday and Wednesday at 10am, and on holy days as announced.

COMMUNICANTS ARE BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS who have been instructed in and publicly confess the Evangelical-Lutheran Faith. If you desire to commune at Zion, please speak with the Pastor before approaching the Altar.

THE DIVINE OFFICE OF MATINS is prayed Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday at 8:45am in the Chapel of the Holy Incarnation in the Rectory.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION is taught every Sunday and Wednesday immediately following Holy Mass.

SUNDAY SCHOOL for children ages 3-12 is from September through May. Lessons are Bible-story based and activities are designed to reinforce the biblical lesson.

PRIVATE ABSOLUTION is available on Saturdays from 9 – 10am and by appointment.

PASTORAL CONSULTATION based on the Holy Scriptures is available from the Pastor. An appointment is necessary.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM is for infants and adults, and may be arranged by contacting the Pastor for an appointment.

COUPLES DESIRING HOLY MARRIAGE should contact the Pastor before finalizing the wedding date. Biblical instruction in Holy Marriage is required. All marriages are conducted by the Pastor according to Zion's usual order.

NEW MEMBERS are received by Baptism, Confirmation, Transfer or Profession of Faith. Instruction in Luther's Small Catechism and Private Absolution are required for all new members. Please ask the Pastor for further details.

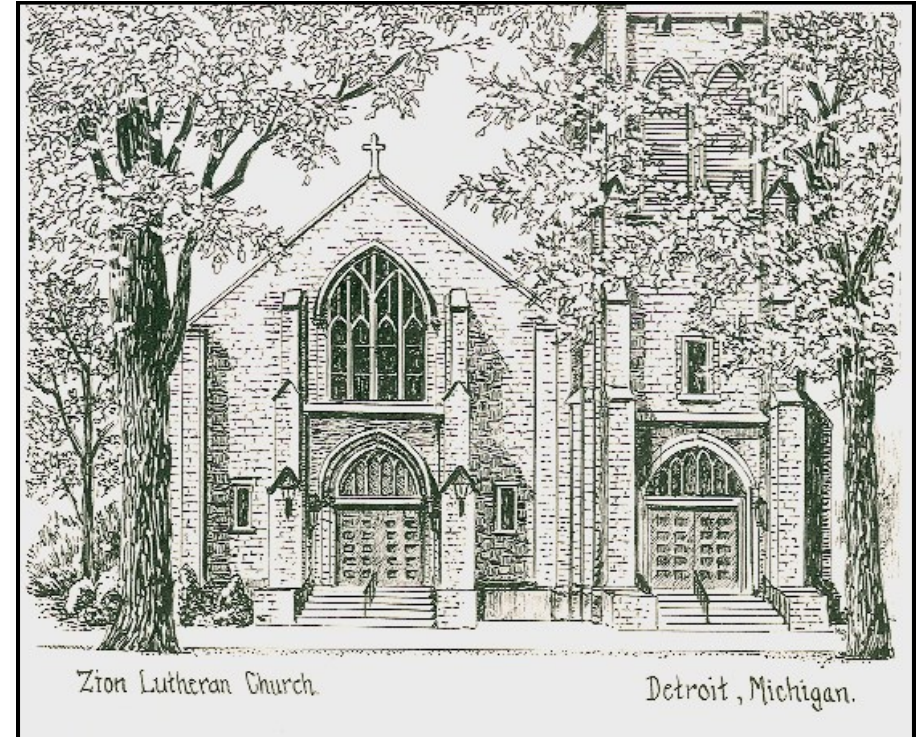
SICK AND HOMEBOUND are visited regularly by the Pastor with the Scriptures and Sacrament. Please contact the Parish Office if you know of any parishioner in need of pastoral visitation.

PARISH OFFICERS DEACONS: William Gramzow, Thomas Habitz, Jr., Eric Russell TRUSTEES: Roderick Atkins, Gregory Gramzow, Paul Snoes; PARISH EDUCATION: Shirley Cross, Alan Kroske, Pamela Ruffin; OFFICERS OF THE VOTERS: Roderick Atkins (chairman), Jason Balaska (vice-chairman), Kristi Russell (secretary), Gregory Gramzow (treasurer), Jessica Chavez (financial secretary).

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS Adult Choir, Altar Guild, Children's Choir, Jubilate Deo Women's Choir, St. Seraphim Prayer Guild, Society of St. Samuel (Altar Boys), Usher Club, Zion Endowment Board.

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"THE LORD HAS CHOSEN ZION;
HE HAS DESIRED HER AS HIS DWELLING PLACE"



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Quasimodogeniti—First Sunday After Easter

April 27, 2014

Like Newborn Babies



Today Our Lord says, “Peace be with you!” May this peace of God, which surpasses all human understanding and which is found in His Word and Supper, keep your heart and mind in Christ Jesus Our Lord!

The Theme of Today’s Liturgy

Newborn babies crave milk, especially their mother’s milk. In the same way, children of God ought to crave the “pure milk of the Word,” namely, the Gospel in preaching and the Sacraments (*Introit*). For “whoever is born of God has overcome the world” because He has received the victory over death in Christ (*Epistle*). This craving is faith which firmly holds to our Lord and finds in His wounds the comfort He both promises and delivers (*Gospel*). Our prayer is that such craving faith in Our Lord and His Word will allow us to grow up to produce godly living and conversation (*Collect*).

The Sermon

Jacob wrestled with God. He touched the God Man, the God with legs that walked in the garden, the God who would take on Flesh for the life of the world. Thomas touched the same God, the God Man who took on Flesh. This is He who came by water and by blood. And the Spirit, the water and the blood agree as one. So do not be unbelieving. See by faith the prints of the nails, see His pierced side. Receive the peace that He alone can give. Receive the forgiveness that the very breath of God conveyed to the Eleven. Eat the Meal that brings the same Christ Jacob touched, the same risen Christ Thomas touched, as He gives Himself to you in Bread and Wine. And blessed are you who have not seen, and yet have believed.

The Holy Eucharist

Spiritual milk, faith that craves it, and the wounds of Christ—all this is found in the eating and drinking of Our Lord’s resurrected Body and Blood. And by this Sacrament, your faith is strengthened, your life in God preserved, and your hope increased.

The Readings

Genesis 32.22-30; 1 John 5.4-10; St. John 20.19-31

The Hymns for Today’s Mass

Processional Hymn	331 (stanzas 1-5)
Chief Hymn	208
Offering Hymn	206 (stanzas 1-5)
Distribution Hymns	206 (stanzas 6-10); 202
Retiring Processional Hymn	331 (stanzas 6-8)

The Mass: Epistle and Gradual

An epistle is a letter. In the Jewish service, there were set lessons for each Sabbath service. The Christian church continued this practice. The second lesson read at our service is the Epistle and is taken from the letters of the Apostles. The Apostles were close to Jesus. They heard His wonderful teachings. Now we listen to what they have to say.



Between the first reading, the Old Testament, and the Epistle, the Gradual is sung. The name “gradual” comes from the Latin “gradus.” The lessons were read from an elevated reading desk. The verses of the Psalm, especially selected to harmonize with the lessons and thoughts of the Day, were sung while the second reader, who was to read the Gospel, ascended the steps (gradus). The Gradual today serves to prepare for the reading of and listening to God’s Word.

— Berthold von Schenk, “The Little Service Book”

Prepare for Next Sunday



Misericordia Domini—Second Sunday After Easter May 4, 2014

Ezekiel 34.11-16; 1 Peter 2.21-25; St. John 10.11-16
Hymns: 210, 436, 207, 196, 648, 195

Music for Quasimodogeniti

“Thomas, behold my side,” saith He The CHIEF HYMN, “Ye Sons and Daughters of the King” (# 208) recounts the Gospel lesson, St. John 20.19-31. This anonymous seventh-century text was translated into English by John Mason Neale (1818-1866) around 1851. The tune is by Melchior Vulpius (1560-1615), kantor in Weimer, who published five collections of hymns, and has five of his tunes included in our hymnal.

The PRELUDE is a setting of “Ye Sons and Daughters” by Healey Willan (1880-1968). A number of his choral compositions have also been part of our Masses recently.



James Healey Willan was a music educator, choral director, church musician, and composer of countless choral and organ works. Born in England, he moved to Toronto, Canada in 1913 where he served as organist and choirmaster and taught at the Toronto Conservatory of Music. In 1938 he became Professor of Music at the University of Toronto until his retirement in 1950. In his retirement, he wrote over 100 pieces of music for organ, including the composition we hear today.

Willan’s work reflects the compositional craftsmanship and musicianship for which he was known. He once remarked: “Music has been my chief delight, and if at any time I have been able to share this delight with others, I am content.”

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First Week After Easter

Apr 27—May 4

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Holy Mass for Quasimodogeniti Today, 10a, Church Adult Bible Class..... Today, 11:30a, Undercroft Sunday School Today, 11:30a, Activities Center
Holy Mass for St. Mark, Evangelist (*transferred from Apr 25*) **Mon, 10a, Chapel**
 Matins Tue, 8:45a, Chapel
 Vespers Tue, 5:30p, Chapel
Holy Mass for Wednesday of Quasimodogeniti **Wed, 10a, Chapel**
 Bible Class Wed, 10:45a, Rectory
Holy Mass for St. Philip and St. James, Apostles **Thr, 10a, Chapel**
 Vespers Thr, 5:30p, Chapel
 Matins Fri, 8:45a, Chapel
Glen Eden Annual Meeting at Park Place Dearborn 12:30p
 Easter Open House Fri, 6:30p, Rectory
 Matins Sat, 8:45a, Chapel
 Private Confession and Absolution..... Sat, 9:15a, Chapel
 Youth Catechism..... Sat, 10a, Church
Holy Mass for Misericordia Domini..... **Sun, 10a, Church**
 Adult Bible Class.....Sun, 11:30a, Undercroft
 Sunday School.....Sun, 11:30a, Activities Center

IN OUR PRAYERS Edward Brown, Linda Buskirk, Lela Casey, John Chavez, Gladys Cline, Anna Dalton, Martha Draspa, Sandy Frey, Ellen Hayden, Drucilla Huddleston, Florine Kaiser, Lawrence Kasner, Eleanor Luka, Earlene Maynarich, Michael Maynarich, Robert Murdock, Margaret Quinkert, Pauline Rivard, and Sylvia Schleif.

THE PSALM FOR THIS WEEK IS PSALM 81. PRAY IT EVERY DAY!

In this Psalm, Our Lord and His Faithful praise God because of what He has done (v 1-5). He has shouldered our burden, delivered us from our trouble, and answered our prayers (v 6-7). So why would we want to return to other things to satisfy us? Why would we pin our hopes to any other word? (v 8-12) Instead, our God who delivers us admonishes us to listen to Him. For He has proved, by His Son’s death and resurrection, that He mightily delivers us. And He promises to feed us with the finest of all foods—with Our Lord Himself so that He might both sustain us and live through us (v 13-16).

Today's Announcements

QUASIMODOGENITI is the Latin name for today, taken from the first words of the Introit. Quasimodogeniti means "as newborn babes." This is actually three words in Latin - Quasi modo geniti. These Words of 1 Peter 2:2 begin the Introit for the First Sunday after Easter. Historically, those preparing for baptism and confirmation would keep the Easter Vigil, and be baptized and received into the Church at that Service after dark on Holy Saturday. These new Christians would continue in their instruction "as newborn babes" in the faith. 1 Peter 2:2 reads "As newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the Word, that you may grow thereby, if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is gracious." It is the Word of God that sustains the Christian. Would that we all might become as "little children" (Matthew 18.3), with child-like faith believing the Word, and, as newborn babes, "crave the pure milk of the Word," that we too may "grow thereby," and thus be prepared for the "meat," the deeper Truths of the faith and the Mysteries of God (1 Corinthians 3.2, 4.1; Hebrews 5.12-14).

DOMINICA IN ALBIS DEPONENDIS is another name for today, with roots in the ancient Church. Dominica in Albis Deponendis means "Sunday in White Put Aside." On this day, the liturgical Octave of the Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord, those baptized at the Vigil "put aside" the white Baptismal robes they had donned for the Vigil ceremony. Yesterday, the Saturday in the Octave of Easter, is known as Sabbatum in Albis, the last full day on which the white robes were worn.

LOW SUNDAY This day, the Sunday in the Octave of Easter, has still another name. It is historically called "Low Sunday" to distinguish it from the "highest" Sunday of the Church Year, the Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord.

ADULT CHOIR The choir will sing for Cantate (May 18), Ascension (May 29), and Pentecost (June 8). Rehearsals will continue next Sunday, May 4 at 9am. Please alert Fr. Schultz with your willingness to sing.

EASTER OPEN HOUSE AT THE RECTORY An Easter Open House will be held at the Rectory on Friday, May 2, beginning at 6:30pm. Guests are welcome to bring an appetizer, dessert, or drink to share. Please RSVP on the sheet in the Narthex or to Kantor@ZionDetroit.org

VICARAGE PLACEMENT SERVICE Zion will receive a vicar for the 2014-2015 year. The placement service is Tuesday evening at Kramer Chapel at the Seminary. Fr. Braden will attend the service to meet our new vicar.



COMMUNITY CHORUS OF DETROIT presents the Verdi *Requiem*, Sunday, May 18, 4:30pm, at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament, 9844 Woodward (at Boston Blvd). The concert will feature Metropolitan Opera-affiliated soloists, three guest choirs for a total of 175 voices and a full symphony orchestra, directed by Dr. Edward Maki-Schramm. Tickets are \$35 and available from Fr. Schultz, who sings in the Chorus, today only or anytime online at communitychorusofdetroit.com



ST. MARK, EVANGELIST Holy Mass for St. Mark, Evangelist is Monday, April 28 at 10am in the Chapel (transferred from April 25).

ST. PHILIP AND ST. JAMES, APOSTLES Holy Mass for St. Philip and St. James, Apostles is Thursday, May 1 at 10am in the Chapel. Remember these festivals in your daily prayer at home. Prayers and readings are found in the Hymnal on page 90.

MOTHER'S DAY FLOWERS Potted white mums will adorn the altar in honor of Mother's Day on Jubilate Sunday, May 11. Donations may be made in memory of a departed mother, or in honor of a living mother. Plants are \$15. Please put your donation together with this form in an envelope and either place it in the offering plate or mail to the Parish Office. Checks should be made payable to Zion Evangelical-Lutheran Church. The due date for donations is Monday, May 5.

MOTHER'S DAY FLOWERS
 Potted White Mums

From _____

In Memory of My Departed Mother *(may include dates born and sainted)*

In Honor of My Living Mother

_____ plants at \$15 each. Total Amount Enclosed: _____