

Zion Evangelical-Lutheran Church

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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, please speak with the Pastor before approaching the Altar.

THE DIVINE OFFICE is prayed in the Chapel of the Holy Incarnation in the Rectory. **MATINS:** Daily at 8:45am (except when there is a morning Mass); **VESEPER:** Tuesday/Thursday at 6:30pm.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION is taught every Sunday and Wednesday 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 9:15-10am 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.

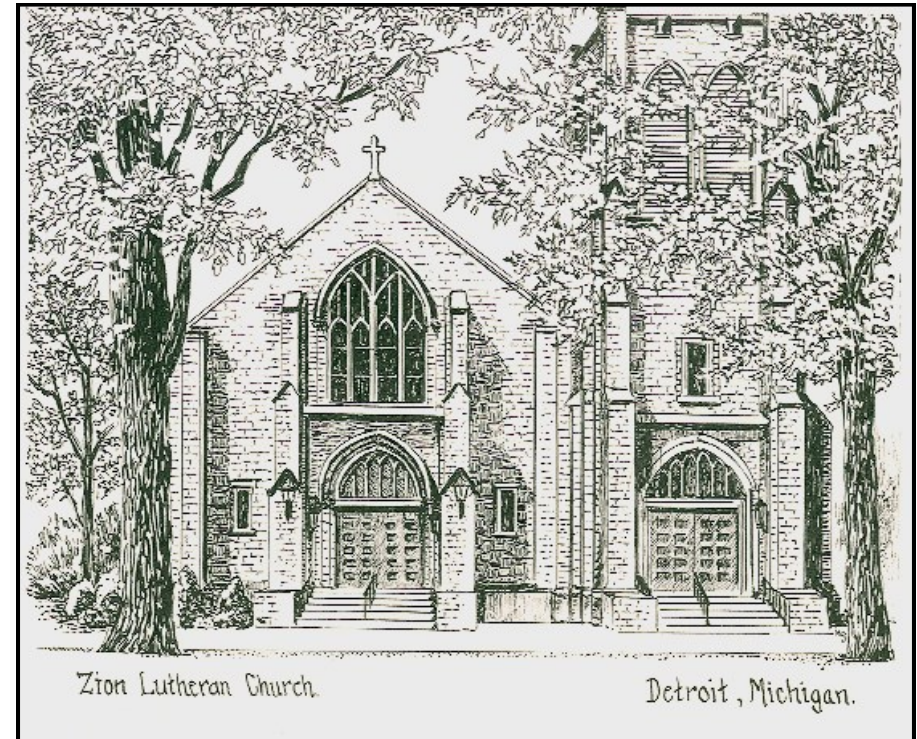
SICK AND HOMEBOUND are visited regularly by the Pastor with the Scriptures and Sacrament. Please contact the Parish Office if you know of any parishioner in need of pastoral visitation.

PARISH OFFICERS DEACONS: William Gramzow, Thomas Habitz, Jr., Eric Russell TRUSTEES: Gregory Gramzow, Paul Snoes, Kevin Wiedelman; PARISH EDUCATION: Shirley Cross, Robert Kelly III, Pamela Ruffin; OFFICERS OF THE VOTERS: Thomas Habitz, Jr. (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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HE HAS DESIRED HER AS HIS DWELLING PLACE"



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Feast of the Holy Innocents, Martyrs
December 28, 2014



First Victims of Our Lord

Welcome to where the Faithful gather around the Lamb of God to receive from Him relief in time of suffering, forgiveness for sin, life in the midst of death, and salvation from those who seek to destroy and undermine true Faith. May you take to heart these blessings given in this Holy Mass.

The Theme of Today's Liturgy

The Holy Innocent Martyrs are the baby boys killed by King Herod when he hears of Jesus' birth in Bethlehem (*Gospel*). With their death, they both precede and follow the Lamb (Christ) where He will eventually go (*Epistle*). At the same time, their silent martyrdom speaks Our Lord's praise (*Introit*) and emboldens us to pray for such faith to join their witness in our living (*Collect*).

The Holy Eucharist

What saves the Innocent Martyrs is not their own blood, but the Blood of Christ which, in their death, they partake in. You also, in the Blessed Sacrament, partake of and receive the same life-giving and life-saving Blood of Christ.

The Readings

Jeremiah 31.15-17; Revelation 14.1-5; St. Matthew 2.13-18

The Hymns for Today's Mass

Processional Hymn	"By All Your Saints in Warfare" (in Ordo)
Chief Hymn	273
Offering Hymn	101
Distribution Music	Soprano Aria: "The Glory of the Lord Most High" – Bach (1685-1750)
Distribution Hymns	137; 90 (interlude after stanza 4); 105
Retiring Processional Hymn	104

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Holy Mass for Holy Innocents, Martyrs Today, 10a, Church
 Holy Mass for St. David, Patriarch Mon, 10a, Chapel
 Holy Mass for the Sixth Day of Christmass Tue, 10a, Chapel
 Holy Mass for St. Sylvester, Bishop and Confessor.....Wed, 10a, Chapel
 Holy Mass for the Circumcision of Our Lord..... Thr, 10a, Church
 Vespers Thr, 6:30p, Church
 Holy Mass for J. K. W. Löhe, Confessor Fri, 10a, Chapel
 Christmass Open House Fri, 6:30p, Rectory
 Private Confession and Absolution..... Sat 9a, Chapel
 Holy Mass for the Tenth Day of ChristmassSat, 10a, Church
 Holy Mass for Most Holy Name of Jesus..... Sun, 10a, Church
 Sunday SchoolSun, 11:30a, Activities Center
 Bible StudySun, 11:30a, Undercroft

IN OUR PRAYERS Jennifer Balaska, Edward Brown, Linda Buskirk, Lela Casey, John Chavez, Gladys Cline, Anna Dalton, Martha Draspa, Susan Edwards, Sandy Frey, Thomas Habitz, Ellen Hayden, Drucilla Huddleston, Florine Kaiser, Lawrence Kasner, Eleanor Luka, Earlene Maynarich, Michael Maynarich, Robert Murdock, Margaret Quinkert, Pauline Rivard, and Julie Snoes;

THE PSALM FOR THIS WEEK IS PSALM 93. PRAY IT EVERY DAY!

This Christ Mass Psalm reminds us that the Lord who is wrapped in swaddling cloths (rags and diapers) is the same Lord who is robed and clothed in strength and majesty. He is the One through Whom all things were made, and who the whole earth must answer to. He is mightier than anything in all creation. Yet, more sure than all of that, is His Word and promise (v 5) that He will come and save us. And because of this, we are also clothed—in the holiness He gives us by virtue of His birth.

Today's Announcements

CELEBRATE THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMASS The schedule is on the back of this page. Flyers are available in the Narthex for distribution with your family, friends, co-workers, and neighbors.

LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTIONS The flagship magazine of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, *The Lutheran Witness* is a monthly publication that offers news, features, columns, Q&A's, and more. In addition to the print edition, it is available on-line for your computer or tablet. If you subscribe through Zion, the yearly subscription rate is \$9.72. Please submit your payment to the parish office for the 2015 subscription by January 18.



Christmass Open House at the Rectory

Friday, January 2, 2015 — 6:30pm

Guests are welcome to bring an appetizer, dessert, or beverage to share.

Please RSVP on the sheet in the Narthex.



Prepare for the Circumcision of Our Lord—10am

JHS

Thursday, January 1, 2015

“Praise the Precious Blood”

Genesis 17.1-14; Titus 2.11-15; Luke 2.21

Hymns: 96, 115, 117, 112, 361, 53

Prepare for Next Sunday

IHS

Holy Name of Jesus

“Every Knee Should Bow”

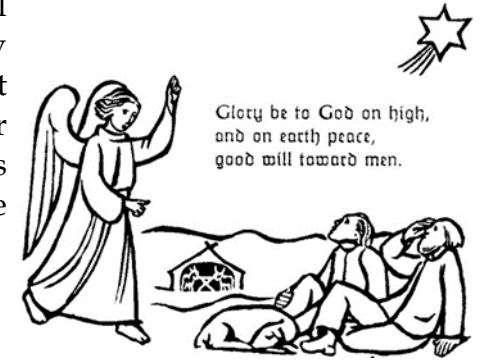
January 4, 2015

Exodus 3.1-15; Acts 4.8-12; St. Luke 2.21

Hymns: 81, 116, 80, 645, 85, 96

Daily Mass for Christmaside

As we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, faith-hungry hearts long for the saving gifts that Our Lord gives us in Holy Mass. As we celebrate the liturgical year, Zion will have Mass daily from Christmas Midnight through the Epiphany of our Lord. The schedule for Mass is as follows (Masses in the Church are shown in bold type):



December:

28 - Feast of the Holy Innocents, 10am

29 - St. David, Patriarch, 10am (Chapel)

30 - Sixth Day of Christmass, 10am (Chapel)

31 - St. Sylvester, Bishop and Confessor, 10am (Chapel)

January:

1 - Circumcision of Our Lord, 10am

2 - Ninth Day of Christmass, 10am (Chapel)

3 - Tenth Day of Christmass, 10am

4 - Most Holy Name of Jesus, 10am

5 - St. Titus (transferred), 9:30am

6 - Epiphany of Our Lord, 9:30am & 7pm

13 - Baptism of Our Lord, 9:30am

May God bless you richly through His gifts of Word and Sacrament as you join in our joyful celebration of the incarnation of God, the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh!