

# 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, 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., Michael Anderson **TRUSTEES:** Silas Gray, Paul Snoes; **PARISH EDUCATION:** Shirley Cross, Robert Kelly III, Sarah Braden **ENDOWMENT BOARD:** Fr. Mark Braden (chairman) Tom Habitz, Jr., Paul Snoes, Alan Kroske; **OFFICERS OF THE VOTERS:** Thomas Habitz, Jr. (chairman), Alan Kroske (vice-chairman), Pamela Ruffin (secretary), Paul Snoes (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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# Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

August 19, 2018

Ephphatha! Be Opened!



If you are hard-pressed, if your past troubles you, if your body is broken, if your spirit is shaken, if your heart aches, if your mind is filled with concerns, if you feel uneasy, if you find it hard to go on—then we are pleased that the Holy Spirit has gathered you with us. For here is where you will receive healing for both body and soul.

**The Theme of Today's Liturgy** Because we believe and confess that we are not "sufficient of ourselves to think of anything as being from ourselves," (*Epistle*) we continually pray Our Lord to make haste to deliver us (*Introit*) from every evil. And our Jesus comes through for us—just as He came through for the deaf man (*Gospel*). What else can we do, then, but bless the Lord at all times (*Gradual*)? For the gift of His healing lives in us so that we faithfully serve Our Lord in this life (*Collect*).

**The Sermon** In the beginning, God spoke and it was. He breathed into the man, and the breath of God caused man to become a living being. There was no deafness in Eden. In Eden man spoke perfectly, and heard perfectly, for his hearing was of God's Word, and his speaking was in accord with God's will. The brokenness of the man that stood before Christ manifested man's fallen state, man's inability to heal himself. But the One through whom all things were made touched His creature, and spoke, and he was healed. But the healing that endures was the healing of his soul. That healing the same Christ bids you receive, and brings it to you in tangible Means. Thanks be to God, He does all things well.

**The Holy Eucharist** Our Lord's Body and Blood in his Holy Supper is the wholesome medicine that gives healing in the forgiveness which renews, refreshes, restores, and revitalizes our life.

**The Readings** Isaiah 29:17-21; 2 Corinthians 3:4-11; St. Mark 7:31-37

## The Hymns for Today's Mass

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| Processional Hymn          | 3      |
| Chief Hymn                 | 34     |
| Offering Hymn              | 360    |
| Distribution Hymns         | 26, 30 |
| Retiring Processional Hymn | 53     |

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Thirteenth Week After Pentecost

Aug 19-26

## THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

**Holy Mass for the Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost** ..... Today, 10a, Church  
 Adult Bible Study..... Today, 11:30a, Undercroft  
 Matins.....Mon, 8:45a, Chapel  
 Adult Catechesis.....Mon, 7p, Rectory  
 Matins.....Tue, 8:45a, Chapel  
**Holy Mass for Wednesday of Pentecost XIII**.....Wed, 10a, Chapel  
 Bible Class.....Wed, 11a, Rectory  
 Matins.....Thr, 8:45a, Chapel  
 Vespers.....Thr, 6:30p, Chapel  
 Adult Catechesis.....Thr, 7p, Rectory  
**Holy Mass for St. Bartholomew, Apostle**.....Fri, 10a, Chapel  
 Matins.....Sat, 8:45a, Chapel  
 Private Confession and Absolution.....Sat, 9:15a, Chapel  
**Holy Mass for the Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost**..... Sun, 10a, Church  
 Adult Bible Study.....Sun, 11:30a, Undercroft

**IN OUR PRAYERS** Michael Anderson, Gloria Bailey, Nellie Bolton, Linda Buskirk, Lela Casey, Gladys Cline, Anna Dalton, Fr. Erich and the Fickel family, Henry Frey, Bill Gramzow, Latoya Davis Gray, Drucilla Huddleston, Florine Kaiser, Lawrence Kasner, Richard Kelly, Erika Phares and the Phares family.

**ST. MICHAEL'S COMMITTEE MEETING** –Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. the St. Michael Committee will meet to continue our Conference planning. Please mark your calendars and attend the meeting – the Conference is drawing nigh! We will have weekly meetings in September, Tuesday nights at 6:00 p.m. (September 4, 11, and 18).

## THE PSALM FOR THIS WEEK IS PSALM 70. PRAY IT EVERY DAY!

The Faithful pray not to make God do things, but from the faith that God will both listen to their prayer and come through according to His promised mercy. Therefore, the confidence is that God will deliver and help (v 5). This confidence elicits the plea that God comes through speedily (v 1) by turning back and confounding the devil or his helpers who seek to undo the faithful person (v 2-3). This confidence also elicits the cry of praise-even before God had heard the prayer (v 4).