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Quinquagesima Sunday–Saturday, Feb. 14th & Sunday, Feb. 15th
Divine Service, Setting Three, p. 184
Hymns: 700, 685, 545, 849, 706, 805
Sermon: “The Blind See”
Text: Luke 18:31-43



Welcome guests! We are glad that you are here and pray that you will be blessed through the hearing of Christ's Word. We invite you to sign the guest register in the narthex before you leave and to worship with us again!

Guests and the Lord's Supper - Out of faithfulness to our Lord's Word and in love for all those who desire to commune, we practice closed communion. Our altar is open to those baptized Christians who confess oneness with us in doctrine, are communicant members of our congregation or sister congregations of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and are not under church discipline in another congregation. **If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, please speak to Pastor Koch before approaching the altar.**

Saturday Attendance: 21 Communed: 20
Sunday Attendance: 47 Communed: 39

Weekly Amount Needed for Budget: \$4,893.27
Amount Received Last Week: \$4,479.68

THIS WEEK AT MT. ZION

ASH WED. SERVICE	WEDNESDAY	6:30 PM
PRIVATE ABSOLUTION–	SATURDAY	4:15-4:45 PM
	SUNDAY	8:15-8:45 AM
DIVINE SERVICE–	SATURDAY	5:00 PM
	SUNDAY	9:00 AM
BIBLE CLASS & SUNDAY SCHOOL –	SUNDAY	10:20 AM

The Buck of the Month Door Collection aids students who are studying for full-time church work. Please leave your gift in the plate in the narthex.

Funeral – Shirley White died on Monday, February 9th. Her funeral will take place on Thursday, February 19th at 6 p.m. at Heritage Funeral Home, 9200 S. 27th Street, with visitation beforehand from 4-6 p.m. Jesus said, “I am the Resurrection and the Life. He who believes in me will live even though he dies. And whoever lives and believes in Me will never die.” May Shirley's family and friends find their comfort in the Gospel of the risen Jesus.

Lenten Devotions - A free Lenten devotional resource entitled, “for Us” is available for you to pick up from the table in the narthex. There is also a devotion booklet with meditations from Pastor Koch on the Old Testament readings for the daily lectionary. Please be sure to pick up your copies!

Ash Wednesday Service - Lent begins this Wednesday with Divine Service at 6:30 p.m. Please make plans to attend this and all the Wednesday evening services throughout the Lenten season as we focus on the spiritual battle against the 7 deadly sins in the light of the Passion of Jesus.

Focus on Stewardship - *Luke 18:35* – “As he drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging.” The last known words of Martin Luther were found scratched on a slip of paper next to his death bed: “We are all beggars; this is true.” All that we have is a gift of God. We are all beggars before Him. Knowing this leaves us with nothing but thankfulness in our hearts.

Lenten Suppers – We're looking forward to gathering for fellowship and dinner prior to Vespers this Lenten season, beginning on Wednesday, February 25th. This year we're trying something new with themed potlucks, and sign-ups are available for parts of each meal. To see and sign up for available slots, scan the QR code, visit bit.ly/49JbyAA, or sign up on the bulletin board in the hallway. Contact Katie Halverson with any questions.



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About Today's Readings

The seeing are blind, while the one who is blind can see. (Luke 18:31-43) Jesus tells the twelve that He is going up to Jerusalem to suffer and die and rise again. But they cannot understand or grasp what He is saying. The meaning of His words is hidden from their sight. However, as Jesus makes His way up to Jerusalem, a blind man calls out to Him for mercy. This blind man sees that Jesus is the Messiah-Savior; for he calls Him “Son of David.” Indeed, Jesus is the Lord's anointed, the keeper of sheep (1 Samuel 16:1-13) who goes to lay down His life for the sheep. He is the incarnate love of the Father who suffers long and is kind, who is not puffed up, who never fails us. (1 Corinthians 13:1-13) Jesus opens the eyes of the blind (Isaiah 35:3-7) to see Him not according to outward appearances of lowliness, but according to His heart of mercy and compassion. Those who behold Him thus by faith follow Him to the cross through death into life eternal.