

**Mt. Zion Lutheran Church
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Fifth Sunday of Easter (Cantate) Saturday, May 2nd, 5 p.m. &
Sunday, May 3rd, 9 a.m.

Divine Service, Setting Two, p. 167
Hymns: 913, 861, 556, 874, 805
Sermon: "Every Good Gift is From Above"
Text: James 1:16-21; John 16:5-15



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:	22	Communed:	21
Sunday Attendance:	45	Communed:	44

Weekly Amount Needed for Budget:	\$ 4,893.27
Amount Received Last Week:	\$ 4,769.35

THIS WEEK AT MT. ZION

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

Funeral – Dale Wehrman died on Thursday, April 30th. The funeral is tentatively planned for next Saturday, May 9th at noon, with visitation beforehand starting at 10 a.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 Dale's family and friends find their comfort in the Gospel of the risen Jesus.

New Fundraising Projects – The Church Council has authorized two new funds: one for exterior painting (\$10,000) and one for a new bottle filler drinking fountain (\$4,000). **An anonymous donor has offered to match donations for the drinking fountain, up to \$2,000.** To donate to either of these funds, place your gift in an envelope marked with the fund's name or give through the Offerings link at our website under "Gift and Memorial." Thank you!

Our Father's Spring Fair - Please join us for an evening of art and patriotic music, as the students showcase their God-given talents. You may join us in the gym on Friday, May 15th, at 9:00 a.m. for the dress rehearsal or at 6:00 for the evening production.

Walk-a-thon - Our Father's Lutheran School will be holding their 8th Annual Walk-A-Thon on Sunday, May 17th with the proceeds going toward new security doors! If you would like to donate, please talk to Laura Koch, sign up on the pledge sheet on the bulletin board, or click the link on the home page at www.ofls.org. Thank you! - Mrs. Laura Koch (Pre-K4/Resource), Mrs. Hannah Wieting (Music), **Miss Clara Ellis, Secretary**, Harper, Maddie, and Sawyer.

Vacation Bible School – We are partnering again with Our Father's to hold VBS at Our Father's Lutheran School July 27-31. To sign up your kids, or if you are interested in volunteering, scan the QR codes on the posters or talk to Hannah Wieting.

Issues, Etc. provides artillery support for the church militant on the front lines. Recent topics include Intercessory Prayer in a Post-Christian Culture, Understanding Difficult Old Testament Passages, Roman Catholicism on Free Will, “The Population Bomb” by Paul Ehrlich, Luther’s Large Catechism on Holy Baptism and more.

Focus on Stewardship - *James 1:17* – “Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.” There are a great many passages in Scripture which echo this theme: everything good we have is from God. He loves to give. He loves to bless. He loves to show us generosity time and again, and He desires that we reflect His love and openhanded kindness.

Give Your Offering or special donation online by scanning this QR code or by going to MountZionGreenfield.org and clicking on the “Offerings” link.



About Today’s Readings

Though Jesus has departed from us visibly to the right hand of the Father who sent Him, yet this is to our advantage. For Jesus—who is Lord over all creation, who intercedes for us before the Father, who is preparing a place for us in heaven—has sent the Helper, the Spirit of Truth. (John 16:5-15) “Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above and comes down from the Father of lights” through Christ. (James 1:16-21) The Holy Spirit helps us by taking of what is Christ’s and declaring it to us. In the Word of truth the Spirit works repentance and delivers to us the forgiveness of sins, the righteousness of Christ, and victory over the devil. For the ruler of this world is judged and defeated by the cross. Through the ministry of the Holy Spirit we have been brought forth to new life in Him who is the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. Confident of our resurrection with Christ we confess, “Behold, God is my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid.” (Isaiah 12:1-6)