

**Mt. Zion Lutheran Church
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Trinity 3 - Saturday, June 20th, 5 p.m. & Sunday, June 21st, 9 a.m.
Divine Service, Setting Three, p. 184
Hymns: 611, 609, 608, 594, 612, 805
Sermon: "The Prodigal Son"
Text: Luke 15:1-2,11-32



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:	19	Communed:	19
Sunday Attendance:	61	Communed:	44

Weekly Amount Needed for Budget: \$4,893.27
Amount Received Last Week: \$2,679.25

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

Guest Pastor – This weekend we welcome the Rev. Aaron Fenker (Sat.) and Rev. Dr. Karl Fabrizio (Sun.) to preach and lead us in divine service. We thank them for being here and for their Word and Sacrament ministry in Pastor Koch's absence. Pastor will be returning late on Monday.

The bulletins and flowers at the foot of the cross are given to the glory of God by Lowell and Judy Tietyen in thanksgiving for their 31st wedding anniversary. Thank you, and God's blessings on your anniversary!

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.

Window Replacement Fund – We still have several windows that need to be replaced. Gifts for this fund are welcome and appreciated.

Please do not place used bulletins back on the narthex table. You may place them in the basket provided on the table. Thank you! - Sara

Focus on Stewardship - *Luke 15:10* – "Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents." Jesus eats with sinners, not so that they will remain stuck in their sins, but so that they will come to know His love and repent. To repent means to turn, that is, to turn away from sin and toward Jesus in faith. Whether the sin we struggle with is pride, greed, doubt or any number of other sins, the Lord calls us to turn to Him again in faith and away from our sin.

Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can listen to a series of interviews on the Crusades with Dr. Thomas Madden, medieval historian and author of "The Concise History of the Crusades" at issuesetc.org/crusades.

LCMS Young Singles Retreat: Saint John Lutheran Church in Sycamore invites LCMS singles (high school graduates thru age 30ish, not dating, dating, even engaged) to join them on Saturday, August 1 (1:00-7:00pm) for a Singles Retreat titled *The Underappreciated Love: Philia*. This retreat will feature a prayer office, presentations by Pr. David Petersen, indoor and outdoor activities, food, and fun. Come and get to know other LCMS singles who faithfully confess Jesus Christ and the one true faith. More info and registration are available by scanning this QR code.



If you are going to be out of town over the summer, be sure to include the worship of God in your plans. You can go to LutheranLiturgy.org to find a church that uses our historic Lutheran liturgy. Our Father's Lutheran Church has a service on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. Luther Memorial in Shorewood has a service on Mondays at 7 p.m., and Peace in Sussex has a Wednesday service at 6:30 p.m. God grant you all a blessed summer in which you find your Sabbath rest in the gifts of Christ in His Word and Supper!

Give Your Offering or special donation online by scanning this QR code or by going to MountZionGreenfield.org and clicking on the "Offerings" link. Thank you!



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About Today's Readings

"This man receives sinners and eats with them" (Luke 15:2). The Pharisees' statement of judgment against Jesus is in fact a proclamation of Gospel truth. For our God is one who delights in mercy, who casts all our sins into the depths of the sea through the cross (Micah 7:18–20). *"Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners"* (1 Tim. 1:15). Those who refuse to be counted as sinners also refuse Jesus who came only for sinners. Those like the older son (Luke 15:11–32), who think they are righteous of themselves, will not join in the heavenly celebration over the sinner who repents and so remain outside of the Father's house. Let us therefore be on guard against self-righteously trusting in our own merits. *"Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time He may exalt you"* (1 Peter 5:6). Rejoice that Jesus receives sinners like us and that He still sits at table with us in the Holy Supper, bestowing His forgiveness and life.