

Zion Lutheran Church | Kulm ND | April 27, 2025

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***Hearing assistance-“t-coil” is available**

Our mission: We gather in faith to worship Jesus as Lord, grow through grace, and share the good news of Jesus Christ

Our vision: to be a community of faith who follows Christ, loves one another and ministers to the needs of others

Today we bless our seniors, enjoy music by the SWAG children, take a noisy offering, and give a huge thank you to Deacon Tara for leading our youth group. We wish you God's blessings as you go forth leading youth in CIA! Stay after services for fellowship and food.

May 1, 7:00 am: National Day of Prayer breakfast, hosted by Kulm Ministerial Association. Mayor Dale Gackle is the speaker. A freewill offering will be taken.

May 1: 7:00 pm: Join us for a joint piano recital here at Zion. Students of Hannah Roise and Lucinda Malm would love to play for you!

Zion is looking for a church custodian. It is a paid position. Please contact President Neal Berntson if interested. His number is 701-269-5057

Introduction

In spite of all we have heard and all we have seen, it is often hard to believe. Because it is hard to believe, we will invest ourselves in the Easter mystery for fifty days (a week of weeks). Because it is hard to believe, John the evangelist will provide sign after sign celebrating Jesus' victory over death. Because it is hard to believe, the risen Jesus will return to us again and again in the mystery of holy communion, inviting us to touch and taste his presence, and offering us his peace.

Psalm 118:14-29

¹⁴ The Lord is my strength | and my song,
and has become | my salvation.

¹⁵ **Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents | of the righteous: “The right hand of the | Lord acts valiantly!**

¹⁶ The right hand of the Lord | is exalted!
The right hand of the | Lord acts valiantly!”

¹⁷ **I shall not | die, but live, and declare the works | of the Lord.**

¹⁸ The Lord indeed pun- | ished me sorely,
but did not hand me o- | ver to death.

¹⁹ **Open for me the | gates of righteousness;
I will enter them and give thanks | to the Lord.**

²⁰ “This is the gate | of the Lord;
here the righ- | teous may enter.”

²¹ **I give thanks to you, for you have | answered me
and you have become | my salvation.**

²² The stone that the build- | ers rejected
has become the chief | cornerstone.

²³ **By the Lord has | this been done; it is marvelous | in our eyes.**

²⁴ This is the day that the | Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be | glad in it.

²⁵ **Hosanna! | O Lord, save us!
We pray to you, Lord, pros- | per our days!**

²⁶ Blessed is the one who comes in the name | of the Lord;
we bless you from the house | of the Lord.

²⁷ **The Lord is God and has giv- | en us light.
Form a procession with branches up to the corners | of the altar.**

²⁸ You are my God, and | I will thank you;
you are my God, and | I will exalt you.

²⁹ **Give thanks to the Lord, for the | Lord is good;
God's mercy en- | dures forever.**