

WELCOME!

We're glad you're here! If you are a newcomer, visitor, or guest:

- ❖ Please take a **Zion coffee mug** from the welcome table in the foyer!
- ❖ **Nursery** is provided for infants and toddlers through age 3 during the Sunday worship service and Sunday School
- ❖ **Sunday School** classes are available for children, youth, and adults during the 10:15am education hour
- ❖ **Busy Bags** for young children are hanging on racks at the back of the worship hall.
- ❖ Please explore the rest of your worship folder for opportunities to **connect** and **serve** at Zion. **We're glad you're here!**

WORSHIP AT ZION

The Zion worship service has a structure and sequence that reflects the way scripture shows how God meets his people. God has made himself known to the world in Jesus Christ, who is God the Son, who took on human flesh, bled and died for our sins, rose from the dead, ascended to the Father's right hand, intercedes for us now, and will come again to receive us at the end. The church assembles on the Lord's day to name the name of Jesus, which is above every name.

- We enter his courts with thanksgiving and praise
- We kneel before him in confession and repentance
- We stand and hear again the Gospel's promise of mercy and forgiveness
- We bring our tribute offerings to our King
- We hear the voice of God from scripture
- We eat at the table Jesus has provided for us
- We depart with his blessing and promise that He will be with us until he comes for us again.

THE MISSION OF ZION CHURCH

By God's grace Zion Church will be a Christ-centered ministry committed to worship God by proclaiming the truth of Scripture and relating to one another on the basis of the transforming power of the Gospel.

As God's people living in community, we will equip one another to pour out our lives for Christ at home, in the city, on the campus, across the Midwest, and to the ends of the earth. This vision rests upon the supernatural work of Christ who alone can build His church through the Spirit's work in our lives together.

ZION CHURCH

TRANSFORMED BY GRACE
POURED OUT FOR OTHERS

13 April 2025

Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle! Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!

Psalms 24:7-10

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

Prelude

† Gathering Song — Hosanna! (Zion Kids)

Welcome and Announcements

ENTRANCE TO WORSHIP

† Call to Worship Psalm 117

Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol him, all peoples! For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD!

WORSHIP THROUGH CONFESSION AND PRAISE

† Come Into His Presence With Singing

His Love Can Never Fail

Isaiah 43

I Will Remember Your Deeds, O Lord

Prayer of Praise

Confession of Faith – The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Preparation for Confession Psalm 5:4-6

For you are not a God who delights in wickedness; evil may not dwell with you. The boastful shall not stand before your eyes; you hate all evildoers. You destroy those who speak lies; the LORD abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful man.

Silent Confession of Sin

Come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our maker.

Committed to God’s Truth

- ❖ We believe in a holy God who exists externally in three persons – the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- ❖ We believe the Bible is the written word of God, and we hold to it as our authority in all matters of faith and life.
- ❖ We believe all people are sinners, justly deserving God’s displeasure, and incapable of saving themselves.
- ❖ We believe that Jesus Christ – God the Son who became man – lived a sinless life, died on the cross and rose again to accomplish our salvation. We receive this gracious gift through faith alone.
- ❖ We believe the Holy Spirit gives Christians the daily strength and wisdom they need to walk according to His will and grow in holiness.
- ❖ We believe that Jesus Christ will return to judge all mankind and to receive His people unto Himself.

For more explanation and resources, go to zionpca.com/beliefs

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Children’s Ministry – Summer Intern

We are excited to announce that we have hired Leah Hilton as our Children’s Ministry Intern! She will start her 8-week internship at Zion in May, assisting with VBS, Pray For Me, and other summer events. Please pray for Leah: that God would use her mightily to serve those at Zion and that she would be encouraged in the way God has gifted and called her through this internship.

Rummage Sale

Zion will have a Rummage Sale on April 24-26 to support mission needs. Drop off donations for the sale by appointment April 17-18 or 21-22, or drop off anytime on April 23 (early in the day is preferable). Volunteers are needed to help at the sale, provide food for volunteers, haul leftovers to the City Mission after the sale, and more. Contact Jill Greff: greffjill@gmail.com

National Day of Prayer

On May 1, 2025, Nebraskans from across the state will gather in the State Capitol to lift up families, the church, businesses, education, the military, government, and the media in prayer. The observance will be from 12pm-1pm in the Warner Chamber in the Nebraska State Capitol building, and all are welcome.

Vacation Bible School: June 2-6

We are recruiting volunteers to help with VBS. Please check your email for a link to sign up, or find the QR code printed on the flyer in the foyer. Contact Nicole: nicole@zionpca.com

Sunday Mornings: zionpca.com/visit

Zion’s Corporate Public Worship Service is held at 9am each Sunday in the Worship Hall. The service streams to Facebook (@zionpca), zionpca.com/livestream, and YouTube @ZionPCA

How to Give at Zion: zionpca.com/give

God provides all we have, and Christians return a portion of that in thanksgiving. You can put cash and checks in the black box on the foyer table, or in the secure dropbox in the main office. To give online, use this QR code, go to zionpca.com/give, or Venmo @Zion-Church-2.



† Declaration of Grace 1 John 1:7-10

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

Hymn of Gratitude – *Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee* (Trinity Hymnal #645)

Children’s Ministry Update – Nicole Houfek

Giving Moment – *Doxology*

WORSHIP THROUGH WORD AND SACRAMENT

*Children are always welcome in the main worship hall.
We also stream the service in the Hearth Room at the north end of the front hallway.*

Preaching of the Word

Title: “Cheer Up! On Your Feet! He’s Calling You”
Text: Mark 10:46-52

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

*All baptized Christians who are members in good standing with their home congregation are welcome to join us at the Lord’s table today.
The communion trays have wine in the outside ring of wine-colored cups and a juice option in the inner ring of clear cups.*

† Hymn of Celebration – *O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!* (Trinity Hymnal #535)

† Benediction

Postlude

Mark 10:46-52

46 Then they came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, Bartimaeus [which means “son of Timaeus”], was sitting by the roadside begging. 47 When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” 48 Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” 49 Jesus stopped and said, “Call him.” So they called to the blind man, “Cheer up! On your feet! He’s calling you.” 50 Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus. 51 “What do you want me to do for you?” Jesus asked him. The blind man said, “Rabbi, I want to see.” 52 “Go,” said Jesus, “your faith has healed you.” Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

Weekly Ways to Connect: zionpca.com/groups

Sundays, 8:00am: **Prayer in Library** (*everyone welcome!*)

Sundays, 9:00am: **Worship Service**

Sundays, 10:15am: **Education Hour for all ages**

Tuesdays, 9:30am: **Women’s Bible Study** (*contact Amy Handeland*)

Wednesdays, 12:00pm: **Prayer in Sanctuary** (*everyone welcome!*)

6:00pm: **Connection Meal for all**

7:00pm: **Kids Club, youth group, adult classes – nursery provided**

Thursdays, 6:30am: **Men’s Bible Study** (*contact Lee Grossman*)

Saturdays, 8:15am: **Foodnet Distribution** (*you can help!*)

Adult Sunday School Classes

The adult men and women will continue to meet separately for Sunday School from now through May 18. Each class will examine how to establish men’s and women’s ministries at Zion to develop maturity and leadership. All men will meet with Pastor David in the Sanctuary, and all women will meet with Pastor Tim in the Hearth Room.

Seasonal Services

Mark your calendar for the following upcoming services:

- Good Friday Tenebrae Service, April 18, 7pm
- Easter Morning Worship, April 20, 9am and 11am

Coffee & Conversation

All Zion women are invited to join the fellowship group Coffee & Conversation. The next event will be a group trip to the Joslyn Art Museum on Wednesday morning, April 16. Contact Lori Osberg: lsosberg@hotmail.com

Zion Grand Prix

Come join us on April 23 at 7pm to see which cars take home the prize for speed, design, and creativity! There will be no Connection Night meal, but there will be ice cream bars and general merriment at this culminating event for our Spring Wednesday night programs. All are welcome to join for fellowship and to cheer on those who worked hard to make cars this year! Contact Nicole Houfek: nicole@zionpca.com

Hill Elementary School Staff Appreciation Lunch

On April 21, Zion will be hosting an appreciation lunch to encourage the staff members and teachers at Hill Elementary. We are looking for volunteers to provide food and beverages, set up, serve, and/or clean up. Contact Jen Young: jenjayoung17@gmail.com

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O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!

1. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Vast, un - mea - sured,
 2. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Spread his praise from
 3. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Love of ev - 'ry

bound - less, free; roll - ing as a might - y o - cean
 shore to shore; how he lov - eth, ev - er lov - eth,
 love the best: 'tis an o - cean vast of bless - ing,

in its full - ness o - ver me. Un - der - neath me, all a - round me,
 chang - eth nev - er, nev - er - more; how he watch - es o'er his loved ones,
 'tis a ha - ven sweet of rest. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus!

is the cur - rent of thy love; lead - ing on - ward,
 died to call them all his own; how for them he
 'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me; and it lifts me

lead - ing home - ward, to thy glo - rious rest a - bove.
 in - ter - ced - eth, watch - eth o'er them from the throne.
 up to glo - ry, for it lifts me up to thee.

"Cheer Up! On Your Feet! He's Calling You"

Mark 10:46-52

Sermon Notes: 13 April 2025

His Love Can Never Fail

Christopher Miner

1. I do not ask to see the way my feet will have to tread, But
2. And if my feet would go a - stray, they can - not, for I know that
3. I will not fear, though dark-ness come a - broad o'er all the land, if

on-ly that my soul may feed up - on the liv-ing bread. 'Tis bet-ter far that I should walk by
Je-sus guides my falt-ring steps, as joy-ful-ly I go. And though I may not see His face, my
I may on - ly feel the touch of His own lov-ing hand. And though I trem-ble when I think how

faith close to His side; I may not know the way I go, but oh, I know my
faith is strong and clear that in each hour of sore dis-tress my Sa-vior will be
weak I am, and frail, my soul is sat - is - fied to know His love can nev - er

Guide. His love can nev-er fail, His love can nev-er fail. My soul is sat-is-fied to
near.
fail.

know His love can nev-er fail. My soul is sat-is-fied to know His love can nev-er fail.

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Sing Alleluia

Linda Stassen

1. Sing al - le - lu - ia to the Lord.

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Sing al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

Lord. Sing al - le - lu - ia, sing al - le - lu - ia,

sing al - le - lu - ia to the Lord.

sing al - le - lu - ia to the Lord.

- 2. Sing of his mercy and his love.
- 3. Jesus is King and Lord of all.
- 4. He's coming back to take us home.

I Will Remember

Voice

Em Em D A9

I will re - mem - ber your deeds — O Lord — and I will

4 Cmaj7 Bm7 Em Em D

me - di - tate on — all your works. — I will re - mem - ber your deeds, — O Lord,

7 A9 Cmaj7 Bm7 Em

— and I will me - di - tate on — all your works. — Your

10 C G D Em C G

per - fect ways — are ho - ly and just, — can a - ny com - pare — to you?

13 D C G D Em

— Your works dis - play — your po - wer and might. There is

16 Cmaj7 Bm7 A9 Cmaj7 Bm7 Em

no one as great — as you, — there is no one as great — as you. —

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Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

The love of Christ ... that surpasses knowledge. Eph. 3:18, 19

1. Je - sus, the ver - y thought of thee with sweet - ness fills my breast;

2. Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame, nor can the mem - 'ry find,

3. O Hope of ev - 'ry con - trite heart, O Joy of all the meek,

4. But what to those who find? Ah, this nor tongue nor pen can show:

5. Je - sus, our on - ly joy be thou, as thou our prize wilt be;

but sweet - er far thy face to see, and in thy pres - ence rest.

a sweet - er sound than thy blest name, O Sav - ior of man - kind.

• to those who fall, how kind thou art! How good to those who seek!

the love of Je - sus, what it is none but his loved ones know.

Je - sus, be thou our glo - ry now, and through e - ter - ni - ty.