The Tidings

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Zion Lutheran Church

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From the President's Desk:

"He is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!"

I am sitting here looking out over my yard today and I see the beautiful Easter lilies that my wife planted some years ago. Nearly every year they are the first sign of Spring seen in the garden.

The Easter lily makes a great symbol for its namesake. It creates a stark contrast to the bitter winter weather trying to cling on through March and April. The Easter lily is our sign that in spite of the cool weather, Spring will win out in the end.

Easter Sunday is like the lily that bears its name, a celebration of the one final and complete defeat of the winter of Evil. Even though we will still have to deal with it from time to time, the winter of evil can no longer WIN! Like a football team down 36 to 0 in the last two minutes of a game, the Devil is down 100 to 0 in the last two seconds. He keeps playing hard, even desperately, but in the end, he is DEFEATED.

This is where we as Christians place our hope: the death and resurrection of Jesus the Christ who prepared a path to justification and reconciliation with our God in Heaven. During this season of Easter, let us look to the empty tomb as our 'Easter lily', reach up for God's grace, and remember that 'winter' is at an end.

ALLELUIA!

Jerry Gossett, President

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Mission Statement

Thank You – to everyone who helped with the Easter Lilies. Also, thanks to those who helped put together the breakfast on Easter morning!

"Reaching in for the Holy Spirit, Reaching up for God's Grace, Reaching out with Christ's Love."











Vision Statement

Seeking to share the love of Jesus Christ.

Core Values

Share the sacraments; Share God's love; Worshíp together; There ís a place for everyone



Ladies Luncheon

The annual Ladies' Luncheon will be held on **Saturday, May 20** at 12:00. Come and enjoy good company, as well as the "famous" purse auction! We'll also create a quick, attractive decoration you can use on a front door or wall.

You should be receiving your invitation soon. Please save the date and join us — this could be our last Ladies Luncheon, so let's enjoy each other's company, have fun and send this wonderful tradition out with a bang!



Breakfast Bunch

The Breakfast Bunch continues to meet on the first Saturday of every month at 8:30 at Der Dutchman. Everyone is welcome! Join us for a good breakfast and good fellowship as well. The next Breakfast Bunch date will be Saturday, May 6!



Happy Birthday!

Alex Lutz	05/02
Jim Feddern	05/05
Ginny Fogt	05/07
Caleb Evans	05/08
Paula Paulins	05/09
Johnny Balderson	05/14
Linda Collins	05/15
Bob Feddern	05/18
Denise Edwards	05/20
Sonya Chafin	05/23
Andrew Weber	06/03
Kristen Forrest	06/12
Libby Lutz	06/14
Jacob Butler	06/16
Susie Taylor	06/21
Carol Schiff	06/28

May and June Anniversaries

- Rod and Denise Edwards June 2
- Richard and Barbara Woods June 8
- Robert and Sonya Chafin June 12
- Ward and Lisa Weber June 15
- Terry and Susie Taylor June 18
- John and Janis Murray June 19
- Jim and Lori Feddern June 21



Daily Prayers:

Please keep these people in your prayers: Esther Mae Baker, Al Bausch, Don Brooks, Bob Feddern, Richard Fogt, Garry Johnston, Richard Woods, and Carol Schiff.