

**4th Lent Service**  
**March 23, 2022**  
**“CRUCIAL HOURS”**



ZION EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH, MONROE, MI

(Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod)

IN JESUS' NAME WE WELCOME YOU!

CRUCIAL HOURS

4TH LENT WORSHIP, MARCH 23, 2022

OPENING HYMN: CW 106

“Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain”

LENT

106

Come to Calvary’s Holy Mountain



1 Come to Cal - v'ry's ho - ly moun-tain, Sin - ners, ru - ined  
2 Come in pov - er - ty and mean-ness, Come de - filed, with -  
3 Come in sor - row and con - tri - tion, Wound-ed, par - a -  
4 He that drinks shall live for - ev - er; 'Tis a soul - re -



by the fall; Here a pure and heal - ing foun - tain  
out, with - in; From in - fec - tion and un - clean-ness,  
lyzed, and blind; Here the guilt - y; free re - mis - sion,  
new - ing flood. God is faith - ful; God will nev - er



Flows to you, to me, to all, In a full, per -  
From the lep - ro - sy of sin, Wash your robes and  
Here the trou - bled, peace may find. Health this foun - tain  
Break his cov - e - nant of blood, Signed when our Re -



pet - ual tide, O - pened when our Sav - ior died.  
make them white; You shall walk with God in light.  
will re - store; He that drinks shall thirst no more.  
deem - er died, Sealed when he was glo - ri - fied.

Text: James Montgomery, 1771–1854, alt.

Tune: NAAR MIT OIE (87 87 77) Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–87.

P: In the name of our God, to whom all hearts are open and from whom no secrets are hidden. Amen.

**All: O Lord, hear my prayer, listen to my cry for mercy, and in your faithfulness, come to my relief. Do not bring your servant into judgment, for no one living is righteous before you. Answer me quickly, O Lord; my spirit fails. Do not hide your face from me, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for to you I lift up my soul. Teach me to do your will, for you are my God.**

**C: Almighty God, merciful Father, I am a repentant sinner. I confess that I have sinned against you in my thoughts, my words, and my actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I am distressed by the sins that trouble me and am deeply sorry for them.**

*Silence for private confession.*

P: Jesus says to his people: "If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven." His death paid for the guilt of your sins and the sins of the whole world. Do you believe this?

**C: Yes, I believe.**

P: Because of this promise of our Savior Jesus, I forgive you all your sins. Be assured that you are a dear child of God and an heir of eternal life.

### **Prayer**

P: Lord God, we thank you for this day of grace now drawing to a close. Stay with us and warm our hearts with your forgiving love in Christ. May your Word keep our faith burning brightly, that we may walk in the light of your presence through the darkness of this world.

Come and bless us as we worship you: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

*Refrain*

Great are the works of the Lord. Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le-  
lu - ia! Great are the works of the Lord.

*Psalm tone*

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Why do the nations conspire\*  
and the peoples plot in vain?

The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers  
gather together against the LORD\*  
and against his Anointed One.

*Refrain*

The One enthroned in heaven laughs;\*  
the Lord scoffs at them.

Then he rebukes them in his anger  
and terrifies them in his wrath, saying,\*  
“I have installed my King on Zion, my holy hill.”

I will proclaim the decree of the LORD:\*  
He said to me, “You are my Son;  
today I have become your Father.”

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son\*  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

*Refrain*

## PASSION HISTORY LESSON 4

**Pastor:** As soon as it was day, the council of the elders of the people met together, both chief priests and experts in the law.

**Congregation:** They brought Jesus into their Sanhedrin and said, “If you are the Christ, tell us.”

**Men:** But he said to them, “If I tell you, you will not believe, and if I ask you, you will not answer me or release me. But from now on, the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God.”<sup>1</sup>

**Congregation:** They all said, “Are you then the Son of God?”

**P:** He said to them, “I am what you are saying.”

**Men:** Then they said, “Why do we need any more testimony? For we ourselves have heard it from his own mouth!”

**Women:** Then the chief priests with the elders and experts in the law, together with the whole Sanhedrin, reached a decision.

**Men:** They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pontius Pilate, the governor.<sup>2</sup>

**P:** Then when Judas, who had betrayed him, saw that Jesus was condemned, he felt remorse. He brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders and said, “I have sinned by betraying innocent blood.”

**Congregation:** But they said, “What is that to us? That’s your problem.”

**Women:** He threw the pieces of silver into the temple and left. Then he went out and hanged himself.

**P:** The chief priests took the pieces of silver and said, “It is not lawful to put these into the treasury, since it is blood money.”

**Men:** They reached a decision to buy the potter’s field with the money, as a burial place for foreigners.

**Women:** So that field has been called The Field of Blood to this day. Then what was spoken through Jeremiah the prophet was fulfilled:

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<sup>1</sup> Psalm 110:1

<sup>2</sup> Luke 22:66-23:1; Mark 15:1; Matthew 27:2

**Men: They took the thirty pieces of silver, the price the sons of Israel had set for him, and they gave them for the potter's field, just as the Lord commanded me.<sup>3</sup>**

P: Early in the morning, the Jews led Jesus from Caiaphas to the Praetorium. They did not enter the Praetorium themselves, so that they would not become ceremonially unclean. (They wanted to be able to eat the Passover meal.) So Pilate went out to them and said, "What charge do you bring against this man?"

**Women: They answered him, "If this man were not a criminal, we would not have handed him over to you."**

P: Pilate told them, "Take him yourselves and judge him according to your law."

**Congregation: The Jews said, "It's not legal for us to put anyone to death." This happened so that the statement Jesus had spoken indicating what kind of death he was going to die would be fulfilled.<sup>4</sup>**

**Men: They began to accuse him, saying, "We found this fellow misleading our nation, forbidding the payment of taxes to Caesar, and saying that he himself is Christ, a king."**

**Women: Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?"**

P: "It is as you say," Jesus replied.<sup>5</sup>

**Congregation: The chief priests accused him of many things. When he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing.**

**Men: Pilate questioned him again, "Are you not going to answer anything? See how many charges they are bringing against you!"**

**Women: But Jesus still did not answer anything, so Pilate was amazed.**

**Congregation: Pilate went back into the Praetorium and summoned Jesus. He asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?"**

P: Jesus answered, "Are you saying this on your own, or did others tell you about me?"

**Congregation: Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What have you done?"**

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<sup>3</sup> Matthew 27:3-10; see Zechariah 11:12-13; Jeremiah 19:1-13; 32:6-9

<sup>4</sup> John 18:28-32

<sup>5</sup> Luke 23:2-3

P: Jesus replied, “My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would fight so that I would not be handed over to the Jews. But now my kingdom is not from here.”

**Men: “You are a king then?” Pilate asked.**

P: Jesus answered, “I am, as you say, a king. For this reason I was born, and for this reason I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.”

**Men: “What is truth?” Pilate said to him.**

**Congregation: After he said this, he went out again to the Jews and told them, “I find no basis for a charge against him.”<sup>6</sup>**

**Women: But they kept insisting, “He stirs up the people, teaching all through Judea, beginning from Galilee all the way here.”**

P: When Pilate heard this, he asked if the man was a Galilean. When he learned that he was under Herod’s jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem during those days.

**Women: When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad. For a long time he had wanted to see him, because he had heard many things about him.**

**Men: He hoped to see some miracle performed by him. He questioned him with many words, but Jesus gave him no answer.**

**Congregation: The chief priests and the experts in the law stood there, vehemently accusing him.**

**Women: Herod, along with his soldiers, treated him with contempt and ridiculed him. Dressing him in bright clothing, Herod sent Jesus back to Pilate.**

P: Herod and Pilate became friends with each other on that day. Before this they had been enemies of each other.<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>6</sup> Matthew 27:11-14; Mark 15:1-5; Luke 23:1-4; John 18:28-38

<sup>7</sup> Luke 23:4-12

LENT

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He Stood before the Court



1 He stood be - fore the court On trial in - stead of  
 2 These are the crimes that tell The tale of hu - man  
 3 The sen - tence must be passed, The un - known pris - 'ner  
 4 Shall we be judged and tried? In Christ our trial is



us; He met its pow'r to hurt, Con - demned to  
 guilt; Our sins, our death, our hell— On these the  
 killed; The price is paid at last, The law of  
 done; We live, for he has died, Our con - dem -



face the cross— Our King, ac - cused of treach - er -  
 case is built. To this world's pow'rs the Lord stays  
 God ful - filled. He takes our blame, and from that  
 na - tion gone. In Christ are we both dead and



y; Our God, a - bused for blas - phe - my!  
 dumb. The guilt is ours; no an - swers come.  
 day Th' ac - cu - ser's claim is wiped a - way.  
 raised, A - live and free— his name be praised!

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SERMON TEXT:

Luke 22:66

<sup>66</sup> As soon as it was day, the council of the elders of the people met together, both the chief priests and experts in the law. They brought him into their Sanhedrin and said, (EHV)

THE SEMBLANCE OF LEGALITY

Pastor Bill Finn, Grace Lutheran Church,  
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**M:** In the closing hours of this day, hear us as we pray, O Lord:



**C:** Lord, have mer - cy.

**M:** For the well-being of people everywhere, for the growth of your church in all the world, and for the strengthening of all who serve and worship here, we pray, O Lord:



**C:** Christ, have mer - cy.

**M:** For one another, young and old, for your blessings that come with every stage of life, and for joy in doing your will, we pray, O Lord:



**C:** Lord, have mer - cy.

**M:** For our public servants who work day and night to bring protection, justice, learning, and health to this and every place, we pray to you, O Lord:



**C:** Lord, hear our prayer.

**M:** For favorable weather and bountiful harvests, for clothing and food, for health of body, mind, and spirit, and for deliverance from all sin and every form of evil, we pray to you, O Lord:



**C:** Lord, hear our prayer.

**M:** For the faithful who have gone before us, who have shared with us your good news, whose souls are now at rest in your heavenly kingdom, we give you thanks, O Lord:



**C:** Thanks be to God.

**M:** In thanksgiving for your many and varied gifts to us, we now commend ourselves to your care. Be our shield and strength, O Lord.



## INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

### LORD'S PRAYER

**C:** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

### PRAYER FOR PEACE

**M:** Lord God, all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works come from you. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments. Defend us also from the fear of our enemies that we may live in peace and quietness, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

## BLESSING



EVENING

**592 All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night**

1 All praise to thee, my God, this night For all the  
 2 Teach me to live that I may dread The grave as  
 3 When in the night I sleep - less lie, My soul with  
 bless - ings of the light, Keep me, oh, keep me,  
 lit - tle as my bed. Teach me to die so  
 heav'n - ly thoughts sup - ply; Let no ill dreams dis -  
 King of kings, Be - neath thine own al - might -  
 that I may Rise glo - rious at the awe -  
 turb my rest, No pow'rs of dark - ness me  
 y wings. For - give me, Lord, for thy dear  
 full day. Oh, may my soul on thee re -  
 dis - tress. Praise God, from whom all bless - ings  
 Son The ill that I this day have  
 pose And may sweet sleep mine eye - lids  
 flow; Praise him, all crea - tures here be -  
 done, That with the world, my - self, and thee  
 close, Sleep that shall me more vig - 'rous make  
 low; Praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host;  
 I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.  
 To serve my God when I a - wake.  
 Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711, abr., alt.  
 Tune: EVENING HYMN (LM D) Charles F. Gounod, 1818-93, adapt.

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### **Stewardship Update:**

Dear Members of Zion,

Did you know you can give your offering to the church through your phone or tablet? It's pretty easy! The company is Vanco and we have been using their service for about two years. In fact, we have many members who make their offering through this method. Simply search for the **Vanco Mobile** App in the Google Play or Apple Store. Once installed, you will be able to search for "Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church and School" and you will only get ONE result. But be sure to search for the entire name, Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church and School. From there, either sign in or set up an account! It's pretty simple and you can donate one time or set up recurring donations. Currently, the options are General Fund and Missions.

This is a fast and easy way to donate. Please reach out to Rob Krueger, Stewardship Chairman if you have any questions at [robertgkrueger@gmail.com](mailto:robertgkrueger@gmail.com) or 734-770-1149.

Attention GivePlus+ users: You may have noticed that Vanco has updated their app! The app is now **Vanco Mobile**. Your account information should still work. This transition took place on February 1, 2022.

Thank you from the Board of Stewardship

**KILLARNEY BOOSTER PASSES:** Starting in February, Sherry Fuerstenberg will be selling Camp Killarney passes for this season. An annual pass is \$40 and the lifetime pass is \$400. She will be available before and after each service. Killarney camp is a fun place to visit for a day at the beach or for a weekend camping getaway. It is not far away and has many fun activities to do for the whole family.

**CHURCH SERVICES: Please call Zion (734) 242-1378 to register for church services.** At the present time, we are publishing our entire service in the bulletin. In order to be wise stewards of our resources, it will help us to know in advance if we are to print 100 bulletins per week or 150 bulletins per week. Never let not registering for a worship service keep you from attending that worship service. We always print a few extra bulletins. **But please if you can, call and register. Thank you.**

### **CHURCH SERVICE LIVE STREAMING VOLUNTEERS**

Zion is looking for volunteers to help live stream church services. Once trained, volunteers will be scheduled for services based on their availability, similar to the usher schedule. All members 13 years old and older are welcome to volunteer. This is a great opportunity for youth to serve. Contact Steve Sordahl ([sjsordahl@gmail.com](mailto:sjsordahl@gmail.com)) or the office for more information.

**ALTAR GUILD FOR 2022** — There is a sign-up sheet in the west foyer for Altar Guild volunteers for 2022. We really do appreciate all the help we get through the year with this service of love. If you haven't ever done Altar Guild, please consider helping out. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office.

**SPRING IS COMING WHICH MEANS ZION RUMMAGE SALE IS COMING:**

Mark your calendars for Friday, June 3 and Saturday, June 4. We are happy to take gently used items for the sale but please hold onto them until the Middle of May. Zion School needs to use the gym for school activities and we don't have a lot of room to store items. Thank you in advance for your support.

**COMING UP AT ZION ....**

- Sunday 8:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Worship  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Youth Group, and Adult Bible Class  
2:00-4:00 p.m. Mother/Daughter Spring Tea  
4:00-6:00 P.M. – BIC #3
- Wednesday 7:00 p.m. 5th Lenten Worship Service (IC)
- Next Sunday 8:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Worship (IC)  
9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Class, Sunday School, and Youth Group  
4:00-6:00 P.M. – BIC #4

**MARCH VOLUNTEERS**

	<b>Mar. 2 &amp; 6</b>	<b>Mar. 9 &amp; 13</b>	<b>Mar. 16 &amp; 20</b>	<b>Mar. 23 &amp; 27</b>	<b>Mar. 30 &amp; Apr. 3</b>
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>		Liz Seibert	& Kathy Wozniak		
<b>USHERS</b>	<u><b>Mar. 2</b></u> <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Alan Bober Jeremy Robinson Jacob Robinson William Robinson  <u><b>Mar. 6</b></u> <b>8:15 a.m.</b> Mark Kipf Keith McBee Russ Vitale  <u><b>10:45 a.m.</b></u> Rich Heusman Jeff Heusman Jake Burke Juergan Koenig Matt McCormick	<u><b>Mar. 9</b></u> <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Rich Heusman Jeff Heusman Jake Burke Juergan Koenig Matt McCormick  <u><b>Mar. 13</b></u> <b>8:15 a.m.</b> Rob Krueger Ralph Naveaux Ray Chandonnet Erich Freiny  <u><b>10:45 a.m.</b></u> Joe Koch Joe Schmeling Dave Bengé	<u><b>Mar. 16</b></u> <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Mark Kipf Keith McBee Russ Vitale  <u><b>Mar. 20</b></u> <b>8:15 a.m.</b> Tony Affholter Mark Fuerstenberg Tim Fuerstenberg  <u><b>10:45 a.m.</b></u> Alan Bober Jeremy Robinson Jacob Robinson William Robinson	<u><b>Mar. 23</b></u> <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Rob Krueger Ralph Naveaux Ray Chandonnet Erich Freiny  <u><b>Mar. 27</b></u> <b>8:15 a.m.</b> Mark Kipf Keith McBee Russ Vitale  <u><b>10:45 a.m.</b></u> Rich Heusman Jeff Heusman Jake Burke Juergan Koenig Matt McCormick	<u><b>Mar. 30</b></u> <b>7:00 p.m.</b> Tony Affholter Mark Fuerstenberg Tim Fuerstenberg  <u><b>Apr. 3</b></u> <b>8:15 a.m.</b> Rob Krueger Ralph Naveaux Ray Chandonnet Erich Freiny  <u><b>10:45 a.m.</b></u> Joe Koch Joe Schmeling Dave Bengé

# *Mother & Daughter Spring Tea*

Zion Lutheran Gymnasium

**Sunday, March 27**

2:00 – 4:00

Mothers, daughters and all other ladies  
welcome to join us for entertainment,  
fellowship, treats and tea.  
Suggested donation \$5 per person



**RSVP for guaranteed seating through the church office by March 24th  
or call Melissa Freiny 734-652-1638**