

ZION EVANGELICAL

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Children's Sunday School
during worship service.

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday Worship Schedule

Sunday School 8:15am
Coffee/Fellowship 9:00am
Worship* 9:30am
Children's Sunday School is
weekly during church service.

*Communion is 1st and 3rd
Sundays unless announced
beforehand.

Clothed in Compassion is a
free clothing program open the
1st and 3rd Saturday of each
month year round from 9:00 am
to noon at old church basement.

Café Compassion is a free
breakfast open to the
community and served the 1st
Saturday of the month year
round from 8:30am to 10:30 am
at the new church.

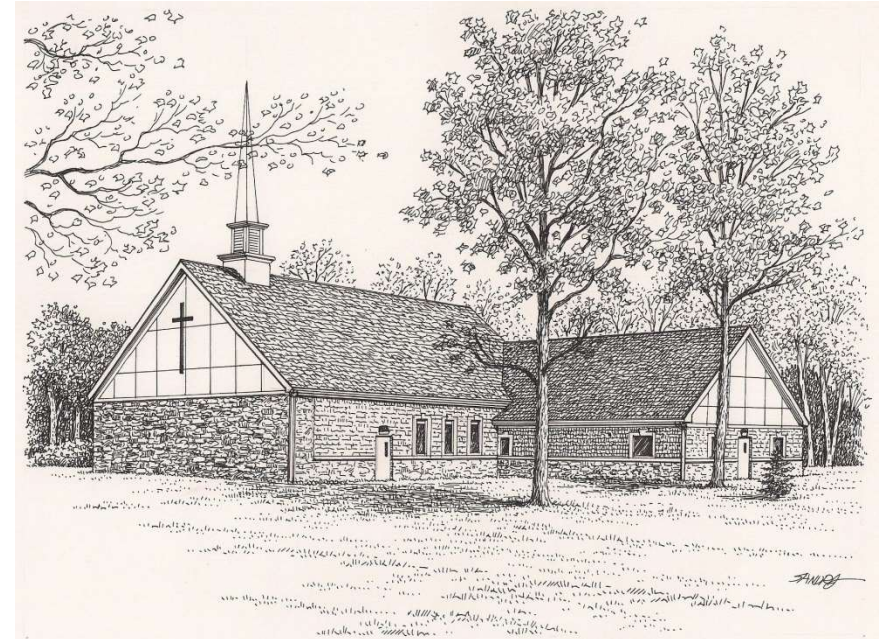
Choir practice is scheduled for
twice a month.

Zion's Mission

We are a family of Christians
who choose to worship, to learn,
to witness, and to care by
reaching out and sharing
ourselves through the Good
News of God the Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit.

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Bristol, Indiana



March 23, 2025 – Third Sunday of Lent
9:30 am Worship Service

Pastor Karen Strietelmeier
Sharon Miller – Administrative Assistant
Ushers-Aaron and Jeannine Crocker

Musician - Becky Goodman
Worship Assistant – Steve Krallman
Technology Team – Dave VanZile

Welcome Guests! Everyone please sign the registration folder located at the end of the pew, and then pass to your neighbor. Nursery for infants & preschoolers is down the hall just past the restrooms. Just a reminder, we have a family restroom for those of you with babies and small children. Hearing aids for the service are available at the sound booth. Offerings may be placed in the aisle boxes.

* Indicates Please Stand

NEWS FROM THE PEWS
March 23, 2025

GATHERING

The warnings are plentiful and blunt on the third Sunday in Lent. Cut it out or get cut down! The warnings are accompanied by God's invitation to attentiveness: "Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live." The landowner's ultimatum is forestalled by the gardener's readiness to till the ground one more year. That is good news for all of us. Thanks be to God!

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS (Worship Leader) WL

PASSING OF THE PEACE (WL)

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

(Let us return to worship)

MEDITATION MUSIC

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** (Pastor) SCREENS

GATHERING SONG

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me ELW 623

GREETING (WL)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

(Let us pray)

PRAYER OF THE DAY (WL)

Eternal God, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your word and obey it, and bring your saving love to fruition in our lives, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

HYMN

Jesus Loves Me! ELW 595

(Please be seated)

CHILDREN'S SERMON Sally Middleton

FIRST LESSON Isaiah 55:1-9 (WL) SCREENS

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Needed monthly: \$12,234

Received January offerings: \$8,810

Year to Date: \$3,384

HUB: \$171

New Week's Volunteers:

Offering Counters TODAY: Dave VanZile, Dave Teall

Sunday, March 30: Jim Kensinger, Amber Teall

Refreshments, March 30: Darlene Ashcraft, Sue Davila

Readers, March 30: Chris Otto, Sally Middleton

Altar Care, March 30: Darlene Ashcraft

Children's Sunday School March 30: Becky Goodman, Rob Teall

Caring Christians

In 2025 Zion Lutheran will continue to be a "family" of people who show their faith both in word and action. Each month our Zion budget donates \$50 to a social ministry cause and asks you to also contribute to the cause. In March, the \$50 will go to RETA. "RETA Pregnancy Clinic & Family Resources is committed to providing free, discreet, non-judgmental services for those facing a pregnancy-planned or unplanned, parenting challenges or regret following an abortion decision. They offer pregnancy testing, first trimester ultrasound, STD testing & treatment, abortion pill reversal, parent coaching & resources, and abortion recovery." In making a donation, please make your check to Zion Church and write in the memo it is for RETA. Thank you so much.

Adult choir practice is today after Worship Service.

An community event is planned for April 26 "Canvas and Cookies." It is at 3:00 p.m. on a Saturday. A fun new fellowship event including cookies and learning to paint. Sue Davila is in the know if you have any questions. Bring a friend, family member or neighbor. Should be a fun time together.

Easter Breakfast being planned for Sunday, April 20th at 8:30 a.m.

Bring a dish to share if you can. If questions, see Chris Otto.

**PRAYERS FOR
Health Issues and Concerns
March 23, 2025**

*To make a Prayer Request complete a yellow prayer
card, or contact Nancy Teall at 848-9135 or the Church Office at
848-4880 or office@zionbristol.org.*

Tom Kiel, best friend of Doug Stutsman since grade school, diagnosed with cancer in latter stages. Lift up Tom in prayer for courage and peace as he fights this illness. Prayers appreciated.

Rose Benjamin, wife of Larry Benjamin, awaiting report from a PET scan. Prayers for she and Larry and their family. She is a cancer survivor.

Dawn White, after her fall, saw doctor and is making progress. She will wear a sling for 8-12 weeks. Hopefully will not need surgery. Prayers, please.

Kierstyn Paige, daughter of Jill Tevlin's friend, hospitalized due to placenta abruption. Continued prayers for mother and baby.

Kent Schreck, Katie Teall's dad, prayers for Kent and family after his surgery.

Ross Reitz, friend of Jill Tevlin, diagnosed with cancer and has heart issues. Pray for good medical decisions, strength and success in treating him.

Sue Albert, Ruthann Owen's daughter, her lung surgery went well. Results will be coming next week. She will be starting chemotherapy.

Geri Broyles, continued prayers of support.

Sue Johnson Filley, friend of Sue Davila, had pancreatic surgery. Good news! It is not pancreatic cancer. It is another type of cancer and is contained. Prayers as she moves forward with treatment.

Mike Dandino, classmate of Sue Davila, has been transferred to a rehab program. Prayers for family, too.

Helga Maria Richards, doing well. Prayers for further recovery and strength.

Trudi and Ed McNulty, both have some health issues they are dealing with currently. Prayers appreciated.

Paul Hoffmeister, prayers for strength, comfort and healing.

Mike Griggs, continued prayers for health issues

Jill Tevlin, continued prayers for strength, peace and comfort.

Marsha Frey, continued recovery from stroke.

Prayers for our servicemen and women both at home and abroad.

Those unable to worship with us: Shirley Yoder, Mike Griggs, Maria Richards and Jill Tevlin.

Remember all unspoken prayers in our congregation for health and any other issues. (health, living arrangements, loneliness and any others)

Let's remember Mike Griggs: send a card this week if you are able to:

Waterford Crossing Health, Room 307, 1332 Waterford Circle, Goshen IN 46526. He'd enjoy hearing from you...

PSALM

63:1-8

O God, eagerly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you. (Ps. 63:1)

¹ O God, you are my God; eager-ly I seek you;
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and
weary land where there is no water.

² **Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place,
that I might behold your power and your glory.**

³ For your steadfast love is better than life itself;
my lips shall give you praise.

⁴ **So will I bless you as long as I live
and lift up my hands in your name. R**

⁵ My spirit is content, as with the richest of foods,
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,

⁶ **when I remember you upon my bed,
and meditate on you in the night watches.**

⁷ For you have been my helper,
and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.

⁸ **My whole being clings to you;
your right hand holds me fast. R**

SECOND LESSON I Corinthians 10:1-13 (WL) SCREENS

Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 13:1-9 (WL) SCREENS

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

SERMON

Pastor Karen Strietelmeier

*HYMN OF THE DAY

This Little Light of Mine

ELW 677

APOSTLES CREED

ELW 105

***PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING (WL)**

**Gracious Provider,
you set your immense treasures among us,
opening your heart to the world.
As we receive your bountiful love,
deepen our commitment to sharing those
treasures with others,
through our Savior, Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS (WL)

THE LORD’S PRAYER (WL)

BLESSING (Pastor)

God our tender parent,
God the crucified one,
God the reconciling Spirit,
✚ bless you now and forever.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN

All Hail The Power of Jesus Name

ELW 634

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Care for others as God cares for you.
Thanks be to God!

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We will be having a community Easter egg hunt on Saturday, April 12th at 1:00 p.m. here at the church.
Today is last Sunday to bring Small candies to place in eggs for the hunt !! The Clothes Closet ladies will be filling the eggs for us. We will hunt eggs, play games and have your picture taken. Oh, refreshments, too. Ages toddlers through elementary school. Bring friends and relatives.



**THIS WEEK
March 23, 2025**

(All events are at the church unless indicated elsewhere)

- Sunday, March 23 8:15 am Adult Sunday School
9:00 am Coffee/Fellowship
9:30 am Worship Service
10:30 am Adult Choir Practice
- Monday, March 24 7:00 pm -8:00 pm 4H Meeting
- Tuesday, March 25
- Wednesday, March 26 9:00 am Quilting
6:00 pm Lenten Service
- Thursday, March 27 9:00 am Men’s Group
- Friday, March 28

*Save the dates:
Maundy Thursday Service on April 17.
Good Friday Service on April 18
(both services are at 6:00 p.m.)*



Tom Teall March 25
Chris Otto March 27
Lyn Hisey March 29
Chad Root March 31