

Harrold Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Lent 3

Saturday, March 11, 2023 – 5:00 PM

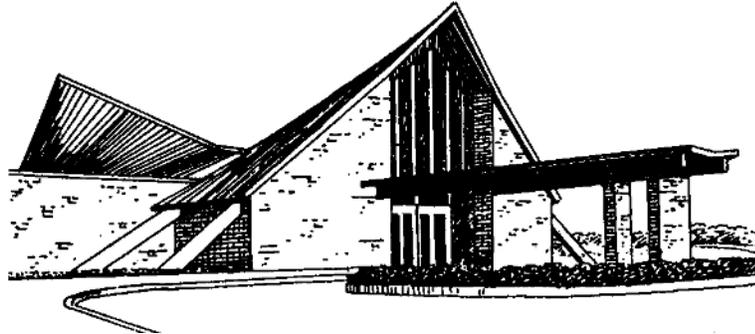
Sunday, March 12, 2023 – 8:00 & 10:30 AM

Harrold Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP!

- **It is a joy to welcome our visitors!** Please sign the guest book in the Communication Center at the rear of the church, to the right as you exit, and take a Welcome Packet which is filled with information about Harrold Zion. Please introduce yourself to the pastor as you leave worship. We hope you return soon!
- **Children's bags** are available in the Narthex.
- **There is a prayer request book** on a podium in the Welcome Center. Please write name(s) in the book prior to the service to have names included in the prayers.
- **Large print bulletins** are available from any usher for those needing them.
- **Hearing devices** are available from any usher for those needing them.
- **An AED machine** can be found on the wall after the Ladies Room on the left.
- **Receiving Holy Communion** - We believe the body and blood of Christ to be present in the bread and wine. All who are baptized are invited to share in this meal. Please come forward at the usher's direction. Non-communing children may come forward for a blessing. If you desire communion in the pew, please inform one of the ushers so that you may receive communion there.

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The Welcome

The Prelude 5:00 PM *Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing* Bailey/Romer
8:00 & 10:30 AM Duet: *Lamb of God* Paris

Please stand, as able.

The Confession and Forgiveness

P. In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen.

P. Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C. Amen.**

The assembly kneels or stands. Silence is kept for reflection.

P. Most merciful God,

C. we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P. In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C. Amen.**

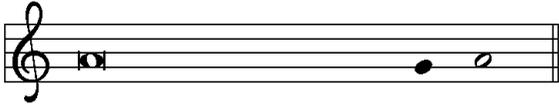
Please stand, as able.

The Penitential Hymn #609 *Chief of Sinners Though I Be*

The Apostolic Greeting

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

The Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



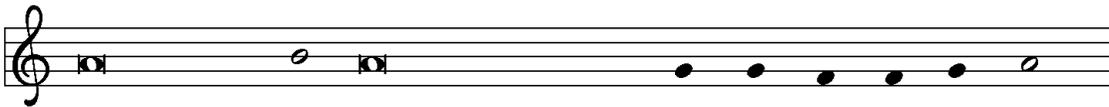
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



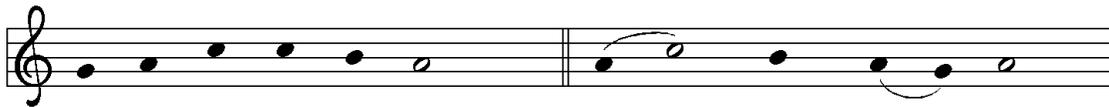
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

The Prayer of the Day

P. Let us pray. Merciful God, the fountain of living water, you quench our thirst and wash away our sin. Give us this water always. Bring us to drink from the well that flows with the beauty of your truth through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C. Amen.**

Please be seated.

(8:00 & 10:30 AM) Children's Message

The First Reading: Exodus 17:1-7

Because the thirsty Israelites quarreled with Moses and put God to the test, Moses cried out in desperation to God. God commanded Moses to strike the rock to provide water for the people. The doubt-filled question—"Is the LORD among us or not?"—received a very positive answer.

¹From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" ³But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?"

⁴So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." ⁵The LORD said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

The word of the Lord. **C. Thanks be to God.**

(10:30 AM) The Choir Anthem

Seek and You Will Find

Sleeth

The Second Reading: Romans 5:1-11

Though we often hear that God helps those who help themselves, here Paul tells us that through Jesus' death God helps utterly helpless sinners. Since we who had been enemies are reconciled to God in the cross, we now live in hope for our final salvation.

¹Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. ⁸But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. ⁹Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. ¹¹But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation. The word of the Lord. **C. Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, as able.

The Gospel Acclamation

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,
slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

The Gospel: John 4:5-42

Jesus defies convention to engage a Samaritan woman in conversation. Her testimony, in turn, leads many others to faith.

P. The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourth chapter.

C. Glory to you, O Lord.

Please be seated for the reading of the Gospel.

⁵[Jesus] came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph.⁶ Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

⁷A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink."⁸ (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.)⁹ The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.)¹⁰ Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water."¹¹ The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?"¹² "Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?"¹³ Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again,¹⁴ but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life."¹⁵ The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back."¹⁷ The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband';¹⁸ for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!"¹⁹ The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet."²⁰ Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem."²¹ Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem.²² You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews.²³ But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him.²⁴ God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."²⁵ The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us."²⁶ Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

²⁷ Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?"²⁸ Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people,²⁹ "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?"³⁰ They

left the city and were on their way to him.

³¹Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." ³²But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." ³³So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" ³⁴Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. ³⁵Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. ³⁶The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. ³⁷For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' ³⁸I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

³⁹Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done." ⁴⁰So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. ⁴¹And many more believed because of his word. ⁴²They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world." The Gospel of the Lord. **C. Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Sermon

Please stand, as able.

The Hymn of the Day #592 *Just As I Am, without One Plea*

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

The Prayers of the Faithful (Sunday concludes with the Lord's Prayer)

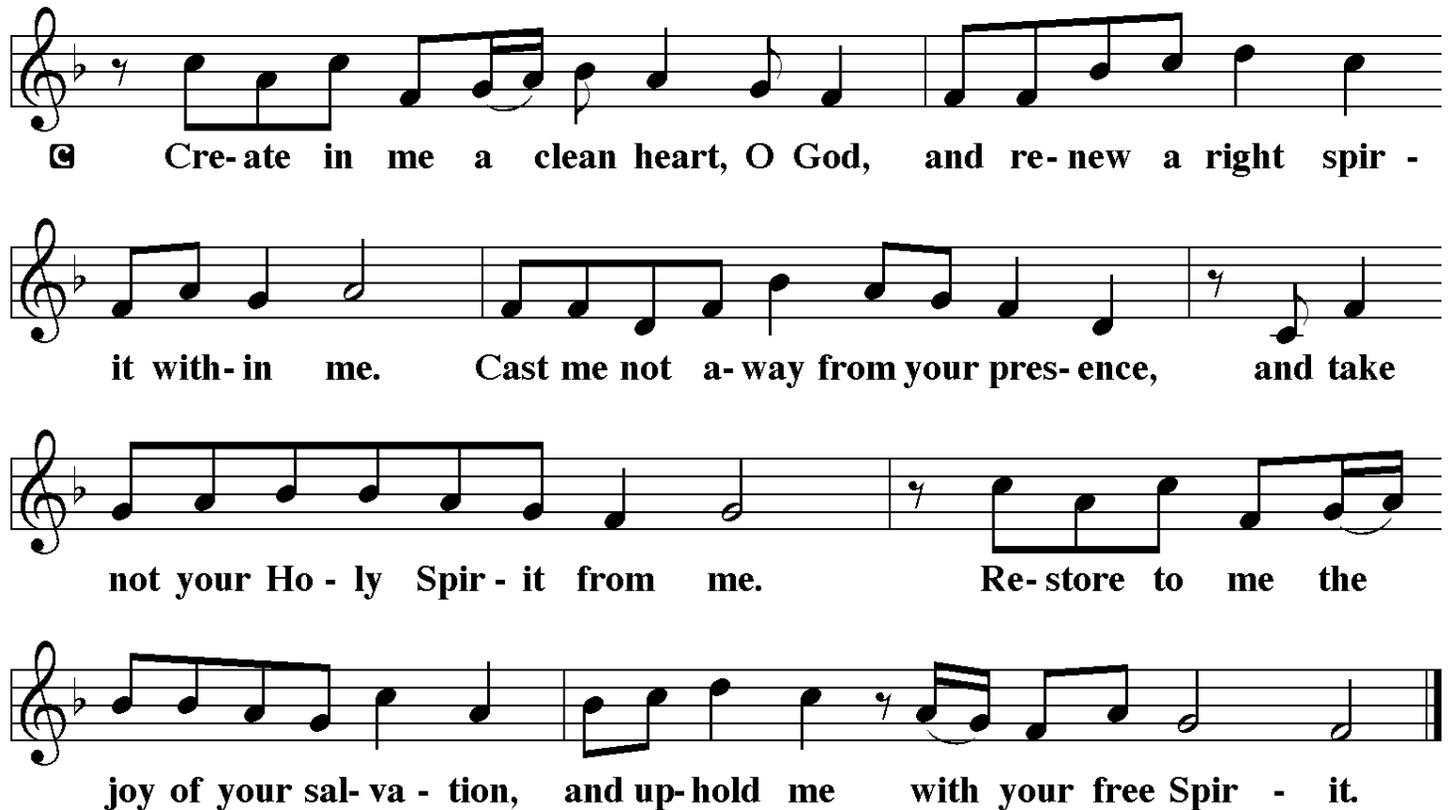
(10:30 AM) The Prayer Response #616 *Jesus, Remember Me* (sing twice)

The Sharing of the Peace

The Offering 8:00 & 10:30 AM *Impromptu*

Stickles

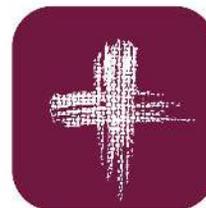
The Offertory



C Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir -
it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store to me the
joy of your sal-va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

The Offering Prayer

P. Let us pray. God of good gifts, receive these and all our offerings as we present them in faithful service for the sake of your gospel. Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal as you pour out your very presence through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life. **C. Amen.**



(5:00 PM) The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P. It is indeed right and salutary....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

(5:00 PM) The Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

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.

(5:00 PM) The Communion Song



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

(5:00 PM) The Communion Distribution

The Blessing and Prayer After Communion

P. Let us pray. Embodied God, at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus. With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise, empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors and touch the world with your love.

C. Amen.

The Benediction

The Sending Song #623 *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me*

The Moment of Meditation

The Dismissal

P. Go in peace. Serve in love.

C. Thanks be to God.

The Postlude 5:00 PM *Glorious Things Of Thee Are Spoken* Young/Powell
8:00 & 10:30 AM *Voices Exultant* Nolte

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THANK YOU to Linda Urbani for serving as flutist at the Saturday service.

Service Participants

Lectors: 8:00 AM Linda Boyer, 10:30 AM Mary Lou Millward

Acolytes: 8:00 AM Cooper Anderson, 10:30 AM Nina Tyler

Ushers: 8:00 AM Glen Nickodemus, Jen Koehl

10:30 AM Rachel Uhrinek, Paul Kanouff

Altar Guild: Nancy Basile

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of our parents by Pat & Linda Boyer; loving memory of my dear husband, Robert Faulk, by Gwen Faulk & family.

GIVE BLOOD, SAVE LIVES. We are hosting a blood drive this Sunday, March 12, from 9:15 AM to 2:00 PM. Walk-ins are accepted.

THIS WEEK....

OFFICE HOURS M-F 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

SUNDAY – Lent 3

9:15 AM Blood Drive

11:45 AM Fellowship Committee

MONDAY

6:30 PM Worship & Music
Committee

7:00 PM Thyme for Herbs

TUESDAY

10:00 AM Knitting Ministry

WEDNESDAY

9:00 AM Newsletter Articles due

5:30 PM Youth Choir

6:00 PM Bell Choir

6:45 PM Midweek Lenten service

7:30 PM Adult Choir

THURSDAY

7:00 PM Boy Scouts

FRIDAY

Happy St. Patrick's Day

10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study

3:00 PM Social Hall Reserved

SATURDAY – Lent 4

Crash Weekend

8:00 AM Sanctuary Reserved

10:00 AM Social Hall Reserved

SUNDAY – Lent 4

Crash Weekend

9:15 AM Parent Breakfast

10:30 AM Baptism

10:30 AM Joyful Noise Worship

11:45 AM Evangelism

SAY CHEESE! If you are unable to send a picture into the office, please consider having your photo taken after any worship service the next two weekends (March 19 & 26), by a member of the Evangelism Committee in the Welcome Center. You can email updated information and/or photos to tammyhzlc@gmail.com All photos and information are due in the office no later than Sunday, March 26.

THE MIDWEEK LENTEN SERIES will be every Wednesday in Lent at 6:45 PM (March 1 – March 29). The service will be a Holden service which includes lovely music and a brief meditation about those who were at the cross with Jesus. This week, March 15, the meditation will be Affirmation statements presented by the Confirmation students.

LENT – A SEASON OF HOPE. This Lent at Harrold Zion, we are putting God's love into action by making Lutheran World Relief personal care kits. We are encouraging our church family to help those suffering from the effects of war, violence, national disasters, disease and poverty. Each week we ask you to bring in specific items and place them in the corresponding bin in the Communication Center. Then, our high school and confirmation age students will assemble, pack and ship the kits. Requested items can be found in the newsletter. March 18/19 (week 4): Combs in original packaging.

ARTICLES FOR THE APRIL NEWSLETTER are due by this Wednesday, March 15, at 9:00 AM. Articles can be emailed to tammyhzlc@gmail.com or placed in the mailbox on Tammy's door. Thank you!

JOIN THE PARENT'S BREAKFAST GROUP at 9:15 AM next Sunday, March 19 (note change in date). We meet in the Kitchen area and enjoy breakfast and a time of fellowship.

WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR ONE MORE READER FOR PALM

PASSION WEEKEND - If you would like to participate in the reading of the Passion during worship the weekend of April 1 & 2, please call or email Pastor Caroline. Rehearsal will be Sunday, March 26, at 11:45 AM.

CANDY NEEDED - We would appreciate any donations to stuff plastic eggs for the Egg Hunt on April 2. Please place donations in the bin marked "Egg Hunt" located in the Communication Center. Thank you!

YOU ARE INVITED to a brunch at Good Shepherd Lutheran in Greensburg on Saturday, March 25, at 10:30 AM. Helga M. Mears will be speaking about her family living in Germany under the Nazi reign. She is the author of the book *How Could This Happen?: My Family from the Monarchy to Today*. Born during WWII, she reflects on her family's experiences. Her son is the Westmoreland County Judge, Scott Mears. She is a German professor at Pitt at Greensburg. Please RSVP by Sunday, March 19 to Lillian Shea at 724-837-8688.

HARROLD ZION'S ANNUAL EGGSTRAVAGANZA will be held Sunday, April 2, at 12:00 PM. Ages 1 through 4th Grade are invited. Bring your basket; Rain or shine!

JOIN US FOR A PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST on April 2, from 8:15-10:00 AM. Please sign-up in the Communication Center to attend and you can also note if you will be donating a breakfast casserole, pastry's, donuts, etc. The Fellowship Committee will provide coffee, juice, and other drinks.

BIKE DRIVE - Watch upcoming bulletins for information regarding a bike collection of new and used bikes. The bikes will be collected in conjunction with the Manor Presbyterian Church. The bikes will be hauled to a collection point in Aliquippa. They will be refurbished and sent to places in the US and Afghanistan.

SUMMER CHURCH CAMP! If you would like to register your child(ren) to attend a week at Camp Lutherlyn, please contact Rob Hepler at 724-446-2174. Rob, his family, and Harrold Zion have been long-time supporters of kids having the opportunity to go to camp. The church contributes 50% of the cost per child. Please visit www.lutherlyn.com for more information.

LESSONS FOR NEXT WEEKEND: March 18 & 19

First lesson: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Psalmody: Psalm 23

Second Lesson: Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel: John 9:1-41

LOOKING AHEAD:

- Spring VBS – April 29, 1:00 PM
- Irwin Male Chorus – April 23, 7:00 PM
- Summer VBS – June 12-16

ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP:

Altar Flowers – March 19, April 2 (1 vase), April 16, 23, 30 (2 vases)

Bulletin – March 19, 26; Eternal candle – March 26

Reminder: Rose = \$5, Bulletin = \$10, Candle = \$5, Altar Flowers = \$25/vase

To sponsor items, please sign up in the Communication Center.

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HARROLD ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

*To Worship and Serve God,
Grow Disciples and Love our Neighbors*



HOLY WEEK AT HARROLD ZION

PALM PASSION

Saturday, April 1, 5:00 PM

Sunday, April 2, 8:00 & 10:30 AM

The reading of the Passion will take place at all services.

Communion will be offered at all services.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 6, 7:00 PM

Stripping of the Altar. Communion will be offered.

First Holy Communion.

GOOD FRIDAY

April 7, 7:00 PM

No 5:00 PM Saturday, April 8 worship

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

Sunday, April 9

7:00 AM, 8:45 AM, 10:30 AM

We will celebrate Easter with special music.

Communion will be offered at all services.