



ZION'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Defiance, Ohio

– Third Sunday of Easter –

Sunday, April 19, 2026 — 9:45 am

— The Ministers are the People —

April 19, 2026 9:45 A.M. WORSHIP

Preaching
Musician
Deacon
Altar Care

Pastor Tom Zulick
Neal Deniston
Angela Gutman
Karen Graf

Ushers
Fellowship Hour
Offering Collectors

Ed & Joyce Rayle
Cindy Wendell
Angela Gutman &
Sue McKibben

AV Team: Doug Eis, Sandy Eis, Stormy Gutman, Angela Gutman, and Shaun Holley

— *We Gather To Hear God's Word* —

WELCOME

GATHERING SONG

"I Came with Joy"
(verses 1 & 4 only)

Red Book #482

INVOCATION

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

OPENING HYMN

"I Will Sing, I will Sing"

W&P #73

GREETING

KYRIE

Red Book Setting 8, pg. 184

HYMN OF PRAISE "This is the Feast...Worthy is Christ"

Red Book Setting 4, pg. 149

PRAYER OF THE DAY

We sit

FIRST READING: **Acts 2:14a, 36-41**

RESPONSIVE READING: **Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19**

SECOND READING: **1 Peter 1:17-23**

We stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"Be Not Afraid"

Red Book # 388

GOSPEL: **Luke 24:13-35**

We sit

HOMILY

"Who is this Stranger?"

Rev. Tom Zulick

We stand

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Christ, the Lord Is Risen Today"

Red Book #373

— *We Respond to God's Word* —

NICENE CREED

Red Book Setting 1, pg. 104

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

SHARING OF THE PEACE

We sit

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY HYMN "Let the Vineyards" Blue Book Setting 5, pg. 35
We stand

OFFERTORY PRAYER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Red Book Setting 4, pg. 152

SANCTUS "Holy, Holy, Holy" Red Book Setting 4, pg. 153

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER IV Red Book Setting 2, pg. 133

THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

We sit

AGNUS DEI "Lamb of God" Red Book Setting 8, pg. 191

DISTRIBUTION "Come, Let Us Eat" Red Book #491

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is" Red Book #502

We stand

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE "Thankful Hearts" Blue Book Setting 5, pg. 40

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING

— We Go To Live God's Word —

SENDING HYMN "Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing" Red Book #389

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE "Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks" Blue Book #671
(verse 2 only)

Sunday, April 12, 2026 Attendance & Collection

Sunday Attendance	55	Ministry Fund	\$ 1,805.00
YouTube Views	52	Building Improvements	\$ 160.00

In order to meet our weekly budget guidelines, the Ministry Fund needs \$3,041.75 each week.

To be added to the prayer chains, please contact:
ePrayers: office@zionslutheranchurch.com

WE PRAY...For:

Members: John Lieswyn, Carole Engel, Linda Wagner, Kate Frank, Mary Boals, Donna Ripke, Marsha Leaders, Ray Gottschling, and Gary Smith.

Non-Members: Amy Donahue, Sandy Hupp, David Shafer, Linda Street, John Nawarskas, Shelley Anderson, Curtis Shafer, Mary Keel, Julie Logan, and Becky Mohr.

For the men and women of our military both here and abroad: Especially, Dan Bostelman, Scott Clippinger, Jeremy Horstman, Andrew Mullett, Zachary Price, Benjamin Mullett, Erika Rogers, and Matthew Rogers, and Evan DeTray.

—This Week at Zion's —

Sunday, April 19	8:45 am	Adult Forum
	9:00 am	Children's Sunday School
	9:45 am	Worship Service
	11:00 am	Endowment Committee Mtg.
	11:30 am	Deacon's Meeting
	7:30 pm	AA Group
Monday, April 20	6:00 pm	Council Meeting
	7:00 pm	Barbershoppers
Wednesday, April 22	12:00 pm	AA Group
	6:00 pm	Bell Choir Practice
Thursday, April 23	9:00 am	Men's Fellowship
	5:00 pm	TOPS 1811
Sunday, April 26	9:00 am	Children's Sunday School
	9:45 am	Worship Service
	7:30 pm	AA Group

Lutheran History

Olavus Petri, priest, died 1552; Laurentius Petri, Bishop of Uppsala, died 1573; renewers of the church. These two brothers are commemorated for their introduction of the Lutheran movement to the Church of Sweden after studying at the University of Wittenberg.

—Announcements —

Happy Birthday this week to Nancy Swingle.

Photos are being taken today immediately following the service until noon. If you would like your picture to appear in the 2026 Church Photo Directory, please stop and have your photo taken. The next photo opportunity will be on Sunday, May 10th from 9:00-9:30 am and immediately following the service until noon.

There is a need for one more usher to serve the first Sunday of every month. Please search your heart and if you feel led to serve, let Dick Anderson know.

Beginning the first Sunday in May, the announcements will be shown on the screen prior to worship service and will also continue to be included in the bulletin. This will eliminate the need for the Deacon/Lector to read them out loud during the service.

Pantry donations for the May distribution are Kleenex, dish soap, liquid hand soap, and bar soap.