

**ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH PEMBROKE
THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 30 2023**

HYMN SING

Christ is Risen!

He is Risen indeed Alleluia!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM (ELW p. 97)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth,
our light and our salvation.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters
and by your Word you created the world,
calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.
At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.
By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons,
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.
Shower us with your Spirit,
and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG *I Know that My Redeemer Lives!* (ELW 619) verses 1,2,4&8

1 I know that my Redeemer lives!
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, he lives, who once was dead;
he lives, my ever-living head!

2 He lives triumphant from the grave;
he lives eternally to save;
he lives exalted, throned above;
he lives to rule his church in love.

4 He lives to silence all my fears;
he lives to wipe away my tears;
he lives to calm my troubled heart;
he lives all blessings to impart.

8 He lives, all glory to his name!
He lives, my Savior, still the same;
what joy this blest assurance gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

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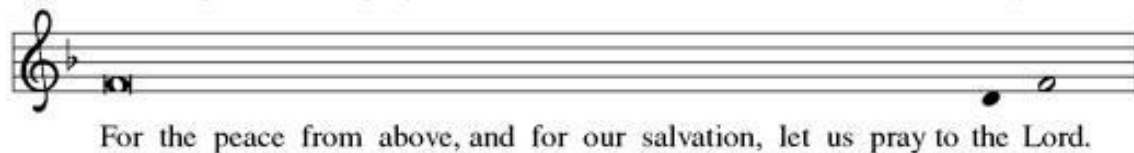
GREETING (ELW p. 138)

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.

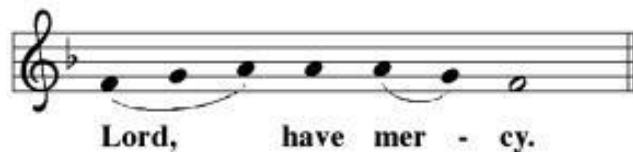
KYRIE (ELW p. 138)



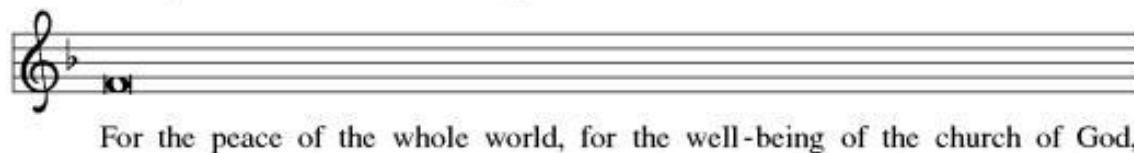
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.



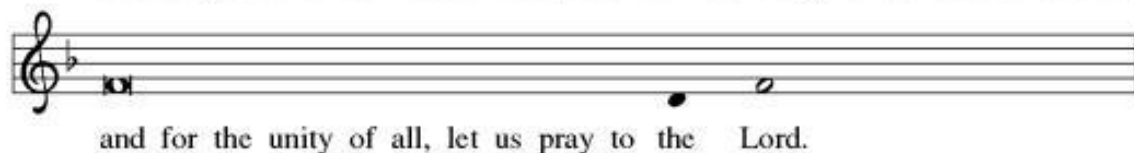
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mercy.



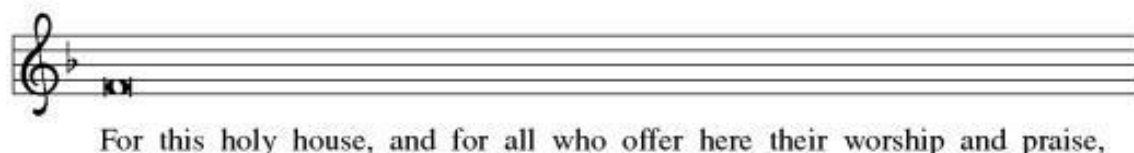
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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



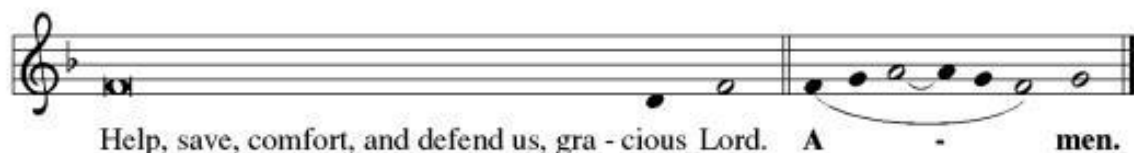
Lord, have mercy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. Amen.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW p. 139)

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb
who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 2 Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and
strength, and hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his.

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 3 Sing with all the peo-ple of
God, and join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or,
glo-ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.

Final refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY (ELW p. 142)

Let us pray.

O God our shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

written by Steve and Heather Taylor

FULL MOON COUNTRY

"Footsteps Walking With Me"

CHILDREN'S CHAT

FIRST READING: Acts 2:42-47

A reading from Acts.

⁴²[The baptized] devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

⁴³Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. ⁴⁴All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Shepherd Me, O God (ELW 780)

Refrain

Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants,
beyond my fears, from death into life.

1 God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want,
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love,
I walk by the quiet waters of peace. Refrain

2 Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul,
you lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth,
my spirit shall sing the music of your name. Refrain

3 Though I should wander the valley of death,
I fear no evil, for you are at my side,
your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope. Refrain

4 You have set me a banquet of love
in the face of hatred,
crowning me with love beyond my pow'r to hold. Refrain

5 Surely your kindness and mercy follow me
all the days of my life;
I will dwell in the house of my God forevermore. Refrain

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SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:19-25

A reading from 1 Peter.

¹⁹It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. ²⁰If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. ²¹For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

²²"He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth."

²³When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. ²⁴He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p. 142)

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: John 10:1-10

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord. [Jesus said:] ¹“Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. ²The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” ⁶Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

⁷So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON (ELW p. 143)

HYMN OF THE DAY *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* (ELW 502)

1 The King of love my shepherd is,
whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his
and he is mine forever.

2 Where streams of living water flow,
my ransomed soul he leadeth
and, where the verdant pastures grow,
with food celestial feedeth.

3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
but yet in love he sought me,
and on his shoulder gently laid,
and home, rejoicing, brought me.

4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill,
with thee, dear Lord, beside me,
thy rod and staff my comfort still;
thy cross before to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
thine unction grace bestoweth;
and, oh, what transport of delight
from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so, through all the length of days,
thy goodness faileth never.
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
within thy house forever.

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CREED (ELW p. 104)

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,**

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Or, “who proceeds from the Father.” The phrase “and the Son” is a later addition to the creed.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need. You are the shepherd who gathers us in your mighty and loving arms. Help your church to listen for your voice, especially when the voices of sin, idolatry, and oppression threaten to overpower us. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

The green pastures, still waters, and dark valleys of this earth all belong to you, O Lord. Sustain your creation with a love that is both mighty and just. Where there is destruction, bring healing. Where there is desolation, bring abundance. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You proclaim shepherding love, comfort, and protection for all people and all of creation. Direct leaders in our own time to learn from your example and instruction. Give them servant hearts, that they generously seek the good of all. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You journey with us wherever our paths may lead. We pray for those feeling overwhelmed by anxiety or depression or suffering in any way (*especially Ann Beech, Jason Godin, Erna Handke, Richard Hubert, Martha Kodzynski, Lani Lange, Charlotte Layden, Ella Lehman, Rhonda Mau, Heather Miller, Aileen Roesler, Brenda and Douglas Sperberg, Ruth Thom, Anneliese Trautrim, Kaitlyn Vaillancourt, Danita Wolfgram, Vaughan Rosien, Joan Lehman, Denise Schizkoske, Mervin Bimm, Ty Phannenhour*). Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You are the sheepgate that gives safety to your beloved flocks. Provide protection for refugees, victims of domestic violence, those who are imprisoned, and all people who are vulnerable to violence and mistreatment. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You call your sheep by name and lead them through the valley of death. We give you thanks for those who have died and now dwell in your house forever (*especially Grace Colbear, David Bartlett and Vera Krueger*). Be with those who mourn, and give them hope in the promise of resurrection. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ’s resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.

PEACE (ELW p. 143)

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING *Be Not Afraid* (ELW 388) 2X

Be not afraid, sing out for joy!

Christ is risen, alleluia!

Be not afraid, sing out for joy!

Christ is risen, alleluia!

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OFFERING PRAYER (ELW p. 144)

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING**DIALOGUE (ELW p. 144)**

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.

PREFACE (ELW p. 144)

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,

for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,
the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;
who in dying has destroyed death,
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.
And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,
with earth and sea and all their creatures,
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW p. 144)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of pow'r and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (ELW p. 145)

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,

and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.
Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER (ELW p. 145)

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION (ELW p. 146)

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.
Amen.

COMMUNION SONG (ELW p. 146)

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

SONG DURING COMMUNION *Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks* (WOV 671)

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SONG DURING COMMUNION *Have No Fear, Little Flock* (ELW 764)

1 Have no fear, little flock;
have no fear, little flock,
for the Father has chosen
to give you the kingdom;
have no fear, little flock!

2 Have good cheer, little flock;
have good cheer, little flock,
for the Father will keep you
in his love forever;
have good cheer, little flock!

3 Praise the Lord high above;
praise the Lord high above,
for he stoops down to heal you,
uplift and restore you;
praise the Lord high above!

4 Thankful hearts raise to God;
thankful hearts raise to God,
for he stays close beside you,
in all things works with you;
thankful hearts raise to God!

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (ELW p. 146)

Let us pray.

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING (ELW p. 146)

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING SONG *You Servants of God* (ELW p.825)

- 1 You servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad his wonderful name;
the name, all-victorious, of Jesus extol;
his kingdom is glorious and rules over all!

- 2 Ascended on high, almighty to save,
yet still he is nigh, his presence we have.
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation to Jesus, our king!

- 3 Salvation to God who sits on the throne!
Let all cry aloud and honor the Son.
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

- 4 Then let us adore and give him his right,
all glory and pow'r and wisdom and might,
all honor and blessing, with angels above,
and thanks never ceasing, and infinite love!

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DISMISSAL (ELW p. 146)

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

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THIS WEEK AT ZION: May 1 – May 7

Monday:	5:30 pm	Messy Church
Tuesday:	9:30 am	Tai Chi
	7:00 pm	Worship & Music
	7:00 pm	Narcotics Anonymous
Wednesday:	10:30 am	Worship Service
	2:00 pm	ZLW Mtg.
	6:15 pm	Confirmation Class
Thursday:	9:30 am	Tai Chi
	11:00 am	Worship At Marianhill
	7:00 pm	Healing Vets
Friday:	7:00 pm	Youth Group Survivor Lock-In
Sunday:	10:00 am	Worship Service With Holy Communion & Sunday School
	6:30 pm	Pint with The Pastors at Finnigan's

TODAY'S SCHEDULED WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

Presiding Minister:	Rev. Scott Schellenberger
Music Director:	Blaine Sack
Worship Assistant:	Wayne Kirk
Sexton:	David Lehman
Projector Operator:	Philip Vandersleen
Video Recorder:	Alex Hammel, Krista Hammel
Sound Operator:	Gerry Vandersleen
Counters:	Andrew Zadow, Kathy Green, Lori Crigger
Altar Care:	Carol Boldt
Ushers:	Doug & Pauline Maliff
Coffee Hour:	Kathy Hoffman, Susan Dupuis

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please Pray for Those Who are Ill, in Hospital, or Requested Special Prayers: Ann Beech, Jason Godin, Erna Handke, Richard Hubert, Martha Kodzynski, Lani Lange, Charlotte Layden, Ella Lehman, Rhonda Mau, Heather Miller, Aileen Roesler, Brenda and Douglas Sperberg, Ruth Thom, Anneliese Trautrim, Kaitlyn Vaillancourt, Danita Wolfgram, Vaughan Rosien, Joan Lehman, Denise Schizkoske, Mervin Bimm, Ty Phannenhour, and the families and friends grieving Grace Colbear, David Bartlett and Vera Krueger.

WORSHIP AND MUSIC

Just a reminder that there is a worship suggestion box at each entry to the sanctuary for comments and suggestions for worship services. Comments on the contemporary services would be appreciated by the committee.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Next Sunday School is scheduled for May 7th.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

The next confirmation class is Wednesday May 3rd.

Please remember to complete your registration for Confirmation Camp for July 9th-14th. Cost is \$150.00 and permission forms will be needed.

CAMP LUTHERLYN

Don't forget to register for Camp Lutherlyn Children's Camp, Leader in Training Program and Family Camp.

Information is available at www.lutherlyncamp.ca, or contact the office for more information.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SOCIAL

Please join us for our next Wednesday Morning Social on May 31 at 10 am in the parish hall. Come out and enjoy a muffin, coffee and wonderful fellowship!

PULSE MINISTRY consists of three different programs. Every generation is invited to worship and to Messy Church: Messy Church, Youth Group, and worship. The worship Service is called "Living Stones".

PULSE YOUTH GROUP

On May 5 to May 6 from 7:00 pm to 7:00 am, Lock-In Survivor Easter Island youth will gather for an overnight at the church trying to become the ultimate survivor. Be there. **THE TRIBE HAS SPOKEN.**

Cost is \$10. Please note permission forms are required.

MESSY CHURCH

Next Messy Church is May 1 at 5:30 pm. Join us for a meal, a creative activity, a game and a short worship time. This is an inter-generational event with activities geared to children and the people who love them.

LIVING STONES

Please join us at our next Living Stones service on May 21st at 10:00 am.

PINT WITH THE PASTORS

Join us at Finnigan's for a bite and a pint on May 7th at 6:30 pm. We will share some laughs and play some bible trivia. Come out and bring a friend!

CAMP LUTHERLYN REQUEST

We are getting our work lined up at Camp Lutherlyn for spring. Zion Lutheran Church in Pembroke has always been very generous with their time and money in supporting the Agape Cabin. As you know this cabin has a new and central location on the camp property, where the Shepherd's staff cabin used to be. In order to have this cabin ready for summer operations, we will need to have the front deck reinstalled on the cabin; the back steps adjusted to fit properly (both require some hours of our handyman). We also need: 2 long twin mattresses (can be new or excellent used condition). 2 comfortable reading chairs (can be new or excellent used condition). If you can help with the info below please email: info@lutherlyncamp.ca

FOOD BANK

I would like to thank everyone who helps me with items for the food bank. Even if it was only one item it is always needed. Thank you for the monetary donations also as we buy a lot of groceries each week and that is due to Doug and Pauline Maliff who do an excellent job of

shopping for items on sale. It is an honor to represent our church at the food bank and they know who we are because every time I bring a donation I put Zion's name into a book. This gives me a smile on my face as I think how lucky I am to represent our church. If you are able, I would be thankful for any donation of food or other.

THE SOCIAL MINISTRY COMMITTEE will be hosting a *Spring Potluck Luncheon Sunday May 7th*, following worship. A donation jar will be out asking for contributions towards Zion's Good Shepherding Fund. Presently, our fund is low and in need of topping up. This Good Shepherding Fund helps members of Zion who may find themselves in need. It is always good to have some funds ahead to be prepared. Please come out for some fellowship and bring your favourite dish. Donations will be greatly appreciated and our drive will continue for the month of May. Many Thanks.

ZLW MEETING: Wednesday May 3 at 2:00 pm

The ZLW has invited Donalee Loback, Executive Director to speak to us from First Step Options. We will learn more about what First Steps Options is all about and how they help in our community. Please consider donating some of the items listed below to help out. Items can be new or gently used in good clean condition. All are welcome to attend and donate. Listed are some items that we can donate to First Steps: baby wash, diaper cream, wash cloths, towels, socks, hats, bibs, onesies, sleepers, outfits, toys, books, etc. Thank you for your support.

FIRST STEP OPTIONS

2023 Virtual Baby Bottle Fundraising Campaign will be running from Sunday May 14th to Sunday June 18th. Please help us to compassionately support families in our community surrounding pregnancy related and parenting circumstances.

<p style="text-align: center;">ATTENDANCE Sunday Worship April 23rd - 97</p>
