



## Zion Lutheran Church and Christian School

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# Newsletter

## April/May 2026

Keeping you informed and  
staying connected

**Alleluia!**  
**Christ is Risen!**



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## **1. Devotional from Pastor Kyle Eddy: Because He Lives**

Matthew 28:1-20

The women went to the tomb on Easter morning expecting death. They carried spices, grief, and broken hope. Though Jesus had promised He would rise, they approached the grave as if His Word had failed—as if death had won.

We often live the same way. When fear rules us, when guilt weighs us down, when we trust in money, success, or earthly security more than Christ, we live as though Jesus were still dead. If Christ had not been raised, despair would make sense. Sin would still rule. Death would still have the final word.

But Easter begins with a glorious interruption: "Do not be afraid... He is not here. He has risen, just as He said." The stone is rolled away, not so Jesus could escape, but to fill us with hope and confidence that death has been defeated for all time.

Because Christ is risen, your sins are forgiven. Because Christ is risen, your fears do not own you. Because Christ is risen, your death is not the end; you have eternal life. In Holy Baptism, His resurrection is given to you. In His Word and Sacraments, the risen Christ still comes to you with life and salvation.

Because Christ lives, we can live in the confidence of His ongoing, loving reign over our past, present, and future.

The women entered the garden expecting death, but they left rejoicing because Jesus lives. So also, we do not leave Easter as people of the grave, but as people of the resurrection.

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

--Pastor Kyle Eddy

## 2. Services and Events:








							
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<b>PALM SUNDAY</b>	<b>HOLY MONDAY</b>	<b>HOLY TUESDAY</b>	<b>HOLY WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b>	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>	<b>HOLY SATURDAY</b>	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>
JESUS ENTERS JERUSALEM	JESUS CURSES A FIG TREE JESUS CLEANSSES THE TEMPLE	FIG TREE IS WITHERED JESUS CONFRONTS RELIGIOUS LEADERS WITH PARABLES JESUS PREDICTS FALL OF JERUSALEM JESUS SPEAKS ABOUT THE LAST DAY	JUDAS AGREES TO BETRAY JESUS	JESUS WASHES DISCIPLES' FEET JESUS EATS LAST SUPPER GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE JESUS IS BETRAYED JESUS IS TAKEN BEFORE HIGH PRIEST	JESUS SUFFERS UNDER PILATE AND HEROD JESUS IS CRUCIFIED JESUS IS BURIED	JESUS' BODY RESTS IN THE TOMB	JESUS RAISES FROM THE DEAD JESUS APPEARS TO MARY MAGDALENE JESUS APPEARS TO WOMEN JESUS APPEARS ON ROAD TO EMMAUS JESUS APPEARS TO PETER JESUS APPEARS TO APOSTLES
March 29, 2026	March 30, 2026	March 31, 2026	April 1, 2026	April 2, 2026	April 3, 2026	April 4, 2026	April 5, 2026

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### Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026

- 7:00 p.m.

**Holy Thursday** Worship Service.

Commemorating the Last Supper of Jesus with his Disciples.

### Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026

- 10:30 a.m.

**Good Friday** Worship Service.

Commemorating the crucifixion of Jesus and his death at Calvary.

### Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026

- 9:30 a.m.

**Bible Study – A Longer Look at the Lesson**

Check your weekly bulletin for the readings planned for this Sunday.

Young or old, everybody is welcome to join us!

- 10:30 a.m.

**The Resurrection of our Lord** Worship Service.

The victory of Christ Crucified is given to you in the preaching of His resurrection.

## Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026

- 7:00 p.m.

Monthly Meeting of the **LWMLC Prince George Society**  
in the downstairs meeting room at ZLCS; all ladies are welcome!  
Please contact Penny if you need a ride.



## Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026

- 9:30 a.m.

### **Bible Study – A Longer Look at the Lesson**

Check your weekly bulletin for the readings planned for this Sunday.

Young or old, everybody is welcome to join us!

- 10:30 a.m.

### **Second Sunday in Easter Worship Service.**

The crucified and risen Jesus gives His spirit and peace to the Church through the ordained ministry of the Gospel. By this preaching and absolution, He grants repentance, forgiveness of sins, and new life in His name. Through faith in the risen Christ, we live in joyful hope, guarded by God for the salvation to be revealed on the last day.

## Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026

- 7:00 p.m.

**Youth Group** for Teenagers Grade 8 to 12

Games, Bible Study, and Fellowship

## Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026

- 9:30 a.m.

### **Bible Study – A Longer Look at the Lesson**

Check your weekly bulletin for the readings planned for this Sunday.

Young or old, everybody is welcome to join us!

- 10:30 a.m.

### **Third Sunday in Easter Worship Service.**

The living and abiding Word is the proclamation that God raised Jesus from the dead and gives life to all who believe. Through this Word, we are born again, forgiven, and given the Holy Spirit in repentance and Holy Baptism. The risen Lord opens the Scriptures and makes Himself known to us in the preaching of the Gospel and in the breaking of the bread.

## **Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

- **9:30 a.m.**

### **Bible Study – A Longer Look at the Lesson**

Check your weekly bulletin for the readings planned for this Sunday.

Young or old, everybody is welcome to join us!

- **10:30 a.m.**

### **Fourth Sunday in Easter** Worship Service, Holy Communion.

The crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ is our Good Shepherd.

## **Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026**

- **7:00 p.m.**

### **Youth Group** for Teenagers Grade 8 to 12

Games, Bible Study, and Fellowship

## **Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026**

- **9:30 a.m.**

### **Bible Study – A Longer Look at the Lesson**

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- **10:30 a.m.**

### **Fifth Sunday in Easter** Worship Service, Holy Communion.

The risen Lord Jesus alone is “the way, and the truth, and the life,” and we come “to the Father” only through Him (John 14:6). God is thus “glorified in the Son,” and those who believe in Him will do the works of Christ because He goes to the Father for us (John 14:12–14).

## **Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

- **9:30 a.m.**

### **Bible Study – A Longer Look at the Lesson**

Check your weekly bulletin for the readings planned for this Sunday.

Young or old, everybody is welcome to join us!

- **10:30 a.m.**

### **Sixth Sunday in Easter** Worship Service, Holy Communion.

God gives life to all people and calls them to seek Him, yet in sin we turn instead to idols. Therefore, God has appointed Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, through whom we receive forgiveness, new life, and hope. The risen Lord gives us the Holy Spirit through the preaching of the Gospel and in Baptism, so that we live in faith and are ready to confess the hope we have in Him.

## Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026

- 7:00 p.m.

Monthly Meeting of the **LWMLC Prince George Society**  
in the downstairs meeting room at ZLCS; all ladies are welcome!  
Please contact Penny if you need a ride.



## Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026

- 7:00 p.m.

**Youth Group** for Teenagers Grade 8 to 12  
Games, Bible Study, and Fellowship

## Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026

- 9:30 a.m.

### **Bible Study – A Longer Look at the Lesson**

Check your weekly bulletin for the readings planned for this Sunday.  
Young or old, everybody is welcome to join us!

- 10:30 a.m.

### **Ascension Sunday** Worship Service, Holy Communion.

After His resurrection, Jesus appeared to His disciples and then ascended to the Father, filling all things and giving gifts to His Church. Though hidden from sight, He remains with His people through His Gospel and Sacraments, continuing to bring repentance and forgiveness to the ends of the earth. In His Church, Christ blesses us with forgiveness and joy, lifting us up to share in His heavenly life.

## Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026

- 9:30 a.m.

### **Bible Study – A Longer Look at the Lesson**

Check your weekly bulletin for the readings planned for this Sunday.  
Young or old, everybody is welcome to join us!

- 10:30 a.m.

### **Day of Pentecost Sunday** Worship Service, Holy Communion.

From His open heart, our crucified and risen Lord pours out His Holy Spirit in “rivers of living water” (John 7:38) and invites everyone who thirsts to come to Him and drink freely (John 7:37). Through this life-giving work of the Holy Spirit, we hear our pastors “telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God” (Acts 2:11), and “everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved” (Acts 2:21).

**Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

• **7:00 p.m.**

**Youth Group** for Teenagers Grade 8 to 12

Games, Bible Study, and Fellowship

**Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026**

• **9:30 a.m.**

**Bible Study – A Longer Look at the Lesson**

Check your weekly bulletin for the readings planned for this Sunday.

Young or old, everybody is welcome to join us!

• **10:30 a.m.**

**Holy Trinity Sunday** Worship Service, Holy Communion.

The Triune God created all things good, yet through sin creation fell into death and decay. According to God's plan, Jesus was crucified and raised, and He pours out the Holy Spirit through the Gospel. By Baptism and teaching in the Church, the Triune God recreates us in the image of Christ and declares His work very good.



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### **3. Notices:**

\* **Details of events can change on short notice.**

Please check out our website for Updates and for more information.

<https://zionpg.lutheranchurchcanada.ca/>

- \* Find us on **You-Tube:** <https://www.youtube.com/@zion-vanderhoof-lutheran> if you are unable to attend in person and want to watch our **live-streamed worship services**, or if you want to rewatch a previously recorded service.

### **4. Prayer Requests and Praise Reports**

**Merciful Father, You are our refuge in every need.**

**Look with kindness on all who have asked for our prayers and on all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit.**

**Give them patience and strength. If it pleases You, grant them healing and relief.**

**Above all, keep them firm in faith and fill them with the hope of the resurrection and eternal life.**

**Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Please continue to keep your brothers and sisters in Christ in your prayers.

If you have prayer requests you would like to share with the congregation, please call the office at 250-562-2777 or send an email to [zion@zlcs.com](mailto:zion@zlcs.com).

The **Prayer Chain** is a line of communication among Christians who are willing to be 'On Call' and will pray for any specific need for anyone who requests their prayers.

The members of the prayer chain will keep your prayer requests **strictly confidential** unless you explicitly allow us to share them with the congregation!

If you would like to participate in the prayer chain, or want to know more about it, please contact Penny Bobier or the church office.

If you are in need of prayer, please don't hesitate to call the office at 250-562-2777 or Shirley at 250-964-3411.

We don't want anyone to be in need or suffering, so, please let us know if we can help in any way.

## **5. Did you know – The B.C. Mission Boat Society**



Since 1999, the B.C. Mission Boat Society has served the remote First Nations communities along the B.C. coast, sharing the Gospel and bringing the message of salvation through Christ.

### **BCMBS Vision Statement:**

‘A thriving body of Christ within remote BC coastal First Nations communities.’

### **BCMBS Mission Statement:**

‘Sharing Christ’s love and equipping communities to grow in faith.’

### **How the BCMBS Serves**

Vacation Bible Schools for children (Kids Camp), Youth activities, Visits to Elders, Fellowship gatherings, Bible studies, and Music worship.

### **First Nations Communities the BCMBS Serves**

Currently serving: Klemtu, Kingcome, Kyuquot, and Ehattesaht, Returning to Bella Bella this spring and summer, and Making Connection this spring in Bella Coola and Anahim Lake.



BCMBS continues to build up Christian brothers and sisters in their faith.

Today, BCMBS are reaching a second generation of children from parents who were impacted by their work years ago.

With your help, BCMBS continues to bring hope, peace, and love as they share the good news of the Gospel and sow seeds of faith for future generations.

The B.C. Mission Boat Society has sent many teams on short-term mission trips to different remote First Nations communities along the B.C. coast.

These teams are immersed into all aspects of the communities they visit.

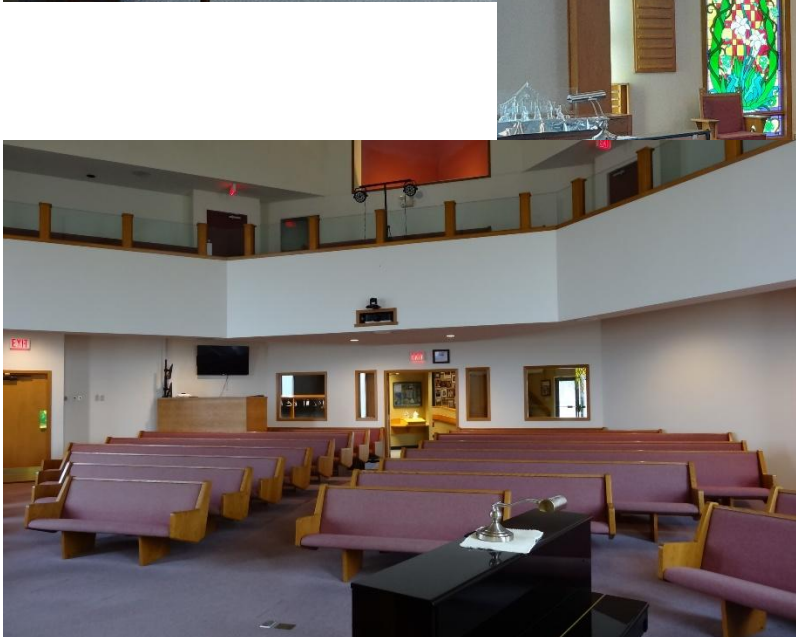
They are supported by a B.C. Mission Boat staff member or experienced volunteer.

**For more detailed information**, and to find out how you can support their cause, please visit the website of the BC Mission Boat Society: <https://bcmisionboat.org/> or reach out if you have any questions: [info@bcmisionboat.org](mailto:info@bcmisionboat.org), 1-250-871-8311

## 6. Zion Lutheran Church Pictures: (2025/2026)



Narthex, Sanctuary, and Nave



## 7. Zion Lutheran Church and Christian School Contact Information:

**Office Hours:** 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Monday to Friday, except statutory holidays.

**School Hours:** 8:40 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. on school days (Office closes at 12:30 p.m.!)

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