

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL

235 Pond Hill Road, Wallingford, CT 06492

Pastor: Rev. Robert C. Hass

Organist: Sandy Mehinovic

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**The Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 27 & 28, 2024**

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Welcome

Jesus said, “My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples” (John 15:8, NRSV). Part of discipleship is worship, which strengthens us to bear the fruit of love. Welcome.

Prayer Before Worship

Lord, I lay my joys and cares before You that You might prepare my heart for worship; in Jesus’ name. Amen.

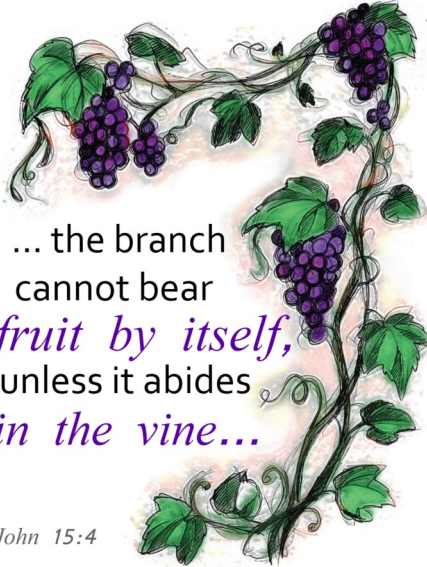
The Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Deborah Moro with gratitude, and in honor of, Pastor Bob whose birthday is this week.

Eternal Light

The Eternal Light is lit in memory of Mary, Clair, and George by Deborah Moro.

Theme: “Nourished by the Vine”



... the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine...

John 15:4

When Jesus uses the image of the vine and speaks of vineyards, He is choosing something very familiar to His hearers. Viticulture is well known around the world. More than eighteen million acres worldwide is used for growing grapes—from Panama to Tajikistan to Zimbabwe! Today, the cultivation of vineyards is still an important agricultural component in both Israel and the Jordan, lands where Jesus walked and taught. Life in the vineyard is vital! As branches grafted to the Vine that is Christ, we are vitalized by His power. As we worship, God’s life-supporting power infuses us! It is time to continue growing!

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Our Worship to The Lord

Saturday at 5:00 PM

Liturgy & Hymns: Insert, Holy Communion

Sunday at 10:30 AM

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