Zion Lutheran Church





February 9th, 2020 Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany



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Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church & Preschool!

Thank you for joining us in worship of the Lord. We would love to get to know you, and for you to learn more about our church family at Zion. We cordially invite you to talk with Pastor Grimenstein, our Elders, or any of our church members to learn more about our fellowship. At our website -- **zlcb.org** – you can find out more about the many worship, Christian education, and fellowship opportunities at Zion.

Communion Statement

We believe that in the Lord's Supper, Christ's physical body and blood are present in the bread and wine (1Cor. 11:23-25). We also believe receiving the Lord's Supper is an act of church fellowship. Scripture cautions that those who receive without recognizing Christ's body and blood will bring judgment upon themselves (1 Cor. 11:27-29). Therefore, out of love to our guests, we invite to our altar those who are baptized, confirmed, repentant members of Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod congregations or sister congregations. Visitors desiring to commune are asked to please announce their intentions to an elder or pastor. Everyone is welcome to sing the hymns during communion as we contemplate Christ's mercy to us.

In preparation to receive the Lord's Supper in a worthy manner please consider reading "Christian Questions with their Answers" on Page 329-330.

We invite you to learn more about our church family at Zion and what we believe as Lutherans. If you are interested in exploring membership, please talk with Pastor Grimenstein after the service, or call the church office at 412-221-4776.

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

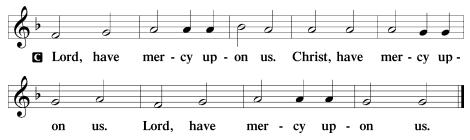


- P Blessèd are you, | O LORD; teach me your | statutes!
- How can a young man keep his | way pure? By guarding it according | to your word. With my whole heart | | seek you;

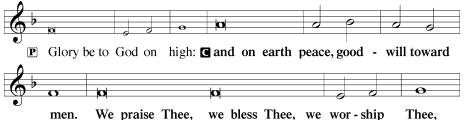
let me not wander from your com- | mandments!

I have stored up your word | in my heart, that I might not sin a- | gainst you. Blessèd are you, | O LORD; teach me your | statutes! With my lips | I declare all the just decrees | of your mouth. In the way of your testimonies | I delight as much as in all | riches. I will meditate on your | precepts and fix my eyes | on your ways. I will delight in your | statutes; I will not for- | get your word. Glory be to the Father and | to the Son and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning, is now, and will be forever. | Amen. P Blessèd are you, | O LORD; teach me your | statutes!

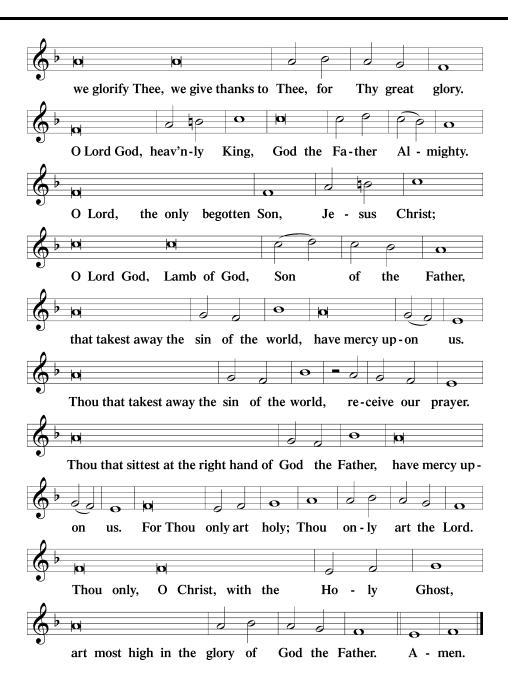
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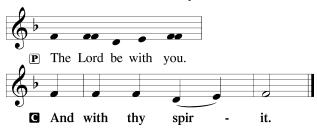
Gloria in Excelsis



We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor-ship



Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us Pray.

O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Old Testament Reading -- Isaiah 58:3-9a

"'Why have we fasted, and you see it not?

Why have we humbled ourselves, and you take no knowledge of it?'

Behold, in the day of your fast you seek your own pleasure,

and oppress all your workers.

Behold, you fast only to quarrel and to fight

and to hit with a wicked fist.

Fasting like yours this day

will not make your voice to be heard on high.

Is such the fast that I choose,

a day for a person to humble himself?

Is it to bow down his head like a reed,

and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him?

Will you call this a fast,

and a day acceptable to the LORD?

"Is not this the fast that I choose:

to loose the bonds of wickedness,

to undo the straps of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?
Is it not to share your bread with the hungry
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover him,
and not to hide yourself from your own flesh?
Then shall your light break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up speedily;
your righteousness shall go before you;
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.
Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;
you shall cry, and he will say, 'Here I am.'"

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Choir -- Lord of All (10:30 service)

Epistle -- 1 Corinthians 2:1–16

And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written,

"What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him"— these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For who knows a person's thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God. And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual.

The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one. "For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ.

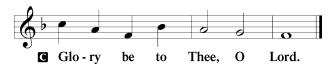
- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Alleluia



Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.



[Jesus said:] "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet.

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ. the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of the Day - I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

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Sermon





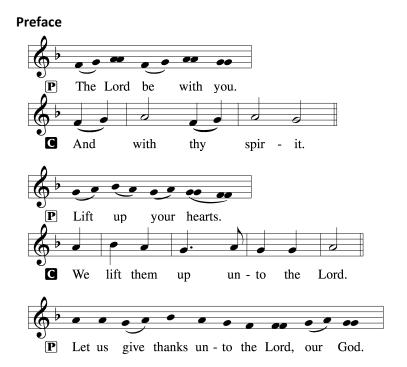


Offering (Please fill out the Red Attendance booklet at the end of your pew).

Prayer of the Church

- **P** ... Lord in your mercy.
- C ... Hear our prayer.

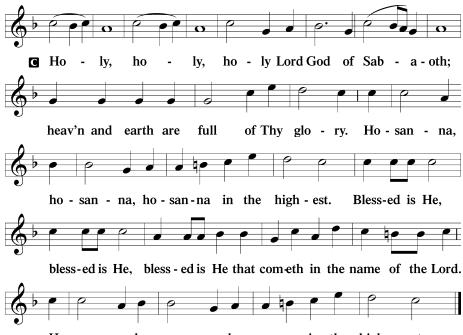
Service of the Sacrament





It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

P 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.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My → body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

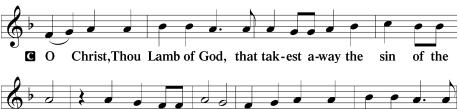
Pax Domini



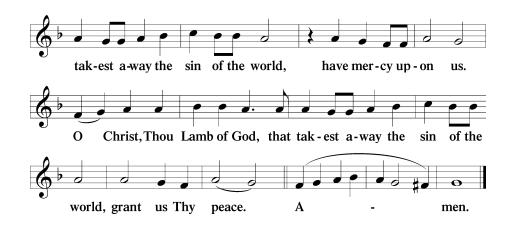
P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



Agnus Dei



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Sharing of Peace

Distribution

Distribution Hymns

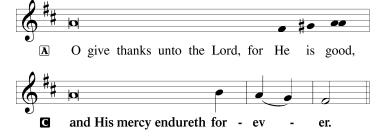
The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord	#634
Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness	#563
May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill	#698

Nunc Dimittis





Thanksgiving

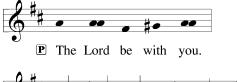


P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another;

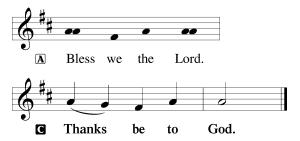
through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

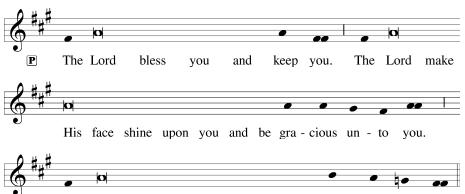




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Benediction



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



Closing Hymn – Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service #848

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Prayer Requests for Family & Friends

The Church:

- -For our homebound members: Tom Bicusky, Florence Boehme, Lois Dittmer, Helen Erbrecht, Laverne Eckels, Irene Bourg, Dolores Preaux, Joan Cisko, and Dottie Heslop.
- -Healing for: Peter Fisher, Jan Nemanick, Ruth Rostron, Patti Neill, Lou Mitchell, Almut Dill, Connie Canale, Jamie Kistler, Judy Graziano, Grant German, Alyssa Mance, Darlene Pirmez, Elias Kazas, Janet Hickey, Florence Boehme, Marian Siek, Gerry Hildenbrand, Joyce Wood, Don and Deana Thielet, Dave Hutula, Ron Valentino, Norma Dyson, Mabel Granke, Bill and Nancy Koester, Mary Reihing, Jennifer Meyer, Tom Richards and Tim Fitzgerald.
- -For our missions/missionaries, especially Pastor Wokoma and The Siberian Lutheran Mission Society.
- -For those who serve: Christopher Malachosky and Jared Fitzgerald who are serving in Texas, and Jacob Linsenbigler who is deployed in Iraq.
- -For all who care for loved ones with illnesses.
- -For the ministry of Zion Lutheran Sunday School and Preschool.

The World:

- -For an end to abortion and human trafficking.
- -For the youth in our community.

Our Nation:

- -For our leaders and government officials.
- -For those in foster care and those looking to adopt.
- -For the disabled, unborn and aged.
- -For those whose work it is to protect us.

† Service Participants **†**

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Edward Grimenstein

Music Director: Mark Killinger
The Organist: Sandy Quinlan

The Elders:

Brian Pasquini & Mike Wallace

The Acolyte: Noah Wallace (8:00)

Sam Bishop (10:30)

The Greeters: Carl & Karen Bauer (8:00)

Lee & Megan Glasser (10:30)

The Ushers: Carl Bauer, Gene Koop,

Ron Meier, Dale Miller (8:00)

John Garrubba, Tom Garrubba,

Dan Harris, Tracey Harris (10:30)

Altar Guild: Sarah Ali, Janet & Marian Oelschlager

Susie Bishop

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (2/2) – 139 Midweek Attendance (2/5) - 11 Sunday Offering (2/2) \$5213.00 Online Offering - \$955.00

Nursery:

~Online giving is now available by going to the Zion's web site: www.zlcb.org~.

February 9th - February 16th

SUNDAY 2/9	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM – Adult/Teen Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion Youth Chocolate Covered Strawberry Fundraiser
MONDAY	6:00 PM – 1st year Confirmation Class
2/10	6:15 PM – Grace Bell Choir
	7:00 PM – 2 nd year Confirmation Class
	7:15 PM – Adult Choir
	8:15 PM – Faith Bell Choir
TUESDAY	
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WEDNESDAY 2/12	7:00 PM – Midweek Service & Bible Study
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THURSDAY	10:00 AM – Bible Study
2/13	7:00 PM – Council Meeting
FRIDAY	
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SATURDAY	O OO AAA AA WAA Bibba Da I Saa
2/15	8:00 AM – Men's Bible Breakfast
SUNDAY	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion
2/16	9:15 AM – Adult/Teen Bible Study & Sunday
	School
	10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion
	Financial Gift Planning Presentation after late service

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Carolyn Wible in memory of her mother Dorothy Smelko; and by Paul and Terry Hayes in memory of her mother.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by Megan Richards in memory of her husband, Harry Richards.

CHURCH NURSERY is available for kids age 0-2 during the 10:30 Service! The Nursery is located in the lower level of the building.

THE ETHIOPIAN STORYBOOK MISSION PROJECT will continue to collect funds through today! After today we will submit the total collected so far ... as of last week's count, we will be able to purchase 451 Bible storybooks for kids in Ethiopia!

Join us for a Presentation ...

Lifetime Plan for Giving

Next Sunday, February 16th, following late service

How can you provide for your heirs and support the Lord's work? Join us for a light lunch and a presentation by LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor Ron Grimm that will assist you in developing the lifetime plan for giving that God has written on your heart. His expertise can help you plan and direct your passion for giving to family and ministries for the Lord's work today, tomorrow and forever. Sign up in the narthex, or contact Ron at (412) 584-7039, Ron.Grimm@lfnd.org.





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Why was it so important for Jesus to be born as a man?

Jesus had a big job ahead of Him when He was born! If you really think about it, Jesus

was born to die on the cross to pay for the sins of the whole world. But before He died, He lived a perfect life under God's Law. That means that during His entire life, Jesus never sinned. Not even once! As a man, Jesus took the place of mankind under the Law and fulilled it. That means that for every time we failed to keep the Law, Christ succeeded!

Why was it important for Jesus to be true God?

It would take more than an ordinary man to suffer and die on the cross to pay for the sins of the whole world. Jesus had to be true God so that He could live a perfect life and fulfill the requirements of the Law, die a perfect death on the cross, and rise from the dead victorious over sin, death and the devil! All of this He did in obedience to the Father and out of complete and total love for us. Through faith, the Holy Spirit delivers all of the great things Jesus won for us in His death and resurrection!



Parents: Review the Ten Commandments with your child (Ex. 20:1–17). Discuss the commandments and be sure to point out just how often we fail to keep them. Remind your child that because of Christ's perfect sacrifice on the cross, in faith we have the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation.



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Sunday School Mission Project: Bible Storybooks for Ethiopia

For children, the Bible's hundreds of pages can seem overwhelming. They need books, written on their level, to introduce them to Jesus.

In today's Ethiopia (in northeast Africa), millions of Lutheran children don't have a single Bible storybook.

There are more than 9 million Lutherans in Ethiopia. One Lutheran church body, called Mekane Yesus, is nearly four times the size of the The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod! And there are hundreds of Lutheran schools and Sunday schools packed with eager young students, but teachers face a dilemma: they have no Bible story-books from which to teach.

\$5 purchases 1 Bible storybook!

The Lutheran Heritage Foundation (LHF) is an LCMS recognized service organization with the mission of translating and publishing our



good Lutheran books for people around the world.

For every \$5 raised, LHF prints a Bible storybook in the languages of Ethiopia, such as Amharic and Oromo. Ethiopian children receive books free of charge and they get to keep the book, bring it home and share Jesus with their families.

Please help Zion's Sunday school raise money for this important mission. Visit our donation box located in the back of the sanctuary!

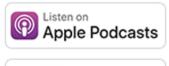


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Youth Group Fundraiser



Who doesn't love chocolate covered strawberries!

Just in time for Valentine's Day, our Youth Group is selling chocolate covered strawberries TODAY (after both services)

Please consider supporting our Youth who are planning ahead to attend the next LCMS National Youth Gathering in 2022 in Houston!

