Zion Lutheran Church



December 24th, 2022 Christmas Eve



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. Please stop by our welcome table as you leave worship. 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.

Our Worship

Our worship services are based on traditional church liturgies in which God speaks to us in His Word and we respond to Him. These liturgies were used by the early church almost 2000 years ago and are rich in scriptural meaning, connecting us to our past -- and future -- in Christ Jesus. There is a depth to Lutheran worship that can take time to appreciate, thus you may find that you don't understand everything that is happening the first week you visit. That's OK, we encourage you to keep visiting!

Prelude Music -- 2:00 Service

Douglas Krantz - Organ/Piano

Hark the Herald Angels Sing - Pippa Carter (Violin), Madison Killinger (Piano)

O Come, All Ye Faithful - Pippa Carter (Violin), Jesse Carter (Guitar)

Silent Night - Madison & Mark Killinger (Alto Sax)

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel - Claire Schrag (Clarinet), Emily Trentini (Flute), Bethany Schrag (Piano)

Lay Down Your Staffs, O Shepherds - Anna Grimenstein (Cello), Tevia Grimenstein (Voice), Douglas Krantz (Piano)

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence - Anna Grimenstein (Cello), Douglas Krantz (Piano)

Prelude Music -- 7:00 Service

Douglas Krantz- Organ/Piano

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel – Claire & Bethany Schrag (Clarinet, Piano), Emily Trentini (Flute)

O Come, All Ye Faithful - Pippa Carter (Violin), Jesse Carter (Guitar)

In the Bleak Mid-Winter - Luke & John Lemonovich, Mark Killinger (Alto Sax)

Angels We Have Head on High - Luke & John Lemonovich, Mark Killinger (Alto Sax)

Hark the Herald Angels Sing - Luke Lemonovich, Mark Killinger (Alto Sax)

O Come, All Ye Faithful - Luke Lemonovich, Mark Killinger (Alto Sax)

What Child is This - Daniel Grimenstein (Piano)

On Christmas Night All Christians Sing - Faith Bell Choir

Joy to the World - Faith Bell Choir

He Is Born, The Heavenly Child - Nathan Grimenstein (Piano)

Lay Down Your Staffs, O Shepherds - Anna Grimenstein (Cello), Tevia Grimenstein (Voice), Douglas Krantz (Piano)

On this Day Earth Shall Ring - Grace Bell Choir

I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day - Grace Bell Choir

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence - Anna Grimenstein (Cello), Douglas Krantz (Piano)

Hark the Herald Angels Sing - Men's Choir

O Come Emmanuel - Choir



Opening Liturgy (Psalm 51)

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Have mercy on me, O God.

G: according to your unfailing love,

P: according to your great compassion,

©: blot out all my transgressions.

P: Wash away all my iniquity,

G: and cleanse me from my sin.

P: Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean,

©: Wash me and I will be whiter than snow.

P: Let us pray.

O God, You make us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ. Grant that as we joyfully receive Him as our Redeemer, we may with sure confidence behold Him when He comes to be our Judge; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen



First Reading: Genesis 3:8-15, 17-19



- As by one man all mankind fell
 And, born in sin, was doomed to hell,
 So by one Man, who took our place,
 We all were justified by grace.
- We thank You, Christ; new life is ours, New light, new hope, new strength, new pow'rs. This grace our ev'ry way attend Until we reach our journey's end.

Second Reading: Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

Quartet (2 pm)
Choir (7 pm)
-- A Christmas Gloria

Third Reading: Micah 5:1-5

Hymn -- O Little Town of Bethlehem #361



- 1 O lit tle town of Beth le hem, How still we see thee lie! 2 For Christ is born of Mar - y, And, gath - ered all a - bove
- 3 How si lent ly, how si lent ly The won drous gift is giv'n! 4 O ho ly Child of Beth le hem, De scend to us, we pray;



A - bove thy deep and dream-less sleep The si - lent stars go by; While mor-tals sleep, the an - gels keep Their watch of won-d'ring love. So God im-parts to hu - man hearts The bless-ings of His heav'n. Cast out our sin, and en - ter in, Be born in us to - day.



Yet in thy dark streets shin - eth The ev - er - last - ing light.
O morn-ing stars, to - geth - er Pro - claim the ho - ly birth,
No ear may hear His com - ing; But in this world of sin,
We hear the Christ - mas an - gels The great glad tid - ings tell;



The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee to-night.

And prais - es sing to God the king And peace to all the earth!

Where meek souls will re - ceive Him, still The dear Christ en - ters in.

O come to us, a - bide with us, Our Lord Im - man - u - el!

Sermon

Prayers

P ...Lord in your mercy.

...Hear our prayer.

Fourth Reading: Luke 1:26-35, 38



<u>Fifth Reading</u>: Luke 2:1-7

Quartet (2 & 7 pm) - All Praise to Thee

The Christ Candle is lit to symbolize the coming of Christ into the world

Hymn -- Joy to #387



the World





Sixth Reading: Luke 2:8-16



Seventh Reading: Matthew 2:1-12

Cello Solo (2 pm)
Men's Choir (7 pm)
Closing Liturgy

P Behold, I am

-- What Child is This

(Revelation 22) coming soon!

- **M**y reward is with me,
- P The Spirit and the bride say,
- C "Come!"
- **P** and let him who hears say,
- C "Come!"
- P Whoever is thirsty,
- **C** Let him come;
- **P** and whoever wishes,
- **Q** Let him take the free gift of the water of life.
- P He who testifies to these things says,
- **G** Amen, Come, Lord Jesus.
- P The grace of the Lord Jesus be with God's people.
- C Amen.

Lighting of the candles (7 pm) During lighting, please tip only the UNLIT candle

Hymn -- Silent Night, Holy Night #363

- 1 Silent night, holy night!
 All is calm, all is bright
 Round yon virgin mother and child.
 Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
 Sleep in heavenly peace,
 Sleep in heavenly peace.
- Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight; Glories stream from heaven afar, Heav'nly hosts sing, Alleluia! Christ, the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!
- 3 Silent night, holy night!
 Son of God, love's pure light
 Radiant beams from Thy holy face
 With the dawn of redeeming grace,
 Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,
 Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

Christmas Altar Flowers & Poinsettias Given By ...



- ~ Carl & Karen Bauer in Memory of George & Nancy Geregach and in Honor of our Children & Grandchildren (2 red)
- ~ The Bishop Family in Memory of Loved Ones Singing in Heaven's Choir (2 pink)
- ~ Shane & Sandy Bryant in Memory of Clara & William Phillips (1 pink)
- ~ Sam & Joanne Garloff in Memory of Sam's Grandmother, Evelyn Garloff, and Joanne's Brother, Michael Lipnicky (2 red)
- ~ Clara Hayes in Memory of her Husband, Paul D. Hayes (1 red)
- ~ Paul & Terry Hayes in Celebration of the Birth of our Lord & Savior Jesus (altar vase)
- ~ Gene & Sharon Koop in Memory of their Daughter, Stacy (1 white)
- ~ Jane Kozak in Memory of Loved Ones (altar vase)
- ~ Chuck & Debbie LaJeunesse in Memory of Loved Ones (1 red)
- ~ Brent & Marianne Miller in Honor, and Memory of, our family (1 red)
- ~ Wayne & Barb Oechslein to the Glory of God (1 pink)
- ~ Mary Lou Rilee in Honor of Loved Ones (3 pink)

... and by Zion Lutheran Church in Honor of Christ's Birth

Music Ministry Service Participants

Faith Bell Choir:

Organist- Douglas Krantz

Cellist- Anna Grimenstein

Vocalist- Tevia Grimenstein

Trumpet- Mark Killinger

Men's Choir:

Roger Diederich

Douglas Krantz

Jim Oelschlager

John Migyanko

Trombone – Jesse Carter

Quintet Members:

Tevia Grimenstein- Soprano Mark Killinger Carrie Lemonovich- Alto Nancy Klemash

Nyomin Buehler - Alto Jim Neill

Douglas Krantz-Tenor Mary Lou Neill Mark Killinger- Bass Barb Oechslein

Wayne Oechslein

Choir: Marian Oelschlager

Jack Bishop

Nyomin Buhler

Roger Diederich <u>Grace Bell Choir:</u>

Tevia Grimenstein Kari Gresh
Douglas Krantz Tracey Harris
Carrie Lemonovich Tracey Johnson
Luke Lemonovich Megan Migyanko
Kristen Neill Megan Pasquini
Mary Lou Neill Mary Lou Rilee
Jim Oelschlager Bethany Schrag

Marian Oelschlager Claire Schrag

