Zion Lutheran Church



When the Son of man shall come in His glory and all the holy angels with Him



then shall He sit upon the throne of His glory

November 26th, 2017 Last Sunday of the Church Year

<u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by The Klemash Family in Memory of Loved Ones. **ETERNAL LIGHT** is given by Bernice DeBoe in Memory of her husband, Bob DeBoe. **THIS WEEK'S FAVORITE BIBLE VERSE...**is from **Janet Oelschlager** 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 NIV Be joyful always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

YOUTH GROUP will be meeting on Saturday December 2nd to put together luminaries for Christmas Eve and helping decorate the church. We will be meeting at 3:00pm for dinner before we start. Also keep an eye out for January's lock in information. Contact Michele & Mike with any questions mikeandmichelewallace@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS CAROLING... Join us as we bring Christmas joy to our shut-ins. Sunday Dec. 3rd immediately after last service meet in the fellowship hall! We will go in groups to Christmas carol to the shut-in's. Contact Carrie Lemonovich with any questions.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM LUNCHEION SIGN-UP... Please sign up in the narthex or ramp hallway if you are attending the luncheon on **Sunday, December 10.** The luncheon begins after second service and precedes the 1PM Children's Christmas Program. **Sign-up deadline is Sunday, December 3**rd.

THE TRADITION CONTINUES; Sunday, December 10th at 1PM Zion's Annual Children's Christmas Program "And It Came to Pass" Come, encourage and be encouraged by our younger disciples sharing the Gospel!

WELCOME CENTER! Are you a guest or visitor looking for information about Zion? Hello and welcome to Zion! Stop by the table in the foyer after the service and we'll try to help.

STAY CONNECTED with all that is going on at church. If your address, phone number or email address change please let the secretaries know at secretary@zlcb.org **CHURCH NURSERY:** Is available for kids age 0-2 during the 10:30 Service! The Nursery ("Little Lions") is open during the late service in the lower level of the building. (If you need help locating the nursery, please ask an Usher or Greeter for assistance.)

NEED PRAYER? Stephen Ministers and Elders will be available to pray with or for you following the Service in the Chancel area.

TODAY'S GOSPEL READING AND SERMON will be posted to the ZLCB.org website later today. For an archive of older sermons, visit www.zlcb.org/sermons

- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the +I Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

P In keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a | new earth.*

the home of | righteousness.

■ O LORD, make me know my end and what is the measure | of my days;* let me know how fleeting | I am!

Behold, you have made my days a few | handbreadths,*

and my lifetime is as nothing be- | fore you.

And now, O Lord, for what | do I wait?*

My hope | is in you.

Deliver me from all my trans- | gressions.*

Do not make me the scorn | of the fool!

Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry; hold not your peace | at my tears!*

For I am a sojourner with you, a guest, like all my | fathers.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

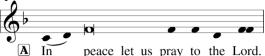
as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



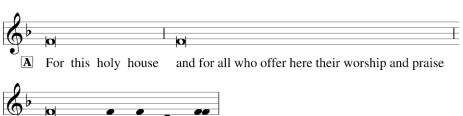


A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



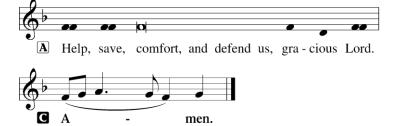
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.







C Lord, have mer - cy.





Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.
- P Let us pray.

Eternal God, merciful Father, You have appointed Your Son as judge of the living and the dead. Enable us to wait for the day of His return with our eyes fixed on the kingdom prepared for Your own from the foundation of the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

Old Testament Reading – Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

"For thus says the Lord GoD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GoD.

I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice."

"Therefore, thus says the Lord GoD to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken.

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

Epistle – 1 Corinthians 15:20-28

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. For "God has put all things in subjection under his feet." But when it says, "all things are put in subjection," it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjection under him. When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

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- Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.
- G Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne.

Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. And he will place the sheep

on his right, but the goats on the left. Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'

"Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' Then he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon Hymn – The Head that Once was Crowned with Thorns

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Sermon

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, 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.

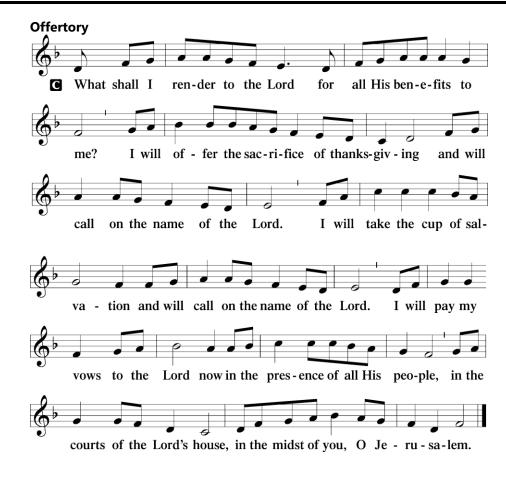
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission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

Prayer of the Church

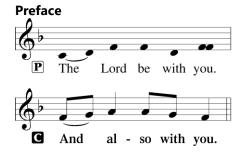
- **P** Lord in your mercy.
- C Hear our prayer.

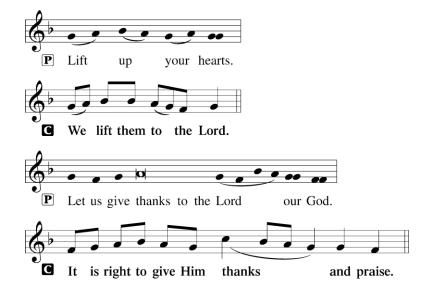
Offering

If you are visiting with us this morning, know that your presence here means far more to us than any gift of money you could make; please do not hesitate to let the plate pass you by. Please stop by the welcome desk on your way out of church this morning.

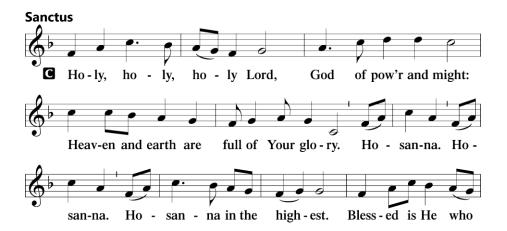


Service of the Sacrament





It is truly good, 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, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:





comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C 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."

- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion,

Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

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.

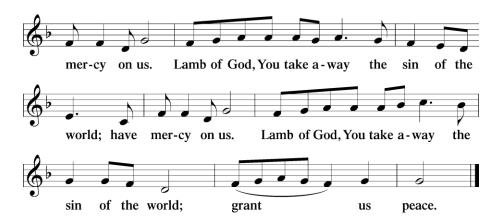
Pax Domini



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







Sharing of Peace

Distribution

We welcome to the Lord's Table all who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God, can examine themselves spiritually and believe they receive the true body and blood of the Lord Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and as a profession of their faith. If you hold a profession of faith that differs from that of our congregation, please speak to the Pastor before the start of the service before communing.

We believe the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine.

We believe Christ offers the forgiveness of sins in the Lord's Supper, but that the Lord's Supper is not necessary for salvation.

We believe the Lord's Supper remembers the death of Christ and proclaims his death until he returns.

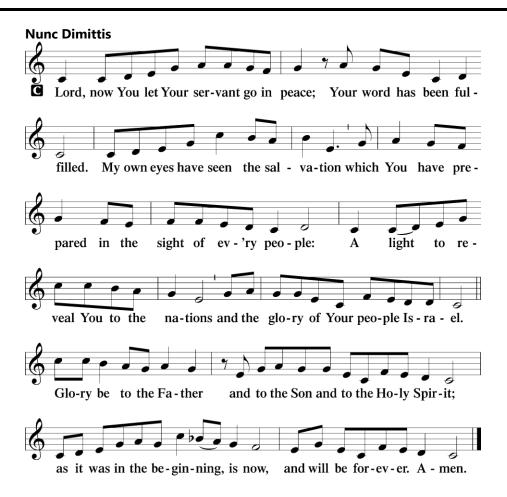
We believe the Lord's Supper is a statement of unity in the body of Christ; we do not believe it creates that unity.

During the distribution, you are encouraged to sing the Distribution Hymns, pray, or meditate on the words "this is my body... this is my blood, given for you."

The cups at the center of the Individual Communion tray contain diluted wine for those with alcohol sensitivities.

Distribution Hymns

The King of Love my Shepherd Is	709
Beautiful Savior	537
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence	621



Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction



P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

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



Closing Hymn – Crown Him with Many Crowns

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Prayer Request for Family & Friends

The Church:

- -For our homebound members: Tom Bicusky, Ruth Miller, George and Florence Boehme, Lois Dittmer, Norm and Helen Erbrecht, Dorothy Smelko, Irene Bourg, and Don Jones.
- -Healing for: Janet Hickey, Jack Oelschlager, Florence Boehme, Gloria Godfrey, Marian Siek, Sarah & Michael Erbrecht, Gladys Cimarolli, Joyce Wood, Roxanne Burgh, Henry Dittmer, Cletus Kroeger, Ruth Miller, Nancy Spotti, Bob Rondinelli, Aly Mance, Reggie Ford, Deana Thielet, Bill Koester, Nancy Koester, Dave Hutula, Ron Lyons, Vince Miller, Beatrice Decker, Ryan McCaffrey, and Bonnie Lewis.
- -For our missionaries, especially Pastor Wokoma.
- -For all who care for loved ones with illnesses.
- -For the ministry of Zion Lutheran 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.
- -For those affected by the recent hurricanes.
- For godly care of the earth.

† Service Participants **†**

Pastor: Rev. Edward Grimenstein Music Director: Mark Killinger

The Organist: Sandy Quinlan

The Elders: Paul Klemash & James Neill The Acolyte: Lauren Liberatore (8:00)

Carter Charles (10:30)

The Greeters: Bill & Carol Schrag (8:00)

Kristen Neill (10:30)

The Ushers: Barb & Wayne Oechslein (8:00)

Megan & Brian Pasquini

Bob Bonacci, Mike Kozak (10:30)

Mike Wallace & Bill Koester

Altar Guild: Kathleen Conn & Mary Hutula Nursery:

Christine Chilcott & Megan Pasquini

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (11/19) –180 Sunday Offering (11/19) - \$5,010.50 Online Giving - \$689.00

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

November 26th - December 3rd

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SUNDAY	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion
11/26	9:15 AM – Adult Bible Study & Sunday School
	10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion
	11:45 AM – Stephen Ministry Meeting
MONDAY	No Confirmation Classes
11/27	
TUESDAY	6:15 PM – Grace Bell Choir
11/28	6:30 PM – Sunday School Meeting
	7:00 PM – Adult Choir Practice
	8:00 PM – Faith Bell Choir
WEDNESDAY	7:00 PM –Midweek Service & Bible Study
11/29	
THURSDAY	10:00 AM – Bible Study
11/30	
FRIDAY	
12/1	
SATURDAY	9:00 AM - Trustees Work Day
12/2	3:00 PM – Youth Group Luminaria Activity
	4:30 PM – Christmas Decorating Party
SUNDAY	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion
12/3	9:15 AM – Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
	10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion
	11:45 AM – Christmas Caroling to Shut In's
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Save the date for the...

Zion Christmas Decorating Party!

SATURDAY DECEMBER 2ND 4:30PM DINNER FOLLOWED BY DECORATING

POTLUCK STYLE - SIGN UP SHEET IN NARTHEX
BEEF & COLE SLAW PROVIDED
BRING A SIDE DISH TO SHARE

Bring the whole family and help us decorate Zion for advent and Christmas!





O, Come

LET US ADORE HIM!

<u>All</u> of Scripture proclaims the Christ, the Promised Messiah!

"And It Came to Pass"

THE 2017 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM, FEATURING A JESSE TREE WITH ORNAMENTS SYMBOLIZING OLD TESTAMENT PROPHESIES WHICH FORETELL THE COMING OF THE MESSIAH

SUNDAY DEC. 10TH AT 1:00PM

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED FOLLOWING SECOND SERVICE, PRIOR TO THE PROGRAM. PLEASE RSVP IN THE NARTHEX

Sanday School News

- Christmas Program practice is every Sunday during the Sunday School hour.
- DRESS REHEARSAL is Saturday, December 9 from 10 11:30 am.
- Sunday School Christmas Party is Sunday, December 17 during the Sunday School hour.
- No Classes on Sunday, December 24 and 31.
- Classes resume Sunday, January 7.