Zion Lutheran Church





December 6th, 2017 First Sunday of Advent

<u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Andrew Weldon in Memory of Grandparents and Norm & Brittany Dill in Honor of Lucas's 7th Birthday.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by Bernie DeBoe in Memory of grandparents Elizabeth & George Gate.

THIS WEEK'S FAVORITE BIBLE VERSE...is from Mike Wallace Galatians 5:22-23 ESV But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING... Join us TODAY as we bring Christmas joy to our shutins. Immediately after late 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.

DEADLINE TODAY... Please sign up today in the narthex or ramp hallway for the **luncheon next Sunday, December 10.** The luncheon begins after second service and precedes the 1 PM Children's Christmas Program.

IT'S ALMOST HERE; Next Sunday, December 10th at 1PM Zion's Annual Children's Christmas Program "And It Came to Pass" Don't miss the chance to encourage and be encouraged by our children sharing the Good News!!

YOUTH GROUP: Be on the look out for information on our January Lock in! Contact Michele & Mike Wallace with any questions! mikeandmichelewallace@gmail.com

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 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.
- P 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 ⅓ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

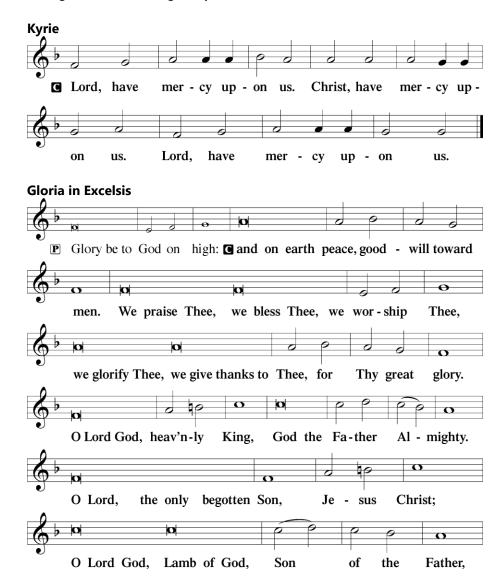
Service of the Word

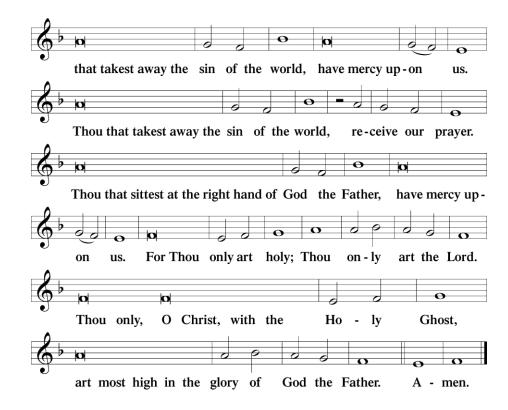
Introit

- P Behold, your king is com- | ing to you;* righteous and having sal- | vation.
- To you, | O LORD,*
 I lift | up my soul.
- O my God, in you I trust; let me not be | put to shame;* let not my enemies exult | over me.
- Indeed, none who wait for you shall be | put to shame;* they shall be ashamed who are wantonly | treacherous.
- 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 Behold, your king is com- | ing to you;* righteous and having sal- | vation.





Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And with thy spirit.
- Let us pray.

 Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- Amen.

Old Testament Reading – Isaiah 64:1-9

Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence—as when fire kindles brushwood

and the fire causes water to boilto make your name known to your adversaries, and that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome things that we did not look for, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for him. You meet him who joyfully works righteousness, those who remember you in your ways. Behold, you were angry, and we sinned; in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved? We have all become like one who is unclean. and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf. and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities. But now, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Be not so terribly angry, O LORD, and remember not iniquity forever. Behold, please look, we are all your people.

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

Epistle – 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge— even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you— so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus

Christ, who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Alleluia



Holy Gospel

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the eleventh chapter.
- **G** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.'" And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. And some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!"

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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.

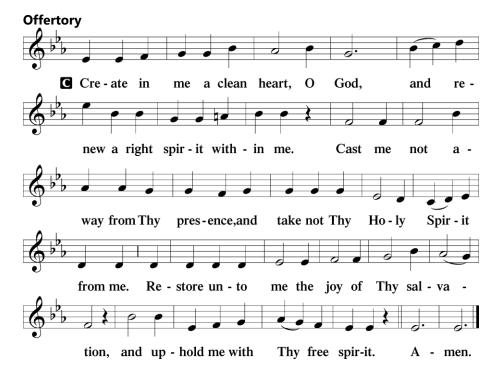
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission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

Sermon Hymn - Savior of the Nations, Come

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Sermon

- The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- **G** Amen.



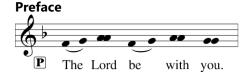
Offering

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.

Prayer of the Church

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

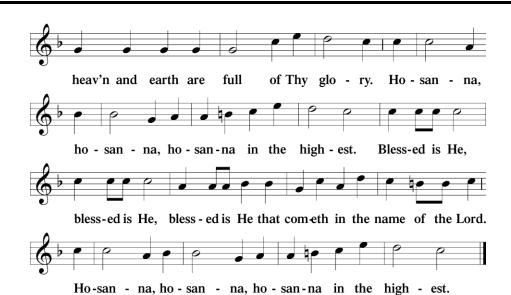
Service of the Sacrament





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, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in 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:





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.







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.

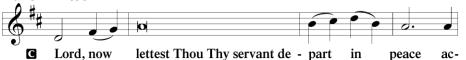
Distribution Hymns

Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling 827

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart 641

Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ 769

Nunc Dimittis

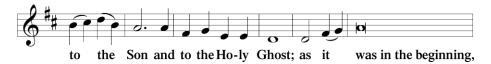


















A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

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.

Salutation



P The Lord be with you.



Benedicamus



A Bless we the Lord.



Benediction



P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra-cious un - to you.



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



Closing Hymn – Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

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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:

Music Director:

The Organist:

The Elders:

The Acolyte:

Rev. Edward Grimenstein

Mark Killinger

Sandy Quinlan

John Gielarowski

Alex Yellig (8:00)

Jack Bishop (10:30)

The Greeters: Brian & Megan Pasquini (8:00)

Ed & June Malachosky (10:30)

The Ushers: Carl Bauer, Gene Koop, (8:00)

Ron Meier & Jack Oelschlager Kari & John Gresh (10:30)

Dwight & Andy Weldon

Altar Guild: Janet & Marian Oelschlager

Nursery: Sharon Bogden & Carrie Lemonovich

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (11/26) – 173 Wednesday Midweek Attendance (11/29) - 18 Sunday Offering (11/26) - \$3,403.00 Online Giving - \$599.00

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

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Divine Service, Setting Three from Lutheran Service Book

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December 3rd - December 10th

SUNDAY 12/3	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM – Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion
	12:00 PM – Christmas Caroling to Shut-Ins
MONDAY	No Confirmation Classes
12/4	7:00 PM – Preschool Christmas Program
TUESDAY	7:00 PM – Preschool Christmas Program
12/5	
WEDNESDAY	6:00 PM – Advent Dinner
12/6	7:00 PM –Advent Service
THURSDAY	
12/7	
FRIDAY	
12/8	
SATURDAY	8:00 AM – Men's Bible Breakfast
12/9	10:00 AM – Dress Rehearsal Children's Christmas
1.2, 5	Program
SUNDAY	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion
12/10	9:15 AM – Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
FOOD BANK COLLECTION	10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion
	12:00 PM – Luncheon
	1:00 PM – Children's Christmas Program



Advent/Christmas Concert

12-17-2017 @ 2:00pm

Concert Features Ministry Ensembles:

Adult Choir, Men's Choir

Faith Ringers, Grace Ringers

Audience will sing Christmas Hymns

Free will offering to benefit Music Ministry





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.