

Zion Lutheran Church



December 10th, 2017
Second Sunday of Advent

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Chuck & Debbie LaJeunesse in Honor of their children & grandchildren.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by Bernie DeBoe in Memory of brother-in-laws Gene Marinelle, Stanley DeBoe and Sidney Finney

THIS WEEK'S FAVORITE BIBLE VERSE...is from **Kristen Neill** 1 Corinthians 13:4-8 NIV
Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no records of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away.

TODAY is Zion's Annual Children's Christmas Program "*And it Came to Pass*" What a great way to prepare our hearts for the greatest gift of all! The luncheon begins after second service and the program begins at 1PM. See you there, dear friends!

NEXT WEEK is the Sunday School Christmas Program! Come celebrate during the Sunday School hour!

BIBLE STUDIES during the week will be cancelled until after the New Year. This includes Wednesday evening bible study, Thursday morning bible study and Saturday morning Men's Bible Breakfast.

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

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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@zxcb.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.zxcb.org/sermons

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

C 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,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **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 Restore us, | O God;*

let your face shine, that we | may be saved!

C Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph | like a flock!*

You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, | shine forth.

You brought a vine out of | Egypt;*

it took deep root and | filled the land.

Restore us, O | God of hosts;*

let your face shine, that we | may be saved!
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 Restore us, | O God;*

let your face shine, that we | may be saved!

Kyrie



C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

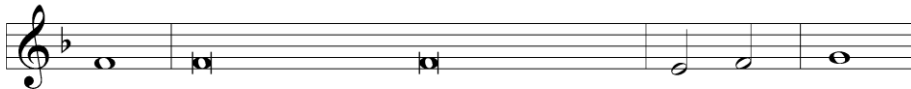


on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis



P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



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



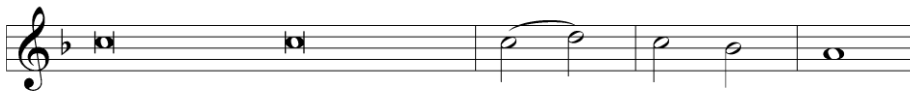
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



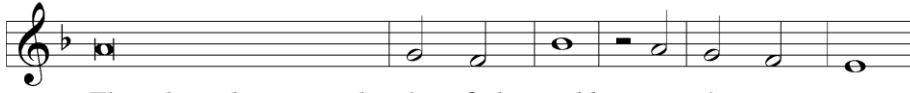
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



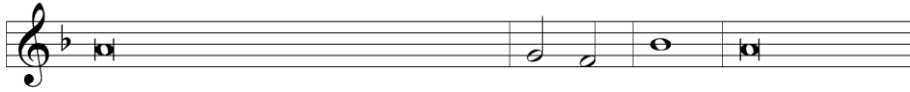
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



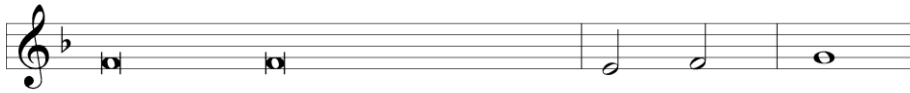
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,



art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Let us pray.

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Old Testament Reading – Isaiah 40:1-11

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.
Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and cry to her
that her warfare is ended,
that her iniquity is pardoned,
that she has received from the LORD's hand
double for all her sins.

A voice cries:

"In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD;
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.
Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low;
the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.
And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all flesh shall see it together,
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

A voice says, "Cry!"

And I said, "What shall I cry?"

All flesh is grass,
and all its beauty is like the flower of the field.
The grass withers, the flower fades
when the breath of the LORD blows on it;
surely the people are grass.
The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the word of our God will stand forever.

Get you up to a high mountain,
O Zion, herald of good news;
lift up your voice with strength,
O Jerusalem, herald of good news;
lift it up, fear not;
say to the cities of Judah,
"Behold your God!"
Behold, the Lord GOD comes with might,
and his arm rules for him;

Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

As it is written in Isaiah the prophet,

“Behold, I send my messenger before your face,

who will prepare your way,

the voice of one crying in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord,

make his paths straight,’”

John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel’s hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. And he preached, saying, “After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

C **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 – Once He Came in Blessing

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Sermon

Offertory

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it
 from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-
 tion, and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it. A-men.

8:00am Service – Children’s Choir – Hark the Glad Sound

10:30am Service – Quartet – E’en So Lord Jesus Quickly Come

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.

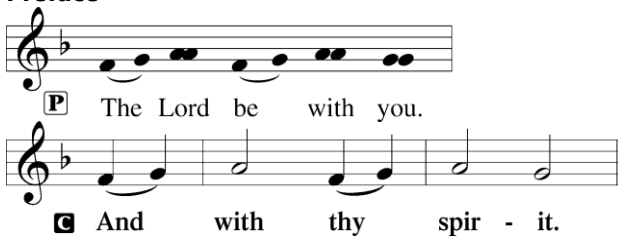
Prayer of the Church

P Lord in your mercy.

C Hear our prayer.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface



P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spir-it.



P Lift up your hearts.



G We lift them up un - to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



G It is meet and right so to do.

P 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:

Sanctus



G Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



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

Lord's Prayer

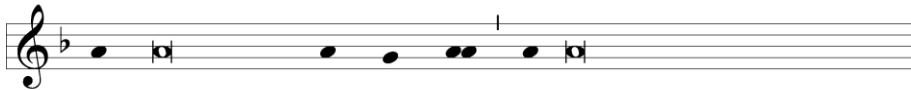
C Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord



P Our Lord Je - sus Christ, on the night when He was be - trayed, took bread,



and when He had giv - en thanks, He broke it and gave it to the

dis-ci-ples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ̣ bod-y, which is giv-en for you.
 This do in re-mem-brance of Me." In the same way al - so
 He took the cup after sup-per, and when He had giv-en thanks, He gave it
 to them, say-ing: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in
 My ̣ blood, which is shed for you for the for-give-ness of sins.
 This do, as often as you drink it, in re-mem-brance of Me."

Pax Domini

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

Agnus Dei

G O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the

world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
 tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.
 O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the
 world, grant us Thy peace. A - - men.

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.

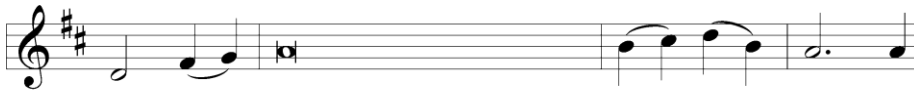
During the distribution, you are encouraged to sing the Distribution Hymns, pray, or meditate on the words "this is my body... this is my blood, given for you."

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

Distribution Hymns

Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus	685
Thine Forever, God of Love	687
We Give Thee But Thine Own	781

Nunc Dimittis



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and



to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

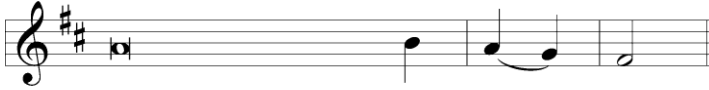


is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

Thanksgiving



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



C 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

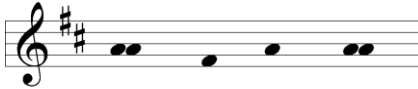


P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus

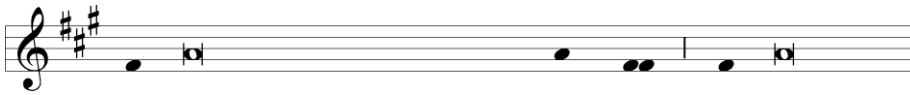


A Bless we the Lord.

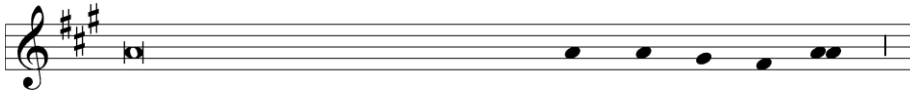


C Thanks be to God.

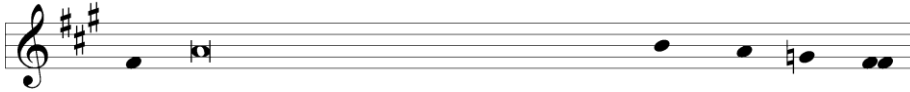
Benediction



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.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Closing Hymn – The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns

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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
Quartet:	Tevia Grimenstein, Doug Krantz Carrie Lemonovich & Mark Killinger
The Elders:	John Gielarowski
The Acolyte:	Matt Liberatore (8:00) Faith Wallace (10:30)
The Greeters:	Shane & Sandy Bryant (8:00) Rose Steranko (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 Oelschlager & Marian Oelschlager
Nursery:	Megan Glasser & Marian Oelschlager

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (12/3) – 164

Midweek Advent Worship - (12/5) - 75

Sunday Offering (12/3) - \$7,460.00

Advent Service Offering (12/6) - \$ 548.45

Online Giving (11/27-12/1) - \$749.00

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

December 10th - December 17th

<p>SUNDAY 12/10 FOOD BANK COLLECTION</p>	<p>8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM – Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion 12:00 PM – Luncheon 1:00 PM – Children’s Christmas Program</p>
<p>MONDAY 12/11</p>	<p>6:00 PM – First Year Confirmation 7:00 PM – Second Year Confirmation 7:00 PM – Trustees Meeting</p>
<p>TUESDAY 12/12</p>	<p>6:15 PM – Grace Bell Choir 7:15 PM – Adult Choir 8:00 PM – Faith Bell Choir</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY 12/13</p>	<p>6:00 PM – Advent Dinner 7:00 PM –Advent Service</p>
<p>THURSDAY 12/14</p>	<p>7:30 PM – Council Meeting</p>
<p>FRIDAY 12/15</p>	
<p>SATURDAY 12/16</p>	
<p>SUNDAY 12/17</p>	<p>8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM –Adult Bible Study 9:15 AM – Sunday School Christmas Party 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion 2:00 PM – Christmas Concert – Choir & Bells</p>



O, Come LET US ADORE HIM!

All 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 PROPHECIES
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

Sunday 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.



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

