

**ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH PEMBROKE
THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
JANUARY 28 2024
SETTING THREE**

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM (ELW p. 97)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth,
our light and our salvation.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.
We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters
and by your Word you created the world,
calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.
At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.
By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons,
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.
Shower us with your Spirit,
and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honour and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG *Jesus, Come! For We Invite You* (ELW 312)

Jesus, Come! For We Invite You



1 Je - sus, come! for we in - vite you, guest and mas - ter,
2 Je - sus, come! trans-form our plea - sures, guide us in - to
3 Je - sus, come! in new cre - a - tion, heav'n brought near in
4 Je - sus, come! sur - prise our dull - ness, make us will - ing



friend and Lord; now, as once at Ca - na's wed - ding,
paths un - known; bring your gifts, com-mand your ser - vants,
pow'r di - vine; give your un - ex - pect - ed glo - ry,
to re - ceive more than we can yet im - ag - ine,



speak and let us hear your word: lead us through our need or
let us trust in you a - lone: though your hand may work in
chang-ing wa - ter in - to wine: rouse the faith of your dis -
all the best you have to give: let us find your hid - den



doubt - ing, hope be born and joy re - stored.
se - cret, all shall see what you have done.
ci - ples— come, our first and great - est Sign!
rich - es, taste your love, be - lieve, and live!

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GREETING (ELW p. 138)

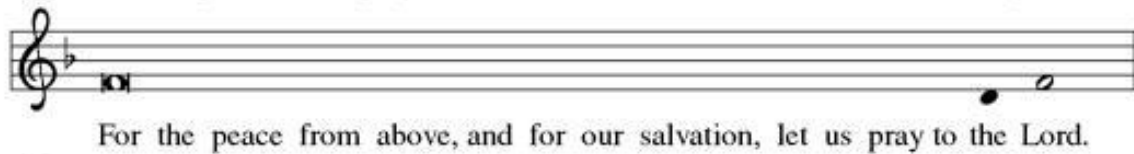
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

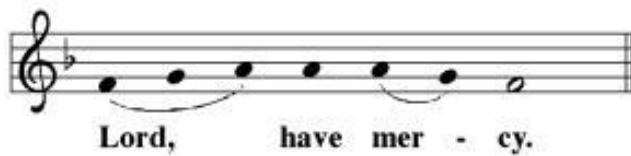
KYRIE (ELW p. 138)



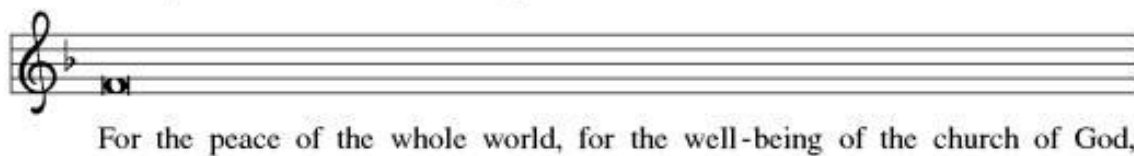
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



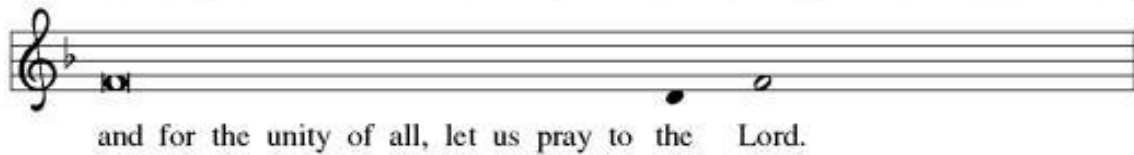
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



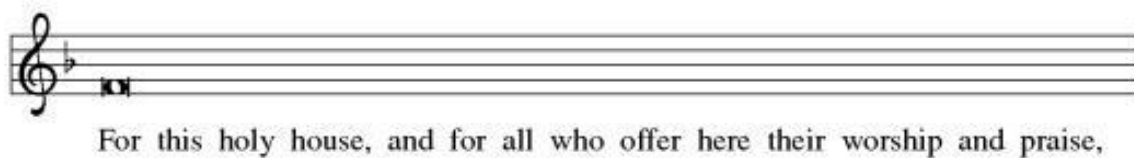
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW p. 139)



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY (ELW p. 142)

Let us pray.

Compassionate God, you gather the whole universe into your radiant presence and continually reveal your Son as our Savior. Bring wholeness to all that is broken and speak truth to us in our confusion, that all creation will see and know your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Men's Choir - Jesus, the Light of the World by Charles Wesley and George D. Elderkin

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

A reading from Deuteronomy.

[Moses said:] ¹⁵The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. ¹⁶This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." ¹⁷Then the Lord replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. ¹⁸I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. ¹⁹Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. ²⁰But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 111

¹Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

²**Great are your works, O Lord, pondered by all who delight in them.**

³Majesty and splendor mark your deeds, and your righteousness endures forever.

⁴**You cause your wonders to be remembered; you are gracious and full of compassion.**

⁵You give food to those who fear you, remembering forever your covenant.

⁶**You have shown your people the power of your works in giving them the lands of the nations.**

⁷The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice; all of your precepts are sure.

⁸**They stand fast forever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.**

⁹You sent redemption to your people and commanded your covenant forever; holy and awesome is your name.

¹⁰**The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all who practice this have a good understanding. God's praise endures forever.**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

A reading from 1 Corinthians.

¹Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. ²Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; ³but anyone who loves God is known by him.

⁴Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “no idol in the world really exists,” and that “there is no God but one.” ⁵Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—⁶yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

⁷It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. ⁸“Food will not bring us close to God.” We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. ⁹But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. ¹⁰For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? ¹¹So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. ¹²But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. ¹³Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW p. 142)

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: Mark 1:21-28

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²¹[Jesus and his disciples] went to Capernaum; and when the Sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. ²²They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. ²³Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, ²⁴and he cried out, “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.” ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, “What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” ²⁸At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON (ELW p. 143)

HYMN OF THE DAY *God, Whose Almighty Word* (ELW 673)

1 God, whose almighty word
chaos and darkness heard
and took their flight:
hear us, we humbly pray,
and where the gospel day
sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light.

2 Christ, who once came to bring,
on your redeeming wing,
healing and sight;
health to the troubled mind,
sight where illusions blind;
oh, now to humankind
let there be light.

3 Spirit of truth and love,
life-giving, holy dove,
speed forth your flight;
move on the water's face
bearing the lamp of grace,
and in earth's darkest place
let there be light.

4 Holy and blessed three,
glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might:
boundless as ocean's tide,
rolling in fullest pride,
through the earth, far and wide,
let there be light.

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APOSTLES' CREED (ELW p. 104)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

As we celebrate Christ embodied in human form, we pray for God's blessing on the church, the world, and all of creation.

Loving God, we pray that your example of teaching with confidence and authority builds up your church in love. May all church leaders and teachers honor your instruction and model your inclusive ways. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

Renewing God, we pray for all of creation, that waterways flow clean and clear, natural spaces are protected, and our planet is healed. Let us commit to thoughtful care of the earth. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

Justice-seeking God, we pray for those in government and community leadership, that they lead with honour and mindfulness. May they remember their covenants and be upright in their ways. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

Compassionate God, we pray for all in need, especially those who have known rejection, any who struggle with long-term illness or chronic pain, those without access to safe housing or health care, any who suffer or are grieving (*especially....Jason, Martha, Ella, Rhonda, Heather, Aileen, Anneliese, Kaitlyn, Vaughan, Jack, Joan, Mervin, Don, Judy, Larry, Garnet, Lori, Erin, Betty, Kristine, Alex, Karl, Elva, Ingrid, Sharon, and the family and friends of Ruth Thom and Florence Charlebois as they mourn their deaths*). God of grace,
receive our prayer.

Still-speaking God, we pray for our congregation, for its artists and musicians, for its educators and caregivers, that all gifts are used to care for those in need and to live out your example of accompaniment, gospel witness, and love. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

Eternal God, we remember all who have been teachers, mentors, and companions in the church and in our lives. We trust that all who have died rest in your loving care. God of grace,
receive our prayer.

Knowing the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

PEACE (ELW p. 143)

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING *Praise and Thanksgiving* (ELW 689 verses 1 and 3)

1 Praise and thanksgiving, God, we would offer
for all things living, you have made good:
harvest of sown fields, fruits of the orchard,
hay from the mown fields, blossom and wood.

3 Father, providing food for your children,
by Wisdom's guiding teach us to share
one with another, so that, rejoicing
with us, all others may know your care.

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OFFERING PRAYER (ELW p. 144)

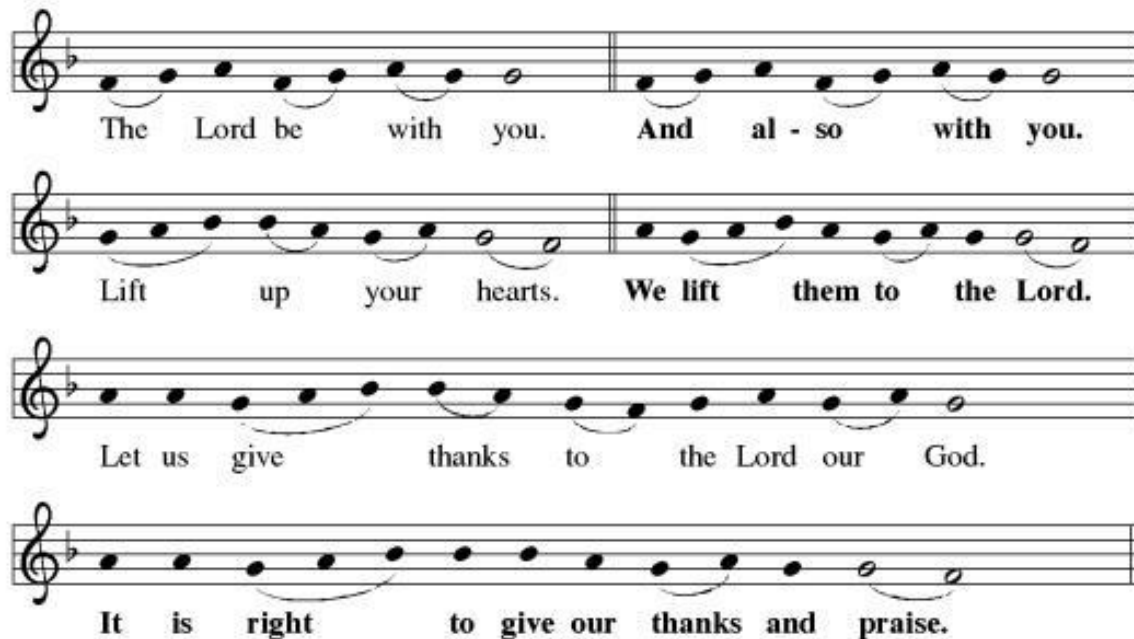
Let us pray.

Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE (ELW p. 144)



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE (ELW p. 144)

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW p. 144)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of pow'r and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (ELW p. 145)

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.

We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER (ELW p. 145)

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION with healing (ELW p. 146)

COMMUNION (ELW p. 146)

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

COMMUNION SONG (ELW p. 146)

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

SONG AFTER COMMUNION *Healer of Our Every Ill* (ELW 612)

Refrain

Healer of our ev'ry ill,

light of each tomorrow,

give us peace beyond our fear,

and hope beyond our sorrow.

1 You who know our fears and sadness,

grace us with your peace and gladness;

Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts. Refrain

2 In the pain and joy beholding

how your grace is still unfolding,

give us all your vision, God of love. Refrain

3 Give us strength to love each other,
ev'ry sister, ev'ry brother;
Spirit of all kindness, be our guide. Refrain

4 You who know each thought and feeling,
teach us all your way of healing;
Spirit of compassion, fill each heart. Refrain

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When We Must Bear Persistent Pain (ACS 1014)

1 When we must bear persistent pain
and suffer with no cure in sight,
come, Holy Presence, breathe your peace
with gifts of warmth and healing light.

2 Support us as we learn new ways
to care for bodies newly frail.
Help us endure, and live and love.
Hear our complaint when patience fails.

3 We thank you for the better days
when we may smile to greet the sun,
to do your work with clearing mind,
and bless your name when day is done.

4 In ease or pain, in life and death,
to you our fragile lives belong,
and so we trust you in all things.
You are our hope, our health, our song.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (ELW p. 146)

Let us pray.

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING (ELW p. 146)

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

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

Amen.

SENDING SONG *Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good (ELW 871)*

1 Sing praise to God, the highest good,
the author of creation!

O God of love, you understood
our need for your salvation.

With healing balm our souls you fill;
all our lament with peace you still.

To God all praise and glory!

2 What your almighty pow'r has made,
in mercy you are keeping;

by morning glow or evening shade,
your eye is never sleeping;

in the dominion of your might
all things are just and good and right.

To God all praise and glory!

3 We sought the Lord in our distress;

O God, in mercy hear us.

Our Savior saw our helplessness
and came with peace to cheer us.

For this we thank and praise the Lord,
who is by one and all adored.

To God all praise and glory!

4 All who confess Christ's holy name,
give God the praise and glory!

Let all God's saving pow'r proclaim;
give God the praise and glory!

Cast ev'ry idol from its throne;

God is the Lord, and God alone.

To God all praise and glory!

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DISMISSAL (ELW p. 146)

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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ZION ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK: January 29-February 4

Monday:	1:00 pm	Senior Exercise Class
	1:00 pm	WICC
Tuesday:	10:00 am	Baby & Me
	7:00 pm	Mixed Choir
Wednesday:	9:00 am	Music Jam
	12:30	Living Stones Band in the lounge
	1:00 pm	Senior Exercise Class
	6:00 pm	Prayer & Meditation in the lounge
	6:30 pm	Youth Group Skate Party
	7:15 pm	Men's Choir
Friday:	1:00 pm	Senior Exercise Class
Sunday:	10:00 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion

TODAY'S SCHEDULED WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

Presiding Minister:	Rev. Scott Schellenberger
Music Director:	Blaine Sack
Worship Assistant:	Lorraine MacKenzie
Sexton:	Don Boldt
Projector Operator:	Krista Grosskleg
Video Recorder:	Korbin Smith
Sound Operator:	Brian Smith
Counters:	Andrew Zadow, Kathy & Joel Nieman
Altar Care:	Kathy Godin
Ushers:	Peter & Patti Wegner
Coffee Hour:	Susan Dupuis, Kathy Hoffman

OFFERINGS

Thank you for your generosity! If you are interested in leaving an offering for the ministry of the church you can do it three ways:

1.) Place it in the offering plates at either of the church sanctuary doors.

2.) You can also transfer a donation to the church by sending a gift via *e-transfer* to zionoffice@nrtco.net. Please be sure to leave an address.

3.) Through *Pre-authorized Giving (PAR)* where an amount is automatically debited from your account each month. If you would like church envelopes or to sign up for PAR, please contact the church office at 613-732-8792.

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please pray for those who are ill, in hospital, or requested special prayers: Jason Godin, Martha Kodzynski, Ella Lehman, Rhonda Mau, Heather Miller, Aileen Roesler, Anneliese Trautrim, Kaitlyn Vaillancourt, Vaughan Rosien, Jack Zadow, Joan Lehman, Mervin Bimm, Don Markus, Judy and Larry Blais, Garnet Miller, Lori Selles, Erin, Betty Kuehl, Kristine and Alex Kubiseski, Karl Hausser, Elva Gagne, Ingrid Trautrim, Sharon Wall.

Please join us in prayer for the family and friends of Ruth Thom and Florence Charlebois as they mourn their deaths. Graveside services will take place in the spring at Zion Lutheran Cemetery.

ANNUAL CONGREGATION MEETING

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held immediately following the worship service on **Sunday February 18, 2024**. If we are unable to meet on that date the meeting will then be held on **Sunday February 25, 2024**. We hope to see everyone at the meeting. *Susan Dupuis, Church Council Chairperson*

FEBRUARY 4-7: PASTOR SCOTT AND PASTOR SUE ATTENDING BISHOP'S RETREAT

BABY & ME

A chance to play, sing, run around, talk and to ask questions! Join us on the **2nd and 4th Tuesdays** of the month in the church nursery. Please join us on **Tuesday January 30th at 10:00 am**. Coffee, tea and juice will be served and a snack will be provided for the children

PRAYER & MEDITATION

Please join us on **Wednesday January 31st at 6:00 pm** in the lounge for Prayer and Meditation.

SENIOR EXERCISE CLASS

Please join us **Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 1:00 pm** for our Senior Exercise Class.

ZION LUTHERAN WOMEN

Please join us on **Wednesday February 7th at 2:00 pm** for a Valentine Tea and Games - Coffee and snacks to follow!

PULSE YOUTH MINISTRY

Please join us on **Wednesday January 31st at 6:30 pm** for our Confirmation / Youth Group Skating Party at Pastor Scott and Pastor Sue's house - 524 Mary Street. We will skate across the road at Rotary Park, hot chocolate and goodies to be provided. Parents are welcome to join.

YOUTH GROUP WINTER RETREAT CAMP LUTHELYN

Friday February 9th – 11th, cost \$60. Youth are invited and strongly encouraged to join the Pastors and leaders for a retreat at Four Seasons Lodge at Camp Lutherlyn. There will be lots of free time, a few discussion times, movies, maybe an outdoor fire, and snow shoeing in case the youth are wondering. Please contact Pastor Scott at 705 313-0333 for more information.

MESSY CHURCH – Fun, Food, Crafts, Games and Worship– Bring your child or grandchild to the Church on **February 5th from 5:30 pm-7:30 pm**. Your family will enjoy a night geared to children so that they and everyone can grow in faith.

LIVING STONES WORSHIP SERVICE – The next Living Stones Service will be held **Sunday February 18th at 10am**. The regular service will also take place in the sanctuary at 10am.

SHROVE TUESDAY: PANCAKE DINNER WITH ALL THE FIXINGS Come and Feast before the Fast! **February 13th from 5:30 pm-6:30 pm**. Dinner is freewill offering. Offerings will be used to assist children to go to Confirmation Camp.

WEDNESDAY MORNING COFFEE AND TEA SOCIALS in February will be **February 14th and 28th at 10am**.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE with Imposition of Ashes **Wednesday February 14th at 7:00pm**

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES - Following **Wednesdays 7:00pm until March 27th**.

SOUP AND SANDWICH SUPPERS **Wednesdays beginning February 21st at 6pm**. If you would like to donate food on any of these occasions, please see the signup sheets outside of the kitchen door. Freewill offerings collected will go to Pembroke Social Agencies.

LENTEN BOOK STUDY: *Remember: God's Covenants and the Cross* – Join us during Lent to journey through a time of reading and reflection about God's covenant with us. We will meet starting **February 20th** on **Tuesday afternoons at 1pm** in the lounge. Cost for the book is \$25. See Pastor Scott for more info.

ADULT WINTER RETREAT AT CAMP LUTHERLYN

Friday March 1- March 3. Cost \$100. Adults of all ages are invited and strongly encouraged to join the Pastors and leaders for a retreat at Four Seasons Lodge at Camp Lutherlyn. There will be lots of free time a few discussion times, movies, maybe an outdoor fire, snow shoeing, etc. Please contact Pastor Scott at 705 313-0333 for more information,

“SCARFUARY” (JANUARY) SCARF DRIVE

Donations of a scarf will help those this time of year when the wind blows and a warm scarf will help keep necks, ears and even heads protected from the freezing and blowing winds. Look for the Scarfuary basket beside the food bank boxes at the top of the steps outside the washrooms. Thank you for helping keep those in need warm with your donations.

COUNCIL OPPORTUNITIES

We have a number of church councillors who will be completing their terms on council this year. This is a very important part of our church ministry. Have you been thinking that this is something you would be interested in? Are you looking for more information? Do you know someone who you feel would be a great fit on church council? If you answer yes to any of the above questions please speak to Pastor Scott or any of the members of council. We would be more than happy to answer your questions. *Susan Dupuis*

WORSHIP & MUSIC UPDATE ON THE ORGAN RESTORATION FUND

Thank you to all who donated so generously to the Organ Restoration fund at Christmas. As a result of this generosity there is only \$18,498.61 needed for the completion of the second and final phase of the restoration. An Organ Restoration fund committee is being formed to look at fund raising ideas. If you would like to be a part of this initiative, please speak to Blaine Sack or Gayle Seegmiller.

COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR: FEBRUARY 24, 2024



Zion's Frozen Few will be walking again this year. Please consider joining us, we need more walkers. It is a great way to help our community and to answer God's call to help the vulnerable, the hurt and homeless. Call Ellen Vandersleen @ 613-504-1866 or sign up on line on our team. We sure could use your help, to help others. We gather to register on Saturday Feb 24 here at Zion as host church this year. You can walk 2km or 5 km. Join us February 24, 2024! The Coldest Night of the Year is a winterrific family-friendly walk to raise money for The Grind, who serves people experiencing hurt, hunger, and homelessness. Team up, fundraise, walk, and gather for good... because it's cold out there. CNOY is a moment each year when tens of thousands of Canadians step outside the warmth and comfort of home to shine a light of welcome and compassion in their communities.

ATTENDANCE

Sunday January 21, 2024 - 79

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