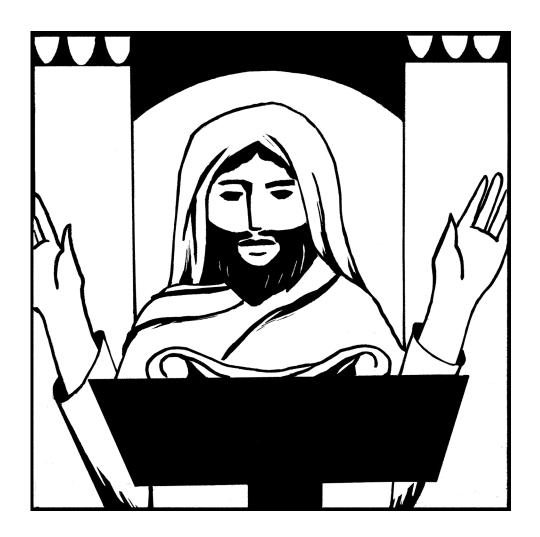
Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church



Third Sunday after Epiphany 5:30 p.m. January 22nd, 2022 9:00 a.m. January 23rd, 2022

God's glory is revealed in the reading of scripture. People stand at attention. People weep. People prostrate themselves in prayer. The unity of the church is another reflection of God's glory. Most gloriously, the promises of God are fulfilled in the person of Jesus Christ. Gather round. Listen up. Glimpse the glory of God.

Welcome

Welcome to worship at Zion Lutheran Church. May this time honor God and inspire you. Worship details: In this bulletin, bold print indicates the congregation's responses. Assisted listening devices, which are cleaned, disinfected, and have earpads replaced after each service are available in the narthex; ask an usher. Hospitality details: A family restroom is located in the hallway next to the sanctuary.

PRELUDE

"In My Heart" by J. Bert Carlson
"Break Bread Together" by Anne Krentz Organ

INTRODUCTION TO DAY

ANNOUNCEMENTS & RINGING OF BELL

(Stand)

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence is kept for reflection.
- P Most merciful God,
- C we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.
- P Rejoice in this good news:

In + Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life. Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

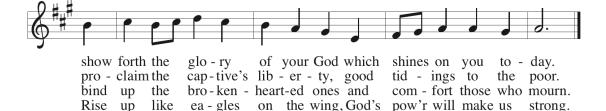
C Amen.

HYMN:

"Arise, Your Light Has Come!"

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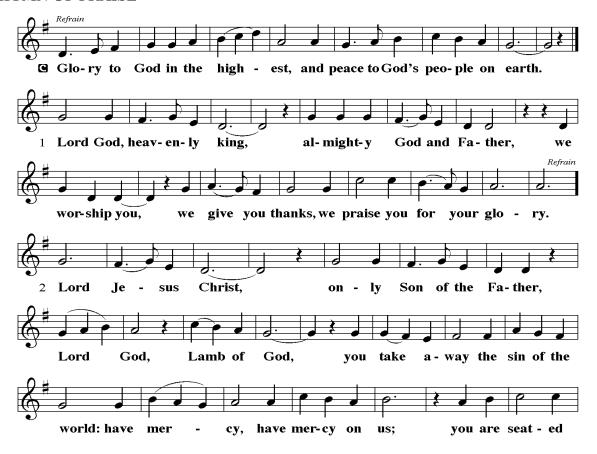
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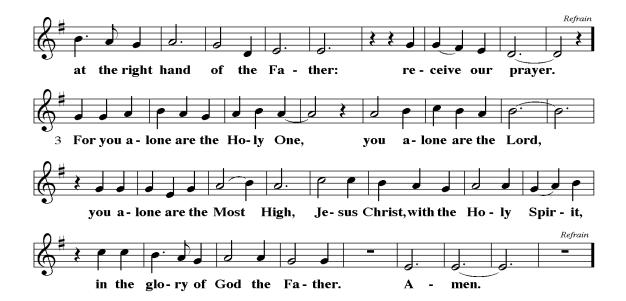
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- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE





PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray.
- C Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(Sit)

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 The exiles have returned and rebuilt Jerusalem. Now Ezra, the priest, reads the law of Moses to them in the public square. When they hear it, they weep for their sins and for the long years in exile, but Ezra reminds them that "the joy of the LORD is your strength."

¹All the people [of Israel] gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel.

²Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. ³He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. ⁵And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. ⁶Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. ⁸So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who

taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. ¹⁰Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

R The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 19 (read responsively)

¹The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky proclaims its maker's handiwork.

²One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another.

³Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard,

⁴their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world, where God has pitched a tent for the sun.

⁵It comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

⁶It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

⁷The teaching of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the simple.

⁸The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.

⁹The fear of the LORD is clean and endures forever; the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

¹⁰More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.

¹¹By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward.

¹²Who can detect one's own offenses? Cleanse me from my secret faults.

¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

¹⁴Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a The apostle and pastor Paul uses the metaphor of the human body to describe how intimately connected we are in the church. For this struggling congregation in Corinth, Paul delivers a vital message of unity that is a mark of the church today.

¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

¹⁴Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰As it is, there are many members, yet one

body. ²¹The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." ²²On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; ²⁴whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, ²⁵that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

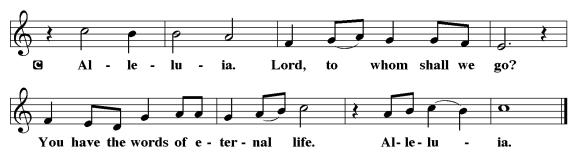
²⁷Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. ²⁸And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. ²⁹Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? ³⁰Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? ^{31a}But strive for the greater gifts.

R The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

(Stand)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:



Luke 4:14-21 Near the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, he visits his hometown of Nazareth. In the words of Isaiah, he states and claims his identity, purpose, and mission.

P The holy gospel according to Luke. C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁴Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

¹⁶When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

¹⁸"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, ¹⁹to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

²⁰And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

"The Fulfillment of God's Promise"

Pastor Mark Luepke

ELW (red book) #886

(Stand)

HYMN:

"Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"



- 1 Oh, for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem er's praise,
- 2 My gra cious Mas ter and my God, as sist me to pro claim,
- 3 The name of Je sus charms our fears and bids our sor rows cease
- 4 He speaks, and lis-t'ning to his voice, new life the dead re-ceive;



the glo - ries of my God and king, the tri-umphs of his grace! to spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of your name. sings mu - sic in the sin-ner's ears, brings life and health and peace. the mourn - ful, bro-ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.

- 5 Look unto him, your Savior own,O fallen human race!Look and be saved through faith alone,be justified by grace!
- 6 To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever giv'n by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heav'n.

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APOSTLE'S CREED

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition ends with: God of Grace. Please respond with: **Hear our prayer.**

- P Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior.
- C Amen.

PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

(Sit)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

P Within this epiphany season, we recall that the Magi - the wise men - brought gifts to present to the Christchild as they worshipped the Lord. May this act of worship serve as an encouragement to and a model for us in our lives of worship and in our giving to the ministries of the Lord.

OFFERTORY RESPONSE



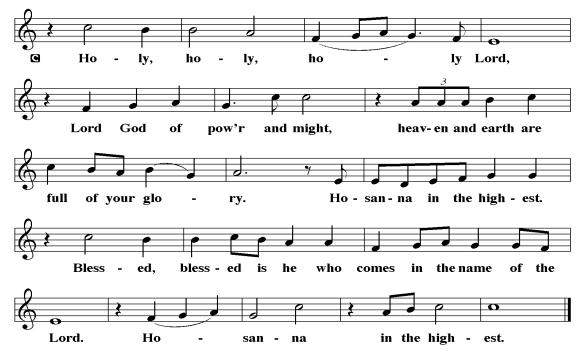
OFFERING PRAYER

A Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light. Amen.

(Stand)

GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them up to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise... ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

- P God's love has been revealed to us in Jesus Christ. In this love, Christ has taught us to pray.
- Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P You are welcome at God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

You may sit or kneel. After the pastor says "The body of Christ given for you," take the tab off the wafer end of your "chalice" and eat the bread. Then, after the pastor says "The blood of Christ shed for you," take the tab off the wine or grape juice and drink it.

After the service, please place the empty "chalice" in the trash receptacle in the narthex.

COMMUNION MUSIC

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.
- C Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

A Let us pray. We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted in the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

(Stand)

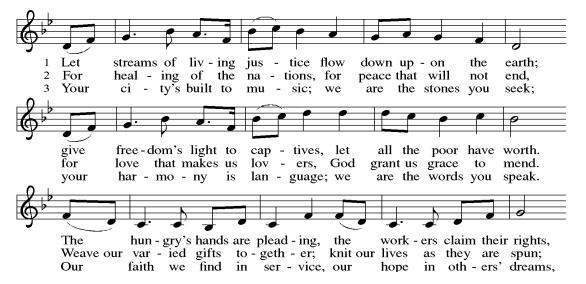
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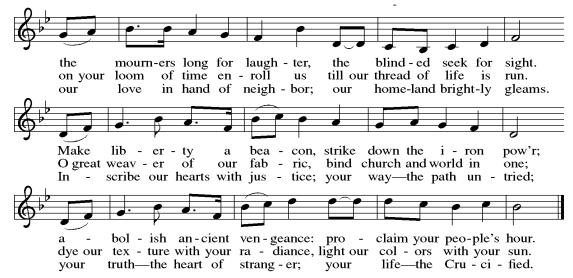
- P God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, + bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.
- C Amen.

HYMN:

"Let Streams of Living Justice"

ELW (red book) # 710





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DISMISSAL

- P Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.
- C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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THE RADIO BROADCAST this Sunday is sponsored by Archie and Sue Yaddof in memory of their son Jeffrey Yaddof.

ZION'S ANNUAL MEETING will be held on Sunday, January 30th after morning worship in the sanctuary. A Budget Forum for those with questions regarding the proposed budget will be held on Monday, January 24th in the dining room at 6:30 pm.

THE 2021 ANNUAL REPORT of the congregation is available in the narthex. Zion members are welcome to take a copy if you would like one.

COVID-19 & ZION'S WORSHIP SERVICES: Zion's Congregation Council, guided by CDC guidelines, shares the following in regards to our worship gatherings. a) With Clinton county currently noted as being an area of "substantial or high transmission" of the coronavirus, both vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals are encouraged to wear masks in indoor public settings. b) Offering plates are not being passed during the service. They are located at the entrances of the sanctuary. c) While the children's room at the rear of the sanctuary is open for use, the children's activity bags are not available.

HOLY COMMUNION INVITATION & PROCEDURE: All who trust that Christ is truly present in the sacrament are welcome to partake of the Lord's Supper. Pre-filled "chalices" with the elements for Holy Communion were available when you entered the sanctuary. Please feel free to get one during the service if you didn't get one and wish to commune. Do not open the container until instructed to do so within the worship service. Further instructions are noted within the Communion liturgy in this bulletin.

JOB OPENING AT ZION'S CHILDCARE PRESCHOOL: A custodial position is available at Zion Childcare Preschool. This paid position is approximately 4 hours a day and will involve a flexible schedule for cleaning the childcare after it closes for the day at 5:30 pm. The position will begin at the end of March. If you are interested in the position, please call Zion Childcare Preschool at 563-243-9393.

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE MEMBERSHIP OF ZION? A "Welcoming of New Members" will take place sometime in the next month or two in Zion's times of worship. Would you like to join the membership of Zion Lutheran Church? Or do you have questions about what this means? If so, please contact Pastor Mark. He would be happy to converse with you about this. And the members of Zion would be thrilled to fully welcome you into this community of faith, and worship, and service. In grateful response to God's generosity, we strive to "Care, Share, and Serve."

SCHOOL SUPPLY SHOWER: Zion's Social Ministry Committee is sponsoring a School Supply Shower for Jefferson Elementary School. The following items are needed: Kleenex, Quart size Ziploc bags, crayons, markers, school size scissors, 3x5 index cards, and wide ruled paper. A plastic tote is set up in the Narthex for the donations.

PRESCRIPTION EYEGLASSES FOUND: A nice pair of prescription eyeglasses were found after one of the recent services. If you have lost a pair and would like to see if these are yours, they are located at the Ushers Stand in the narthex.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Saturday, January 15th 5:30 attendance
Sunday, January 16th 9:00 attendance
Total Weekend In-Person Attendance
94

HAPPENING AT ZION THIS WEEK:

Monday, January 24th: 9:00 am— Quilters Meet 6:30 pm— Budget Forum

Tuesday, January 25th: 6:00 pm— Boy Scouts

Wednesday, January 26th: 5:15 pm- Faith FUNdations & Confirmation Class

Thursday, January 27th: 5:30 pm—Bell Choir Rehearsal

Friday, January 28th: Pastor's Day Off

Saturday, January 29th: 5:30 pm— Worship Sunday, January 30th: 9:00 am— Worship

10:15 am- Annual Meeting

BLOOD DRIVE

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Zion Lutheran Church

Sponsored by Social Ministry

Monday, February 21st 3:00pm – 6:30pm

Fellowship Hall (439 Third Ave S, Clinton)

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The 9:00 am worship service will be broadcast on KROS, 1340 AM and 105.9 FM, at 10:30 am