

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

9:00 am Sunday, November 28, 2021

RECEIVING OF THE LORD'S SUPPER AT ZION

As intended by Christ and as practiced by the one, holy, catholic and apostolic church throughout her history, "Closed Communion" is observed in this congregation, in which the Lord's Supper is distributed only to those:

- (a) who have been **baptized** in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit;
- (b) who have been **instructed** in the truth of Holy Scripture as taught in the Lutheran Confessions, who have been **confirmed** in this Lutheran faith, and who now confess the same doctrines that are taught in this congregation, holding membership in a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod;
- (c) who **believe that in this sacrament the real body and blood of Christ are truly distributed to them and orally received by them**, bestowing on them the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation;
- (d) who **sincerely repent** of all their sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this holy meal.

Guests at our services, before receiving the sacrament, are requested to affirm these facts with one of our pastors. Thank you for honoring our practice. If you are looking for a church home, would like to be a member of Zion, or would like to learn more about the Christian Faith, please speak to one of our pastors about our membership classes.

✠ = appropriate to make the baptismal sign of the cross
When "rise" or "kneel" is indicated, it is appropriate to sit if needed

Greeting And Announcements: *The Lord be with you!* **And also with you!**

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

The Office of Confession of Sins and Absolution

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.

[Kneel]

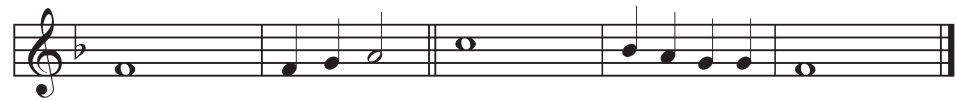
Our help is in the name of the Lord Who made heaven and earth.
I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord. And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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.

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. Amen!

The Congregation rises, turns towards the entrance of the nave, and faces the Cross of Christ, the reminder of Christ's promise to come and dwell among His people as they are gathered in His name.

Introit



[Antiphon] Behold, your king is | •coming• to you; || righteous and | •having• sal- va-__ | tion.

Verse 1 : For who in the skies can be compared | to the Lord? || Who among the heavenly | •beings• is like the | Lord?

Verse 2 : Righteousness and justice are the foundation | of your throne; || steadfast love and faithfulness | go be- fore__ | you.

Verse 3 : Blessed are the people who know the | fes- tal shout, || who walk, O Lord, in the | light__ of your | face,

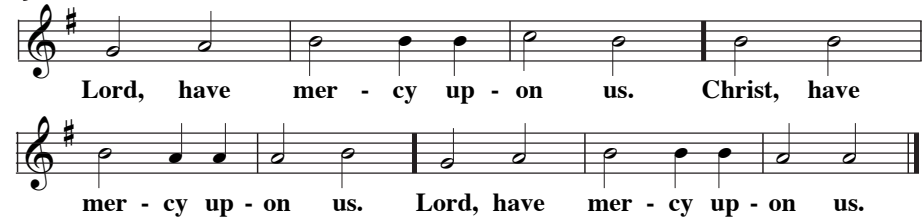
Verse 4 : who exult in your name | all the day || and in your righteousness | are ex- alt-__ | ed.

Verse 5 : For our shield belongs | to the Lord, || our king to the Holy | One of Is- ra- | el.

Gloria: Glory be to the Father and | to the Son: || and | to the Ho- ly | •Spirit•; As it was in the be- | •ginning•, is now, || and will | be for- •ever•. A- | men!

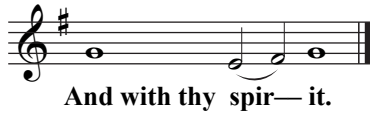
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Kyrie



Salutation

The Lord be with you.



Collect for the First Sunday in Advent: 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.



[Rise] **Alleluia Sequence**

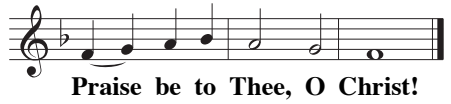
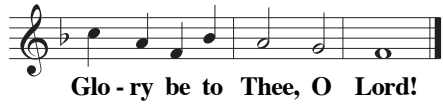
[Deacon] *Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Alleluia!*



Holy Gospel St. Luke 19:28-40

[The Gospel is announced.]

[The Gospel is proclaimed.]



Confession of Faith (The 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

[Bow] 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 worshipped 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!

[Be Seated]

Hymn of the Day Savior of the Nations, Come Burgundy Hymn 332

[All sing stanzas 1 & 2; Women sing stanzas 3 & 5; Men sing stanzas 4 & 6;

All sing stanzas 7 & 8; Rise for Stanza 8.]

Sermon

[Rise] **Prayer of the Church**

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs: [After each petition]:..., Lord, in Your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

[After the final prayer]:..., one God, now and forever **Amen.**

[Be Seated] **Offerings, Voluntary**

[Rise] **Offertory Hymn Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God**



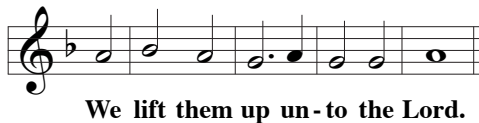


+ The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

Preface

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

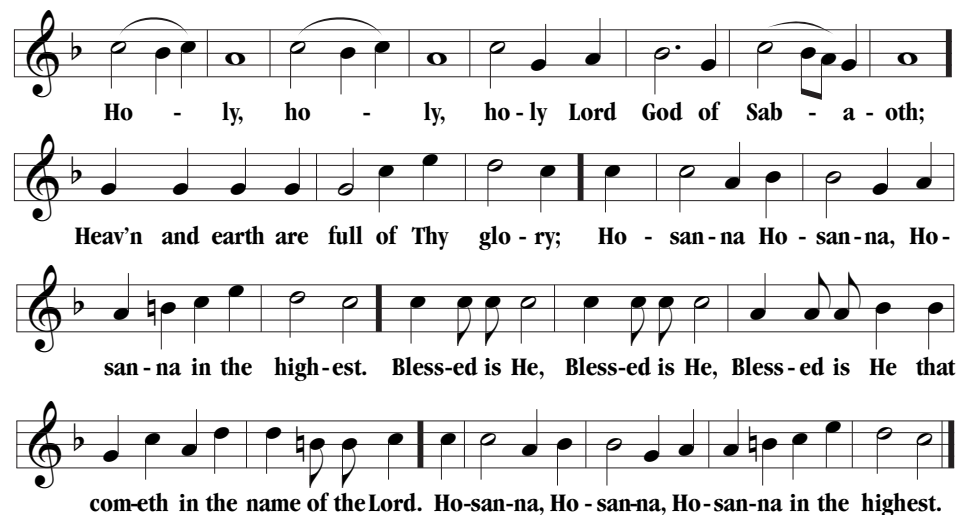


Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

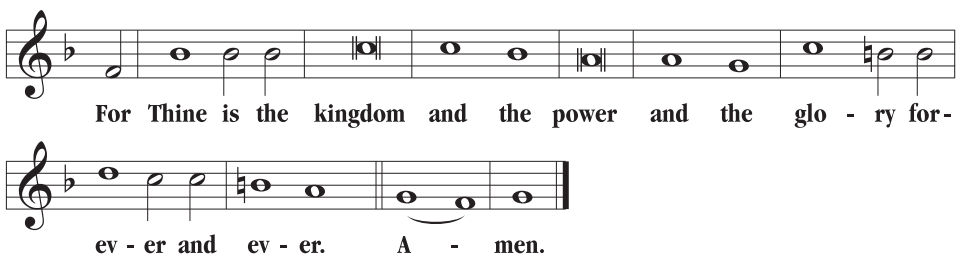


Proper Preface for Advent, Sanctus

It is truly meet, right and salutary ever more praising You and saying:



[*Kneel*] **Lord's Prayer** [*Pastor chants:*] *Our Father who art ... but deliver us from evil.*



Words of Institution, Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



Agnus Dei

1-3. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world,

Stanzas 1 and 2 | Stanza 3

have mer-cy up - on us. Grant us Thy Peace. A - - - men!

[Be Seated]

Distribution Hymns O Bride of Christ Rejoice..... Burgundy Hymn 335
Come, O Precious Ransom Burgundy Hymn 350

Eucharistic Benediction

The Body and Blood of your Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting! ✠ Depart in Peace! Amen!

Post-Communion Canticle The Nunc Dimittis

1. Lord now— lettest Thou Thy
servant, de- part— in — peace, ac- cord- ing to Thy Word.

2. For mine__ eyes have seen
Thy Salvation,
which Thou hast pre- pared__ be— fore the face of all__ people.

3. a Light to light-en the Gen- tles and the Glo- ry of Thy peo- ple Is - - - ra-el.

4. Glo— ry__ be to the
Father, and to__ the __ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.

5. As it__ was in the
beginning, is
now, and e- ver shall be, world with- out end. A-men.

Post Communion Rite

Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

And His mercy endureth for - ev — er.

Prayer of Thanksgiving ... now and forever.

A — men.

The Lord be with you.



Bless we the Lord.



Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



During the Recessional, the Congregation turns and faces the Processional Cross, the symbol of Christ's promise to remain with and lead His people as they now go and live in the world in His name.

Recessional Hymn Prepare the Royal Highway Burgundy Hymn 343

Postlude

Oh, Rejoice, All Christians, Loudly!

**Come join us at Zion Lutheran Church
as we celebrate the birth of our Savior.**

- Advent Services, Wednesdays at 7pm
- Christmas Eve Candlelight Service of Lessons and Carols
Featuring Choir, Brass, and Organ
Prelude begins at 6:30pm • Service begins at 7pm
- Christmas Day Festival Service
Featuring Choir, Brass, and Organ
Prelude begins at 8:45am • Service begins at 9am



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Readings for the First Sunday in Advent

The Old Testament Reading is Jeremiah 33:14-16

“Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: ‘The Lord is our righteousness.’”

The Epistle is 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

For what thanksgiving can we return to God for you, for all the joy that we feel for your sake before our God, as we pray most earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith?

Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

The Gospel is Luke 19:28-40

When [Jesus] had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, saying, “Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you shall say this: ‘The Lord has need of it.’” So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, “Why are you untying the colt?” And they said, “The Lord has need of it.” And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, saying, “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples.” He

answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out.”

Hymns for the First Sunday in Advent

LSB332 Savior of the Nations, Come

Ambrose of Milan

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1. Savior of the nations, come, Virgin's Son, make here Your home!
Marvel now, O heav'n and earth, That the Lord chose such a birth.
2. Not by human flesh and blood, By the Spirit of our God,
Was the Word of God made flesh—Woman's offspring pure and fresh.
3. Here a maid was found with child, Yet remained a virgin mild.
In her womb this truth was shown: God was there upon His throne.
4. Then stepped forth the Lord of all From His pure and kingly hall;
God of God, yet fully man, His heroic course began.
5. God the Father was His source, Back to God He ran His course.
Into hell His road went down, Back then to His throne and crown.
6. For You are the Father's Son Who in flesh the vict'ry won.
By Your mighty pow'r make whole All our ills of flesh and soul.
7. From the manger newborn light Shines in glory through the night.
Darkness there no more resides; In this light faith now abides.
- △ 8. Glory to the Father sing, Glory to the Son, our king,
Glory to the Spirit be Now and through eternity.

LSB335 O Bride of Christ, Rejoice

Danish, c. 1600

1. O bride of Christ, rejoice; Exultant raise thy voice
To hail the day of glory Foretold in sacred story.

Refrain: Hosanna, praise, and glory!
Our King, we bow before Thee.
2. Let shouts of gladness rise Triumphant to the skies.
Now comes the King most glorious To reign o'er all victorious.
Refrain
3. A humble beast He rides, Yet as a King presides;
Though not arrayed in splendor, He makes the grave surrender.
Refrain

4. The weak and timid find How meek He is and kind;
To them He gives a treasure Of bliss beyond all measure.
Refrain
5. Then go thy Lord to meet; Strew palm leaves at His feet;
Thy garments spread before Him And honor and adore Him.
Refrain

LSB350 Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come Johann Gottfried Olearius

1. Come, Thou precious Ransom, come, Only hope for sinful mortals!
Come, O Savior of the world! Open are to Thee all portals.
Come, Thy beauty let us see; Anxiously we wait for Thee.
2. Enter now my waiting heart, Glorious King and Lord most holy.
Dwell in me and ne'er depart, Though I am but poor and lowly.
Ah, what riches will be mine When Thou art my guest divine!
3. My hosannas and my palms Graciously receive, I pray Thee;
Evermore, as best I can, Savior, I will homage pay Thee,
And in faith I will embrace, Lord, Thy merit through Thy grace.
4. Hail! Hosanna, David's Son! Jesus, hear our supplication!
Let Thy kingdom, scepter, crown, Bring us blessing and salvation,
That forever we may sing: Hail! Hosanna to our King.

LSB343 Prepare the Royal Highway

Frans Mikael Franzén

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1. Prepare the royal highway; The King of kings is near!
Let ev'ry hill and valley A level road appear!
Then greet the King of Glory Foretold in sacred story:
Hosanna to the Lord, For He fulfills God's Word!
2. God's people, see Him coming: Your own eternal king!
Palm branches strew before Him! Spread garments! Shout and sing!
God's promise will not fail you! No more shall doubt assail you!
Hosanna to the Lord, For He fulfills God's Word!
3. Then fling the gates wide open To greet your promised king!
Your king, yet ev'ry nation Its tribute too should bring.
All lands, bow down before Him! All nations, now adore Him!
Hosanna to the Lord, For He fulfills God's Word!

4. His is no earthly kingdom; it comes from heav'n above.
His rule is peace and freedom And justice, truth, and love.
So let your praise be sounding For kindness so abounding:
Hosanna to the Lord, For He fulfills God's Word!



What Doctor Luther Says:

About the Battle against Justification through Faith

I [Luther] am forced ... to become shameless and bold by the infinite and horrible desecration and abomination that have always raged in the church of God and do not stop raging today against that single solid rock which we call the doctrine of justification, namely, that we are redeemed from sin, death, and the devil and endowed with eternal life, not through ourselves and certainly not through our works, which are even less than we are ourselves, but through the help of Another, the only Son of God, Jesus Christ.

Satan attacked this rock in Paradise when he persuaded our first parents to forsake their faith in the God who had given them life and who promised enduring life, and to try to become like God by means of their own wisdom and virtue (Gen. 3:5). ... Later there followed a continuous and unbearable persecution of this faith by Satan through the sons of Cain ... thereafter the whole world went mad in opposition to this faith, inventing endless idols and religions, by which, as Paul says (Acts 14:16), everyone went his own way, in the hope of placating a god or a goddess or gods or goddesses by his own works, in other words, of redeeming himself from evil and sin by means of his own work, without the help of Christ. ... people nowadays think of Him as a fable, resembling the mythical deities among the heathen

Thus because Christ is a laughingstock among His own [false] Christians ..., because Cain goes on killing Abel without interruption, and because the abomination of Satan now has its greatest dominion ever — therefore it is necessary to set forth this doctrine as diligently as possible and to put ourselves in opposition to Satan, regardless of whether we are inarticulate or eloquent, learned or ignorant. For if every human being were to keep silent, it would be necessary for this rock to be acclaimed by the rocks and stones themselves (Luke 19:40).

Luther's Works, 27:145-7.



Order Your Poinsettia Plants for Christmas 2021!

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___ 8 1/2 inch Poinsettia \$38 each \$ _____

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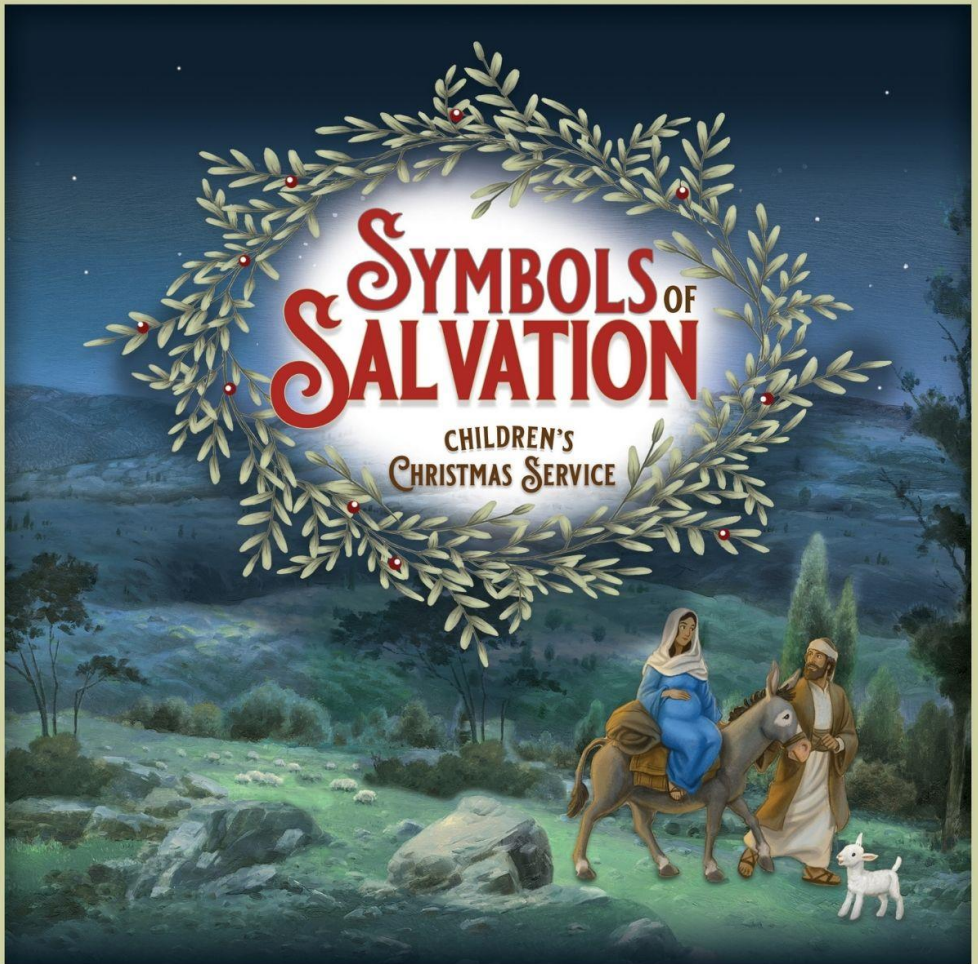
Return this form to the church office by **December 19th**
to have your dedication
printed in the bulletin.



YOU ARE INVITED TO:
LUTHERAN SOUTH UNITY SCHOOL'S
Christmas Service

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14TH 7 P.M.

MOUNT CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH
1819 RESERVATION DRIVE-across from Miami Middle School



Join us as the students share the message of Christmas
through symbols, scripture, and song.



Concordia Lutheran High School

It's time.

And it's a new time

It's a time to make things right

There is new leadership at Concordia Lutheran High School. And thanks to an anonymous challenge gift from a member of Zion, we are given an opportunity to continue an effort to make things right and remove a long-standing debt of Zion's and make things new between Zion and CLHS.



At our August Congregational Assembly, the group assigned \$10,000 to a long-standing \$72,082.67 debt owed to Concordia Lutheran High School. This debt was incurred over a number of years more than a decade ago and has remained a liability for our congregation and a sore in our relationship with Concordia Lutheran High School. August's meeting was a step in the right direction in making things new.

Now, our congregation has been challenged with a fantastic opportunity. Generous donors have challenged us with a \$10,000 match to continue our work in removing this debt. Contributions made to this project from September 1 through November 30 will be matched up to \$10,000. We are greatly thankful for this challenge and look forward to how we step up to meet this challenge to make things right with Concordia Lutheran High School.

Use the special contribution envelopes marked "Debt Elimination Challenge" to make your gift toward eliminating this debt to CLHS.

LSUS NOTES

Praying for You!



Please pray for these students/staff:

Julie Ku

Than Noe

Da'Marion Bowen-Whitt

Jadence Nettles

Jayla Pearson

De'Mya Smith

Kyaw Ko

Malachi Foster

Conor Collentine

Field Trips are Back!

This year our students are able to go on field trips again! Our students have been to the History Center, the Fort Wayne Courthouse, Kuehnert Dairy Farm, Camp Lutherhaven, and Concordia High School for Concordia Day and the "Get Schooled" tour.



Meet The Staff



The Special Education and English Language Learner teacher at LSUS is **Mrs. Abigail Strackbein**. In 2019, she started teaching at LSUS. She is hired through Lutheran Special Education Ministries (LSEM). She works with many children throughout the school day, both in her room and in the children's own classrooms.

In 2018, Mrs. Strackbein graduated from Texas State University. While attending college she studied special education, English language learners, and general education (K-8). She did her student teaching in elementary and middle school resource room setting in San Antonio,

Texas. Also, she volunteered for an early literacy program for English language learning preschoolers.

Her husband, Aaron, is the DCE at Concordia Lutheran Church. Shortly after they were married, they moved from San Antonio, Texas, to Fort Wayne. They both love to swing dance, work on house projects and garden. Mrs. Strackbein likes to water color, travel and explore Fort Wayne. They are both members of Concordia Lutheran Church.

Mrs. Strackbein would like to share several words of wisdom: **Love Jesus and love others.**



Encouragement Found in Scriptures:

Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever! – 1 Chronicles 16:34