

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

9:00 am Sunday, February 6, 2022

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!**

[Rise] **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 of the Day



[Antiphon] *O God, be not | far from me; || O my God, make | haste to help__ | me! || My mouth will tell of your | right- eous acts, || of your deeds of salvation all the day, for their number | is__ past my | •knowledge•.*

Verse 1: **With the mighty deeds of the Lord GOD | I will come; || I will remind them of your | •righteous- ness, yours a- | lone. || O God, from my youth you have | taught__ me, || and I still pro- | claim your won- drous | deeds.**

Verse 2: *So even to old age | and gray hairs, || O God, do | not for- sake__ | me, || until I proclaim your might to another | gen- er- | •ation•, || your power | to all those to | come.*

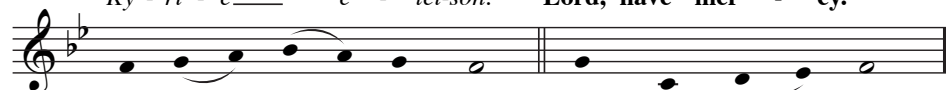
Gloria: **Glory be to the Father and | to the Son: || and | to the Ho- ly | •Spirit•; || As it was in the be- | •ginning•, is now, || and will | be for- •ever•. A- | men!**

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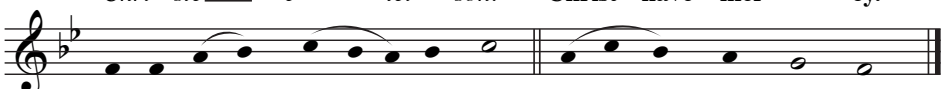
Kyrie



Ky - ri - e__ e - lei-son. Lord, have mer - cy.



Chri - ste__ e - lei - son. Christ have mer - cy.



Ky - ri - e__ e - lei-son. Lord, __ have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis



Glo - ry to God in the high - est. And on earth peace,



a - mong men with whom He is pleased. We praise Thee, we bless Thee,



we wor-ship Thee, we glo-ri - fy Thee, we give thanks to Thee for



Thy great glo-ry. O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God, the Fa-ther Al-



migh-ty. O Lord, the on - ly be - got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ,



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, who ta-kest a-way the



sin of the world, have mer-cy on us. Thou who ta-kest a-way the sin of the world,

re-ceive our prayer. Thou who sit - test at the right hand of God
the Father, have mer-cy on us. For Thou on-ly art ho - ly. Thou on-ly
art the Lord, Thou on - ly O Christ with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,
art most high in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.
A - - - - - men.

Salutation

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spir— it.

Collect for the Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany: *O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

A ——— men!

[Be Seated] + The Office of the Word of God +

Old Testament Reading **Isaiah 6:1-13**

[After the reading] *This is the word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle of the Day **1 Corinthians 14:12b-20**

[After the reading] *This is the word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.**

[Rise] **Alleluia Sequence**

[Deacon] *Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." Alleluia!*

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Holy Gospel **St. Luke 5:1-11**

[The Gospel is announced.]

[The Gospel is proclaimed.]

Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord!

Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

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 From God Burgundy Hymn 401**

[All sing stanzas 1 & 2; Women alone sing stanza 3; Men alone sing stanza 4;

All sing stanzas 5 & 6; Rise for stanza 6.]

Sermon

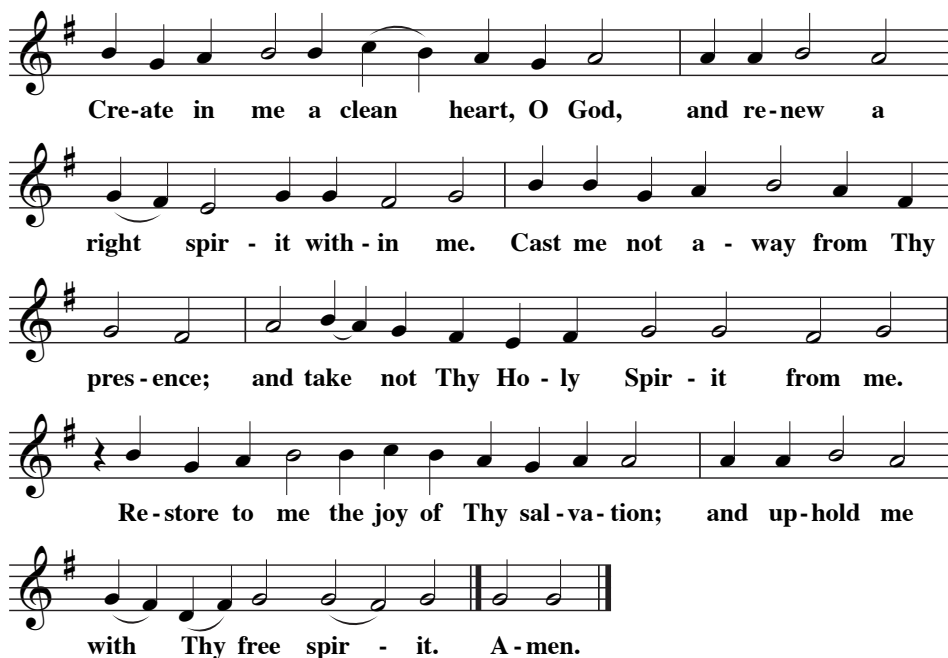
[Rise] **Prayer of the Church**

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**



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 to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion; and up - hold me
with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

+ The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

Preface

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.



And with thy spir - it. We lift them up un-to the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



It is meet and right so to do.

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Proper Preface for Epiphany, Sanctus

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

Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly, Lord God of hosts:
Heav - en and earth are full of Thy glo - ry;
Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord; Ho - san-na in the high - est.

[Kneel] **Lord's Prayer**

[Pastor chants:] *Our Father who art in heaven; but deliver us from evil.*

For Thine is the king - dom and the pow'r and the glo - ry
for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

Words of Institution, Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always!

A - men.

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 Christ, Our True Burgundy Hymn 839
Rise, Shine, You People Burgundy Hymn 825

[Rise]

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-tiles and the Glo- ry of Thy peo-ple Is - - - ra-el.



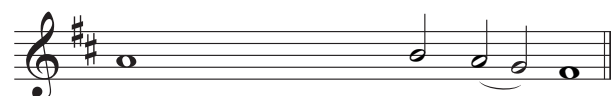
4. Glo— ry__ be to the
Father, and to__ the __ Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost.



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.



And with thy spir — rit.

Bless we the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

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.



A - men, A - men, A - men.

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 Holy, Holy, Holy Burgundy Hymn 507

Postlude

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Readings for the Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

The Old Testament Reading is Isaiah 6:1-13

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory!”

And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.”

And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” Then I said, “Here I am! Send me.” And he said, “Go, and say to this people:

“‘Keep on hearing, but do not understand;
keep on seeing, but do not perceive.’
Make the heart of this people dull,
and their ears heavy, and blind their eyes;
lest they see with their eyes,
and hear with their ears,
and understand with their hearts,
and turn and be healed.”

Then I said, “How long, O Lord?”

And he said: “Until cities lie waste without inhabitant,
and houses without people,
and the land is a desolate waste,
and the LORD removes people far away,
and the forsaken places are many in the midst of the land.
And though a tenth remain in it, it will be burned again,
like a terebinth or an oak,
whose stump remains when it is felled.”

The holy seed is its stump.

The Epistle is 1 Corinthians 14:12b-20

Since you are eager for manifestations of the Spirit, strive to excel in building up the church.

Therefore, one who speaks in a tongue should pray for the power to interpret. For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays but my mind is unfruitful. What am I to do? I will pray with my spirit, but I will pray with my mind also; I will sing praise with my spirit, but I will sing with my mind also. Otherwise, if you give thanks with your spirit, how can anyone in the position of an outsider say “Amen” to your thanksgiving when he does not know what you are saying? For you may be giving thanks well enough, but the other person is not being built up. I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you. Nevertheless, in church I would rather speak five words with my mind in order to instruct others, than ten thousand words in a tongue.

Brothers, do not be children in your thinking. Be infants in evil, but in your thinking be mature.

The Gospel is Luke 5:1-11

On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on [Jesus] to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.” And Simon answered, “Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.” And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.” For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.” And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

Hymns for the Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

LSB401 From God the Father, Virgin-Born

Latin, c. 5th-10th cent.

1. From God the Father, virgin-born To us the only Son came down;
By death the font to consecrate, The faithful to regenerate.
2. Beginning from His home on high, In human flesh He came to die;
Creation by His death restored, And shed new joys of life abroad.
- W 3. Glide on, O glorious Sun, and bring The gift of healing on Your wing;
To ev'ry dull and clouded sense The clearness of Your light dispense.
- M 4. Abide with us, O Lord, we pray; The gloom of darkness chase away;
Your work of healing, Lord, begin, And take away the stain of sin.
5. Lord, once You came to earth's domain And, we believe, shall come again;
Be with us on the battlefield, From ev'ry harm Your people shield.
- Δ 6. To You, O Lord, all glory be For this Your blest epiphany;
To God, whom all His hosts adore, And Holy Spirit evermore.

LSB831 "How Shall They Hear," Who Have

Timothy Dudley-Smith

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1. "How shall they hear," who have not heard
News of a Lord who loved and came;
Nor known His reconciling word,
Nor learned to trust a Savior's name?
2. "To all the world," to every place,
Neighbors and friends and far off lands,
Preach the good news of saving grace;
Go while the great commission stands.
3. "Whom shall I send?" Who hears the call,
Constant in prayer, through toil and pain,
Telling of One who died for all,
To bring a lost world home again?
4. "Lord, here am I." Your fire impart
To this poor cold self-centered soul;
Touch but my lips, my hands, my heart,
And make a world for Christ my goal.

5. Spirit of love, within us move:
Spirit of truth, in pow'r come down!
So shall they hear and find and prove
Christ is their life, their joy, their crown.

LSB825 Rise, Shine, You People

Ronald A. Klug

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1. Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered
Our human story; God in Him is centered.
He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded,
With grace unbounded.
2. See how He sends the pow'rs of evil reeling;
He brings us freedom, light and life and healing.
All men and women, who by guilt are driven,
Now are forgiven.
3. Come, celebrate, your banners high unfurling,
Your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling.
To all the world go out and tell the story
Of Jesus' glory.
4. Tell how the Father sent His Son to save us.
Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us.
Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation
His new creation.

LSB507 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

Reginald Heber

1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
2. Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.
3. Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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The mission of Zion Lutheran Church is to be the body of Christ gathered at Hanna and Creighton in Fort Wayne, Indiana to:

- Receive Christ's gifts in baptism, preaching, teaching, and the Eucharist;
- Reach out to those who do not know the love of God in Christ;
- Reveal Christ's love for the world through acts of kindness and mercy toward all.

The Pastoral Ministry At Zion

Senior Pastor

Rev. Douglas D. Punke, MDiv (341-5397)

Field Worker:

Erik Saunders, Patrick Jackson

The Teaching Staff At Lutheran South Unity

Sheila Nehrenz, Principal (744-0459)

Teachers:

Gene Koch, Yvonne Schwantz, Barry Chrzan,

Danielle Ramsey, Merideth Tourney, 3rd vacant,

John Fink, Hannah Maresh, Cathie Wakeland, Natalie Reynolds

The Support Staff

Organist and Director of Parish Music:

Michael Hollman, MM

Church Office Manager:

Melvia Culpher

PRAYERS FOR TODAY

- + For the church and those experiencing persecution around the world
- + For those who serve our Lord at home and abroad, especially our fieldworkers Erik Saunders and Patrick Jackson
- + For our nation; for our leaders, our military, including Trevor Manning and James Hall, and our health care workers
- + For our schools, especially Lutheran South Unity School (accreditation and call committees), Concordia Lutheran High School, and Concordia Theological Seminary
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound, including Everett Beck, Cheryl Silvers, and Doris Yerger
- + For those who are near death
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Hailey & Aaleyah Horn, Jackie Schieferstein, Juanita Moore, Ron Silvers, Tyler Muehl, Bill Weinrich, Willie Manning, Lucille Brandt, Susan Kaiser, Kathy Vlot, Willodean Bates, Julie Ganaway, Paul Dolde, Walt Ostermeyer, Sherry Freeman, Jeff Springer, Gloria Gonzalez, Mark Russell, Dick Hollman, Louisa Porter, Louise Petrillo, Marianne Billings, Maurice King, Ron Rastl, Marlow Hogan, and Jenny Hobby
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages
- + For the gift of life and for length of days, especially Anne Ziegler & Robert Hollman
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones, especially the family of Helen Russell
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed, including Helen Russell
- + For our communicants and for a fruitful use of the most Blessed Sacrament of our Lord's Body and Blood

IN THE SERVICE TODAY

Today is the Divine Service for the Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany. The Cross Bowl is given in celebration of Anne Ziegler's and Robert Hollman's birthday by their family. Please complete an attendance/communion card, including the names of all children, and indicate if you are communing. Non-members, please read the back of the card.

CALENDAR

February 6, 2021 thru February 12, 2021

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Class	Bauer Hall
	10:30AM	Sunday School (little ones)	Assoc. Pastor Office
		No Junior Catechesis	
MON.	6:30 PM	LSA Board Meeting	
TUES.	9:30 AM	FW Tri-Circuit	District Office
WED.	9:30 AM	Men of Zion	Conference Room
	5:30PM	Wednesday Divine Service	Church
THURS.			
FRI.			
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confessions	Church

February 13, 2021

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30AM	Adult Bible Class	Bauer Hall
	10:30AM	Sunday School (little ones)	Assoc. Pastor Office
	10:30AM	Junior Catechesis	Conference Room

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: Rev. Art Litke will teach again as Dr. Voelz is out of town. No Junior Catechesis as Pastor is also out of town.

PASTOR AWAY: Pastor Punke will be gone until February 8. If you need anything, please call the office, and Melvia will notify one of the elders. Thank you to Rev. Art Litke for preaching and to Rev. George for celebrating at Zion's services today.

INSTALLATION: Our own Rev. Dr. Steven Schumacher has been called to serve the International Lutheran Council (ILC) as the Chief Accreditation Officer. His installation service will be at Zion next Sunday, February 13, during the Divine Service—Rev. Dr. Tim Quill, General Secretary of the ILC will preach and Rev. Peter Brock, 4th Vice-President of the IN District will perform the installation. We'll have our normal post-service reception afterward in Bauer Hall, plus a cake from the ILC. Then Dr. Quill will use the Bible Class hour to talk about the work of the ILC.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS: Looking for an easy way to support and strengthen Zion? Participate in Thrivent Choice®, Thrivent's charitable outreach program. Eligible Thrivent clients with membership can also recommend where Thrivent distributes some of its outreach funding by directing Choice Dollars® to any of the thousands of enrolled churches and nonprofit organizations, including Zion. Choice dollars expire in March

ENVELOPES have been hidden away, but you may still pick up your envelopes. Please see Julie Ganaway for your envelopes.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE Trust in the Lord and relying on Him for all good — this is faith. Psalm 37:5 — “Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him, and he will act.” Last week's verse was Exodus 34:6.

COME AND SEE “JOSEPH” AT CLHS Join CLHS for “Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat” on February 25 & 26 at 7:30 p.m. and February 27 at 2:00 p.m. One of the most enduring shows of all time, “Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat” is the Biblical story of Joseph, his father Jacob, eleven brothers, and the coat of many colors. Preorder tickets at www.clhscadets.com/apps/pages/theatre-productions.

COVID-19 UPDATE AT ZION: *Please read this update if you want information on COVID. I'm not making oral comments regarding COVID unless some protocol needs changing.* We're still red in Allen County this week; I expect the whole state will be also. The slowing of the spread of Omicron is happening. The Seven-Day Positivity Rate is going down; it was reported as 28.7% today. The Weekly Cases per 100,000 Residents has similarly gone down to about 1,000 (from a high of almost 1,900 a month ago). Omicron remains the predominant variant, accounting for 98.04% of the cases in the week of 1/10/2022, but thankfully it is not so deadly. District 3 hospitalizations and ICU bed due to COVID have both come down; average deaths due to COVID is 2 today and hopefully coming down, too. Omicron does seem to slip by the vaccine protections more easily, and the breakthrough cases reflect that. Breakthrough infections, hospitalizations, and deaths are now 7.947%, 0.079%, and 0.044%, respectively. I still encourage vaccinations if you haven't been and can. They may not stop the infection, but they do help reduce symptoms and forestall hospitalization. Visit www.coronavirus.in.gov/vaccine/ for your eligibility and to schedule your vaccine or booster.

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For the family of God's Priestly People at Zion

God calls His own people a "Royal Priesthood." God makes us kings and queens, princes and princesses who are bound together by the Holy Spirit in Baptism for the Christian benefit of each other. Priests **PRAY** -- They talk to God about their neighbor! Priests **TEACH** -- They talk to their neighbor about God! Priests **OFFER SACRIFICES** -- They offer to God the sacrifice of broken and contrite hearts; they offer their bodies and work as holy services to God for their neighbors. Join in this priestly work of prayer with your fellow members.

Morning Prayer

DAILY LECTIONARY

Evening Prayer

Luke 5:1-11

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Isaiah 6:1-13

John 2:1-12

Monday

Job 4:1-21

John 2:13-25

Tuesday

Job 5:1-27

John 3:1-21

Wednesday

Job 6:1-13

John 3:22-4:6

Thursday

Job 6:14-30

John 4:7-26

Friday

Job 7:1-21

John 4:27-45

Saturday

Job 8:1-22

THE DAILY PETITIONS OF THE CHURCH

[Daily] **O Lord, have mercy upon us. O Christ, have mercy upon us. O Lord, have mercy upon us.** Let us pray:

[S] For the joy of the Resurrection among us; for true and godly worship throughout the world; for diligent preaching and hearing of God's Word of Law and Gospel; for our pastors; for the teachers and students of our Sunday School; for our Bible Class leaders and their students; for our catechumens; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[M] For workers; for the unemployed; for farmers; for seasonable weather; for businesses small and large; for our leaders, federal, state and local; for the economic welfare of the nations on earth; for peace in our world; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[T] For the tempted; for the addicted and despairing; for the tortured and oppressed; for the lonely; for the sick, the hospitalized, and the needy; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[W] For fathers, mothers, and families; for those adults who must rear their children alone; the teachers and students of Lutheran South Unity School and Concordia Lutheran High School; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[T] For the Church and her pastors; for the training of ministers of the Word; for missionaries of the Church; for the leaders of the Church, including Matthew, our synod president, and Daniel, our district president; for those who have not heard the Gospel; for the fruitful use of the blessed Sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[F] For the preaching of the Cross; for those persecuted for the sake of Gospel; the confession of the orthodox Lutheran faith in our community; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[Sat] For faithfulness unto life's earthly end; for the revival of those who have withered in the faith or fallen away; for the dying; Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen!**

[Daily]

The Our Father

TO PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY

The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

Jeremiah 17:5-8

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Luke 6:17-26



What Doctor Luther Says:

About Distrust as the Source of Fear

If anyone is snatched away by death before he has attained that perfect love which drives out fear, he necessarily dies in fear and trembling until love is perfected and able to cast out fear. This fear which I mention is that conscience which is evil and disturbed because of a weak point in faith. As the Apostle says, the blood of Christ frees our consciences from dead works [Heb. 9:14]. And also in Heb. 10 [:22] we read, “Our hearts are sprinkled clean from an evil conscience in the full assurance of faith.”

Briefly, if I can prove that the reason for dread and fear is distrust, and that the reason for assurance, on the other hand, is faith, I believe it has been proved at the same time that the person who dies with an imperfect faith necessarily fears and trembles. Furthermore, distrust is often referred to in the gospel as the reason for terror, despair, and condemnation. In the first place this becomes clear on the occasion when Peter commanded the Lord to depart from him, saying, “for I am a sinful man” [Luke 5:8]. The second case in point is given when Peter began to sink because of his little faith [Matt. 14:30]. A third instance is referred to when the disciples wanted to cry out in dismay when they thought Christ was a ghost walking on the sea [Matt. 14:26]. And a fourth occurrence is referred to when the distraught disciples thought they saw a spirit as Christ entered their midst through the closed doors [Luke 24:37]. In all these cases distrust is portrayed as the reason for fear and dread. Therefore all fear and trembling arises from distrust, every feeling of assurance arises from faith in God. Faith, however, arises out of love, since the person must be like the one in whom he puts his trust.

Luther's Works, 31:124-5.

LSUS NOTES

Praying for You!



Please pray for these students/staff:

Benicio Barrera	Tyson Innis
Sierra Craffey	Olivia Rush
Aiden Stewart	Ja'Mear Cryer-Morgan
Lilly Soe	Maison Pargeon
Caleb Rodriguez	

National Lutheran Schools Week

This past week we celebrated National Lutheran Schools Week provides our network of more than 1,800 LCMS preschools, elementary schools and high schools with the public opportunity to proclaim and celebrate God's work among us in Lutheran schools.

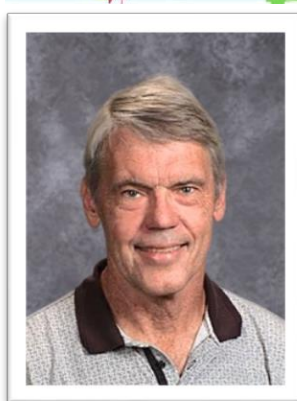
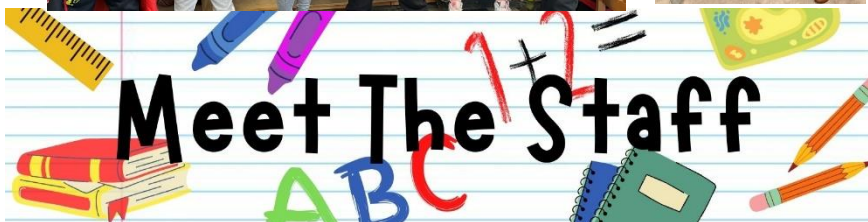
We thank God for the opportunity to provide excellent academic preparation for the children we serve. We are most grateful for the opportunity to share Jesus' amazing love with children and their families.

National Lutheran Schools Week gives us an opportunity to proclaim these great blessings within the communities we serve. Our schools are amazing incubators for faithful witness of God's love for us through Christ by teachers and students alike.

Check out our students having fun celebrating the week with special dress days (Dress as your Favorite Book Character, Wacky Wednesday, and Spirit Day), a movie day, Phoenix Fit, and a sendoff for the Boys Varsity basketball team.

We love our students and love that we get to share the love of Jesus every day with them as a Lutheran school!





The Athletic Director and 7th grade homeroom teacher at Lutheran South Unity School is **Mr. Gene Koch**. During the week at LSUS he teaches math, religion, PE, science, and social studies in the middle school. He also serves as a coach for soccer, wrestling, and track.

Mr. Koch graduated from Concordia, Ann Arbor, with an Associate's degree. From there he went on to Concordia, River Forest, to receive both his Bachelor of Science degree and his Master's degree.

Before coming to LSUS in 1992, Mr. Koch taught for 13 years at St. Philip Lutheran School, Chicago. He was there from 1979-1992. For the past thirty years, Mr. Koch has taught here at LSUS.

Mr. Koch is married to Krista, who is a math teacher at Concordia High School. They have four children, Aaron, Adam, Sarah, and Hannah. Three of them have teaching degrees. The youngest is a senior at Notre Dame University. He and his wife are

members of Peace Lutheran Church.

In his free time he loves to go bass fishing with his boys. He enjoys woodworking projects, going on long walks with his wife, and running in Spartan races with his son, Adam.

"Love your children for they are our future. Spread God's love to everyone." These are words of wisdom that he would like to pass on to others.

Encouragement Found in Scriptures:

And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross. —Colossians 1:18-20



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