

Historic Zion Lutheran Church

DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

9:00 am Sunday, November 27, 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!**

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

Verse 1 : Save us, we | pray, O Lord! || O Lord, we | pray, give us suc- | cess!

Verse 2 : Blessed is he who comes in the name | of the Lord! || We bless you from the | house_ of the | Lord.

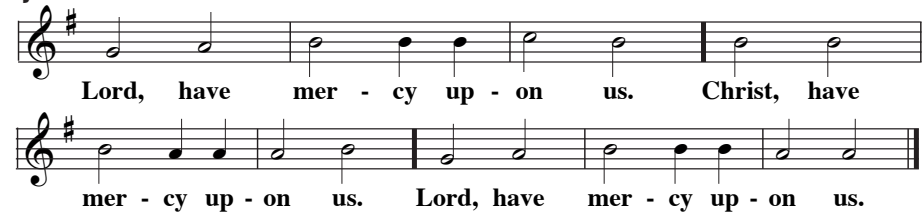
Verse 3 : The LORD is God, and he has made his light to | shine •upon• us. || Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns | of the al-__ | tar!

Verse 4 : You are my God, and I will give | thanks to you; || you are my God; I | will ex- tol__ | you.

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!

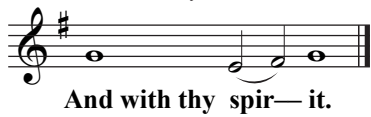
[Antiphon] Behold, your king is | •coming• to you; || righteous and | •having• sal- va-__ | tion.

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:



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

Old Testament Reading..... Isaiah 2:1-5

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

Epistle of the Day Romans 13:8-14

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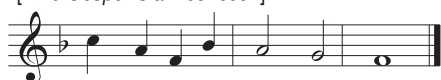
[Rise] **Alleluia Sequence**

[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!



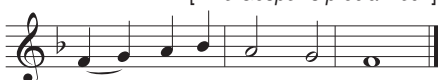
Holy Gospel St. Matthew 21:1-11

[The Gospel is announced.]



Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord!

[The Gospel is proclaimed.]



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 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



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right



spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy pres- ence, and



take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of



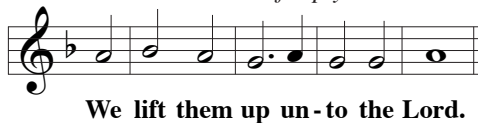
Thy sal-va - tion; and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

+ The Office of the Sacrament of the Altar +

Preface

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

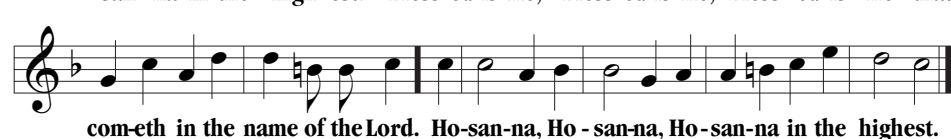
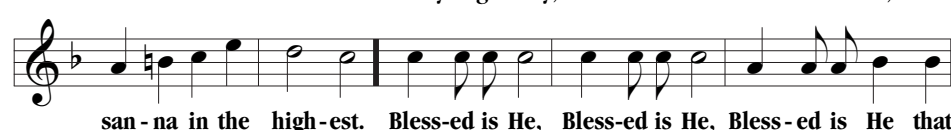


Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

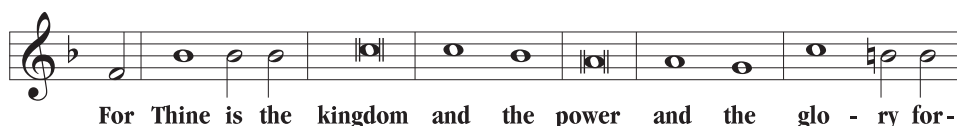


Proper Preface for Advent, Sanctus

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.*

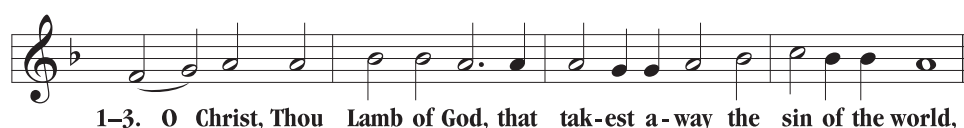


Words of Institution, Pax Domini

The peace of the Lord be with you always!



Agnus Dei



[Be Seated]

Distribution Hymns ... O Lord, How Shall I Meet You Burgundy Hymn 334
Come, Thou 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— tiles and the Glo— ry of Thy peo— ple Is - - - ra— el.



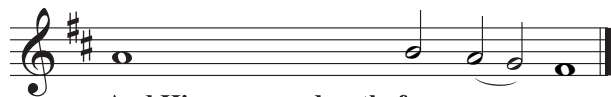
4. Glo— ry__ be to the
Father, and to__ the __ Son, and to the Ho— ly Ghost.



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.



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 Candelight 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 Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

It shall come to pass in the latter days
that the mountain of the house of the LORD
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be lifted up above the hills;
and all the nations shall flow to it,
and many peoples shall come, and say:
“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob,
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.”

For out of Zion shall go forth the law,
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between the nations,
and shall decide disputes for many peoples;
and they shall beat their swords into plowshares,
and their spears into pruning hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war anymore.

O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the LORD.

The Epistle is Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on

the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Gospel is St. Matthew 21:1-11

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

“Say to the daughter of Zion,
‘Behold, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’”

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?” And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.”

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.
- W3. 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.
- M 4. Then stepped forth the Lord of all From His pure and kingly hall;
God of God, yet fully man, His heroic course began.
- W5. 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.
- M 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.

LSB334 O Lord, How Shall I Meet You

Paul Gerhardt

1. O Lord, how shall I meet You, How welcome You aright?
Your people long to greet You, My hope, my heart's delight!
O kindle, Lord most holy, Your lamp within my breast
To do in spirit lowly All that may please You best.
2. Your Zion strews before You Green boughs and fairest palms;
And I too will adore You With joyous songs and psalms.
My heart shall bloom forever For You with praises new
And from Your name shall never Withhold the honor due.
3. I lay in fetters, groaning; You came to set me free.
I stood, my shame bemoaning; You came to honor me.
A glorious crown You give me, A treasure safe on high
That will not fail or leave me As earthly riches fly.

4. Love caused Your incarnation; Love brought You down to me.
Your thirst for my salvation Procured my liberty.
Oh, love behind all telling, That led You to embrace
In love, all love excelling, Our lost and fallen race.
5. Sin's debt, that fearful burden, Cannot His love erase;
Your guilt the Lord will pardon And cover by His grace.
He comes, for you procuring The peace of sin forgiv'n,
His children thus securing Eternal life in heav'n.
6. He comes to judge the nations, A terror to His foes,
A light of consolations And blessed hope to those
Who love the Lord's appearing. O glorious Sun, now come,
Send forth Your beams so cheering, And guide us safely home.

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!

The First Sunday in Advent



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Zion Lutheran Church is the body of Christ at Hanna and Creighton in Fort Wayne, Indiana that:

- Receives Christ's gifts in Word and Sacraments; and
- Responds to God's love in Christ by
 - Reaching out to those who do not know His love; and
 - Revealing His love in acts of kindness and mercy.

The Pastoral Ministry At Zion

Senior Pastor:

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

Field Worker:

Patrick Jackson, Paul Mroczenski

The Teaching Staff At Lutheran South Unity

Principal:

Amber Bahr (744-0459)

Teachers:

Yvonne Schwantz (8th), Abigail DeForest (6th), Anyssa Scaer (MS History),
Allison Wims (K-8 Technology & MS Health), Marcus Rush (MS PE),
Danielle Ramsey (5th), Meredith Tourney (4th), Abbey Zelt (3rd), John Fink (2nd),
Hannah Maresh (1st), Abby Springer (K), Natalie Reynolds (Art & Music)

The Support Staff

Organist and Director of Parish Music:

Michael Hollman, MM

Church Office Manager:

Melvia Culpher

PRAYERS FOR TODAY

- + For the church, especially those bearing the cross of persecution
- + For those who serve our Lord at home and abroad, especially our fieldworkers
Patrick Jackson and Paul Mroczenski
- + For our nation; for our leaders, our military, including James Hall, especially at this
perilous time in our world
- + For our schools, especially Lutheran South Unity School, Concordia Lutheran High
School, and Concordia Theological Seminary
- + For those who travel
- + For the aged and the homebound, including Everett Beck and Doris Yerger
- + For those who are nearing death, including Willie Manning
- + For the ill, distressed, and those suffering affliction, including Marilynn Shafter,
John Starks, Dwight Bieberich, Debra Busche, Bill Weinrich, Paul Dolde, Willodean
Bates, Gloria Gonzalez, Dick Hollman, Joe Harrison, Louisa Porter, Louise Petrillo,
Ron Rastl, Marlow Hogan, Gregory Hogan, and Jenny Hobby
- + For God's blessing on all godly marriages
- + For the gift of life and for length of days
- + For the gift of rebirth by water and the Spirit
- + For those who mourn the death of loved ones
- + In remembrance of the faithful departed, including Dr. Robert & Katherine Leininger
and Kedrin Thomas
- + 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 First Sunday in Advent. The Cross Bowl is given in loving memory of Dr. Robert & Katherine Leininger by Kevin and Maribeth Leininger. The Altar Vases are given in loving memory of Kedrin Thomas by Creasie Hill and 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

November 27, 2022 thru December 3, 2022

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Class	Various
	10:30 AM	Sunday School	Assoc. Pastor's office
	4:00 PM	New Millennium Jazz Orchestra Concert	Church
MON.	5:30	CEA Board Meeting	CLHS
TUES.			
WED.	9:30 AM	Men of Zion	Conference Room
	5:45 PM	Advent Dinner	Bauer Hall
	7:00 PM	Advent Evening Prayer	Church
THURS.			
FRI.	6:00 PM	City of Churches Tour	Church
SAT.	11:00 AM	Private Confession	
	5:30 PM	CLHS Auction	CLHS

December 4, 2022

SUN.	9:00 AM	Divine Service	Church
	10:30 AM	Education hour	Various

ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION HOUR: Dr. Voelz is back and ready to pick things up in the Gospel according to St. Mark where he left off. Sunday School children (little ones) meet in the Associate Pastor's office. No Junior Catechesis today.

ADVENT BEGINS TODAY, so don't forget about Advent Evening Prayer on Wednesdays, 7 PM, with an Advent supper starting at 5:45 PM. Sem. Patrick Jackson will preach this Wednesday. "And let us all our hearts prepare For Christ to come and enter there" (LSB344:2).

THANK YOU to everyone who helped with the decorating on Friday. Many hands ... light work!
PASTOR PUNKE, MARGE, AND KEIKO are gone to Illinois this weekend for his family's Christmas celebration. Thanks to Rev. Art Litke who is preaching and celebrating today. Pastor will be back on Tuesday.

GIVING TUESDAY: November 29th is Giving Tuesday. If you have a Thrivent account, you can assign your choice dollars to Zion before the end of the year. Let us know if you need help.

CTSFW FOOD COOP: We'll continue our ingathering through December 15th. Grab a paper sack from the small table in the Great Hall, fill it with suggested items or other foodstuffs, and return it to church. We'll get the sacks to the seminary. Also, there is a small box on the table, if you prefer to give gift cards for the holiday. May the Lord bless the givers and receivers of these gifts.

VOLUNTEERS: We will be doing bags for the shut ins again this year. If you would like to bring in cookies and fruit, please bring them by December 16th (bring the fruit that week), so that we can pack them and get them delivered by Sunday, December 18th. If you would like to help pack the bags, please join Melvia on Saturday, December 17th at 11 AM.

HELP NEEDED: DaVanna is looking for a couple ladies to help with the Altar Guild. If you are interested, please see her. Also, let Kevin Leininger know or call him at 615-9896 if you are able to help with the 6th annual "City of Churches" tour, 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2.

PLEASE NOTE: Our contribution envelope provider has experienced printing delays. The 2023 envelope boxes will be available for pick up as soon as we receive them.

MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE: Jeremiah 31:33-34—"For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the Lord. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more." Last week's verse was 1 John 3:16.

STAR OF WONDER is the LSUS Christmas Service this year, at Bethlehem, Dec. 13, 7 PM.

LSUS is having two kindergarten roundup programs at the school, one on Monday, December 5 at 6:00 pm and a second on January 9, also at 6:00 pm. Zion members, please tell friends and family about our kindergarten roundups. Everyone will be meeting Principal Amber Bahr and kindergarten teacher Abby Springer (see LSUS insert), who will explain kindergarten expectations. The registration process for the kindergartener will also be explained. If you have any questions, please call the office or contact Barb Johnson at the school, 260-744-0459.

CONCORDIA LUTHERAN CHURCH MEN'S CLUB is selling Christmas trees and wreaths this year to help fund the church and school. The tree lot is located at the Church-School, 4245 Lake Avenue. The lot will be open 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. weekdays, 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Saturdays, and 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Sundays.

RIGHT TO LIFE OF NORTHEAST INDIANA has upcoming activities. They're hosting a Life Defenders Workshop on Saturday, Dec 3rd, 9am - Noon, at St Jude Catholic Church, 2130 Pemberton Dr, Fort Wayne. Visit www.ichooselife.org/LDFW for more info. And they are signing people up to go to Washington D.C. for the National March for Life. Visit www.ichooselife.org/lddc to register for the Life Defenders Bus trip; or visit www.ichooselife.org/nationalmarch to register for the Family trip. You can also call RLNI at 260-471-1849.

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

Matthew 21:1-11

The First Sunday in Advent

Isaiah 2:1-5

1 Peter 1:13-25

Monday

Isaiah 2:1-22

1 Peter 2:1-12

Tuesday

Isaiah 5:1-25

1 Peter 2:13-25

Wednesday

Isaiah 6:1-7:9

1 Peter 3:1-22

Thursday

Isaiah 7:10-8:8

1 Peter 4:1-19

Friday

Isaiah 8:9-9:7

1 Peter 5:1-14

Saturday

Isaiah 9:8-10:11

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 Richard, 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 Second Sunday in Advent

Isaiah 11:1-10

Romans 15:4-13

Matthew 3:1-12



What Doctor Luther Says:

About the Blessings that Come in the Sacrament

12. Now we see how many parts there are in this testament, or mass. There is, first, the testator who makes the testament, Christ. Second, the heirs to whom the testament is bequeathed, we Christians. Third, the testament itself, the words of Christ—when he says, “This is my body which is given for you. This is my blood which is poured out for you, a new eternal testament,” etc.

Fourth, the seal or token is the sacrament, the bread and wine, under which are his true body and blood. For everything that is in this sacrament must be living. Therefore Christ did not put it in dead writing and seals, but in living words and signs which we use from day to day. And this is what is meant when the priest elevates the host, by which he addresses us rather than God. It is as if he were saying to us, “Behold, this is the seal and sign of the testament in which Christ has bequeathed to us the remission of all sins and eternal life.” In agreement with this is also that which is sung by the choir, “Blessed be he who comes to us in the name of God,” whereby we testify how [in the sacrament] we receive blessings from God, and do not sacrifice or give to God.

Fifth, there is the bequeathed blessing which the words signify, namely, remission of sins and eternal life. Sixth, the duty, remembrance, or requiem, which we are to do for Christ; that is, that we should preach his love and grace, hear and meditate upon it, and by it be incited and preserved unto love and hope in him. ... And this is what an earthly testator does, who bequeaths something to his heirs, that he may leave behind him a good name, the good will of men, and a blessed memory, that he should not be forgotten.

Luther's Works, 35:86-7.

THE 6TH ANNUAL CITY OF CHURCHES TOUR

Friday, 2 December 2022 • 6 pm - 9 pm

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception,

1105 Calhoun St

First Missionary, 701 W Rudisill Blvd

First Presbyterian, 300 W Wayne St

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox,

110 E Wallen Rd

Plymouth Congregational, 501 W Berry St

St. John Evangelical Lutheran,

729 W Washington Blvd

St. John the Baptist Catholic,

4500 Fairfield Ave

St. Patrick's Catholic, 2120 S Harrison St

St. Paul's Lutheran, 1126 S Barr St

St. Peter's Catholic, 518 E Dewald St

Trinity English Lutheran,

450 W Washington Blvd

Trinity Episcopal, 611 W Berry St

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran,

1636 St Marys Ave

Turner Chapel AME, 836 E Jefferson Blvd

Zion Evangelical Lutheran, 2313 Hanna St



Facebook Event



Google Maps



Apple Maps



Concordia Lutheran High School

It's time ... again.

You remember last fall that Zion made a special effort to reduce a long-standing debt that we owed to Concordia Lutheran High School, incurred over a number of years. Last fall we owed the high school \$72,082.67. Due to your generosity and the generosity of anonymous donors, we reduced that debt to \$28,000.02 (reported in the last Congregational Subsidy Billing from CLHS). That was \$44,082.65 paid on this debt.



It was a fantastic effort, but we're not quite done, as you can see; and so, we have received another challenge gift for this fall to finish the task we set before ourselves. This donor will match congregational gifts to this CLHS debt reduction effort up to \$14,000, which if successful would eliminate the debt! That would be wonderful!

Last fall, it was a three-month effort. This fall, we're going to do it in two. Therefore, contributions made to this project from October 1 through November 30 will be matched up to \$14,000. Use the special contribution envelopes marked "Debt Elimination Challenge" before November 30 to make your gift toward eliminating this debt to CLHS.

Zion's leadership appreciates this challenge, and we are confident that Zion members will step up to meet the challenge to make things right with Concordia Lutheran High School. God bless you for your generosity.



Order Your Poinsettia Plants for Christmas 2022!

PLEASE PRINT

NAME _____

DEDICATION _____

___ 8 1/2 inch Poinsettia \$40 each

___ 6 1/2 inch Poinsettia \$17 each

___ 4 1/2 inch Poinsettia \$9.00 each

___ General Donation \$ _____

___ Pick up plant after Christmas Day Service

___ Give plant to a shut-in

Return this form to the church office by **December 18th**
to have your dedication
printed in the bulletin.



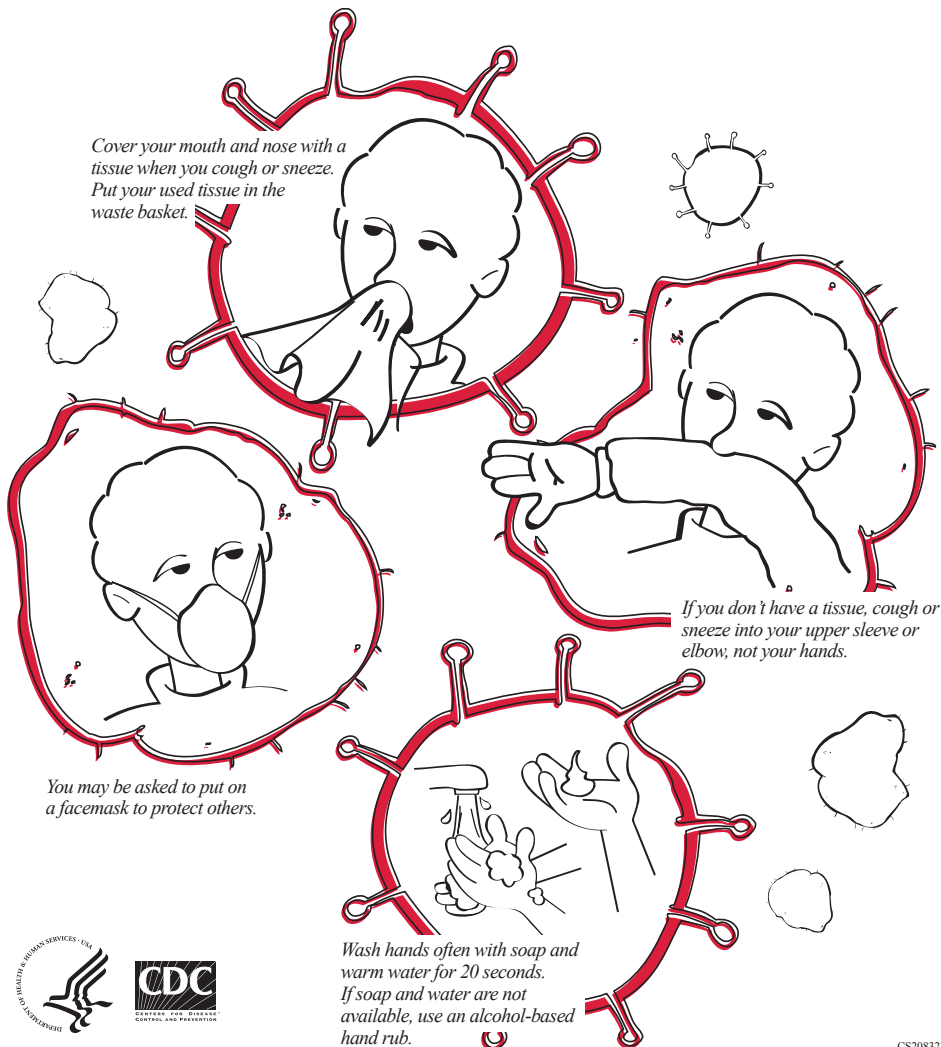
Preventing the Spread of Respiratory Viruses

News reports say that Flu, COVID, and RSV (Respiratory Syncytial Virus) are all on the rise this year (the flu season has begun early and is spreading fast). We know what to do to help slow down the spread: 1) if sick, stay home and get treatment as necessary; 2) cover your cough — see below; 3) wash your hands often and well (20 sec with soap and water) or use hand sanitizer, especially after shaking hands ... no fist bumps yet; 4) eat well and sleep well; 5) get your vaccinations for flu and COVID.

Cover Cough

— Stop the spread of germs that can make you and others sick! —

Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Put your used tissue in the waste basket.



If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve or elbow, not your hands.

You may be asked to put on a facemask to protect others.

Wash hands often with soap and warm water for 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand rub.



LSUS NOTES

Praying for You!



Please pray for these students/staff:

Corlesiya Patterson

NaTika Rogan

Sirah Ochoa

Da'Marion Bowen-Whitt

Cataleya Book

Ms. Wims

Pastor King and N.I.N.E.

Montray Bland

Alan Cobbins

Arion Lee-Hawkins

Jalasha Bell

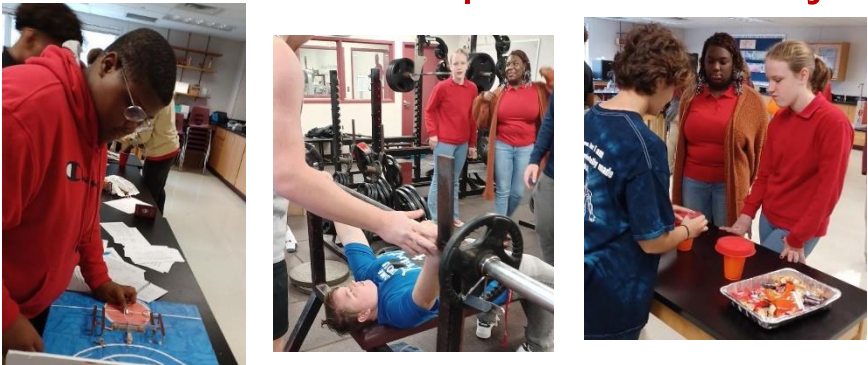
Mrs. Scaer

Mr. Rush

A look at the last few weeks here at LSUS!



8th Grade trip to Concordia Day!



Kindergarten ROUND UP

Monday, December 5, 2022 @ 6 PM

Monday, January 9, 2023 @ 6 PM

All parents with a child that is interested in enrolling in Kindergarten in the Fall 2023. (They must be 5 years old by August 1st, 2023)

- Meet the teacher and principal.
- Hear what a day in kindergarten looks like.
- You will be learning about school expectations.



Ms. Abby Springer is Lutheran South Unity School's kindergarten teacher. She comes to us after teaching three years at Wyneken Lutheran School where she taught first grade.

Ms. Springer graduated from Norwell High School. She also graduated from IPFW in Elementary Education with a concentration in Special Education. Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Ossian, is her home church.

Ms. Springer loves to travel and drink coffee. She prefers to travel through the mountains than spend time on the beach. The most favorite place she has been to is the Wichita Mountains in Oklahoma. Recently she became engaged to a gentleman, Nate, whom she has dated for seven years. She enjoys running and wants to run a marathon next year. A marathon is 26.2 miles and she will be twenty-six. Ms. Springer loves sweets but she refuses to buy them because she says she has no self-control around them.

Journaling each morning is a way that Ms. Springer helps to clear her mind. This way she can begin each day on a productive foot. We congratulate Ms. Springer on her recent engagement. LSUS wishes her many more blessings.

Encouragement Found in Scriptures:

Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!" — 1 Chronicles 16:34



Concordia Lutheran High School Music Department Presents

Christmas at the Embassy

Come and See!

Christ the Lord, the Newborn King!



Concordia Lutheran
High School

December 11- 4:00pm
Historic Embassy Theatre

\$18- Adults/ \$12 Seniors/Students
Tickets at the Embassy Box Office or
Ticketmaster beginning November 11

LUTHERAN SOUTH UNITY SCHOOL

CARAMEL IS BACK!

Large Jar(16 oz.) - \$15

Small Jar (8 oz.) - \$10

Caramel will be sold at:

-LSUS

-Peace

-Bethlehem

-Zion

-Mt. Calvary

or you can contact the
office at 744-0459

Limited quantities, so act now!

Profits from caramel sauce will
go to the Parent Club Fund!





CONCORDIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
6600 N. Clinton Street, Fort Wayne, IN 46825



Music Events in Kramer Chapel

ALL MUSIC EVENTS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

Sunday, November 6 at 4:30 p.m.

Organ Recital

Dr. Jonathan Rudy (Grace Lutheran Church, Clarksville, Tennessee)

Sunday, November 6 at 7:30 p.m.

Choral Vespers

*Schola Cantorum sings Musikalische Exequien (Funeral Music)
by Heinrich Schütz*

Monday, November 7 at 7:30 p.m.

Hymn Festival

Seminary Kantorei, choir

Kantors Kevin Hildebrand and Matthew Machemer, organists

Nov. 6–7 events are also part of the Good Shepherd Institute Conference.

Visit ctsfw.edu/GSI for complete details.

Saturday, December 10 at 4:00 p.m.

Advent Candlelight Evening Prayer

Choirs of CTSFW

For information on other events happening at CTSFW throughout the year, please scan the code or visit ctsfw.edu/Events.



THE LCMS SHARES GOD'S LOVE IN FLORIDA



Almighty God, You command wind and wave. Out of Your mercy, spare us from disaster. Give protection to those endangered by storms on land, sea or air, and give us faith both to call to You in trouble and to trust that You will work everything for our good for the sake of Christ. Amen.

HURRICANE IAN was identified as a tropical depression on Sept. 23. It made landfall in Cuba on Sept. 27, southwest Florida on Sept. 28 and South Carolina on Sept. 30. At its strongest, it came ashore near Fort Myers, Fla., as a Category 4 storm.

The death toll from Ian has surpassed 100 in Florida, with emergency responders continuing to search for survivors. More than 3 million U.S. residents lost power during the storm, and initial damage estimates place losses in excess of \$100 billion. Another \$60 billion is estimated to be paid out by insurance companies.

LCMS Disaster Response continues to work closely with the LCMS Florida-Georgia District and local congregations to address immediate needs. The LCMS has also established a volunteer response camp in Fort Myers as a base for long-term aid. Thanks to many generous people in the LCMS, supplies are already being delivered to that facility.

There are and will be many opportunities to volunteer or contribute to the ongoing care for people in Florida.

Individuals, congregations and groups wanting to contribute through the LCMS to the response can:

TEXT the keyword **LCMSHURRICANES** to the number **41-444**.

VISIT
lcms.org/givenow/hurricane.

MAIL
Checks can be made payable to The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, with “Hurricane Response” written on the memo line. Send to:

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, P.O. Box 66861,
St. Louis, MO 63166-6861.

CALL 888-930-4438.

The Florida-Georgia District is also receiving direct contributions to support its hurricane response at flgadistrict.org/give. *(The LCMS is not sending direct donation appeals into the Florida-Georgia District, so that individuals and congregations there do not experience duplicate or competing solicitations.)*

FOR ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE or to ask questions about donating, call **LCMS Mission Advancement's Contributor Care Line** at **888-930-4438**.

To see current volunteer opportunities and sign up to volunteer:

VISIT lcms.org/disaster.