**Welcome to Zion!**

Guests please record your attendance on a *pink* pad in the pew rack and let us know how we can be of service to you.

***Holy Communion at Zion***

The Lord’s Supper is celebrated at this congregation as Jesus has given it. As he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord’s body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with our pastor. He is happy to visit with you about the Christian faith and how to receive the Lord’s Supper for your good and for the good of others. *All communicants* need to register in the narthex prior to the service.

***The Lord Jesus Comes in Humility to Redeem Us***

The season of Advent focuses on the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and this first Sunday establishes this theme for the rest of the season. The Son of God came long ago to be our Savior, *“a righteous Branch”* descended from David (Jer. 33:15). As He then came into Jerusalem, riding on a lowly donkey to sacrifice Himself for the sins of the world (Luke 19:28-40), so does He come to His Church today in the humility of Word and Sacrament to deliver the fruits of His Passion: the forgiveness of sins and eternal life. He absolves us and establishes our hearts *“blameless in holiness before our God and Father”* (1 Thess. 3:13). The same Lord Jesus, who came to Jerusalem then and who comes to us now in peace, will come again with power and great glory on the Last Day. Then there will be *“distress of nations in perplexity,”* with *“people fainting in fear.”* Yet, as we anticipate that great and terrible day, He bids us to rest securely in Him: *“Raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near”* (Luke 21:25, 26, 28).

**In Our Prayers**

***Members of Zion:***

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| Marc & Lyn Hoffman | Awaiting Adoption |
| Tracy Schake | Expectant mother |
| Judy Ahrens | Healing |
| Vaughn Albrecht | Healing |
| Diane Altwine | Healing |
| Vivian Axmann | Healing |
| Elaine Buss | Healing |
| Lyle Colsden | Healing |
| Pat Flodine | Healing |
| Valarie Gant | Healing |
| Ramona Gaunt | Healing |
| Verleen Gentry | Healing |
| Chelsea Herrera | Expectant mother |
| Morris Hilgenkamp | Good Samaritan Society, Alma |
| Sharon Kreutzer | Healing |
| Charlie Marienau | Healing |
| Travis McKillop | Healing |
| Lavonne Peterson | Healing |
| Hulda Smith | Healing |
| Gretchen Trampe | Healing |
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***Family and Friends of Zion Members:***

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| Dean & Chris BeeBee(Valarie Gant’s Granddaughter and husband) | Healing |
| Dawson Caveness *(Helmbrecht’s friend)* | Healing |
| Patty Ellis (*Fran Junge’s sister)* | Chemo |
| Ken Erickson (*Friend of Richmond’s and Florang’s)* | Cancer |
| Marcella Esslinger *(Marilyn Fuqua’s sister*) | Cancer |
| Jeweldine Gaibler *(Joyce Hartman’s mother)* | Healing |
| Paul Graham ( Michelle Clark’s father) | Healing |
| Dorothy Helmbrecht *(Don Helmbrecht’s mother)* | Healing |
| Elizabeth Hinrichs *(Adam & Jami Helmbrecht’s friend)* | Healing |
| Roger Hoffman (Marc’s father) | Healing |
| Family of Ann Kirchner (*Tyler Kirchner’s Aunt)* | Grief |
| Jerry Martensn *(Anna Martenson’s son)* | Cancer |
| Hans McGraw *(Michelle Millsap’s friend)*  | Healing |
| Kari McIntosh (Friend of Michelle Millsaps) | Cancer |
| Larry Mustard *(Betty’s Son)* | Surgery/Healing |
| Deanne North *(Michelle Millsap’s mother)* | Healing |
| Don Purvis (*Katie Nuttelman’s friend’s father)* | Healing |
| Donna Peterson *( Lavonne Peterson’s cousin)* | Cancer |
| Jewel Scarborough (*Evelyn Heiden’s daughter in-law)* | Surgery |
| Joe Sikes (*Wayne and Dorothy’s son)* | Cancer |
| Floyd Stutzman *(Friend of Bruce & Joni Brooks)* | Healing |
| Rev. James, Rev. Trump, Kristen Matasovsky | Missionaries |
| Kyle Melroy, John Christensen, Cole & Trent MacKley | Military |
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| **Preparation** |
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| **Sun****11/29** | 9:00a10:15a10:15aBirthdays | Divine ServiceSunday SchoolBible StudyChristopher Hoehner |
| **Mon****11/30** | 12:00pBirthdays | --- |
| **Tu**es**12/1** | 1:30p7:00pBirthdays | Sleeping matsBoard of StewardshipMichael DulitzRobert SchmidtMakenna Starkey |
| **Wed****12/2** | 8:30a5:30p5:45p6:00p7:00p8:00pBirthdays | ChapelAdvent MealMidweekHandbellsAdvent ServiceAdult Choir--- |
| **Thurs****12/3** | 2:00p7:00pBirthdays | ConcordiaBoard of Education--- |
| **Fri****12/4** | Birthdays | Carson Richter |
| **Sat****12/5** | 9:00a5:00pBirthdays | Divine ServiceBailey BatesAdam Herrera |
| **Sun****12/6** | 9:00a10:15a10:15a2:00pBirthdays | Divine ServiceSunday SchoolBible StudyCongregational Christmas Caroling--- |

# Serving in Worship Today

**Organist: Carol DeLoach**

**Acolyte: Blake Wilbur**

**Elder: Bruce Brooks**

**Usher: Dan Oertwig**

**Announcer: Lavonne Peterson**

**Altar Guild: Brooke Fisher**

**Special Music: Sunday School Choir**

# Serving in Worship Wednesday

# December 2, 7:00pm

**Organist: Teresa Leising**

**Acolyte: Alexis Wommer**

**Elder: Keith Nuttelman**

**Usher: Roger Riekenburg and Bob Glazer**

**Altar Guild: Shirley Helmbrecht and**

 **Bev Nuttelman**

# Serving in Worship Next Sunday

# December 6, 9:00am

**Organist: Teresa Leising**

**Acolyte: Bailey Bates**

**Elder: Keith Nuttelman**

**Usher: Fred Flesner and Keith Nuttelman**

**Announcer: Brooke Fisher**

**Altar Guild: Shirley Helmbrecht and**

 **Bev Nuttelman**

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