**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 Preaching of Repentance Prepares Us for the Coming of the Lord***

The preaching and Baptism *“of repentance for the forgiveness of sins”* (Luke 3:3) prepare us for the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. The historic work of John the Baptist was completed with the first advent of our Lord Jesus in the flesh, but the ministry of the forerunner continues in the preaching of Law and Gospel and in Holy Baptism. Through His messengers, the Lord calls people of all nations to *“see the salvation of God”* (Luke 3:6). Our haughtiness is removed and our mountains of pride are brought low, but the Lord humbles us in order to exalt us in His mercy. As the Lord has begun this good work of repentance in us, so also does He perfect it by His Word and Holy Spirit, and He *“will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ”* (Phil. 1:6). He purifies us to be His priestly people, precious in His sight and abounding in faith and love, so that we offer our very lives in righteousness to the Lord (Mal. 3:3–4).

**In Our Prayers**

***Members of Zion:***

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| Marc & Lyn Hoffman | Awaiting Adoption |
| Tracy Schake | Expectant mother |
| Chelsea Herrera | Expectant mother |
| Naomi Wollberg | 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 |
| Morris Hilgenkamp | Good Samaritan Society, Alma |
| Erv Kelley | Awaiting Surgery |
| Sharon Kreutzer | Healing |
| Charlie Marienau | Healing |
| Anna Martenson | 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 |
| Jerry Brandt *(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 |
| 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)* | Healing |
| 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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| **Divine Service Four** |
| **Welcome & Announcements** |  |
| **Preparation** |
| **Opening Hymn** | **#936** |
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| **Service of the Word** |
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| **Kyrie** | p. 204 |
| ***“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” Vs. 2*****O come, Thou Wisdom from on high,****Who ord’rest all things mightily:****To us the path of knowledge show,****And teach us in her ways to go.** **Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel****Shall come to thee, O Israel!** |
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| **Collect of the Day** | Bulletin Insert |
| **Response** | p. 205  |
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| **Sun****12/6** | 9:00a10:15a10:15a2:00pBirthdays | Divine ServiceSunday SchoolBible StudyCongregtional Christmas Caroling--- |
| **Mon****12/7** | Birthdays | Kelley ClarkLeah Vogel |
| **Tu**es**12/8** | 7:00p7:00pBirthdays | Board of EldersBoard of TrusteesBret Ward |
| **Wed****12/9** | 8:25a5:30p5:45p6:00p7:00p8:00pBirthdays | ChapelAdvent MealMidweekHandbellsAdvent ServiceAdult ChoirVictoria CrowWilliam HansenAlexandra Splittgerber |
| **Thurs****12/10** | 7:00pBirthdays | Board of EducationHannah Zobel |
| **Fri****12/11** | Birthdays | --- |
| **Sat****12/12** | 9:00aBirthdays | Children’s Christmas RehearsalHailey Walker |
| **Sun****12/13** | 9:00a10:15a10:15a4:00pBirthdays | Divine ServiceSunday SchoolBible StudySchool Christmas Service**Our Response to the Gospel**Date: 11-25-2015Attendance: 69Date: 11/29/2015Attendance: 140Offering: $5,933.90 Weekly Need: $7,333Claudette Kelley |

# Serving in Worship Today

**Organist: Carol DeLoach**

**Acolyte: Bailey Bates**

**Elder: Keith Nuttelman**

**Usher: Fred Flesner and Keith Nuttelman**

**Announcer: Brooke Fisher**

**Altar Guild: Shirley Helmbrecht and**

 **Bev Nuttelman**

# Serving in Worship Wednesday

# December 9, 7:00pm

**Organist: Teresa Leising**

**Acolyte: Abigail DeLoach**

**Elder: Keith Nuttelman**

**Usher: Fred Flessner and Keith Nuttelman**

**Altar Guild: Shirley Helmbrecht and**

 **Bev Nuttelman**

# Serving in Worship Next Sunday

# December 13, 9:00am

**Organist: Teresa Leising**

**Acolyte: Madisen Eckhoff**

**Elder: Jeff Halvorsen**

**Usher: Marc Hoffman and Steve Junge**

**Announcer: Carol Kreutzer**

**Altar Guild: Shirley Helmbrecht and**

 **Bev Nuttelman**

**Special Music: Women’s Adult Choir**

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