**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. *All communicants* need to register in the narthex prior to the service.

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, are asked not to commune until they are able to speak with our pastor first. 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. Those not communing are invited to come to the altar, cross your arms in front of you, and bow your head to receive a pastoral blessing.

***You Are Prepared through Repentance for the Coming of the Lord***

*“The gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God”* (Mark 1:1) begins when John the Baptist appears and comes *“proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins”* (Mark 1:4). As the prophet Isaiah had written, John is the messenger of the Lord, sent before His face to prepare His way. To this day, the ministry of the forerunner continues in the preaching of the Law and the Gospel and in the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. By these ways and means, *“the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together”* (Is. 40:5), and the Good Shepherd *“will gather the lambs in his arms”* (Is. 40:11). He speaks *“tenderly to Jerusalem,”* and He comforts His people by pardoning their iniquity (Is. 40:1–2). What is more, He promises *“new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells”* (2 Peter 3:13). Repent, therefore, and humble yourself as you wait for His coming in peace (2 Peter 3:14), because He *“is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance”* (2 Peter 3:9).

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| **Prayers for Our Members** |
| Marc & Lyn Hoffman | Awaiting Adoption |
| Amy Hodgson, Amy Nuttelman, Naomi Wollberg, Ashli Florang, Jade Florang | Expectant mothers |
| Judy Ahrens | Healing |
| Tom Altwine | Healing |
| Vivian Axmann (Mother Hull) | Healing |
| Elaine Buss (The Regency) | Healing |
| Lyle Colsden *(Mother Hull)* | Healing |
| Family of Ron DeLaet | Comfort |
| Pat Flodine *(Cambridge Court)* | Healing |
| Vi Fox | Healing |
| Ruby Hatfield | Healing |
| Evelyn Heiden | Healing |
| Bryceton Herrera | Healing |
| Bernard Kuhl (Lakeview G.I.) | Healing |
| Allen Mitchel | Healing |
| Lavonne Peterson | Healing |
| Marion Richmond | Healing |
| Geraldine Roeder  | Healing |
| Brienne Splittgerber | Law Enforcement |
| Hazel Stickney (Prairie View) | Healing |
| Carolyn Westman | Healing |
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| ***Prayers for Our Members’ Family & Friends*** |
| Don Berg (*Evelyn Heiden’s brother*) | Healing |
| Will Brennemann (*Jami Helmbrecht’s father)* | Memory Care |
| Sherry Campbell (*Judy Ahren’s cousin)* | Healing |
| Patty Ellis (*Fran Junge’s sister)* | Cancer |
| Ken Erickson (*Friend of Richmond’s and Florang’s)* | Cancer |
| Marcella Esslinger *(Marilyn Fuqua’s sister*) | Cancer |
| Jeweldine Gaibler *(Joyce Hartman’s mother)* | Healing |
| Barb Gillion (*Shirley Helmbrecht’s friend)* | Cancer |
| Lois Hanson (*Pastor Hanson’s wife*) | Healing |
| Carol Haubold (*Don Helmbrecht’s sister*) | Cancer |
| Roger Hoffman *(Marc’s father)* | Healing |
| Ron Koch (*Pam Uhlir’s cousin)* | Cancer |
|  Linda Luhn *(Kim Vos’s mother)* | Cancer |
| Sharon Mulhair ( *Pam Uhlir’s cousin)* | Cancer |
| Donna Peterson *(Lavonne Peterson’s cousin)* | Cancer |
| Christiana Rieker (*Lonna Gronewoller’s cousin)* | Cancer |
| Barry Rich (*Bruce & Ann Fattig’s Brother-in-law*) | Healing |
| Ashli Tolle ( *Todd Willers’ friend)* | Healing |
| Tyrone Uhlir(*Pam’s nephew)* | Cancer |
| Betty Wilken (*Carol Florang’s mother)* | Healing |
| Rev. James, Rev. Trump,  | Missionaries |
| Kyle Melroy, John Christensen, Trent MacKley, Scott Catterson | Military |
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# Serving in Worship This Sunday

# December 10, 9:00am

Acolyte: Alexandra Splittgerber

Elder: Craig Nuttelman

Usher: Marc Hoffman & Steve Junge

Engineer: Rich Kreutzer

Announcer: Brooke Fisher

Altar Guild: Shirley Helmbrecht & Bev Nuttelman

# Serving in Worship This Wednesday

# December 13, 7:00pm

Acolyte: Kaitlyn Kaufman

Elder: Craig Nuttelman

Usher: Marc Hoffman & Steve Junge

Engineer: Rich Kreutzer

Altar Guild: Shirley Helmbrecht & Bev Nuttelman

# Serving in Worship Next Sunday

# December 17, 9:00am

Acolyte: Lindsay Wilkens

Elder: Jeff Halvorsen

Usher: Roger Riekenberg & Bob Glanzer

Engineer: Jared Nuttelman

Announcer: Lonna Gronewoller

Altar Guild: Shirley Helmbrecht & Bev Nuttelman

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| **Sun****12/10** | 9:00a10:15a10:15a4:30p | Divine Service**This Week at Zion**Sunday SchoolBible StudySchool Christmas Program |
| **Mon****12/11** | 7:00pBirthdays | Mary Martha--- |
| **Tues****12/12** | 1:30p6:00p7:00p7:00p7:00pBirthdays | Sleeping MatsSchool FoundationBoard of EldersBoard of TrusteesChurch Foundation--- |
| **Wed****12/13** | 8:25a5:30p5:45p6:00p7:00p8:00pBirthdays | ChapelAdvent MealMidweekHandbellsAdvent ServiceAdult Choir--- |
| **Thurs****12/14** | 6:00-9:00pBirthdays | Raising Cane’s FundraiserVaughn Albrecht |
| **Fri****12/15** | Birthdays | Kasey Potter |
| **Sat****12/16** | 9:30a5:00pBirthdays | Christmas Eve RehearsalDivine Service |
| **Sun****12/17** | 9:00a10:15a10:15a10:30aBirthdays | Divine ServiceSunday SchoolAdult Bible StudyYouth Christmas PartyLillian PodanyMarion RichmondJudy Tadlock |

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**Our Response to the Gospel**

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 **Second Sunday in Advent December 10, 2017**

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