**Welcome to Zion!**

***All worshippers please fill out an attendance card in the pew rack and let us know how we might 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.

***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 with 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).

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| **Prayers for Our Members** |
| Marc & Lyn Hoffman | Awaiting Adoption |
| Chelsea Junge | Expectant Mother |
| Adam and Chelsea Herrera | Gift of a Son |
| Norman Abels *(At Home)* | Healing |
| Judy Ahrens | Healing |
| Vaughn Albrecht *(Northridge)* | Healing |
| Tom & DyAnn Altwine | Healing |
| Bruce Brooks | Healing |
| Elaine Buss *(Cambridge Court)* | Healing |
| Jana Flessner | Healing |
| Pat Flodine *(Cambridge Court)* | Healing |
| Vi Fox | Healing |
| Marilyn Fuqua | Healing |
| Verleen Gentry | Healing |
| Jan Hatfield | Healing |
|  Henry Hodgson | Upcoming surgery |
|  Fran Junge | Healing |
| Lavonne Peterson  | Healing |
| Geraldine Roeder | Healing |
| Jane Schmid | Healing |
| Sylvia Schmidt | Healing |
| Dorothy Sikes | Healing |
| Pam Uhlir | Healing |
| Bryceton Herrera | Healing |
| Kim Vos | Cancer |
| Cinda Ward | Healing |
| **Prayers for Our Members’ Family & Friends** |
| Will Brennemann (*Jami Helmbrecht’s father)* | Memory Care |
| Don Berg (*Evelyn Heiden’s brother*) | Healing |
| Sherry Campbell (*Judy Ahren’s cousin)* | Healing |
| Lois Hanson (*Pastor Hanson’s wife*) | Healing |
| Norman Hockemeier *(Ken’s father)* | Transition |
| Roger Hoffman *(Marc’s father)* | Healing |
| Miles Margritz (*Wanda Glanzer’s nephew)* | Healing |
| Ernie North *(Michelle Millsap’s father)* | Healing |
| Carol Shiers (Jessica ShiersBlattner’s mother) | Upcoming surgery |
| Rick Uhlir *(Pam Uhlir’s brother)* | Healing |
| Tyler Christensen (*Bruce & Joni Brooks nephew*) | Cancer |
| Corey Ellis (*Judy Tadlock’s nephew)* | Cancer |
| Patty Ellis (*Fran Junge’s sister)* | Cancer |
| Barb Gillion (*Shirley Helmbrecht’s friend)* | Cancer |
| Carol Haubold (*Don Helmbrecht’s sister*) | Cancer |
| Bill Jedlicka (*Pam Uhlir’s cousin)* | Cancer |
| Carol Jilg (*Rich and LaRae Crow’s friend)* | Cancer |
| Sharon Mulhair (*Pam Uhlir’s cousin)* | Cancer |
| Donna Peterson *(Lavonne Peterson’s cousin)* | Cancer |
| Gayla Probasco (*Lewis & Carolyn Westman’s friend)* | Brain Surgery/Cancer |
|  Wyatt Smidt *(Zion student Ashyln Smidt’s brother)* | Cancer |
| Tyrone Uhlir (*Pam’s nephew)* | Cancer |
| Pr.James, Pr. Clausing, Our sister congregations in Haiti | Missionaries |
| John Christensen, Dustin Schutt, Charles Nickles | Military |
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| ***Setting Three*** |
| **Preparation** |  |
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|  **Kyrie** |  **p. 186** |
| **“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” Vs. 1****O come, O come Emmanuel****And Ransom captive Israel,****That mourns in lonely exile here****Until the Son of God appear.****Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel****Shall come to thee, O Israel!** |
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# Serving in Worship Today

# December 2, 9:00am

Acolyte: Lindsay Wilkens

Elder: Keith Nuttelman

Usher: Fred Flessner & Lennis Hodgson

Engineer: Peter Kreutzer

Announcer: Carol Kreutzer

Altar Guild: Shirley Helmbrecht and Bev Nuttelman

Special Music: Choir

# Serving in Worship Wednesday

# December 5, 7:00pm

Acolyte: Shelby Clark

Elder: Keith Nuttelman

Usher: Fred Flessner & Lennis Hodgson

Engineer: Peter Kreutzer

Altar Guild: Shirley Helmbrecht and Bev Nuttelman

# Serving in Worship Next Sunday

# December 9, 9:00am

Acolyte: Morgan Dulitz

Elder: Ken Hockemeier

Usher: Marc Hoffman Steve Junge

Engineer: Rich Kreutzer

Announcer: Brooke Fisher

Altar Guild: Shirley Helmbrecht and Bev Nuttelman

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| **Sun****12/02** | 9:00a10:15a10:15aBirthdaysAnniversary | Divine ServiceSunday SchoolBible Study---Charles & Bertha Marienau |
| **Mon****12/03** | Birthdays | --- |
| **Tues****12/04** | 7:00p7:00pBirthdays | Board of EducationBoard of Stewardship--- |
| **Wed****12/05** | 8:255:00p5:30p5:45p6:00p7:00p8:00pBirthdays | ChapelHandchimesAdvent MealMidweekHandbellsAdvent ServiceChoirBailey BatesAdam Herrera |
| **Thurs****12/06** | 2:00Birthdays | Helping Hands --- |
| **Fri****12/07** | Birthdays | Kelly ClarkLeah Vogel |
| **Sat****12/08** | 9:00a5:00pBirthdays | Children’s Christmas RehearsalDivine Service--- |
| **Sun****12/09** | 9:00a10:15a10:15a4:30p | Divine ServiceSunday SchoolVoters MeetingSchool Christmas Program |

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