**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 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 Living and Life-Giving Word of God Dwells Among Us in the Flesh***

The Lord sends out His ministers of the Gospel to make disciples *“of all the nations,”* so that *“all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.”* The Lord has *“bared his holy arm”* in the incarnate Christ (Is. 52:7, 10). The child in the manger, born of the Virgin Mary, is the very Word of God, the only begotten Son of the Father, *“whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world”* (Heb. 1:2). As *“all things were made through him”* (John 1:3), so are all things redeemed and made new in Him. In His body of flesh and blood, we behold *“the radiance of the glory of God”* (Heb. 1:3), *“glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth”* (John 1:14). He dwells among us in peace, that we might have life and light and salvation in Him. For by His Word of the Gospel, we are born again as the children of God, bearing His name and sharing His eternal life.

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| **Prayers for Our Members** | | | | | | | | | | |
| Naomi Wollberg | | | | | | | | | | Expectant Mother |
| Norman Abels (Brookstone Meadows –Omaha) | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Judy Ahrens | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Vaughn Albrecht (Northridge) | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Kay Banner | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Lyle Colsden | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Brenda Fletcher | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Pat Flodine (Cambridge Court) | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Vi Fox (Prairie View) | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Verleen Gentry | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Ruby Hatfield | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Evelyn Heiden (Home) | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Ken Hockemeier | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Keith Nuttelman | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Geraldine Roeder | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Sylvia Schmid | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Dorothy Sikes | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Jeff Strong | | | | | | | | | | Healing at home |
| Tom Altwine | | | | | | | | | | Hospitalized |
| Dwight Farmer | | | | | | | | | | Cancer |
| Bev Nuttelman | | | | | | | | | | Cancer |
| Kim Vos | | | | | | | | | | Cancer |
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| **Prayers for Our Members’ Family & Friends** | | | | | | | | | | |
| Brittany Helmbrecht *(Don & Shirley’s daughter-in-law)* | | | | | | | | | | Expectant Mother |
| Kelsey North *(daughter-in-law of Michelle & Boyd Millsap)* | | | | | | | | | | Thanksgiving |
| Ava Jean Winnie *(Nic Kitzing’s cousin)* | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Members of Zion Lutheran North Shelton | | | | | | | | | | Loss & Restoration |
| Will Brennemann *(Jami Helmbrecht’s father)* | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Don Berg *(Evelyn Heiden’s brother)* | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Reg Duke *(Westman’s brother-in-law)* | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| James Gentry *(Verleen Gentry’s son)* | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Mark Glover *(Shirley Helmbrecht’s brother)* | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Richard Glover *(Shirley Helmbrecht’s brother)* | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Lois Hanson *(Pastor Hanson’s wife)* | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Norman Hockemeier *(Ken’s father)* | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Roger Hoffman *(Marc’s father)* | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Weston Mackie *(Wes & Mary Fiddelke’s grandson)* | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Miles Margritz *(Wanda Glanzer’s nephew)* | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Paul Nerz *(Norbert and Margaret Smith son-in-law)* | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Randy Solomon *(Beth Rosenthal’s father)* | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Mary Ann Mertz *(Pam’s Uhlir’s friend)* | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Roy Reynolds *(Verleen Gentry’s son-in-law)* | | | | | | | | | | Healing |
| Tyler Christensen *(Bruce & Joni Brooks nephew)* | | | | | | | | | | Cancer |
| Patty Ellis *(Fran Junge’s sister)* | | | | | | | | | | Cancer |
| Ron Halvorsen *(Jeff’s dad)* | | | | | | | | | | Cancer |
| Carol Haubold *(Don Helmbrecht’s sister)* | | | | | | | | | | Cancer |
| Fred Koch *(Pam Uhlir’s cousin)* | | | | | | | | | | Cancer |
| Lynda Kreutzer (*Rich & Carol’s sister-in-law)* | | | | | | | | | | Cancer |
| Sharon Mulhair *(Pam Uhlir’s cousin)* | | | | | | | | | | Cancer |
| Wyatt Smidt *(Zion student)* | | | | | | | | | | Cancer |
| Tyrone Uhlir *(Pam’s nephew)* | | | | | | | | | | Cancer |
| Pr.James, Pr. Clausing, Our sister congregations in Haiti | | | | | | | | | | Missionaries |
| John Christensen and Adam Porter  **Note: The items in bold are new additions or changes** | | | | | | | | | | Military |
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# Serving in Worship

# Christmas Day, December 25, 10:00am

Acolyte: Sophia Strong Crucifer: Reilly Fisher

Elder: Dan Oertwig

Usher: Mike Wilkens & Jeff Strong

Engineer: Shawn Starkey

Altar Guild: Shirley Helmbrecht & Beth Rosenthal

# Sunday, December 29, 9:00am

Acolyte: Isaiah Gaunt

Elder: Nathan Gaunt

Usher: Marc Hoffman & Steve Junge

Engineer: Peter Kreutzer

Announcer: Lonna Gronewoller

Altar Guild: Shirley Helmbrecht & Beth Rosenthal

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| **Wed**  **12/25** | **10:00a**  *Birthdays*  *Anniversaries* | **NO School/Office Closed**  **Christmas Day Service**  *Brandon Fletcher*  *Kaitlyn Kaufman*  *---* |
| **Thurs**  **12/26** | *Birthdays*  *Anniversaries* | **NO School/Office Closed**  *Jana Flessner*  *Lyn Hoffman*  *---* |
| **Fri**  **12/27** | **2:30p**  *Birthdays*  *Anniversaries* | **NO School/Office Closed**  **Vets Home Service**  *DyAnn Altwine*  *Allison Wilkens*  *---* |
| **Sat**  **12/28** | **5:00p**  *Birthdays*  *Anniversaries* | **Divine Service**  *Zachariah DeLoach*  *Don Engel*  *Jacqulyn Zehendner*  *---* |
| **Sun**  **12/29** | **9:00a**  **10:15a**  **10:30a**  *Birthdays*  *Anniversaries* | **Divine Service**  **Sunday School**  **Bible Study**  Chelsea Herrera  *---* |

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