**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 Is Found in the Temple of His Church***

The Lord Jesus *“grew and became strong”* (Luke 2:40); He *“increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man”* (Luke 2:52). As His body grew and developed, His mind also increased in knowledge and understanding. For as our brother in the flesh, that we might *“have redemption through his blood”* (Eph. 1:7), He lived by faith in the Word of His Father. Thus, He was catechized by His parents, who took Him up *“to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover”* (Luke 2:41); and when He was of age, He gave attention to the Holy Scriptures in His Father’s house (Luke 2:46, 49). Christ Jesus is still found in His Church, in *“the word of truth, the gospel,”* by which we are adopted by His Father and sealed with His Spirit (Eph. 1:5, 13). Thus do we gain *“an understanding mind”* to go about our vocations, discerning *“between good and evil”* (1 Kings 3:9). And so do we also go up to Jerusalem, to stand *“before the ark of the covenant of the Lord”* (1 Kings 3:15), that is, in the Holy Communion of His body and blood.

**In Our Prayers**

***Members of Zion:***

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| Marc & Lyn Hoffman | Awaiting Adoption |
| Tracy Schake, Chelsea Herrera, Naomi Wollberg | Expectant mothers |
| Judy Ahrens | Healing |
| Vaughn Albrecht | Healing |
| Diane Altwine | Healing |
| Vivian Axmann | Healing |
| Elaine Buss | Healing |
| Lyle Colsden | Healing |
| Ron DeLaet | Hospitalized |
| Family & friends of Vera Ehrlich | Grief |
| Pat Flodine | Healing |
| Valarie Gant | Healing |
| Ramona Gaunt | Healing |
| Verleen Gentry | Healing |
| Morris Hilgenkamp | Good Samaritan Society, Alma |
| Sharon Kreutzer | Healing |
| Charlie Marienau | Healing |
| Anna Martenson | Healing |
| Travis McKillip | Healing |
| Lavonne Peterson | Healing |
| Hulda Smith | Healing |
| Gretchen Trampe | Healing |
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***Family and Friends of Zion Members:***

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| Rob Anway (*Nancy Dissmeyer friend)* | Healing |
| Dean & Chris BeeBee(*Valarie Gant’s Granddaughter and husband)* | Healing |
| Leona Carlson (*Elaine Stuehm’s sister)* | Hospice care |
| 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 |
| Joe Sikes (*Wayne and Dorothy’s son)* | Cancer |
| Floyd Stutzman *(Friend of Bruce & Joni Brooks)* | Healing |
| Tyrone Uhlir (*Pam Uhlir’s nephew*) | Healing |
| Rev. James, Rev. Trump, Kristen Matasovsky | Missionaries |
| Kyle Melroy, John Christensen, Cole & Trent MacKley | Military |
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# Serving in Worship Today

**Organist: Carol DeLoach**

**Acolyte: Zach DeLoach**

**Elder: Keith Nuttelman**

**Usher: Fred Flessner & Keith Nuttelman**

**Engineer: Peter Kreutzer**

**Announcer: Brooke Fisher**

**Altar Guild: Sheryl Fox & Shirley Oertwig**

# Serving in Worship Wednesday

# January 6, 7:00pm

**Organist: Teresa Leising**

**Acolyte: Allison Wilkens**

**Elder: Keith Nuttelman**

**Usher: Fred Flessner & Keith Nuttelman**

**Engineer: Peter Kreutzer**

**Altar Guild: Sheryl Fox & Shirley Oertwig**

# Serving in Worship Next Sunday

# January10, 9:00am

**Organist: Teresa Leising**

**Acolyte: Peter Kreutzer**

**Elder: Bruce Brooks**

**Usher: Marc Hoffman & Steve Junge**

**Engineer: Rich Kreutzer**

**Announcer: Lonna Gronewoller**

**Altar Guild: Sheryl Fox & Shirley Oertwig**

**This Week at Zion**

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| **Sun****1/03** | 9:00a10:15a10:15aBirthdays | Divine ServiceSunday SchoolBible Study--- |
| **Mon****1/04** | Birthdays | Ella BartleyDeb JohnsonTodd Koopman |
| **Tu**es**1/05** | 7:00pBirthdays | Bd. of StewardshipAaron Hockemeier |
| **Wed****1/06** | 8:25a5:45p7:00pBirthdays | ChapelMidweekEpiphany Service--- |
| **Thurs****1/07** | 2:00p7:00pBirthdays | ConcordiaBd. of EducationTitus Gaunt |
| **Fri****1/08** | Birthdays | Don Trampe |
| **Sat****1/09** | 5:00pBirthdays | Divine Service--- |
| **Sun****1/10** | 9:00a10:15a10:15a | Divine ServiceSunday SchoolBible Study |

**Our Response to the Gospel**

Date: 12/27/2015

Attendance: 115

Offering: $8,453.85

Weekly Need: $7,333

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