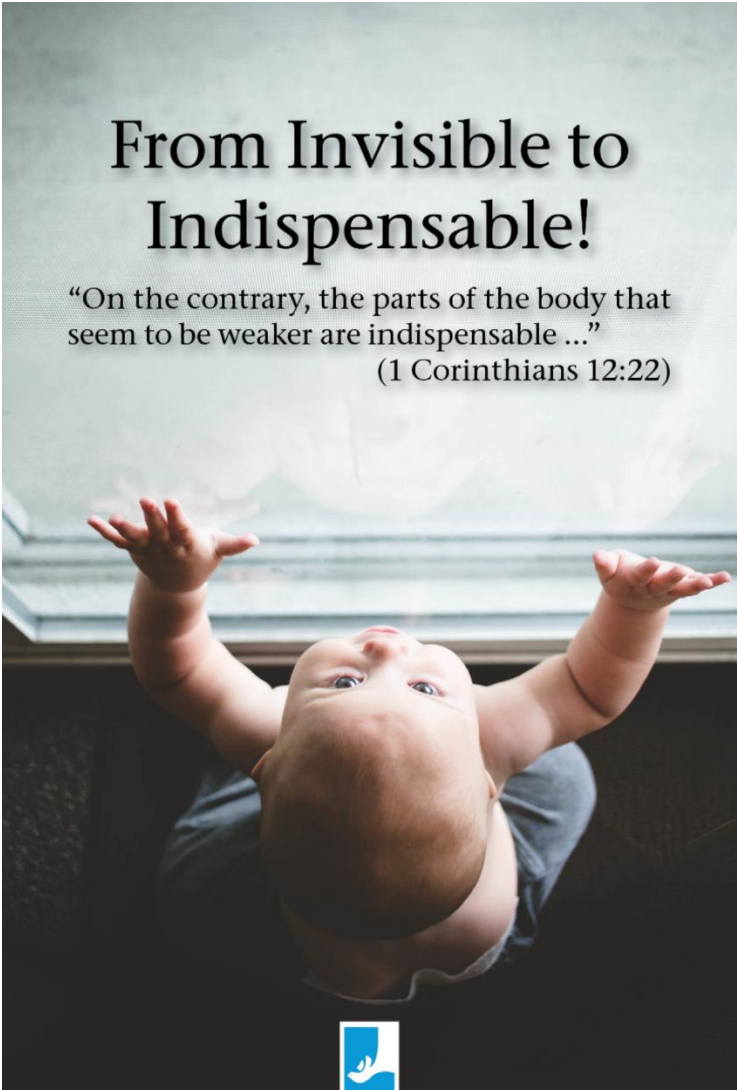


Divine Service

From Invisible to Indispensable!

“On the contrary, the parts of the body that
seem to be weaker are indispensable ...”

(1 Corinthians 12:22)



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Sanctity of Life Sunday

January 24, 2021

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.

In January 24, 2021, many Lutheran churches across the country will observe Sanctity of Life Sunday. As part of this, dozens of congregations will collect an offering for Lutherans For Life (LFL). The number of churches and church auxiliaries participating continues to go up. In 2018, 8.5% of churches helped LFL. This support is also vital since 95% of our funding comes from individuals and churches. We receive no subsidies, tuition, insurance, or government reimbursement, etc.

LFL is excited to announce a brand new multi-generational online and in-person opportunity: **Life Week 2021: Invisible to Indispensable**. Plan to join us each day from **Saturday, January 23, through Saturday, January 30, 2021**, to learn about, share, and build excitement For Life in your

home, church, school, and community! Each themed day will explore a distinct aspect of life ministry through local activities, online educational events, and interviews. Go to <https://lutheransforlife.org/life-week-2021/> in order to find more information.

Zion Lutheran Church Kearney, Nebraska

847 Christ, Our Human Likeness Sharing



1 Christ, our hu - man	like - ness shar - ing,	Heav - en's love on
2 Hear the word that	Christ has spo - ken,	Help the weak, the
3 Christ, in ev - 'ry	con - gre - ga - tion	Build Your tem - ple,
4 Come, O liv - ing	Christ, re - new us,	As of old in



earth por - trayed;	Christ the Shep - herd,	tend - ing, car - ing,
hun - gry feed;	See the pow'rs of	dark - ness bro - ken,
stone by stone;	With Your word as	firm foun - da - tion
wind and flame;	With the Spir - it's	pow'r en - due us,



In His death our ran - som paid:	Christ the Sav - ior,	Christ the Sav - ior,
Sin - ners par - doned, cap - tives freed:	Christ the Sav - ior,	Christ the Sav - ior,
For a faith ma - tured and grown:	Christ the Sav - ior,	Christ the Sav - ior,
Ser - vants of Your sav - ing name:	Christ the Sav - ior,	



Christ the Ser - vant,	Be Your life in us dis - played.	Christ the Ser - vant,
Christ the Ser - vant,	Help us meet our neigh - bor's need.	Christ the Ser - vant,
Christ the Ser - vant,	Make in us Your Gos - pel known.	Christ the Ser - vant,
Christ the Ser - vant,	Christ whose king - dom we pro - claim.	

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The sign of the cross may be made as a remembrance of ones baptism.

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Introit

Psalm 68:4-6, 19-20

P Sing to God, sing praises | to his name;*

C lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts; his name is the Lord; exult be- | fore him!

P Father of the fatherless and protector of | widows*

C is God in his holy habi- | tation.

P God settles the solitary in a home; he leads out the prisoners to pros- | perity,*

C but the rebellious dwell in a | parched land.

P Blessed be the Lord, who daily | bears us up;*

C God is our sal- | vation.

P Our God is a God of sal- | vation*

C and to God, the Lord, belong deliverances | from death.

C Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit; as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

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A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

Salutation



P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

Collect

P Almighty God, open our eyes to behold Your great love toward us in the humility of Your Son and to know Him in the least ones, that we may serve You by serving our neighbors, until You gather us together to rejoice as brothers and sisters in Your everlasting kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

1 Samuel 16:4–13

⁴Samuel did what the LORD commanded and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling and said, “Do you come peaceably?” ⁵And he said, “Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD. Consecrate yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

⁶When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the LORD’s anointed is before him.” ⁷But the LORD said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the LORD sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.” ⁸Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. And he said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” ⁹Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” ¹⁰And Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. And Samuel said to Jesse, “The LORD has not chosen these.”

¹¹Then Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but behold, he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and get him, for we will not sit down till he comes here.” ¹²And he sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and had beautiful eyes and was handsome. And the LORD said, “Arise, anoint him, for this is he.” ¹³Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers. And the Spirit of the LORD rushed upon David from that day forward. And Samuel rose up and went to Ramah.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Psalms 117:1–2a; 96:8

Praise the LORD, all | nations!*

Extol him, all | peoples!

For great is his steadfast | love toward us,*

and the faithfulness of the LORD endures for- | ever.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory | due his name;*

bring an offering, and come in- | to his courts!

Epistle

1 Corinthians 12:12–26

One Body with Many Members

¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.

¹³For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

¹⁴For the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵If the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷If the whole body were an eye, where would be the sense of hearing? If the whole body were an ear, where would be the sense of smell? ¹⁸But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰As it is, there are many parts, yet one body.

²¹The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” ²²On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty, ²⁴which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, ²⁵that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

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C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 13:31–34, 44

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 13th chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

The Mustard Seed and the Leaven

³¹He put another parable before them, saying, “The kingdom of heaven is like a grain of mustard seed that a man took and sowed in his field. ³²It is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown it is larger than all the garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and

make nests in its branches.”

³³He told them another parable. “The kingdom of heaven is like leaven that a woman took and hid in three measures of flour, till it was all leavened.”

Prophecy and Parables

³⁴All these things Jesus said to the crowds in parables; indeed, he said nothing to them without a parable.

The Parable of the Hidden Treasure

⁴⁴“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G Praise to You, O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

G I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.

844 Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace



1 Lord of all na - tions, grant me grace
 2 Break down the wall that would di - vide
 3 For - give me, Lord, where I have erred
 4 Give me Thy cour - age, Lord, to speak
 5 With Thine own love may I be filled



To love all peo - ple, ev - 'ry race;
 Thy chil - dren, Lord, on ev - 'ry side.
 By love - less act and thought - less word.
 When - ev - er strong op - press the weak.
 And by Thy Ho - ly Spir - it willed,



And in each per - son may I see
 My neigh - bor's good let me pur - sue;
 Make me to see the wrong I do
 Should I my - self the vic - tim be,
 That all I touch, wher - e'er I be,



My kin - dred, loved, re - deemed by Thee.
 Let Chris - tian love bind warm and true.
 Will grieve my wound - ed Lord a - new.
 Help me for - give, re - mem - b'ring Thee.
 May be di - vine - ly touched by Thee.

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Sermon

Please stand

Offertory

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C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

Prayers

- P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P** For the Holy Christian Church, gathered here and scattered throughout the world, that by the grace of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we may believe and rejoice that He creates, redeems, and calls every human life as His own precious treasure, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For our Christian witness, that this Gospel of Jesus Christ may motivate us to speak His truth and show His love to every neighbor, no matter what age, appearance, or ability, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For this land and its authorities, that God grant them wisdom, nobility, and responsibility to safeguard in policy and practice the sanctity of every member of our race, let us pray to the Lord:
- C** **Lord, have mercy.**

- P** For all medical professionals, that our Savior lend them His own courage and compassion to deliver relief and health, and to reject every temptation to use death as a solution to suffering, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For those scheduled for abortion, those experiencing surprise pregnancies, those awaiting adoption, those enduring chronic pain, and those approaching death, that our Heavenly Father sustain them in their distresses and open our hearts and hands to embrace, accompany, and encourage them, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For those who permit, promote, and participate in abortion, physician-assisted suicide, and other violences against life, and especially for those whose hearts have been broken by the abortion of their own children, that God forgive them and turn them from their sin to receive His healing, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For our brothers and sisters suffering injuries, illnesses, or disabilities (especially...), that the good Lord visit them in their affliction through the fellowship of His body, preserve their life and their faith, and grant both quick remedy and complete recovery, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For all expectant mothers and the babies that they carry, that our God of Life will protect them and grant a joyful delivery, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.**

Be seated

842 Son of God, Eternal Savior

sts. 1-2, 4



1 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, Source of life and
 2 As You, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, So may we for
 4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav - ior, Source of life and



truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us
 oth - ers live. Free - ly have Your gifts been grant - ed;
 truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us



Hal - lows all our hu - man race, You our Head, who, throned in
 Free - ly may Your ser - vants give. Yours the gold and Yours the
 Hal - lows all our hu - man race: By Your pray - ing, by Your



glo - ry, For Your own will ev - er plead: Fill us with Your
 sil - ver, Yours the wealth of land and sea; We but stew - ards
 will - ing That Your peo - ple should be one, Grant, O grant our



love and pit - y, Heal our wrongs, and help our need.
 of Your boun - ty Held in sol - emn trust will be.
 hope's fru - i - tion: Here on earth Your will be done.

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Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

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C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Lord's Prayer

C Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

- P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✝ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✝ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

Pax Domini

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

Agnus Dei

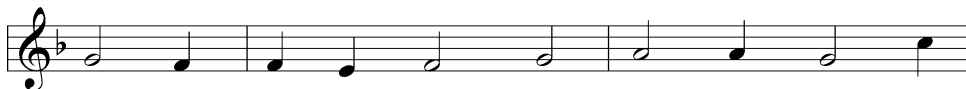
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C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

623 Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray



1 Lord Je - sus Christ, we hum - bly pray That we may
 2 Give us, who share this won - drous food, Your bod - y
 3 By faith Your Word has made us bold To seize the
 4 One bread, one cup, one bod - y, we, Re - joic - ing
 5 Lord Je - sus Christ, we hum - bly pray: O keep us



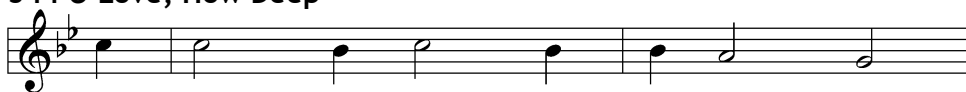
feast on You to - day; Be - neath these forms of
 bro - ken and Your blood, The grate - ful peace of
 gift of love re - told; All that You are we
 in our u - ni - ty, Pro - claim Your love un -
 stead - fast till that day When each will be Your



bread and wine En - rich us with Your grace di - vine.
 sins for - giv'n, The cer - tain joys of heirs of heav'n.
 here re - ceive, And all we are to You we give.
 til You come To bring Your scat - tered loved ones home.
 wel - comed guest In heav - en's high and ho - ly feast.

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544 O Love, How Deep



1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high,
 2 He sent no an - gel to our race,
 3 For us bap - tized, for us He bore
 4 For us He prayed; for us He taught;



Be - yond all thought and fan - ta - sy,
 Of high - er or of low - er place,
 His ho - ly fast and hun - gered sore;
 For us His dai - ly works He wrought,



That God, the Son of God, should take
 But wore the robe of hu - man frame,
 For us tempt - ta - tion sharp He knew;
 By words and signs and ac - tions thus



Our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake!
 And to this world Him - self He came.
 For us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.
 Still seek - ing not Him - self but us.

5 For us by wickedness betrayed,
 For us, in crown of thorns arrayed,
 He bore the shameful cross and death;
 For us He gave His dying breath.

6 For us He rose from death again;
 For us He went on high to reign;
 For us He sent His Spirit here
 To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

△ 7 All glory to our Lord and God
 For love so deep, so high, so broad;
 The Trinity whom we adore
 Forever and forevermore.

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643 Sent Forth by God's Blessing



1 Sent forth by God's bless-ing, Our true faith con - fess-ing,
 2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing To God ev - er - liv - ing,
 The peo - ple of God from His dwell - ing take leave.
 The tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face.
 The Sup - per is end - ed. O now be ex - tend - ed
 Our faith ev - er shar - ing, In love ev - er car - ing,
 The fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.
 Em - brac - ing His chil - dren of each tribe and race.
 The seed of His teach - ing, Re - cep - tive souls reach - ing,
 With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;
 Shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.
 U - nite us as one in this life that we share.
 His grace did in - vite us, His love shall u - nite us
 Then may all the liv - ing With praise and thanks - giv - ing
 To work for God's king - dom and an - swer His call.
 Give hon - or to Christ and His name that we bear.

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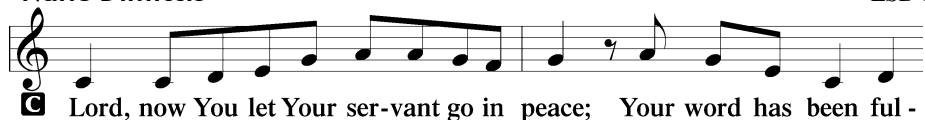
The Dismissal

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ☩ in peace.

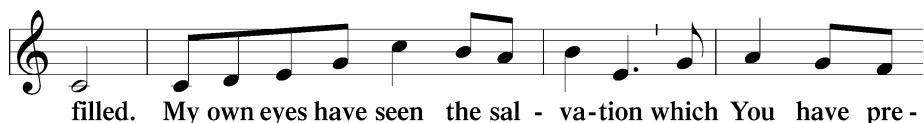
G Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

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Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre -



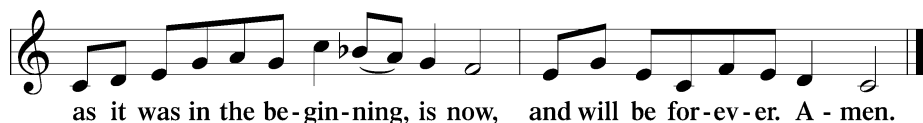
pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -



veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

Prayer

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Benediction

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

849 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



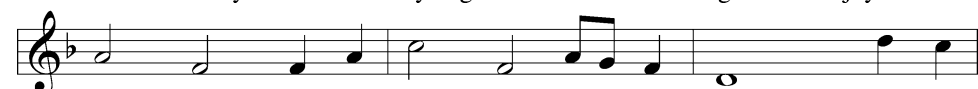
1 Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness With a lib - er -
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren With a strong, yet
3 Let us praise the Word In - car - nate, Christ, who suf - fered



at - ing light; Praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners,
gen - tle, word; Praise the One who drove out de - mons
in our place. Je - sus died and rose vic - to - rious



Turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the One who preached the
With the pierc - ing, two-edged sword. Praise the One who brings cool
That we may know God by grace. Let us sing for joy and



Gos - pel, Heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Calm - ing
wa - ter To the des - ert's burn - ing sand; From this
glad - ness, See - ing what our God has done; Let us



storms, and feed - ing thou - sands With the ver - y Bread of peace.
Well comes liv - ing wa - ter, Quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
praise the true Re - deem - er, Praise the One who makes us one.

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Postlude

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Judy Ahrens	Healing
Vaughn Albrecht (<i>Northridge</i>)	Healing
Tom & DyAnn Altwine	Healing
David Banner	Healing
Jim Catterson	Healing
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Pat Flodine (<i>Cambridge Court</i>)	Healing
Vi Fox (<i>Prairie View</i>)	Healing
Verleen Gentry	Healing
Ruby Hatfield	Healing
Boyd Millsap	Healing
Michelle Millsap	Healing
Roger Riekenberg	Healing
Don Richmond	Healing
Marion Richmond	Healing
Fran Junge	Cancer
Bev Nuttelman	Cancer
Kim Vos	Cancer

Prayers for Our Members' Family & Friends

Dawn Gaunt (<i>Pr. & Carol Gaunt's daughter-in-law</i>)	Expectant Mother
Brandon & Shannon Howell (<i>Quentin & Janel Lange's friends</i>)	Expecting
Will Brennemann (<i>Jami Helmbrecht's father</i>)	Healing
Reg Duke (<i>Westman's brother-in-law</i>)	Healing
James Gentry (<i>Verleen Gentry's son</i>)	Healing
Roger Hoffman (<i>Marc's father</i>)	Healing
Sharon Kreutzer (<i>former member</i>)	Healing
Lyra Mais (<i>Zion student</i>)	Healing
Randy Solomon (<i>Beth Rosenthal's father</i>)	Healing
Mary Ann Mertz (<i>Pam's Uhlir's friend</i>)	Healing
Roy Reynolds (<i>Verleen Gentry's son-in-law</i>)	Healing
Janet Stalder (<i>Carol Florang's sister</i>)	Healing
D.D. Dugger (<i>Sue Kaiser's brother</i>)	Cancer
Ron Halvorsen (<i>Jeff's dad</i>)	Cancer
Carol Haubold (<i>Don Helmbrecht's sister</i>)	Cancer
Tyler Holland (<i>Quentin & Janel Lange's brother-in-law</i>)	Cancer
Randy Jochum (<i>Ken Hockemeier's brother-in-law</i>)	Cancer
Fred Koch (<i>Pam Uhlir's cousin</i>)	Cancer
Lynda Kreutzer (<i>Rich & Carol's sister-in-law</i>)	Cancer
John Moore (<i>family of Susan Tonniges</i>)	Cancer
Sharon Mulhair (<i>Pam Uhlir's cousin</i>)	Cancer
Jeannie Schmidt (<i>Lisa Splittgerber's sister-in-law</i>)	Cancer
Tyrone Uhlir (<i>Pam's nephew</i>)	Cancer
Becky Rathkie (<i>former Zion teacher</i>)	Thanksgiving

Today's Radio Broadcast is given to the Glory of the Lord by Dan and Shirley Oertwig and Cinda Ward in honor of Merna Oertwig's 95th birthday.

Today's altar flowers is given to the Glory of the Lord by the Katie Nuttelman for Abby's 11th birthday and in memory of Craig Nuttelman

Serving in Worship

Sunday, January 24~ 9:00am

Elder: Nathan Gaunt
Usher: Mike Wilkens & Jeff Strong
Engineer: Shawn Starkey
Announcer: Carol Kreutzer
Altar Guild: Sheryl Fox & Shirley Oertwig

Sunday, January 31~ 9:00am

Elder: Rich Kreutzer
Usher: Mike Wilkens & Jeff Strong
Engineer: Jamie Nikodym
Announcer: Brooke Fisher
Altar Guild: Sheryl Fox & Shirley Oertwig

Our Response to the Gospel

Date: 01/17/2021

Offering: \$6,245.00

Weekly Need: \$7,542.37

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This Week at Zion

Sun 01/24	9:00a 10:30a	Divine Service Radio Broadcast 1460am
Mon 01/25	<i>Birthdays</i> <i>Anniversaries</i>	--- ---
Tues 01/26	1:30p <i>Birthdays</i> <i>Anniversaries</i>	Sleeping Mats --- ---
Wed 01/27	8:30a 5:45p <i>Birthdays</i> <i>Anniversaries</i>	Chapel Midweek --- ---
Thurs 01/28	<i>Birthdays</i> <i>Anniversaries</i>	--- ---
Fri 01/29	<i>Birthdays</i> <i>Anniversaries</i>	No School - Office Closed --- ---
Sat 01/30	5:00p <i>Birthdays</i> <i>Anniversaries</i>	Divine Service --- ---
Sun 01/31	9:00a 10:30a <i>Birthdays</i> <i>Anniversaries</i>	Divine Service Radio Broadcast 1460am --- ---



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Lutheran
Church**

Where our Triune God strengthens us through His
mercy in faith toward Him and in fervent love
toward one another.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bible Reading Cards - A new set of Bible reading cards for the new year can be picked up in the church entryway. Each card is a tool to keep track of your Bible reading progress as you mark each chapter you have read in 2021. God works through His Word.

Masks - According to Kearney City Ordinance No. 8457 masks are required “at a location that is open to the general public and where they cannot maintain six foot of distance.”

Baptism - We welcome Miles August Hockemeier to Zion by baptism on 1/23/2021. He is the son of Bailey (Guthrie) & Aaron Hockemeier.

Office Closed - There will be no school on Friday, January 29th. The office will be closed.

Choir - Our Adult choir will resume rehearsals on Wednesday, February 3rd at 7:00pm Rehearsal time will move to 8:00pm during the Lenten season on Wednesdays.

A Bible Study - is prerecorded and available each Sunday, along with a study guide you can use to follow along. We are studying the three lessons for the day—the Old Testament, the Epistle, and the Gospel. Go to Zion’s website www.zionkearney.com to access the video and study guide.

Offering during this time. If you are not able to attend live Church Services, you may: drop your offering in the mail slot by the south doors, mail it to the church, or use online giving option at zionkearney.com. If you have any questions or need assistance please contact the office at 308-234-3410 or school@zionkearney.org. Thank you for supporting of your church!

Radio Broadcast - Please help Zion spread the Gospel! There are several open dates. This is a great need since, many people are listening to our broadcast during this time.

Mission Offerings - The first quarter missions will support Lutherans for Life, January through March. If you would like to donate to this mission please use the mission envelopes located in the narthex. Thank you for your support.

Registration Open - Registration is now open for the 2021-2022. New this year is an all-day prekindergarten option! If you have any questions please feel free to contact the office. Please tell your family and friends about Zion. Enroll early to make sure you have a spot.

New Teacher Search - Mr. Vogel and family will be moving at the conclusion of this school year so the search for another high quality Lutheran teacher has begun. Full time teachers in our school must be members of the LCMS (or willing to become so). The grade level will most probably be for the 3rd/4th grade. If you or someone you know might be interested in this position please contact Mr. Splittgerber

Zion Basketball - The Zion boys and girls basketball is unfortunately wrapping up for this season. Go Crusaders!



Basketball Schedule for 2021

February 9	GB 5:00 / BB 6:00 @ York
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Scrip Cards - Scrip cards are still available during this time. Visit the office during normal hours to purchase your gift cards.

Part-time Cook Needed - Zion is looking for a part-time cook! Tasks include meal prep, serving, and cleaning. Candidate strengths should include time-management and a positive disposition. The position is for 3 days week, 8-1 pm. Please share and contact the office with questions!

Abortion acts like some persons are invisible.
Assisted suicide treats some persons as invisible.

It says they don't have enough size to matter.
It says they don't have adequate skills to matter.
It says they don't have the right circumstances to matter.
It tempts us to use death as a solution.
It tells us we shouldn't have to look at them anymore.



If our unborn neighbor or the elderly one seems invisible,
if the persons with disabilities feel invisible,
doesn't anyone wonder why?

Their ages don't make them invisible.
Their appearances don't make their humanity invisible.
Their inabilities don't make their sanctity invisible.
Pretty and popular are just comparisons.
Productive and profitable are only perceptions.
None of these can impart humanity,
and none of them can deprive someone of it.

Humanity comes from what we are and not from what we do.
And just because it sometimes goes unnoticed doesn't mean it's absent.
No person's preciousness depends on us detecting it.
It isn't that the worth and purpose of the least of these are so little we cannot
calculate them.
It's that human worth and purpose are too great for us to comprehend.

It's not just her body, her choice.
It's not just his problem, his fault.
Your body belongs to the Almighty Father who made it.
Their body belongs also to the Incarnate Son who redeemed it.
Each body belongs also to the Holy Spirit who calls it His temple and treasure.
This is My body, says the Savior Jesus Christ.
This is My beloved son and My beloved daughter, says the Lord our God.
This life, embryo or aged, dying or disabled, is also your privilege and my
responsibility.

Humanity isn't made up of individuals but of indispensables.
We are connected. We are community. We are one body.
We need each other. We have each other.
None lives to himself alone, and none dies to himself alone.
If one member suffers, all suffer together.
We can do this, and we will rejoice!



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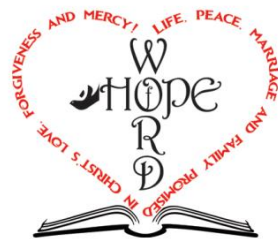
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Life Newsbytes

A new report from the Abortion Care Network (ACN) shows that since 2012, over one-third of independent abortion facilities (IACs) in the US have shut down. More than 100 have closed since 2015, and 41 closed in the past two years alone. The ACN is a national organization that claims to represent independent abortion providers and allies. The organization's report claimed that despite a handful of independent abortion facility openings, there has been a decline of nearly 34% of IACs within just the past eight years, down from 510 in 2012 to 337 as of November 2020 ... According to ACN, while independent abortion facilities make up about 25% of abortion facilities in the United States, they commit the majority of abortions (58%, or three out of every five abortion clients). ACN only tracks independent abortion facilities and does not include Planned Parenthood, the largest single provider of abortions in the nation, in its reporting. (*Live Action News*, 12/10/20; *CLR LifeWire*, 12/17/20)

For those who have had an abortion—a **Word of Hope**.



888.217.8679
www.word-of-hope.org

Speaking up For Life

“As this New Year begins and you make resolutions of things to do for yourself, consider ways in which you could spend one hour a week helping someone in need—at a crisis pregnancy center, a hospice house, a nursing home, etc.” *Rev. Scott Licht, Lutherans For Life*

“But the value of children as treasured human beings demonstrated in the ministry of Jesus reflects a God who cherishes the least, the last, and the most vulnerable ... As the Christmas season gives way to Epiphany, Christians around the world are invited to worship the Child Jesus Who was worshipped by kings. And all are invited to wonder and consider the mystery of a faith that proclaims the weakness of God and the foolishness of God to be strength and wisdom. The One who said, ‘Suffer the little children and do not hinder them from coming to me’ is the God revealed in a Child.” *Margaret Manning Shull, Ravi Zacharias International Ministries*

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