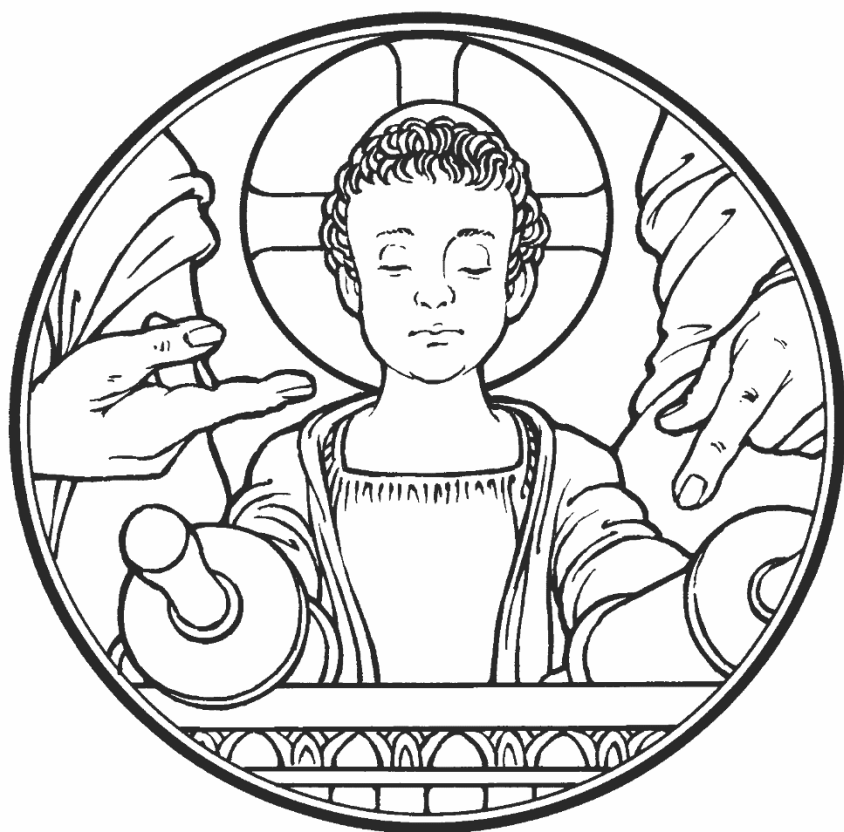


# Divine Service



# Second Sunday of Christmas

January 2nd, 2021  
Zion Lutheran Church  
Kearney, Nebraska

**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 instituted it. As he says, so 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 repent of all sin, trust his words "given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins," 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.*

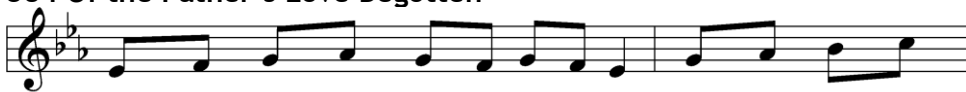
The Lord's Supper can harm those who receive it unworthily. Holy Communion is also a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar. Therefore, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, are asked not to commune until they are able to speak with our pastor first. He is most 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 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); 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.

## Confession and Absolution

### 384 Of the Father’s Love Begotten




1 Of the Fa - ther's love be - got - ten Ere the worlds be -  
 2 Oh, that birth for - ev - er bless - ed, When the vir - gin,  
 3 This is He whom seers in old time Chant - ed of with  
 4 O ye heights of heav'n, a - dore Him; An - gel hosts, His  
 △ 5 Christ, to Thee, with God the Fa - ther, And, O Ho - ly



gan to be, He is Al - pha and O - me - ga,  
 full of grace, By the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing,  
 one ac - cord, Whom the voic - es of the proph - ets  
 prais - es sing. Pow'rs, do - min - ions, bow be - fore Him  
 Ghost, to Thee Hymn and chant and high thanks - giv - ing



He the source, the end - ing He, Of the things that are, that  
 Bore the Sav - ior of our race, And the babe, the world's Re -  
 Prom - ised in their faith - ful word. Now He shines, the long - ex -  
 And ex - tol our God and King. Let no tongue on earth be  
 And un - end - ing prais - es be, Hon - or, glo - ry, and do -



have been, And that fu - ture years shall see  
deem - er, First re - vealed His sa - cred face  
pect - ed; Let cre - a - tion praise its Lord  
si - lent, Ev - 'ry voice in con - cert ring  
min - ion, And e - ter - nal vic - to - ry

Ev - er - more and ev - er - more.  
Ev - er - more and ev - er - more.  
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Ev - er - more and ev - er - more.  
Ev - er - more and ev - er - more. A - men.

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*Stand. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

## Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## Exhortation

LSB 184

- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.  
**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**C** **who made heaven and earth.**  
**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Kneel/Stand*

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

## Confession of Sins

LSB 184

- P** O almighty God, merciful Father,  
**C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

## Absolution

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Service of the Word

### Introit

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his | glory,\*  
glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of | grace and truth.

Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises | to our God;\*  
for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is | fitting.

Great is our Lord, and abun- | dant in power;\*  
his understanding is beyond | measure.

But the LORD takes pleasure in those who | fear him,\*  
in those who hope in his | steadfast love.

Praise the LORD, O Je- | rusalem!\*

Praise your God, O | Zion!

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his | glory,\*  
glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of | grace and truth.

### Gloria Patri

LSB 186



**C** Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

### Kyrie

LSB 186



**C** Lord, have mer-cy up-on us. Christ, have mer-cy up-



on us. Lord, have mer-cy up-on us.

# Gloria in Excelsis

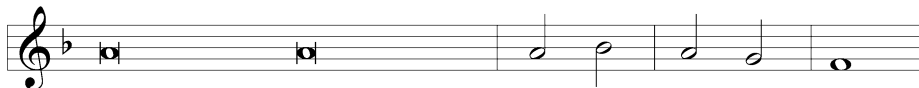
LSB 187



Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



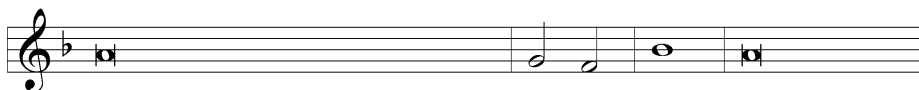
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



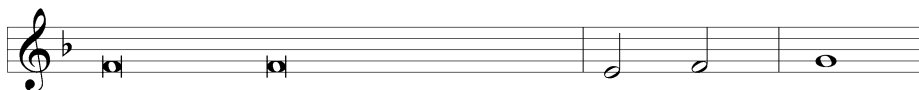
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,



## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.



**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, You have poured into our hearts the true Light of Your incarnate Word. Grant that this Light may shine forth in our lives; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*1 Kings 3:4–15*

<sup>4</sup> The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the great high place. Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. <sup>5</sup> At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, “Ask what I shall give you.” <sup>6</sup> And Solomon said, “You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant David my father, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you. And you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne this day. <sup>7</sup> And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of David my father, although I am but a little child. I do not know how to go out or come in. <sup>8</sup> And your servant is in the midst of your people whom you have chosen, a great people, too many to be numbered or counted for multitude. <sup>9</sup> Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, that I may discern between good and evil, for who is able to govern this your great people?”

<sup>10</sup> It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. <sup>11</sup> And God said to him, “Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches or the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, <sup>12</sup> behold, I now do according to your word. Behold, I give you a wise and discerning mind, so that none like you has been before you and none like you shall arise after you. <sup>13</sup> I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and

honor, so that no other king shall compare with you, all your days. <sup>14</sup>And if you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your days.”

<sup>15</sup>And Solomon awoke, and behold, it was a dream. Then he came to Jerusalem and stood before the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and offered up burnt offerings and peace offerings, and made a feast for all his servants.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Isaiah 9:6; Psalm 98:1a*

To us a child is born, to us a son is | given; \*  
and the government shall be upon his | shoulder.  
And his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, | Mighty God, \*  
Everlasting Father, | Prince of Peace.  
Sing to the Lord a | new song, \*  
for he has done | marvelous things!

## Epistle

*Ephesians 1:3-14*

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love <sup>5</sup>he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup>In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, <sup>8</sup>which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup>making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ <sup>10</sup>as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

<sup>11</sup>In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, <sup>12</sup>so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, <sup>14</sup>who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

**Alleluia**

*LSB 190*

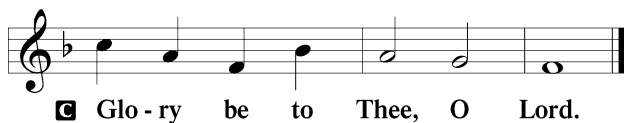




## Holy Gospel

*Luke 2:40–52*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.



<sup>40</sup>The child [Jesus] grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

<sup>41</sup>Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover.

<sup>42</sup>And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom. <sup>43</sup>And when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, <sup>44</sup>but supposing him to be in the group they went a day's journey, but then they began to search for him among their relatives and acquaintances, <sup>45</sup>and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him. <sup>46</sup>After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. <sup>47</sup>And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. <sup>48</sup>And when his parents saw him, they were astonished. And his mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress." <sup>49</sup>And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" <sup>50</sup>And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them. <sup>51</sup>And he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was submissive to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart.

<sup>52</sup>And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



## Apostles' Creed

**C** 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  $\text{✠}$  everlasting. Amen.

*Sit*

## 410 Within the Father's House



1 With-in the Fa-ther's house The Son has found His home,  
 2 The doc-tors of the Law Gaze on the won-drous child  
 3 Yet not to them is giv'n The might-y truth to know,  
 4 The se-cret of the Lord Es-cafes each hu-man eye,



And to His tem-ple sud-den-ly The Lord of life has come.  
 And mar-vel at His gra-cious words Of wis-dom un-de-filed.  
 To lift the earth-ly veil that hides In-car-nate God be-low.  
 And faith-ful pon-d'ring hearts a-wait The full e-piph-a-ny.

5 Lord, visit Thou our souls  
 And teach us by Thy grace  
 Each dim revealing of Thyself  
 With loving awe to trace

△6 Till we behold Thy face  
 And know as we are known  
 Thee, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
 Coequal Three in One.

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## Sermon

*Stand*

## Offertory

LSB 192



☐ Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-



new a right spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-



way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it



from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-



## Prayer of the Church

*Sit*

## Offering & Preparation

*After the prayers please be seated while the altar is set for the Lord's Supper and the offering is brought forward. To prepare you may use the prayers in the front of the hymnal or meditate on a communion hymn.*

*Stand*

# Service of the Sacrament

## Preface

LSB 194

**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

## Proper Preface

**P** It is truly meet, 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, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory. 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

LSB 195



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## The Lord's Prayer

196

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

LSB 197

**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  $\text{✠}$  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  $\text{✠}$  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

LSB 197

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



**G** A - men.

## Agnus Dei

LSB 198

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

*Sit*

## Distribution

### 370 What Child Is This



1 What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mar - y's lap is  
 2 Why lies He in such mean es-tate Where ox and ass are  
 3 So bring Him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; Come, peas - ant, king, to



sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with an - thems sweet While  
 feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear; for sin - ners here The  
 own Him. The King of kings sal - va - tion brings; Let



shep - herds watch are keep - ing? This, this is  
 si - lent Word is plead - ing. Nails, spear shall  
 lov - ing hearts en - throne Him. Raise, raise the



Christ the king, Whom shep - herds guard and an - gels sing;  
 pierce Him through, The cross be borne for me, for you;  
 song on high, The vir - gin sings her lul - la - by;



Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The babe, the son of Mar - y!  
 Hail, hail the Word made flesh, The babe, the son of Mar - y!  
 Joy, joy, for Christ is born, The babe, the son of Mar - y!

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## 621 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence



1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence And with fear and  
 2 King of kings yet born of Mar - y, As of old on  
 3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en Spreads its van - guard  
 4 At His feet the six - winged ser - aph, Cher - u - bim with



trem - bling stand; Pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,  
 earth He stood, Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture,  
 on the way As the Light of Light, de - scend - ing  
 sleep - less eye, Veil their fac - es to the pres - ence



For with bless - ing in His hand Christ our God to earth de -  
 In the bod - y and the blood, He will give to all the  
 From the realms of end - less day, Comes the pow'rs of hell to  
 As with cease-less voice they cry: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



scend - ing Comes our hom - age to de - mand.  
 faith - ful His own self for heav'n - ly food.  
 van - quish As the dark - ness clears a - way.  
 lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

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### 393 Infant Holy, Infant Lowly



1 In - fant ho - ly, In - fant low - ly, For His bed a cat - tle stall;  
2 Flocks were sleep - ing, Shep - herds keep - ing Vig - il till the morn - ing new



Ox - en low - ing, Lit - tle know - ing Christ the child is Lord of all.  
Saw the glo - ry, Heard the sto - ry, Tid - ings of a Gos - pel true.



Swift - ly wing - ing, An - gels sing - ing, Bells are ring - ing, Tid - ings bring - ing:  
Thus re - joic - ing, Free from sor - row, Prais - es voic - ing, Greet the mor - row:



Christ the child is Lord of all! Christ the child is Lord of all!  
Christ the child was born for you! Christ the child was born for you!

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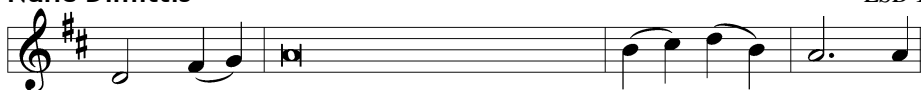
### The Dismissal

**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

LSB 199



**G** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

peo-ple Is - ra-el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A-men.

## Thanksgiving

LSB 200

**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**G** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

## **P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** A - men.

## Salutation

LSB 201

## **P** The Lord be with you.

**G** And with thy spir - it.

# Benedicamus

LSB 202

**P** Bless we the Lord.



**C** Thanks be to God.

# Benediction

LSB 202

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

# 387 Joy to the World



1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re - ceive her  
2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let men their songs em -  
3 No more let sins and sor - rows grow Nor thorns in - fest the  
4 He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the na - tions



King; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare Him  
play, While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and  
ground; He comes to make His bless - ings  
prove The glo - ries of His righ - teous -



room And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture  
plains Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing  
flow Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is  
ness And won - ders of His love, And won - ders of His



sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.  
joy, Re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.  
found, Far as, far as the curse is found.  
love, And won - ders, won - ders of His love.

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## Prayers for Our Members

Tenaya Nuttelman	Expecting
Norman Abels ( <i>Brookestone Meadows - Elkhorn</i> )	Healing
Judy Ahrens	Healing
Vaughn Albrecht ( <i>Mount Carmel</i> )	Healing
Tom & DyAnn Altwine	Healing
Lyle Colsden ( <i>Mother Hull</i> )	Healing
Mary Fiddelke	Healing
Pat Flodine ( <i>Cambridge Court</i> )	Healing
Vi Fox ( <i>Prairie View</i> )	Healing
Verleen Gentry	Healing
Wanda Glanzer	Healing
Ruby Hatfield	Healing
Evelyn Heiden ( <i>Mother Hull</i> )	Healing
Lennis Hodgson	Healing
Ellis Junge ( <i>Todd and Chelsea's son</i> )	Healing
Don Richmond	Healing
Ivan Bombeck	Cancer
Bertha Marienau	Cancer
Kim Vos	Cancer

## Prayers for Our Members' Family & Friends

Shaylee Kreutzer (Philip's wife)	Expecting
Elaine Arehart (Zion's Music Teacher)	Expecting
Family of James Sexton (Helmbrecht's friend)	Dying
Peg Avey (Lyn Hoffman's sister)	Healing
Scott Baker (Father of Zion Students)	Healing
Jean Brooks (Bruce Brooks & Becky Thornton's sister-in-law)	Healing
Larry Bombeck (Ivan's brother)	Healing
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James Gentry (Verleen's son)	Healing
Roger Hoffman (Marc's father)	Healing
David Kreutzer (Richard's brother)	Healing
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Dillon Malchow (Joy Barefoot's nephew)	Healing
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Roy Reynolds (Verleen Gentry's son-in-law)	Healing
Randy Solomon (Beth Rosenthal's father)	Healing
Tim Trampe (Don & Gretchen's son)	Healing
Jonah (Jase & Jarren Blattner's friend)	Cancer
Stuart Gronewoller (Lonna's brother-in-law)	Cancer
Linda Heapy (Janel Lange's mother)	Cancer
Ron Halvorsen (Jeff's dad)	Cancer
Randy Jochum (Ken Hockemeier's brother-in-law)	Cancer
Sharon Mulhair (Pam Uhlir's cousin)	Cancer
Larry Saathoff (Verleen Gentry's brother)	Cancer
Pr. Richard Snow (NE District President)	Cancer
Tyrone Uhlir (Pam's nephew)	Cancer
Scott Catterson (Jim & Pat's Son)	Deployment
Tim Smallcomb (Wilkens' friend)	Deployment

Today's Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Marian Allwardt in loving memory of her father, Pastor Paul Boriack.

### Our Response to the Gospel

Date: 12/26/2021

Offering: \$6,791

Weekly Need: \$7,457.69

## Worship Assistants

### Sunday, January 2nd~ 9:00am

Elder: Ken Hockemeier  
Usher: Fred Flessner  
Acolyte: Lindsay Wilkens  
Engineer: Jamie Nikodym  
Announcer: Brooke Fisher  
Altar Guild: Shirley Oertwig & Sheryl Fox

### Sunday, January 9th~ 9:00am

Elder: Nathan Gaunt  
Usher: Steve Junge  
Acolyte: Alexander Splittgerber  
Engineer: Zach DeLoach  
Announcer: Jesse Florang  
Altar Guild: Shirley Oertwig & Sheryl Fox

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**Radio Broadcast:** Sunday @ 10:30 a.m. on 1460  
AM and 92.1 FM

**Website:** [www.zionkearney.com](http://www.zionkearney.com)

## This Week at Zion

Sun 1/2	9:00a 10:20a 10:30a  5:00p <i>Birthdays</i>	Divine Service Bible Study/Sunday School Radio Broadcast 1460AM & 92.1FM  Divine Service <i>Jamie Nikodym</i>
Mon 1/3		
Tues 1/4	1:30p  <i>Birthdays</i>	Sleeping Mats  <i>Todd Koopman</i>
Wed 1/5	8:20a  <i>Birthdays</i>	Chapel  <i>Aaron Hockemeier</i>
Thurs 1/6		
Fri 1/7	<i>Birthdays</i>	<i>Emma Rosenthal</i> <i>Matthew Podany</i> <i>Titus Gaunt</i>
Sat 1/8	<i>Birthdays</i>	<i>Bailey Hockemeier</i> <i>Donald Trampe</i>
Sun 1/9	9:00a 10:20a 10:30a  5:00p	Divine Service Bible Study/Sunday School Radio Broadcast 1460AM & 92.1FM  Divine Service



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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**January Sower:** Please have any January Sower announcements emailed to the office by January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Christmas Decorations:** We will be taking down Christmas decorations on Saturday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 9am. If men could help with the heavier decorations, that would be great.

**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 2022. God works through His word.

**Zion Pie Sales:** We still have some remaining pies left to purchase. If you are interested, stop by the office. Thanks!

**Radio Broadcast** - The sign-up sheets for the 2022 radio broadcast and altar flowers are up by the mailboxes! The remaining 2021 sheets are still up on the right side. The 28<sup>th</sup> of November is still available for radio sponsors! Please help Zion spread the Gospel!

**Offering Options:**

- 1) Place your offering in the basket as you leave
- 2) Go to [zionkearney.churchtrac.com/give](https://zionkearney.churchtrac.com/give)
- 3) Go to [zionkearney.com](https://zionkearney.com) and click on the ChurchTrac icon
- 4) Mail your gift to Zion Lutheran Church, 2421 C Ave, Kearney, NE 68847. Or place it in the mail slot on the south side of the building.



The theme for our school year is “Together by Christ’s Love” based on 1 John 4:7-8.

- **Registration for 2022-2023 School Year:** Registration opens to the public on Wednesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, for the 2022-2023 school year. Registration papers for Early Childhood families are available in the school office. Turn in your registration forms as soon as possible! Last year we were forced to turn away many due to class size limits. It will not be long before we are filled up! A reenrollment form has been sent out for students who will be in 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> next year! Be sure to check your email and fill it out ASAP and turn it in, along with your registration fee! Please do not assume there will be space for your child if you delay. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the office.
- **Extended Break:** The Christmas Break has been extended to Jan. 4<sup>th</sup> instead of the 3<sup>rd</sup>. This will allow the teachers to become acquainted with the new SMARTBoards that will be installed during the break. Please plan accordingly.
- **Zion Basketball** has begun for the 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls. The schedule has been posted on the app! Be sure to make your calendars!

