# Divine Service



Third Sunday after Epiphany (Life Sunday)

January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 Zion Lutheran Church Kearney, Nebraska

# H Warm Welcome to Our Guests!

Please sign our guest book in the narthex or a pew card so we can know how we can best of serve. If you are a member in good standing of a sister LC-MS congregation, we invite you to commune with us. Members of other church bodies with whom we are not in confessional fellowship are asked to please refrain from communing. Our pastor will be happy to explain how our desire for Christian care and unity is shown in our communion practice. All communicants need to register in the narthex prior to the service. 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 Calls Us to Himself by the Preaching of Repentance in His Name

When "the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time," sending him to preach judgment against the great city of Nineveh, "Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD" (Jonah 3:1, 3). By this preaching, the people were brought to repentance. Because they "believed God," as He spoke to them through His prophet, "they turned from their evil way" and were spared "the disaster that he had said he would do to them" (Jonah 3:5, 10). St. Paul also warns that "the appointed time has grown very short" (1 Cor. 7:29). Therefore, while we live in this world and deal with it, we are not to cling to it, nor put our trust in it, for "the present form of this world is passing away" (1 Cor. 7:31). Rather, give "your undivided devotion to the Lord" (1 Cor. 7:35). When our Lord Jesus Christ comes and is proclaimed in the Gospel, "the time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand" (Mark 1:14–15). Therefore, He still calls men and sends them to become "fishers of men" with the net of that Gospel (Mark 1:17).

# 839 O Christ, Our True and Only Light



Stand

Invocation LSB 184

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

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- **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,
- and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

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

- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- 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 LSB 185

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.

#### $\mathbf{C}$ Amen.

#### Introit

Psalm 113:1–2, 4, 7–8; antiphon: v. 3

From the rising of the sun to its | setting,\*

the name of the LORD is to be praised!

Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD,\*

praise the name of the LORD!

Blessèd be the name of the LORD\*

from this time forth and for- evermore!

The LORD is high above all | nations,\*

and his glory above the | heavens!

He raises the poor | from the dust\*

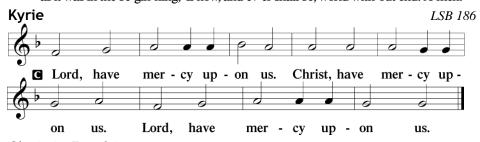
and lifts the needy from the ash heap,

to make them sit with | princes,\*

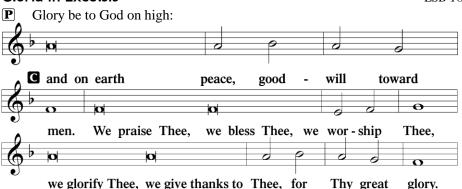
with the princes of his people.

From the rising of the sun to its | setting,\* the name of the LORD is to be praised!





Gloria in Excelsis LSB 187

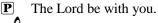


Thy great

glory.



## Salutation and Collect of the Day





**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



<sup>1</sup>Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, <sup>2</sup>"Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you." <sup>3</sup>So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days' journey in breadth. <sup>4</sup>Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's journey. And he called out, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" <sup>5</sup>And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them. . . .

<sup>10</sup>When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

**Gradual** *Psalm 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 7:29–35

<sup>29</sup>This is what I mean, brothers: the appointed time has grown very short. From now on, let those who have wives live as though they had none, <sup>30</sup>and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no goods, <sup>31</sup>and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

<sup>32</sup>I want you to be free from anxieties. The unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to please the Lord. <sup>33</sup>But the married man is anxious about worldly things, how to please his wife, <sup>34</sup>and his interests are divided. And the unmarried or betrothed woman is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to be holy in body and spirit. But the married woman is anxious about worldly things, how to please her husband. <sup>35</sup>I say this for your own benefit, not to lay any restraint upon you, but to promote good order and to secure your undivided devotion to the Lord.

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

### **C** Thanks be to God.

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Holy Gospel Mark 1:14–20

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.



G Glo-ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>14</sup>After John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, <sup>15</sup>and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

<sup>16</sup>Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup>And Jesus said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men." <sup>18</sup>And immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>19</sup>And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. <sup>20</sup>And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.





#### Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,

the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ.

the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of His Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light,

very God of very God,

begotten, not made,

being of one substance with the Father,

by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary

and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge

both the living and the dead,

whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life 

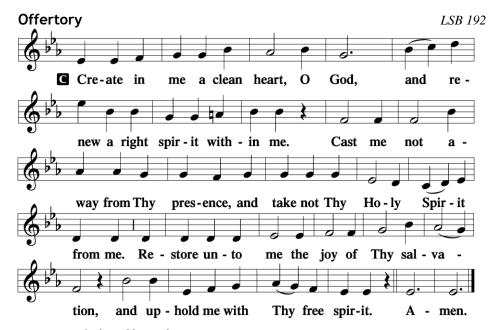
of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

# 834 O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth



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# Prayer of the Church

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# Consecration of the Offering

After the prayers please be seated. The altar is set for the Lord's Supper and the offering is consecrated. As you prepare to receive the sacrament you may use the prayers in the front of the hymnal or meditate on a communion hymn.

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# **Sharing the Peace**

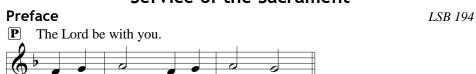
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Following the prayers, you may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you,".

# Service of the Sacrament

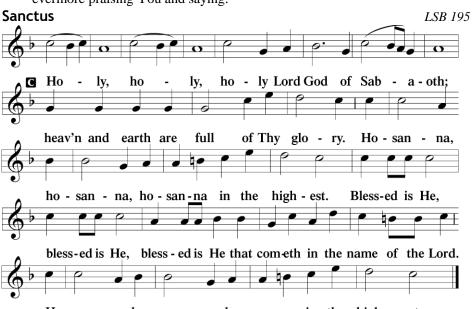


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It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, 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:



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

# Lord's Prayer

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

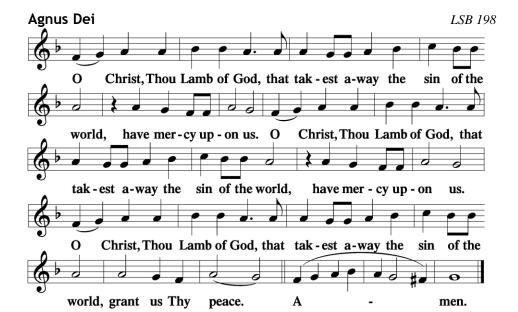
Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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 LSB 197

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.





Sit

## Distribution

# 614 "As Surely as I Live," God Said



- 5 The words which absolution give Are His who died that we might live; The minister whom Christ has sent Is but His humble instrument.
- 6 When ministers lay on their hands, Absolved by Christ the sinner stands; He who by grace the Word believes The purchase of His blood receives.
- 7 All praise to You, O Christ, shall be For absolution full and free, In which You show Your richest grace; From false indulgence guard our race.
- △ 8 Praise God the Father and the Son And Holy Spirit, Three in One, As was, is now, and so shall be World without end, eternally!

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## 828 We Are Called to Stand Together



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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.
- C Amen.

Stand



Thanksgiving

LSB 200

P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

P Let us pray.

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.

C Amen.



Benedicamus LSB 202

P Bless we the Lord.



Benediction LSB 202

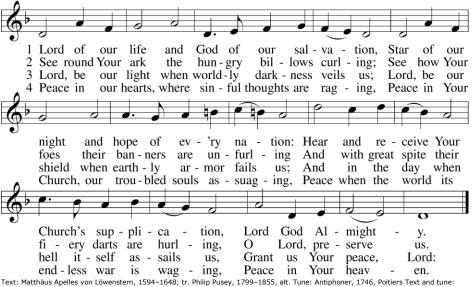
**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



#### 659 Lord of Our Life



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Judy Ahrens	Healing	
Gary Albers	Healing	
DyAnn Altwine	Healing	
Lyle Colsden (Mother Hull)	Healing	
Fred Flessner	Healing	
Pat Flodine (Cambridge Court)	Healing	
Jade Florang	Healing	
Marilyn Fuqua	Healing	
Jan Hatfield	Healing	
Ruby Hatfield	Healing	
Evelyn Heiden (Mother Hull)	Healing	
Lennis Hodgson	Healing	
Linda Luhn	Healing	
Don Richmond	Healing	
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Debra Schinkel	Healing	
Gretchen Trampe ( <i>Prairie View</i> )	Healing	
Diane Plummer	Healing	
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Ivan Bombeck	Cancer	
Phyllis Wells	Cancer	
Bertha Marienau	Hospice	

Prayers for Our Members' Family & Frie	ends
Tenaya Nuttelman (Jared's wife)	Expecting
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Naomi Wollberg (Matthias Wollberg's wife)	Expecting
Andrew Powers (Kim Wilkens' brother)	Military
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Luetta Lammers (Ruby Hatfield's sister)	Healing
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Paisley Mitchell (Bartels' great-granddaughter)	Healing
Tim Powers (Kim Wilkens' brother)	Healing
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Joanne Staton (Kristian Arevalo's grandmother)	Healing
Emily Zimmer (Leah Baker's friend)	Healing
Diane Brandt (Junge's and Helmbrecht's friend)	Cancer
Glenda Fichtner (Ruby Hatfield's niece)	Cancer
Ron Halvorsen (Jeff's dad)	Cancer
Steven Junge (nephew of Steve & Fran)	Cancer
Lynda Kreutzer (Rich & Carol's sister-in-law)	Cancer
Helen Lange (Bartels' friend)	Cancer
Sharon Mulhair (Pam Uhlir's cousin)	Cancer
Lindsey Muniz (Steve & Fran's niece)	Cancer
Milton Naprstek (Marilyn Fuqua's brother)	Cancer
Tyrone Uhlir (Pam's nephew)	Cancer

## Response to the Gospel

Date: 1/14/2023 Offering: \$5,236.11 Weekly Need: \$7,500

#### Offering Options:

To worship the Lord with your offering:

- 1) Place your offering in the offering plate.
- 2) Go to zionkearney.churchtrac.com/give
- 3) Go to zionkearney.com and click on the ChurchTrac icon
- 4) Mail your gift to Zion Lutheran Church, 2421 C Ave, Kearney, NE 68847

Today's Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Linda Nuttelman, All glory to God.

# **Worship Assistants**

# Sunday, January 21st - 9:00a

Elder: Bruce Brooks Usher: Andy Wollberg
Acolyte: Addison Helmbrecht Engineer: Jamie Nikodym
Announcer: Carol Kreutzer Altar Guild: Shirley Oertwig &

Sheryl Fox

# Sunday, January 28th- 9:00a

Elder: Dan Oertwig

Acolyte: Landen Eckhoff

Announcer: Brooke Fisher

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Engineer: Zach DeLoach
Altar Guild: Shirley Oertwig &

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# This Week at Zion

Sun 1/21	9:00a	Divine Service
	10:30a	Adult Bible Study & Sunday School
	10:30a	Radio Broadcast
		1460AM & 92.1FM
	5:00p	Divine Service
Mon 1/22		
Tues 1/23	1:30p	Sleeping Mats
	Birthdays	Lexie Eckhoff
	_	Nicole Halvorsen
		Adam Helmbrecht
Wed 1/24	8:30a	Chapel
	5:00p	Midweek
Thurs 1/25		
Fri 1/26		No School - Teacher In-Service
		Office Open
Sat 1/27		
Sun 1/28	9:00a	Divine Service
	10:30a	Adult Bible Study & Sunday School
	10:30a	Radio Broadcast
		1460AM & 92.1FM
	5:00p	Divine Service

# Announcements for January 21st, 2024

<u>Life Sunday 2024:</u> We will join millions of Pro-life Christians by observing Life Sunday today. The Pro-Life prayers and sermon will revolve around the "Living in Ninevah" theme. We will compare our life in today's culture to Jonah's life in Ninevah. There will be a special offering that will help support Lutherans for Life.

<u>1st Quarter Missions:</u> The first quarter (January-March) missions will support Lutherans for Life. To donate to this worthy cause, you give online via ACH or use a specially marked envelope located in the narthex. Either way, please clearly designate your gift to this mission.

<u>Bible Reading Cards</u>: 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 2024. God works through His word.

Radio Broadcast & Altar Flowers: The sign-up sheets for the 2024 radio broadcasts and flowers are on the bulletin board by the mailboxes. If you want a certain date, sign up ASAP.

#### **SCHOOL NEWS**

<u>No School:</u> There will be no school this Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup> for a teacher inservice.

<u>Parent/Teacher Conferences:</u> PT Conferences are scheduled for the week of February 12<sup>th</sup>. A sign-up sheet was sent out on Thursday. Please turn these in by February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

<u>24-25 Registration:</u> A Google form was sent out for 24-25 registration for any students who will be 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> next year. Contact Holly if you need the link.

Basketball: The basketball schedule is posted on the app.



# Why should I participate?

Provide tuition assistance for Nebraska families in need and receive a dollar-fordollar tax credit, up to \$100k (\$1m for estates and trusts) or 50% of your state income tax liability.

# **DID YOU KNOW?**

Nebraska taxpayers can claim a



for contributions to fund private school scholarships for Nebraska kids.

# Who can participate?

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"GIVE KIDS HOPE.

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# How do I contribute?

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