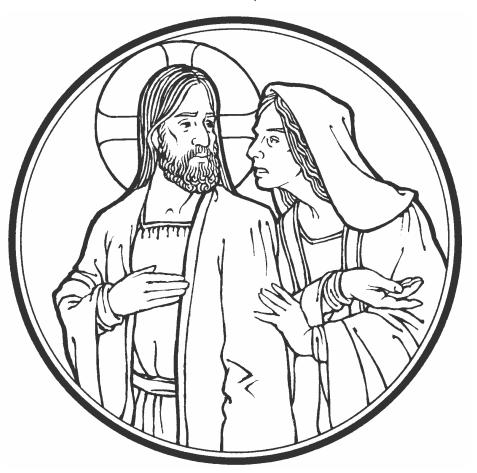
Divine Service



Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 4th, 2024

Zion Lutheran C

hurch 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 Son of God, Christ Jesus, Makes Us a New Creation

The Lord alone "is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth" (Is. 40:28). He "sits above the circle of the earth" and "stretches out the heavens like a curtain" (Is. 40:22). Yet, His almighty power is demonstrated chiefly by His mercy and compassion. "He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength" (Is. 40:29). The only begotten Son of the Father, the very Word by whom all things were made, becomes flesh and takes all the poverty and weakness of our sin and death upon Himself, bearing it in His body to the cross. As He dies for us there, He also raises us up, a new creation, in His resurrection from the dead. Thus, by the preaching of this Word, He heals "many who were sick with various diseases," and He casts out "many demons" (Mark 1:34, 39). And His preaching continues through those whom He has sent, who are "entrusted with a stewardship" to "preach the gospel" (1 Cor. 9:16–17). Thus, we are set free by the Word of Christ, and we exercise our freedom in loving service to others.

846 Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old



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Stand

Invocation LSB 184

- In the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- 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.
- C Amen.

Introit

Psalm 13:3–5; antiphon: v. 6

I will sing to the LORD,*

because he has dealt bountifully | with me.

Consider and answer me, O | LORD my God;*

light up my eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death,

lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed | over him,"*

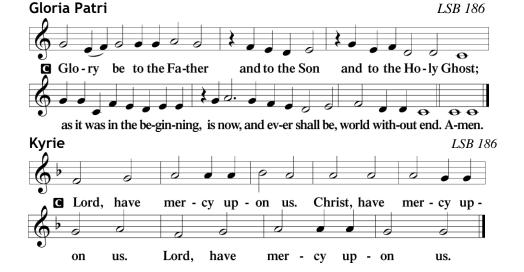
lest my foes rejoice because I am | shaken.

But I have trusted in your | steadfast love;*

my heart shall rejoice in your sal- | vation.

I will sing | to the LORD,*

because he has dealt bountifully | with me.





Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.



P Let us pray.

O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; through 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

Isaiah 40:21-31

Psalm 117:1-2a; 96:8

²¹Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? ²²It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to dwell in; ²³who brings princes to nothing, and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness. ²⁴Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows on them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. ²⁵To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One. ²⁶Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name, by the greatness of his might, and because he is strong in power not one is missing. ²⁷Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? ²⁸Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. ³⁰Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; ³¹but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual

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 9:16–27

¹⁶If I preach the gospel, that gives me no ground for boasting. For necessity is laid upon me. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! ¹⁷For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward, but not of my own will, I am still entrusted with a stewardship. ¹⁸What then is my reward? That in my preaching I may present the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel.

¹⁹For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. ²⁰To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. ²¹To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. ²²To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. ²³I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings.

²⁴Do you not know that in a race all the runners compete, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. ²⁵Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. ²⁶So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. ²⁷But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

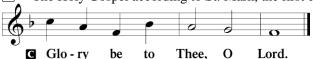
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Mark 1:29-39

Holy Gospel

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



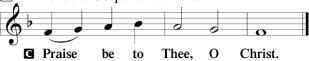
²⁹Immediately [Jesus] left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her. ³¹And he came and took her by the hand and lifted her up, and the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

³²That evening at sundown they brought to him all who were sick or oppressed by demons. ³³And the whole city was gathered together at the door. ³⁴And he healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

³⁵And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed. ³⁶And Simon and those who were with him searched for him, ³⁷and they found him and said to him, "Everyone is looking for you." ³⁸And he said to them, "Let us go on to the next towns, that I may

preach there also, for that is why I came out." ³⁹And he went throughout all Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out demons.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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.



Sermon

Stand



Prayer of the Church

Sharing the Peace

Following the prayers, you may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you". Shaking hands is not required unless one is comfortable doing so. Please respect your neighbor's needs.

Sit

Consecration of the Offering

After the peace 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.

Stand

We

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Lord.



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; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your 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."





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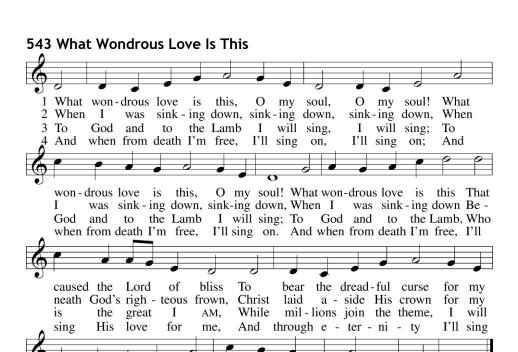
At once in many places. I leave to You how this can be: Your Word alone suffices me: I trust its truth unfailing.

6 Lord, I believe what You have said; Help me when doubts assail me. Remember that I am but dust. And let my faith not fail me. Your supper in this vale of tears Refreshes me and stills my fears And is my priceless treasure.

May prove by our behavior That we are thankful for Your grace And day by day may run our race, In holiness increasing.

8 For Your consoling supper, Lord, Be praised throughout all ages! Preserve it, for in ev'ry place The world against it rages. Grant that this sacrament may be A blessèd comfort unto me When living and when dying.

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my soul, To the dread-ful curse bear for my soul! soul, for Christ laid a - side His crown soul, for my soul, for my soul. will sing, While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing, sing. And through e - ter - ni - ty sing on, I'll sing on.

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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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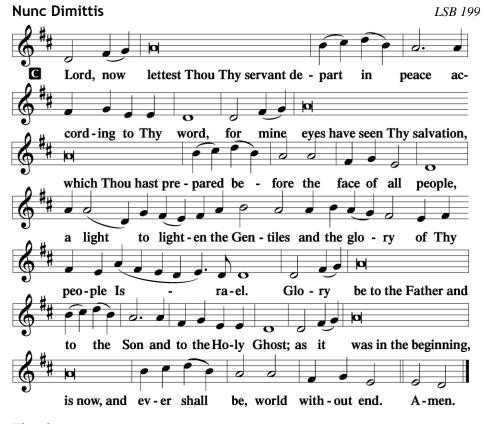
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The Dismissal

- 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.

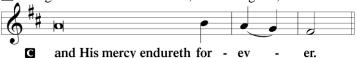
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Thanksgiving

LSB 200

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



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.



Benediction

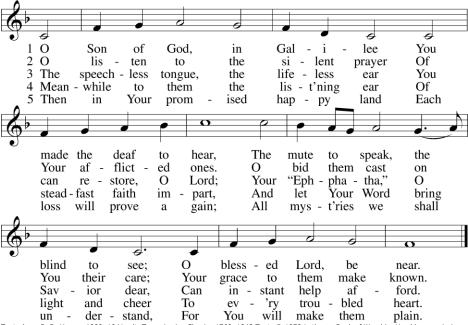
LSB 202

The Lord bless you and keep you. \mathbf{P} The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.



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841 O Son of God, in Galilee



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Prayers for Our Members		
Birth of Frederick France, son of Tommy & Angela	Thanksgiving	
Norm Abels (Brookestone Meadows-Elkhorn)	Hospice	
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	
Betty Mustard	Healing	
Don Richmond	Healing	
Norrine Rockwell (Kinship Pointe)	Healing	
Debra Schinkel	Healing	
Gretchen Trampe (Prairie View)	Healing	
Diane Plummer	Healing	
Jill Bates	Cancer	
Ivan Bombeck	Cancer	
Phyllis Wells	Cancer	
Bertha Marienau	Hospice	

Prayers for Our Members' Family &	Friends
Family and Friends of Roger Hoffman	Grief
Kayla Ernst (Bartels' friend)	High Risk Preg.
Tenaya Nuttelman (Jared's wife)	Expecting
Amy Nuttelman (Chris' wife)	Expecting
Naomi Wollberg (Matthias' wife)	Expecting
Roger Young (Tiffany Davis' father)	Parkinson's
Don Axeman (Bartels' friend)	Healing
Joan Bentley (Kreutzer's friend)	Healing
Norm Erickson (Jackie Zehendner's father)	Healing
Jerry Foote (Carol Herron's friend)	Healing
Marilyn Glover (Don Helmbrecht's sister)	Healing
Emersyn Harms (Bartels' niece)	Healing
Lorin Hartmann (Marla's father)	Healing
David Heapy (Janel Lange's father)	Healing
Luetta Lammers (Ruby Hatfield's sister)	Healing
Michelle Lewis (Joni Brooks' friend)	Healing
Tim Powers (Kim Wilkens' brother)	Healing
Eve Sane (Quentin Lange's friend)	Healing
Randy Solomon (Beth Rosenthal's father)	Healing
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: 1/28/2023 Offering: \$5,238 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

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Worship Assistants

Sunday, February 4th - 9:00a

Elder: Eric Rosenthal Usher: Fred Flessner
Acolyte: Addison Splittgerber Engineer: Jared Nuttelman
Announcer: Lonna Gronewoller Altar Guild: Rachael Burger & Carolyn

Westman

Sunday, February 11th- 9:00a

Elder: Ken Hockemeier Usher: Steve Junge
Acolyte: Eli Randolph Engineer: Eric Rosenthal
Announcer: Carol Kreutzer Altar Guild: Rachael Burger &

Carolyn Westman

Wednesday, February 14th- 7:00p

Elder: Ken Hockemeier Usher: Steve Junge
Acolyte: Isaiah Gaunt Engineer: Eric Rosenthal
Altar Guild: Rachael Burger &

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This Week at Zion

THIS WEEK AL ZIOTI		
Sun 2/4	9:00a	Divine Service
	10:30a	Adult Bible Study & Sunday School
	10:30a	Radio Broadcast
		1460AM & 92.1FM
	5:00p	Divine Service
Mon 2/5	Birthdays	Miriam Gaunt
		Janel Lange
Tues 2/6	1:30p	Sleeping Mats
Wed 2/7	8:30a	Chapel
	5:00p	Midweek
	7:00p	Adult Choir
	Birthdays	Philip Kreutzer
Thurs 2/8	2:00p	Kearney Area Storytelling Festival
	Birthdays	Darcy Willers
Fri 2/9	Birthdays	Pauline Jacobson
Sat 2/10	Birthdays	Randy Ahrens
		Tanner Oertwig
		Heath Schake
Sun 2/11	9:00a	Divine Service
	10:30a	Adult Bible Study & Sunday School
	10:30a	Radio Broadcast
		1460AM & 92.1FM
	1:00p-5:00p	DeLaet Family - Fellowship Hall
	5:00p	Divine Service

Announcements for February 4th, 2024

<u>Lenten Services:</u> Starting next week (February 14th), Lenten services will be at 7pm with a meal prior at 5:30p. Mary Martha will be serving the Ash Wednesday meal. A meal schedule is in the February Sower.

<u>Lenten Bible Reading Cards:</u> Reading the New Testament in Lent is a worthwhile and doable discipline. Simply read about 6-8 chapters a day, six days a week, beginning on Ash Wednesday and ending before Holy Thursday. A schedule of readings can be found on the purple sheet in the church entryway. You can also pick up a blue Bible ready check-off card to keep track of your Bible reading progress for the whole year.

<u>Adult Choir:</u> On Wednesday, the Adult Choir will meet again at 7pm in the balcony. Starting on Ash Wednesday (Feb. 14th), they will meet after service at 8pm.

<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.

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>Crusader</u>: The most recent school newsletter is full of all the events going on in January and February. Look for it in your church mailbox.

