

# *Divine Service*



*The Third Sunday after Epiphany*

January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Zion Lutheran Church

Kearney, Nebraska

# *A Warm Welcome to Our Guests!*

Please sign our guest book in the narthex or a pew card so we know how we can best serve you. 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.

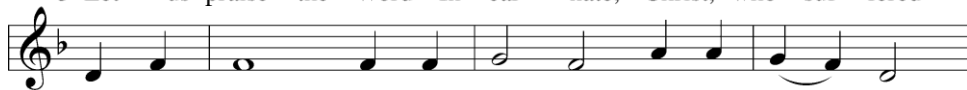
## *The Lord Reveals His Glory through His Preaching and Miracles*

By His coming in the flesh and by His preaching and miracles, the Lord Jesus shines the light of His Gospel upon *“the people who walked in darkness”* and *“who dwelt in a land of deep darkness”* (Is. 9:2). He also has *“multiplied the nation”* and *“increased its joy”* (Is. 9:3) by calling disciples to Himself from the ends of the earth. For this purpose, He calls Peter and Andrew, with James and John, to follow Him and be *“fishers of men”* (Matt. 4:19). As Jesus did, they also go forth *“proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people”* (Matt. 4:23). They preach the foolishness of the cross of Christ as the very power and wisdom of God. This word and preaching of the cross divides *“those who are perishing”* from *“us who are being saved”* (1 Cor. 1:18), but it unites the Church, the one Body of Christ, *“in the same mind and the same judgment”* (1 Cor. 1:10).

## **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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*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 151*

- 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.**

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

### Confession of Sins

*LSB 151*

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

### Absolution

*LSB 151*

- 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.

# Service of the Word

*Psalm 22:27–31; antiphon: v. 22*

## Introit

I will tell of your name to my | brothers;\*

in the midst of the congregation I will | praise you.

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn | to the LORD,\*

and all the families of the nations shall worship be- | fore you.

For kingship belongs | to the LORD,\*

and he rules over the | nations.

All the prosperous of the earth eat and | worship;\*

before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, even the one who could not keep him- | self alive.

Posterity shall | serve him;\*

it shall be told of the Lord to the coming gener- | ation;

they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people | yet unborn,\*

that he has | done it.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

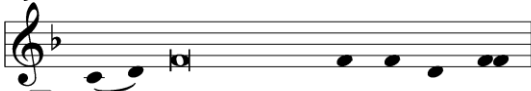
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

I will tell of your name to my | brothers;\*

in the midst of the congregation I will | praise you.

## Kyrie

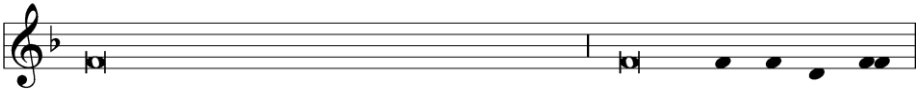
*LSB 152*



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



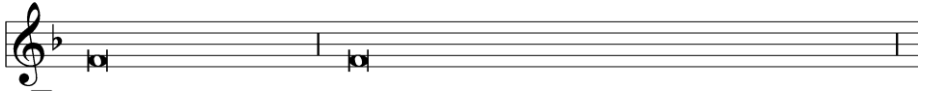
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



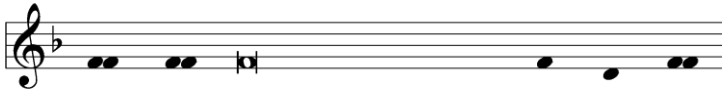
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - - men.

### Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 154

**P** 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 and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And al - so with you.

**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.

**C** A - men.

*Please be seated*

### Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 9:1-4*

<sup>1</sup> There will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

<sup>2</sup> The people who walked in darkness  
 have seen a great light;  
 those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness,  
 on them has light shined.

<sup>3</sup> You have multiplied the nation;  
 you have increased its joy;  
 they rejoice before you  
 as with joy at the harvest,  
 as they are glad when they divide the spoil.

<sup>4</sup> For the yoke of his burden,  
 and the staff for his shoulder,

the rod of his oppressor,  
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

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

**C** 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 1:10–18*

<sup>10</sup>I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. <sup>11</sup>For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers. <sup>12</sup>What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Cephas," or "I follow Christ." <sup>13</sup>Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? <sup>14</sup>I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, <sup>15</sup>so that no one may say that you were baptized in my name. <sup>16</sup>(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) <sup>17</sup>For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

<sup>18</sup>For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand in reverence to Christ*

## Alleluia and Verse

*LSB 156*

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff is a vocal line with a treble clef and a common time signature. It begins with a quarter rest, followed by a series of eighth and quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4. The second staff is a piano accompaniment line with a treble clef and a common time signature. It begins with a quarter rest, followed by a series of eighth and quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4. The lyrics are written below the piano staff.

**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 4:12-25

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourth chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>12</sup>When [Jesus] heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. <sup>13</sup>And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, <sup>14</sup>so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

<sup>15</sup>“The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali,  
the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—

<sup>16</sup>the people dwelling in darkness  
have seen a great light,

and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death,  
on them a light has dawned.”

<sup>17</sup>From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

<sup>18</sup>While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen.

<sup>19</sup>And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.”

<sup>20</sup>Immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>21</sup>And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. <sup>22</sup>Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

<sup>23</sup>And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people. <sup>24</sup>So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought him all the sick, those afflicted with various diseases and pains, those oppressed by demons, epileptics, and paralytics, and he healed them. <sup>25</sup>And great crowds followed him from Galilee and the Decapolis, and from Jerusalem and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

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



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

# 839 O Christ, Our True and Only Light



1 O Christ, our true and on - ly light, En - light - en  
 2 Fill with the ra - diance of Your grace The souls now  
 3 O gent - ly call those gone a - stray That they may  
 4 Shine on the dark - ened and the cold; Re - call the  
 5 That they with us may ev - er - more Such grace with



those who sit in night; Let those a - far now  
 lost in er - ror's maze; En - light - en those whose  
 find the sav - ing way! Let ev - 'ry con - science  
 wan - d'ers to Your fold. U - nite all those who  
 won - d'ring thanks a - dore And end - less praise to



hear Your voice And in Your fold with us re - joice.  
 in - most minds Some dark de - lu - sion haunts and blinds.  
 sore op - pressed In You find peace and heav'n - ly rest.  
 walk a - part; Con - firm the weak and doubt - ing heart,  
 You be giv'n By all Your Church in earth and heav'n.

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## Sermon

*Please stand*

## 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  $\dagger$  of the world to come. Amen.

*Please be seated*

## Prayers 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.*

### 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.*

### Offertory

LSB 159



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.

# Service of the Sacrament

LSB 160

## Preface



**P** The Lord be with you.



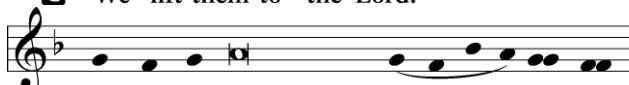
**C** And al - so with you.



**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.

**P** 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; 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:

## Sanctus

LSB 161



**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.





sin of the world; grant us peace.

*Please be seated*

## Distribution

### 620 Jesus Comes Today with Healing



1 Je - sus comes to - day with heal - ing, Knock - ing at my  
2 Christ Him - self, the priest pre - sid - ing, Yet in bread and  
3 Un - der bread and wine, though low - ly, I re - ceive the  
4 God de - scends with heav'n - ly pow - er, Gives Him - self to



door, ap - peal - ing, Of - f'ring par - don, grace, and peace.  
wine a - bid - ing In this ho - ly sac - ra - ment,  
Sav - ior ho - ly, Blood and bod - y, giv'n for me,  
me this hour— In this or - di - nar - y sign.



He Him - self makes prep - a - ra - tion, And I hear His  
Gives the bread of life, once bro - ken, And the cup, the  
Ver - y Lamb of God from heav - en, Who to bit - ter  
On my tongue His pledge re - ceiv - ing, I ac - cept His



in - vi - ta - tion: "Come and taste the bless - ed feast."  
pre - cious to - ken Of His sa - cred cov - e - nant.  
death was giv - en, Hung up - on the curs - ed tree.  
grace, be - liev - ing That I taste His love di - vine.

5 Let me praise God's boundless favor,  
Whose own feast of love I savor,  
Bidden by His gracious call.  
Wedding garments He provides me,  
With a robe of white He hides me,  
Fits me for the royal hall.

6 Now have I found consolation,  
Comfort in my tribulation,  
Balm to heal the troubled soul.  
God, my shield from ev'ry terror,  
Cleanses me from sin and error,  
Makes my wounded spirit whole.

# 412 The People That in Darkness Sat



1 The peo - ple that in dark - ness sat A glo - rious  
 2 To hail Thee, Sun of Righ - teous - ness, The gath - 'ring  
 3 To us a Child of hope is born, To us a  
 4 His name shall be the Prince of Peace, The Ev - er -



light have seen; The light has shined on them who long In  
 na - tions come; They joy as when the reap - ers bear Their  
 Son is giv'n, And on His shoul - der ev - er rests All  
 last - ing Lord, The Won - der - ful, the Coun - sel - or, The



shades of death have been, In shades of death have been.  
 har - vest trea - sures home, Their har - vest trea - sures home.  
 pow'r in earth and heav'n, All pow'r in earth and heav'n.  
 God by all a - dored, The God by all a - dored.

5 His righteous government and pow'r  
 Shall over all extend;  
 On judgment and on justice based,  
 His reign shall have no end,  
 His reign shall have no end.

△6 Lord Jesus, reign in us, we pray,  
 And make us Thine alone,  
 Who with the Father ever art  
 And Holy Spirit, one,  
 And Holy Spirit, one.

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# 825 Rise, Shine, You People



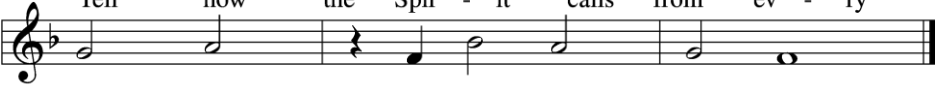
1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has en - tered  
2 See how He sends the pow'rs of e - vil reel - ing;  
3 Come, cel - e - brate, your ban - ners high un - furl - ing,  
4 Tell how the Fa - ther sent His Son to save us.



Our hu - man sto - ry; God in Him is cen - tered.  
He brings us free - dom, light and life and heal - ing.  
Your songs and prayers a - gainst the dark - ness hurl - ing.  
Tell of the Son, who life and free - dom gave us.



He comes to us, by death and sin sur -  
All men and wom - en, who by guilt are  
To all the world go out and tell the  
Tell how the Spir - it calls from ev - 'ry

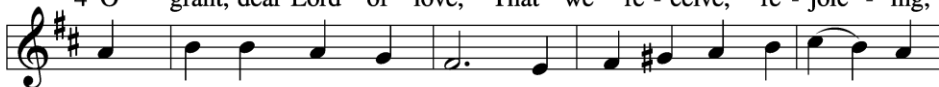


round - ed, With grace un - bound - ed.  
driv - en, Now are for - giv - en.  
sto - ry Of Je - sus' glo - ry.  
na - tion His new cre - a - tion.

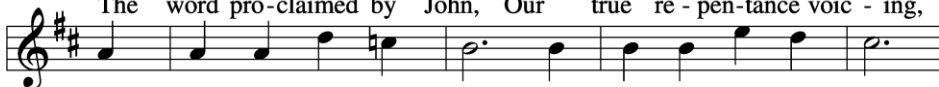
### 346 When All the World Was Cursed



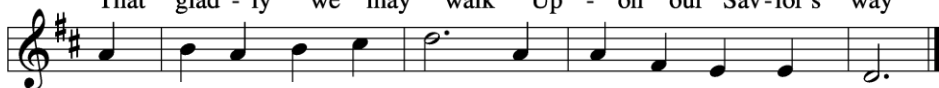
1 When all the world was cursed By Mo-ses' con-dem-na-tion,  
 2 Be-fore he yet was born, He leaped in joy-ful meet-ing,  
 3 Be-hold the Lamb of God That bears the world's trans-gres-sion,  
 4 O grant, dear Lord of love, That we re-ceive, re-joic-ing,



Saint John the Bap-tist came With words of con-so-la-tion.  
 Con-fess-ing Him as Lord Whose moth-er he was greet-ing.  
 Whose sac-ri-fice re-moves The dev-il's dread op-pres-sion.  
 The word pro-claimed by John, Our true re-pen-tance voic-ing,



With true fore-run-ner's zeal The great-er One he named,  
 By Jor-dan's roll-ing stream, A new E-li-jah bold,  
 Be-hold the Lamb of God, Who takes a-way our sin,  
 That glad-ly we may walk Up-on our Sav-ior's way



And Him, as yet un-known, As Sav-ior he pro-claimed.  
 He tes-ti-fied of Him Of whom the proph-ets told:  
 Who for our peace and joy Will full a-tone-ment win.  
 Un-til we live with Him In His e-ter-nal day.

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*Please stand*

### 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.

### Thank the Lord

*LSB 164*



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is-es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

## Post-Communion Collect

**P** Let us pray.

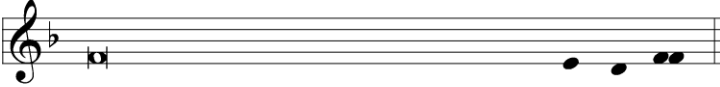
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You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



**C** A - men.

## Benediction

LSB 166



**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  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.



**C** A - men.

## 411 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light



1 I want to walk as a child of the light.  
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.  
3 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.



I want to fol - low Je - sus.  
I want to look at Je - sus.  
I want to be with Je - sus.



God set the stars to give light to the world.  
Clear Sun of Righ - teous - ness, shine on my path,  
When we have run with pa - tience the race,



The star of my life is Je - sus.  
And show me the way to the Fa - ther.  
We shall know the joy of Je - sus.

*Refrain*

In Him there is no dark - ness at all.  
 The night and the day are both a - like.  
 The Lamb is the light of the cit - y of God.  
 Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

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## Prayers for Our Members

Kristen Peterson	Expecting
Tenaya Nuttelman	Expecting
Gary Albers ( <i>St. Luke's</i> )	Healing
Vaughn Albrecht ( <i>Mt. Carmel</i> )	Healing
DyAnn Altwine	Healing
Dave Banner	Healing
Jim Catterson	Healing
Rich Crow	Healing
Abigail DeLoach	Healing
Pat Flodine ( <i>Homestead</i> )	Healing
Jade Florang	Healing
Marilyn Fuqua	Healing
Bob Glanzer	Healing
Jerry Hansen	Healing
Jan Hatfield	Healing
Ruby Hatfield	Healing
Evelyn Heiden ( <i>Mother Hull</i> )	Healing
Lennis Hodgson	Healing
Gwen Holtz ( <i>Mt. Carmel</i> )	Healing
Don Richmond	Healing
Marion Richmond	Healing
<b>Debra Schinkel</b>	<b>Healing</b>
Betty Schmidt	Healing
Lincoln Baker	Cancer
Jill Bates	Cancer

## Prayers for Our Members' Family & Friends

Shaylee Kreutzer ( <i>Kreutzer's daughter-in-law</i> )	Expecting
Amy Nuttelman ( <i>Chris' wife</i> )	Expecting
Kaylee White ( <i>Emily Vos' friend</i> )	Expecting
Naomi Wollberg ( <i>Matthias' wife</i> )	Expecting
Joan Bentley ( <i>Kreutzer's friend</i> )	Healing
Randy Fritson ( <i>Carol Herron's friend</i> )	Healing
Barb Glover ( <i>Shirley Helmbrecht's sister</i> )	Healing
Sharon Jones ( <i>Rhonda Nielson's mom</i> )	Healing
Cadence Markowski ( <i>Steve Junge's grandniece</i> )	Healing
Melissa Sims ( <i>Jade Florang's friend</i> )	Healing
Randy Solomon ( <i>Beth Rosenthal's father</i> )	Healing
Joanne Staton ( <i>Kristian Arevalo's grandmother</i> )	Healing
Ruth Sturgeon ( <i>Joyce Hartman's aunt</i> )	Healing
Pastor Brad Birtell ( <i>Willers' friend</i> )	Cancer
Emily Brachley ( <i>Hodgson's friend</i> )	Cancer
Paul Brooks ( <i>Bruce &amp; Becky Thornton's brother</i> )	Cancer
Mike & Sherrie Crow ( <i>Rich's brother &amp; sister-in-law</i> )	Cancer
Glenda Fichtner ( <i>Ruby Hatfield's niece</i> )	Cancer
Jerry Glover ( <i>Shirley Helmbrecht's brother</i> )	Cancer
Ron Halvorsen ( <i>Jeff's dad</i> )	Cancer
Heather Hawke ( <i>Ken &amp; Ellen Hockemeier's niece</i> )	Cancer
Steven Junge ( <i>Steve &amp; Fran's nephew</i> )	Cancer
Lynda Kreutzer ( <i>Rich &amp; Carol's sister-in-law</i> )	Cancer
Sharon Kreutzer ( <i>Rich's mom</i> )	Cancer
Sharon Mulhair ( <i>Pam Uhlir's cousin</i> )	Cancer
Jennelle Pietsch ( <i>Ellen Koopman's sister-in-law</i> )	Cancer
Carlie Russell ( <i>Sue Bartels' friend</i> )	Cancer
Tyrone Uhlir ( <i>Pam's nephew</i> )	Cancer

### Response to the Gospel

Date: 1/18/2025

Offering: \$6,462.69

Weekly Need: \$9,400

### Offering Options:

**To worship the Lord with your offering:**

- 1) Place your offering in the offering plate.
- 2) Go to [zionkearney.churchtrac.com/give](http://zionkearney.churchtrac.com/give)
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- 4) Mail your gift to Zion Lutheran Church, 2421 C Ave, Kearney, NE 68847

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### Worship Assistants

**Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup> - 9:00a**

Elder: Eric Rosenthal	Usher: Mike Wilkens
Acolyte: Brynne Fisher	Engineer: Matt Hodgson
Announcer: Lonna Gronewoller	Altar Guild: Sue Bartels & Shirley Oertwig

**Sunday, February 1<sup>st</sup> - 9:00a**

Elder: Paul Burger	Usher: Ed DeLaet
Acolyte: Luke Barefoot	Engineer: Jamie Marquardt
Announcer: Brooke Fisher	Altar Guild: Robin Baker & Carolyn Westman

## This Week at Zion

<b>Sun 1/25</b>	<b>9:00a</b> <b>10:30a</b> <b>10:30a</b>  <b>5:00p</b>	<b>Divine Service</b> <b>Adult Bible Study &amp; Sunday School</b> <b>Radio Broadcast</b> <b>1460AM &amp; 92.1FM</b> <b>Divine Service</b>
<b>Mon 1/26</b>	<i>Birthdays</i>	<i>Frederick France</i>
<b>Tues 1/27</b>	<b>1:30p</b> <i>Birthdays</i>	<b>Sleeping Mats</b> <i>Dennis Holtz</i>
<b>Wed 1/28</b>	<b>8:30a</b> <b>4:30p</b>	<b>Chapel</b> <b>Midweek Bible Stories</b>
<b>Thurs 1/29</b>	<i>Birthdays</i>	<i>Carol Gaunt</i>
<b>Fri 1/30</b>	<i>Birthdays</i>	<b>No School - Teacher Inservice</b> <b>Office Closed</b> <i>Jan Hatfield</i>
<b>Sat 1/31</b>		
<b>Sun 2/1</b>	<b>9:00a</b> <b>10:30a</b> <b>10:30a</b>  <b>5:00p</b>	<b>Divine Service</b> <b>Adult Bible Study &amp; Sunday School</b> <b>Radio Broadcast</b> <b>1460AM &amp; 92.1FM</b> <b>Divine Service</b>

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## **Announcements for January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

**Weekly Devotion Help for February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026:** The "Hymn of the Day" (HOD) for next Sunday is LSB 842 "Son of God, Eternal Savior". Go to <https://www.zionkearney.com/worship> to access a Bible study based on the hymn. We are also taking part in our synod's "Memory Verse Challenge" as we all memorize the same Bible verse each week:

"You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord." -

**Leviticus 19:18**

**No School:** There will be no school Friday, January 30<sup>th</sup> for a teacher in-service. The office will be closed.

**Adult Choir:** Starting February 4<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, Adult Choir will start rehearsing for Lent in the balcony.

**Grand Island Lutheran High:** If you or someone you know would like to receive the monthly newsletter from Grand Island Lutheran High, please email the school office at [hsoffice@cnlutheran.org](mailto:hsoffice@cnlutheran.org) or call 308-385-3900.

**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 2026. God works through His word.

**1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Missions:** 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. Life Sunday is a perfect opportunity to make a gift.

# SCHOOL NEWS

**New Teacher Search:** Our 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, Mrs. Peterson, is expecting twins! We are excited for her but will miss her as she will be staying home with the babies next year. The Board of Ed is now beginning the search for a new fourth grade teacher. If you know of any candidates, contact Mr. Splittgerber.

**Extra Pies:** There are extra pies for sale! Contact Holly in the office for inventory and pricing!

**Apple Mart Register Receipts:** Save receipts dated September 1, 2025 through March 31, 2026. With the register receipts, Zion earns points for dollars spent at Apple Market. The points are redeemed for school items. It is easy to earn money for your school! Turn in the receipts in the blue box by the south door at Zion or at Apple Market. If you have any questions please stop by the office.