

December 29, 30, 2018



# Zion Lutheran Church

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## As We Gather

*A warm and hearty welcome to you! It's a privilege and honor to worship the Crucified, Risen, and Ascended Jesus with you today! The believers of Zion are a caring community, and we're glad to have you here! As always, please make yourself at home; you are among the family of Christ.*

## Service Notes . . .

**In Preparation for Worship:** Please take some time to greet the people you are worshipping with! The order of worship for today is on the back of this page. You may want to take a few minutes to look it over and place a ribbon on the Psalm assigned for today as well as the Divine Service Liturgy we'll be following in the Lutheran Service Book (LSB) as you prepare to receive the gifts of God and sing His praises. May God seriously bless your worship with us this day...a new day of salvation!

**To Stand or Sit:** There are certain parts of the service where you will be invited to kneel or stand. Sometimes, "wrestling" with kids, or a personal health condition makes kneeling or standing uncomfortable...please know: It is okay to kneel, stand, or sit. All are appropriate! So please, make yourself comfortable, receive the gifts God loves to give and **BOLDLY** sing His praises!

**THE OFFERING:** If you are our guest today, you are not expected to contribute monetarily to God's work at Zion...you are our guest! Please remember to fill out the Friendship Book (located at the end of the Pew) and sign our Guest Book in the narthex so we can thank you for your visit...and come soon to see us again! If you choose to give an offering, know this: The gifts we give back to God are used by His church to transform lives.



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**First Sunday after Christmas**

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Welcome

**Opening Hymns**            2 Selected by the Congregation

Confession and Absolution (Please Kneel as you are able)	p.203
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Psalm 111 (in front of Hymnal Spoken responsively by half verse)

**All Say: "Glory be to the Father..."**

Kyrie	p.204ff
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**Exodus 13:1-3a, 11-15 (ESV)**            Scripture Readings

1The Lord said to Moses, 2"Consecrate to me all the firstborn. Whatever is the first to open the womb among the people of Israel, both of man and of beast, is mine." 3Then Moses said to the people, "Remember this day in which you came out from Egypt, out of the house of slavery, for by a strong hand the Lord brought you out from this place. 11"When the Lord brings you into the land of the Canaanites, as he swore to you and your fathers, and shall give it to you, 12you shall set apart to the Lord all that first opens the womb. All the firstborn of your animals that are males shall be the Lord's. 13Every firstborn of a donkey you shall redeem with a lamb, or if you will not redeem it you shall break its neck. Every firstborn of man among your sons you shall redeem. 14And when in time to come your son asks you, 'What does this mean?' you shall say to him, 'By a strong hand the Lord brought us out of Egypt, from the house of slavery. 15For when Pharaoh stubbornly refused to let us go, the Lord killed all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both the firstborn of man and the firstborn of animals. Therefore, I sacrifice to the Lord all the males that first open the womb, but all the firstborn of my sons I redeem.'

R: This is the word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God**

**Colossians 3:12-17(ESV)** 12Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, 13bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. 14And above all these, put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. 15And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. 16Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. 17And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

R: This is the word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God**

Rise for the Alleluia	p.205
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**Luke 2:22-40 (ESV)**<sup>22</sup>And when the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord <sup>23</sup>(as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord”) <sup>24</sup>and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.” <sup>25</sup>Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. <sup>26</sup>And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Christ. <sup>27</sup>And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, <sup>28</sup>he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said, <sup>29</sup> “Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word; <sup>30</sup>for my eyes have seen your salvation <sup>31</sup> that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, <sup>32</sup>a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel.” <sup>33</sup>And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. <sup>34</sup>And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, “Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed <sup>35</sup>(and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed.” <sup>36</sup>And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin, <sup>37</sup>and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. <sup>38</sup>And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem. <sup>39</sup>And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. <sup>40</sup>And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord **C: Praise to You, O Christ**

Apostles’ Creed

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*(Ushers collect Prayer Requests and bring them to Pastor)*

**Hymn of the Day 389** “Let All Together Praise Our God (vs 1-5)”

Sermon: “**What Shall I Wear?**” - **Colossians 3:12-17(ESV)**

Our Prayers: Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

Opportunity for Offering: Please record your attendance and communion participation in the black Friendship book. Return book to the outside of the pew.

Offering

Lord’s Prayer

Benedicamus & Benediction

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**Closing Hymns** 2 Selected by the Congregation

Announcements

★ ★ *Join us for coffee and treats in the Fellowship Hall following the service*

★ ★ Sunday Only

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**WELCOME VISITORS!** We wish to welcome all visitors and guests to worship the Triune God with us. May He go with you during the week, and we invite you to worship with us again. Our restrooms are located near the East entrance door – across from the church mail boxes.

**“OUR PURPOSE IN ZION** is to be a growing, caring, community of believers in Christ who help strengthen one another through prayer and fellowship in Word and Sacrament to bring others to Christ”

**A NURSERY** is provided on the lower level of the education unit for families with infants and small children; a television is available in the nursery, so you may listen and watch the worship service. There is a Changing Table located there.

**CHILDREN’S ACTIVITY BAGS** are available in the narthex. We ask that the activity bags be returned after the worship service. *Thank you!*

**PERSONAL SOUND RECEIVERS:** If you have a hearing problem you may use Zion’s Personal Sound Receivers that can be found on the bulletin stand in the Narthex.

**ALTAR FLOWERS PROVIDED THIS MONTH BY:**

- 12/9 Molitor in memory of Abigail Molitor
- 12/16 Marlyn Poppen in memory of Gloria Wolters
- 12/23 Sue Prozinski



**“PRAYER CHAIN”** contact person is Gloria Irwin. Call her at 632-8044 or Lydia Posch @ 632-6228 for any prayer concerns or questions.



**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:** Diane Colombe (has bone marrow cancer)

<b><u>EVENTS AT ZION THIS WEEK</u></b>		
SAT	6:30pm	Worship with Communion
SUN	9:00am	Worship with Communion
	10:15am	SUNDAY SCHOOL
	11:15am	Creative Worship

**PLEASE NOTE . . .**  
 \*Women’s Weekly Bible study will **not** meet on **December 31**. We will meet again in the Fireside Room at 9:00 a.m. on **Monday, January 7**, to do lesson #12. Blessings to each of you during this Christmas season!

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR**

Topic for today is, "A Long Good-bye" Next week, "The Word Turned Toward"

Sermons can be heard on Sunday at:

- 6:05am @ WCCO 830AM
- 6:10am @ KLTF 960AM
- 6:30am @ KEYL 1400AM –
- 7:05am @ KFML 94.1FM
- 5:00pm @ KCFB 91.5FM

*(Sermons are posted on our church website (worship/music page)*

**SATURDAY/SUNDAY ~ December 22 & 23, 2018 (27/140) = 167)**



Current .....	\$2,098.00	Building Fund.....	\$728.00
Loose .....	\$571.01	Youth .....	\$40.00
Mission .....	\$12.00		
TOTAL OPERATING:.....	\$2,681.01	TOTAL ADDITIONAL GIFTS: .....	\$768.00
NEEDED FOR EXPENSES: .....	\$3,185.00		
Sunday School Offering	\$7.00		

**Christmas Eve ~ December 24, 2018 (95)**



Current .....	\$220.00	Building Fund.....	\$380.00
Loose .....	\$240.00		
Christmas Eve .....	\$866.00		
Christmas.....	\$31.00		
TOTAL OPERATING:.....	\$1,357.00	TOTAL ADDITIONAL GIFTS: .....	\$380.00
NEEDED FOR EXPENSES: .....	\$3,185.00		

**Christmas Day ~ December 25, 2018 (60)**



Current .....	\$905.00	Building Fund.....	\$365.00
Loose .....	\$81.00		
Christmas Eve .....	\$100.00		
TOTAL OPERATING:.....	\$1,086.00	TOTAL ADDITIONAL GIFTS: .....	\$365.00
NEEDED FOR EXPENSES: .....	\$3,185.00		

**OFFERING ENVELOPES**

The 2019 offering envelopes are in your church mailbox. Please do not use them until after January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. Thank you.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS – December 30**

There will **not** be Sunday School today. Sunday School will resume at 10:15 a.m. next Sunday, **January 6, 2019**. Have a blessed New Year!

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## LUTHERAN WITNESS MAGAZINE

The deadline for subscribing to the monthly Lutheran Witness magazine is **February 1<sup>st</sup>**. If you would like to receive this magazine, please contact Barb in the office by phone, email or a note on the desk. The cost for the magazine is \$22.56 for the year. Please make your check payable to Zion Lutheran Church and note that it is for the LW magazine subscription.

**COMING SOON!**

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY  
THURSDAY EVENINGS  
@ 6:00PM**

**BEGINNING JANUARY 10TH**

LED BY: DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN OUTREACH  
PETER KEYES

**How to  
MANAGE  
Your  
MONEY**

More than 800,000 copies sold!

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Bible Study  
On Personal  
Finances

**LARRY BURKETT**

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The advertisement features a dark green background with a white open book at the bottom. On the right, there is a book cover for 'How to Manage Your Money' by Larry Burkett, which includes an image of a Bible and money. A purple ribbon graphic in the top left corner says 'COMING SOON!'.

**Center Shot Sports**  
Presented by Tim Stroming

**January 12<sup>th</sup>  
10:30-Noon**

**Pizza following the presentation**

The advertisement has a vibrant background with a sunset sky, clouds, and a person in white archery gear drawing a bow. In the foreground, a dartboard is shown with several darts hitting the bullseye.

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY      NO CHILDREN'S MESSAGE TODAY**

- > No Sunday School - today
- > "KID'S PRAISE" CREATIVE WORSHIP SERVICE will resume on January 6 at 11:15am.

**YOUTH MINISTRY --- Fund Raising and Support**

- > We currently have two youth and two adults who are planning to attend the National Youth Gathering in July 2019. They are raising support through the following items...
  - COOK BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE - \$10.
  - ZION LUTHERAN T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE FOR SALE – DISCOUNTED NOW ONLY \$10 EACH. Limited sizes ... youth through adult.

**ADULT / FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY**

- > "NEW" Adult Bible Class: "How To Manage Your Money" (Larry Burkett) led by DCO Peter Keyes. Starting January 10 - Thursday evenings at 6pm – 7pm. Sign up for class is on the ministry table.
- > FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK: [www.facebook.com/zionlf](http://www.facebook.com/zionlf)
- > STAY INFORMED ON OUR WEBPAGE: [www.zionlf.com](http://www.zionlf.com)

**BRING IT HOME**

- > Week 14 – Reading List for December 31 thru January 6 is pinned to the community bulletin board under the BRING IT HOME poster. Take a copy as you leave church today. Follow the suggestions for engaging your family in daily devotions.

**OUTREACH**

- > January – Friendship Club... guest speaker, Mary Kokula, from CHI Home and Hospice, will talk about grief support for those who have recently suffered a loss in their family.  
NOTE CHANGE OF DATE... JAUARY 25, AT 1:00 PM.
- > FARE-FOR-ALL... We have posted the new 2019 schedule for the Fare-for-All food share program on the community bulletin board. This program provides food packages at discounted prices to help stretch your grocery budget. Open to all people, no income restrictions.
- > CENTERSHOT... What is it? How would we use it? Who will benefit?  
Reserve Saturday, January 12 on your calendar for an informational meeting about the program.  
DCE Tim Stroming from Cohasset will be our guest presenter.  
MEET IN ZION FELLOWSHIP HALL at 10:30 – NOON --- Pizza to follow... tell others, join us.

**DCO PETER KEYES CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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**Saturday December 29, 6:30 p.m.**

**Sunday, December 30, 9:00 a.m.**

Gary Hendrickson ..... Pastor ..... Gary Hendrickson  
Peter Keyes ..... Director of Christian Outreach ..... Peter Keyes  
Craig Bohnsack ..... Elders ..... Mike Gohl  
Peggy Dolney ..... Organist ..... Peggy Dolney  
Duane Schmidt ..... Ushers ..... Wayne Ganz & Dennis Dickmann  
Duane Schmidt ..... Readers ..... Dan Gilder  
Duane Schmidt ..... Visitor Hosts ..... Carolyn Ganz  
Acolyte ..... Madison Bates  
Choir Director ..... Jerry Knafla  
Handbell Directors ..... Peggy Dolney & Carol Prozinski

**Saturday, January 5, 6:30 p.m.**

**Sunday, January 6, 9:00 a.m.**

Gary Hendrickson ..... Pastor ..... Gary Hendrickson  
Peter Keyes ..... Director of Christian Outreach ..... Peter Keyes  
Greg Rausch ..... Elders ..... Sheldon Prozinski  
Carol Prozinski ..... Organist ..... Carol Prozinski  
Marie Holey & Jennifer Hanson ..... Ushers .... Eugene Doucette & Dennis Hollermann  
Jennifer Hanson ..... Readers ..... Don Stover  
Marie Holey ..... Visitor Hosts ..... Julie Doucette  
Acolyte ..... Patrick Holtz  
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