

New Traditions Worship

First Sunday of Advent

9:00 AM Worship
November 28, 2021

Pre-service Music

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting of the Advent Wreath - Aaron & Ashley, Declan, Estee Holtan

Gathering

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,
the Lord of Israel who comes to set us free,
the mighty Savior who comes to show mercy,
the Dawn from on high who guides us into peace.

Amen.

Let us come before God in confession.

Silence is kept for reflection.

To you, O God,

we lift up our souls.

You know us through and through;

we confess our sins to you.

Remember not our sins;

remember us with your steadfast love.

Show us your ways;

teach us your paths;

and lead us in justice and truth,

for the sake of your goodness

in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Children of God, come with joy
and draw water from the well of salvation.

Remember the gift of baptism:

your sin is washed away in the name of Jesus;

you belong to Christ;

you are anointed to serve.

Stand up and raise your heads!

The reign of God is near.

Amen.

Gathering Song "How Great is Our God" *lyrics printed on songsheet*

Greeting

From the one who is and who was and who is to come,
and from Jesus Christ, the first fruits of the resurrection,
grace and peace be with you all.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection alert us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Word

Children's Sermon

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 33:14-16

¹⁴The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness." *The word of the Lord... Thanks be to God.*

PSALM: Psalm 25:1-10

¹To | you, O LORD,
I lift | up my soul.

²**My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be | put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph | over me.**

³Let none who look to you be | put to shame;
rather let those be put to shame | who are treacherous.

⁴**Show me your | ways, O LORD,
and teach | me your paths.**

⁵Lead me in your | truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all | the day long.

⁶**Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love,
for they are from | everlasting.**

⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and | my transgressions;
remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your goodness, O

LORD.

⁸**You are gracious and upright, O LORD;
therefore you teach sinners | in your way.**

⁹You lead the lowly in justice
and teach the lowly your way.

¹⁰**All your paths, O LORD, are steadfast | love and faithfulness
to those who keep your covenant and your | testimonies.**

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

⁹How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? ¹⁰Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

¹¹Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹²And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. ¹³And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

The word of the Lord...Thanks be to God.

Gospel: Luke 21:25-36

[Jesus said:] ²⁵“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. ²⁶People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

²⁹Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; ³⁰as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, ³⁵like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

Sermon Drawn to the Word - Paul Oman - Advent Message

Hymn of the Day “God of All” *lyrics printed on songsheet*

Apostle’s Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession *response: hear our prayer.*

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Sending

Benediction

Sending Song "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" *lyrics printed on songsheet*

Dismissal Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
 Thanks be to God.

Post-service Music

WELCOME! ZION'S LAY MINISTRY/EVANGELISM BOARD SAYS A SPECIAL WELCOME TO YOU THIS MORNING AND MAY YOU BE FED SPIRITUALLY DURING THIS TIME OF WORSHIP.

OUR THANKS TO TODAY'S WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Advent Readers: Aaron & Ashley, Declan & Estee Holtan

Pianist: Laura Rude

Reader: Millie Reiersen

Ushers: Wayne Bjerken

Greeters: Theresa Hagman

Acolytes: Maverick Iverson, Jace Erickson

Worship Leader: Shawna Spears

OUR PRAYERS to David Morken recovering at Pioneer Memorial, Erskine.

OUR SYMPATHIES to the families of:

- + Richard Kostrzewski on the death of his brother, Julian "Sonny" Kostrzewski.
- + Ashley & Sean Ranum on the death of Ashley's mother, Diane Jury.
- + Karen & David Kirkeby on the death of her brother, Roger Kurpius.
- + Diane Baune on the death of her daughter-in-law (Paul's wife)

BROADCASTS today are sponsored by Vivian Knutson & family in memory of Harley Knutson

ZION'S WEBSITE for November is sponsored by Zion memorials

REMINDER to those hospitalized If you wish Pastor Mark to call, please let the office know.

ZION WORSHIP SERVICE ONLINE Sunday mornings you can listen to the 9:00AM service online. Go to: www.ziontrf.org. in the black banner click Listen Online, Click on the RED link to KTRF.

LWR QUILTING the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursdays of the month 1- 4pm. Questions? call Sharon Berger-son 681-5445, or Renee Henney 964-5816

SPIRIT OF GIVING from 8AM-12:00 Noon on Saturday, December 4th. Donations will be accepted on Wed, Dec 1 from 1-7PM, Thurs. Dec 2 from 9AM-7PM, Fri, Dec 3 from 9AM-5PM. Donations maybe brought in thru the offices door and brought to the fellowship hall.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS – If you would like to share a poinsettia for our Christmas worship, please call or email the church office by December 18th. If you wish to designate in honor or in memory of a loved one it will be listed in the Christmas Eve bulletin. You may take your poinsettia home following the 10PM Christmas worship.

BEREAVED PARENTS/GRANDPARENTS SUPPORT GROUP: Are you a parent or grandparent of a child or grandchild of any age who has died? Would you be interested in support in dealing with your loss (doesn't have to be recent)? You are welcome to join us this group to offer you some support. Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, December 21, at 10:30 am** in the Lounge at Zion. Pastor Mark will be leading us. If you have questions, please call Marcia S. @ 681-6242.

STEWARDSHIP (Envelopes/Vanco Electronic Giving/Silver Creek included in all totals)

November 15-21: income: \$7,620.

Nov. 1-21 income:\$20,333.

Year to Date income Jan 1– Nov. 21: \$ 278,854.

2021 budget \$353,032. / \$6,789. is needed per week to meet budgeted expenses.

Vanco Electronic Giving is available - forms are on the table by the office. You can also set up contributions thru Zion's website.

Direct Thrivent Choice Dollars® Eligible Thrivent Financial members: Show your appreciation for Zion Lutheran Church by directing Choice Dollars. The individual recommendations you make through Choice Dollars directions can make a profound impact.

ENVELOPE BOXES will be available to pick up soon. Those who receive boxed envelopes should note that they have been renumbered for 2022. Most contributors will have a new contributor number in 2022. Please do not use the 2022 envelopes until after January 1st, 2022.

Pastor Mark is on vacation November 20-December 3

LSS RESPITE CARE - Thursdays, 9am-1pm in the Lounge. For more info contact Julie Praska Moser at 218-686-6229

LSS CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP will meet on Thursday, December 9th from 10-11:00 AM at Zion. All caregivers are welcome, you do not need to register. Please spread the word to those who can benefit from this group. More info Julie Praska Moser 218-686-6228

The Pennington County Salvation Army is in need of bell ringers for the Red Kettle Campaign this season. The Red Kettles are the main source of funding for the Pennington County Salvation Army Unit. Funds raised are used to help those in our community in crisis. Bell ringers are needed from Nov. 29th through Dec. 24th. Shifts are 2 hours long and are indoors. Please contact Nicole Peterson at 218-689-3508 for more information or to schedule a time to volunteer.

Ministers: Every Member of the Congregation
Mark Helgeland, *Interim Pastor*
Tiffany Sterry & David Lee, *Custodial*

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SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:

Today - Nov. 28: First Sunday of Advent

9:00 Worship at Zion/Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF;
10-11 Sunday School
10:00 Coffee fellowship
10:30 Worship at Silver Creek
12:00 Zion broadcast on cable ch. 37

Monday, Nov. 29:

9 SAIL
7 Troop 59

Tuesday, Nov. 30:

Pastor's Conference at Zion
6 Cub Scouts

Wednesday, Dec. 1:

5:15 Confirmation Supper
6 Confirmation classes
6 God's Joy
7 Senior Choir
1-7 Spirit of Giving donations accepted

Thursday, Dec. 2:

9 SAIL
9-1 LSS Respite Care in lounge
1 Quilting
9-7 Spirit of Giving donations accepted

Friday, Dec 3:

7 Men's Breakfast
9-5 Spirit of Giving donations accepted

Saturday, Dec. 4

8-12 noon Spirit of Giving

Next Sunday, Dec. 5: 2nd Sunday of Advent

9:00 Holy Communion Worship at Zion/Broadcast ch. 3; KTRF;
10-11 Sunday School
10:00 Coffee fellowship
10:30 Worship at Silver Creek
12:00 Zion broadcast on cable ch. 37



Sunday School meets from 10:00 to 11:00 AM

Thank you to the student families who are providing treats for coffee fellowship!

1ST ANNUAL GINGERBREAD HOUSE COMPETITION

As a family, create a gingerbread house at home made of cookies, candies and frosting (must be edible) and bring to Zion's Fellowship Hall Dec. 5th by 10 AM for judging.



Sunday School Christmas Program is December 19th at 9 AM.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - THANK YOU to everyone that participated in Operation Christmas Child this year!!! A total of 85 boxes were delivered from Zion!!! We are happy to say our 10th grade confirmation class was able to pack 52 boxes and we were able to cover the shipping of those boxes with the generous donations from the congregation! Peace, Love and Happiness, Amber Holtan



SPECIAL THANK YOU to Deb Holtan, Pastor Mark and Senior Choir for sharing their time with the Confirmation Classes during our 1st worship study!

THANK YOU to our 9th Grade Confirmation class for an awesome job with our 65+ Supper. Our guests enjoyed a great meal thanks to you! And a Huge Thank You to all the parents for their help! Blessings to All - Kami

8-10TH GRADE WEDNESDAY CONFIRMATION CLASSES:

A meal will be served at 5:15 followed by classes at 6PM.

December 1 menu: Baked macaroni & cheese, \$4.00. pop/ water bottle .50 cents

CONFIRMATION PARENTS: Please sign up for REMIND. You may be missing out on important information. To sign up text: @ziontrf to 81010

GOD'S CREATION wall calendars are available in limited supply. They are \$8.00 each and can be picked up in the church office. Also available are magnetic notepads and notecards.

Zion's 12th Annual Spirit of Giving

**Saturday, December 4
8:00 – 12:00**

We welcome your donations for Zion's 12th Annual Spirit of Giving.

- Clean, new, or **very gently** used, neatly folded, **WINTER** clothing (**One box clothing per family**), household items, toys, Christmas decor and decorations, and miscellaneous items
- No items in garbage bags will be accepted.
- No large appliances, furniture, televisions, microwaves, or computers will be accepted.

Donations may be dropped off in the **basement Fellowship Hall** on **Wednesday, December 1, from 1:00 – 7:00, Thursday, December 2, from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM, and Friday, December 3, from 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM.**

No early drop-offs!!!! No Saturday drop-offs!!!!

If you can help Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, or Saturday, please call Cookie Overbye at 612-804-3035 or the church office at 681-3296.

Thank you for sharing God's love and abundance with others and making someone's Christmas brighter.

