

# Zion Lutheran

**Mission: Creating Community Through  
God's Love and Guidance**



**3rd Sunday after Epiphany**  
January 21, 2024

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN #592**      “Just As I Am, without One Plea”

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,  
creator of darkness and light,  
word of truth,  
wind sweeping over the waters.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

God, our rock and refuge,

**we pour out our hearts before you.**

**We have known you but have not always loved you.**

**We have wounded one another  
and sinned against you.**

**We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit  
dwelling in each of us.**

**Remember your covenant.**

**Renew your creation.**

**Restore us,**

**that we might proclaim your good news to all.**

**Amen.**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters.

God has spoken:

The time of grace is now.

In Jesus, the reign of God has come near.

By the authority of Jesus Christ,

your sins are forgiven.

You are God’s beloved.

**Amen.**

## **GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## **FIRST READING**

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

A reading from Jonah.

<sup>1</sup>The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, <sup>2</sup>“Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” <sup>3</sup>So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. <sup>4</sup>Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” <sup>5</sup>And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. <sup>10</sup>When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM 62: 5-12**

Sung to the hymn melody  
“Amazing Grace”

Find rest, my soul, in God alone, for my hope comes from Him.

In silence wait for God, my soul; and only look to Him.

He only is my fortress, rock, and my salvation sure; I’ll not be shaken, for He is my stronghold evermore.

For my salvation, honor too, depend on God alone. He is my mighty rock of strength, my refuge—He alone.

O people, trust in Him always; at all times, all day long;  
Pour out your hearts before Him for God is our refuge strong.

For lowborn men are but a breath, and highborn men a lie;  
When on the balance they are weighed, they're only a breath's sigh.

Trust not in greed, oppression, nor put hope in robbery; if wealth increase, don't set your heart upon its vanity.

One thing God spoke, two things I've heard: that You, O God, are strong,  
And loving, too, Lord—You reward each one as they have done.

## **SECOND READING**

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

A reading from 1 Corinthians.

<sup>29</sup>Brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be 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 possessions, <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.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Setting 8

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, al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

**GOSPEL READING**

Mark 1:14-20

The holy gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>14</sup>Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, <sup>15</sup>and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.” <sup>16</sup>As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew 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 fish for people.” <sup>18</sup>And immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>19</sup>As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. <sup>20</sup>Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

Pastor Karen Jewell

**HYMN OF THE DAY#817**

“You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore”

## **APOSTLES' 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**

God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

## **PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

## **OFFERING**

**"They Cast Their Nets"**

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

Blessed are you, Holy One,  
for all good things come from you.  
In bread and cup you open heaven to us.  
Meet us at this table,  
that we receive what we seek  
and follow your Son, Jesus,  
in whose name we pray.

**Amen.**

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

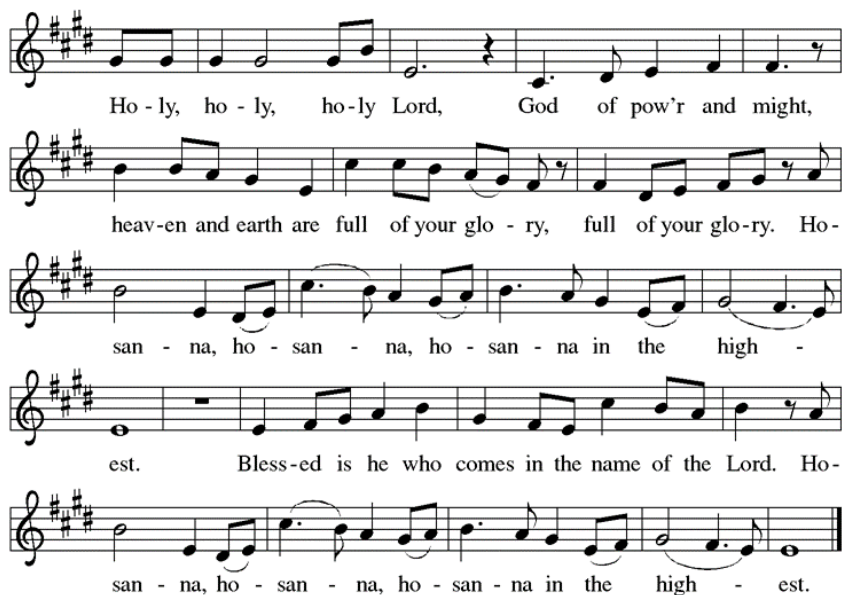
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## PREFACE

### HOLY HOLY HOLY

Setting 8



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, 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, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

### THE 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.**

# LAMB OF GOD

Setting 8



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

At Jesus' table, heaven and earth are joined as one.  
Come and see.

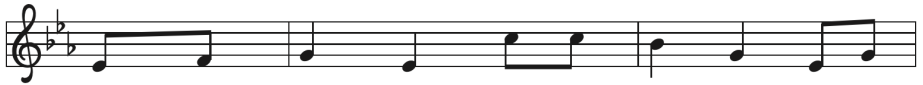
## COMMUNION

### COMMUNION HYMN

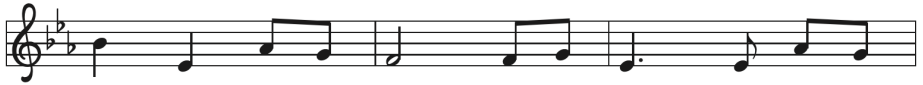
“Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken”



# Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken



1 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken by the  
2 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken in a  
3 Loaves are bro - ken, words are spo - ken, as in  
4 By the loaves you break and give us, send us



Gal - i - le - an shore. Je - sus, Bread of life from  
qui - et room one night. In the bread and wine you  
faith we gath - er here. Je - sus speaks a - cross the  
in your name to share bread for which the mil - lions



heav - en, was their food for - ev - er - more.  
gave them, Christ, you came as Light from Light.  
a - ges: "I am with you; do not fear!"  
hun - ger, words that tell your love and care.



By your bod - y bro - ken for us, by your



wine of life out - poured, Je - sus, feed a - gain your



peo - ple. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

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## TABLE BLESSING

Now may the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Giver of every gift,  
Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body.  
Raise us to life by your power  
for the benefit of all and to your glory,  
now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

God who names you,  
Christ who claims you,  
and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you,  
bless you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

## **SENDING HYMN #543**

“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. You are God's beloved.

**Creating Community through God's Love and Guidance —  
thanks be to God!**

## **POSTLUDE**

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Emergencies contact the office.

## Welcome!

We invite visitors to complete the card in the pew and put it in the collection basket. Thank You!

## Announcements

Ruth Mosher passed away on Sunday, January 14th. The funeral was held on Thursday, January 18th. Please keep her family in your prayers.

Extra copies of the January messenger are in the back of the sanctuary.

The office staff is preparing the 2024 guidebook. Please fill out the form in the narthex if your contact information has changed so that our directory is accurate.

Moving forward any bulletin announcements and messenger information should be emailed to the office coordinator, Kimberly Gordon at [kimberly@zionappleton.org](mailto:kimberly@zionappleton.org).

Sanctuary Secrets: Why are there arches in the Zion Sanctuary? Why is there a bird?? Where is the gardener? Why do the colors change? What color is the Hymnal? Join the Confirmation class in the Sanctuary after worship on Sundays between January 7th and February 18th to find out. Here are the dates (10:30-11:15 AM Sundays) and topics for Confirmation Classes in the Sanctuary:

1/7/24	Parts of the Sanctuary
1/14/24	Parts of the Sanctuary
1/21/24	Symbols of the Sanctuary
1/28/24	Symbols of the Sanctuary
2/4/24	The Church Calendar
2/11/24	The Church Calendar
2/18/24	Meet in the Chapel

In the narthex there is a list of members that we need current addresses for so we can contact them. If you have any information on these members please contact the office with that information. Thank you.

Don't forget Zion's Raise Right fundraiser when you are starting to plan your projects for 2024. They can be used by you or given as a gift to someone else. Please consider placing an order with Lynn Walter. More information is in the narthex.

Zion's Call Committee met Monday Jan.15th. We continue to work on our interview skills, to keep fresh for when we are given a candidate to consider. The process continues to be slow due to the shortage of clergy at this time, but we are positive that the right fit will come at the right time.

We have explored the many positive things going on at Zion, and our gratitude for the volunteerism and positivity that Zion is blessed with.

We pray for Zion and its congregants in this time of waiting and appreciate your prayers for our team, and Zion Congregation.

“Not only so, but we also glory in our suffering, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope.” Romans 5:3

-Zion Pastoral Call Committee (Deb Reis, Tricia Kasten, Cheryl Meyer, Jon Meyer, Kyle Moseng, Ray Pittman)

**Zion's Annual Meeting will be held February 4th at 10:45AM. There are index cards available at the back of the church that members may use to submit questions for the council. Cards may be left in the offering plate, or given to an usher by January 28th. Questions may also be submitted via email to Gail Hunter at: [gdutcher1228@gmail.com](mailto:gdutcher1228@gmail.com)**

## THIS WEEK AT ZION

<p><b>Sunday, January 21</b>            Jonah 3:1-5, 10, Ps 62:5-12            1 Cor 7:29-31, Mark 1:14-20            Choir Rehearsal 8-8:45 am  <b>Worship Service 9:00 am</b>            followed by            Coffee Hour            Sunday School &amp; Confirmation</p>	<p><b>Third Sunday of Epiphany</b>            Pastor Karen Jewell            Assisting Minister: Tom Meltz            Reader: Pennie Reis            Acolyte: Charlee Weiland            Musician: Heather Watney            Opens: Jim Schley            Closes: Greg Pettigrew            Fellowship: Karen &amp; Elmer Luedtke</p>
<p><b>Monday, January 22</b></p>	<p>AASD Staff Development 7:30am-3:30pm</p>
<p><b>Tuesday, January 23</b></p>	<p>Staff Meeting 10:30am-11:00am</p>
<p><b>Wednesday, January 24</b></p>	<p>Tower RingerZ Rehearsal 4:15pm</p>
<p><b>Thursday, January 25</b></p>	<p>Historical Central Neighborhood Book Club 6:30pm</p>
<p><b>Sunday, January 28</b>            Deut 18:15-20, Ps 111            1 Cor 8:1-13, Mark 1:21-28            Choir Rehearsal 8-8:45 am  <b>Worship Service 9:00 am</b>            followed by            Coffee Hour            Sunday School &amp; Confirmation</p>	<p><b>Fourth Week of Epiphany</b>            Pastor Karen Jewell            Assisting Minister: Gwen Schwandt            Reader: Tricia Kasten            Acolyte: Ava Dorn            Musician: William Surtees            Opens: Gwen Schwandt            Closes: Greg Pettigrew</p>