

# Zion Lutheran

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



**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost  
July 28, 2024**

**ORDER OF SERVICE**

**(The assembly speaks the bold print)**

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**PRELUDE**

**"O Holy Night"**  
arranged by Bruce Healey

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN#253**

**"He Came Down"**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,  
the God of manna,  
the God of miracles,  
the God of mercy.

**Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,  
let us confess our sin.

God, our provider,  
**help us.**

**It is hard to believe there is enough to share.**

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways  
of the world in which we live.**

**We turn to our own understanding  
rather than trusting in you.**

**We take offense at your teachings and your ways.**

**Turn us again to you.**

**Where else can we turn?**

**Share with us the words of eternal life  
and feed us for life in the world.**

**Amen.**

Beloved people of God:  
in Jesus, the manna from heaven,  
you are fed and nourished.  
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,  
there is always more than enough.  
Through Jesus, the bread of life,  
you are shown God's mercy:  
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.  
**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**

**Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**  
**Amen.**

### **FIRST READING**

Isaiah 9: 2-7

A reading from Isaiah.

<sup>2</sup> The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness on them light has 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 people exult when dividing plunder. <sup>4</sup>For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. <sup>5</sup>For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. <sup>6</sup>For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

<sup>7</sup>His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

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

**Psalm Meditation:**

"Christmas Bell Medley"

arranged by Christine Anderson

Handbell solo performed by David Dagenais

**Psalm 96** – please silently read and meditate while listening to the special music

1 O sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth.

2 Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

3 Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples.

4 For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be revered above all gods.

5 For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the LORD made the heavens.

6 Honor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

7 Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

8 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts.

9 Worship the LORD in holy splendor; tremble before him, all the earth.

10 Say among the nations, "The LORD is king! The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved. He will judge the peoples with equity."

11 Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it;

12 let the field exult, and everything in it. Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy

13 before the LORD; for he is coming, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with his truth.

## SECOND READING

Titus 2:11-14

A reading from Titus.

<sup>11</sup>For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, <sup>12</sup>training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly, <sup>13</sup>while we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. <sup>14</sup>He it is who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity and purify for himself a people of his own who are zealous for good deeds.

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

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

sing twice

### Gospel Acclamation *Celtic Alleluia*

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

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

*Verses may be sung by a leader. Then the alleluia is repeated.*

Music: Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker

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## GOSPEL READING

Luke 2: 1-20

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

<sup>1</sup>In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. <sup>2</sup>This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. <sup>3</sup>All went to their own towns to be registered. <sup>4</sup>Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. <sup>5</sup>He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. <sup>6</sup>While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child.

<sup>7</sup>And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.<sup>8</sup>In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. <sup>9</sup>Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. <sup>10</sup>But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see — I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: <sup>11</sup>to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. <sup>12</sup>This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger." <sup>13</sup>And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, <sup>14</sup>"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!"<sup>15</sup>When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." <sup>16</sup>So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. <sup>17</sup>When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; <sup>18</sup>and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. <sup>19</sup>But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. <sup>20</sup>The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

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

**SERMON**

Vicar Jake Czarnik-Neimeyer

**HYMN OF THE DAY**      "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks"  
see insert

**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**

**In your mercy, hear our prayer.**

### **PEACE**

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

### **OFFERING**

#### **CELLO SOLO**

**"Away in a Manger"  
performed by Linda Wirtz**

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Jesus, Bread of life,  
you have set this table with your very self,  
and called us to the feast of plenty.  
Gather what has been sown among us,  
and strengthen us in this meal.  
Make us to be what we receive here,  
your body for the life of the world.

**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

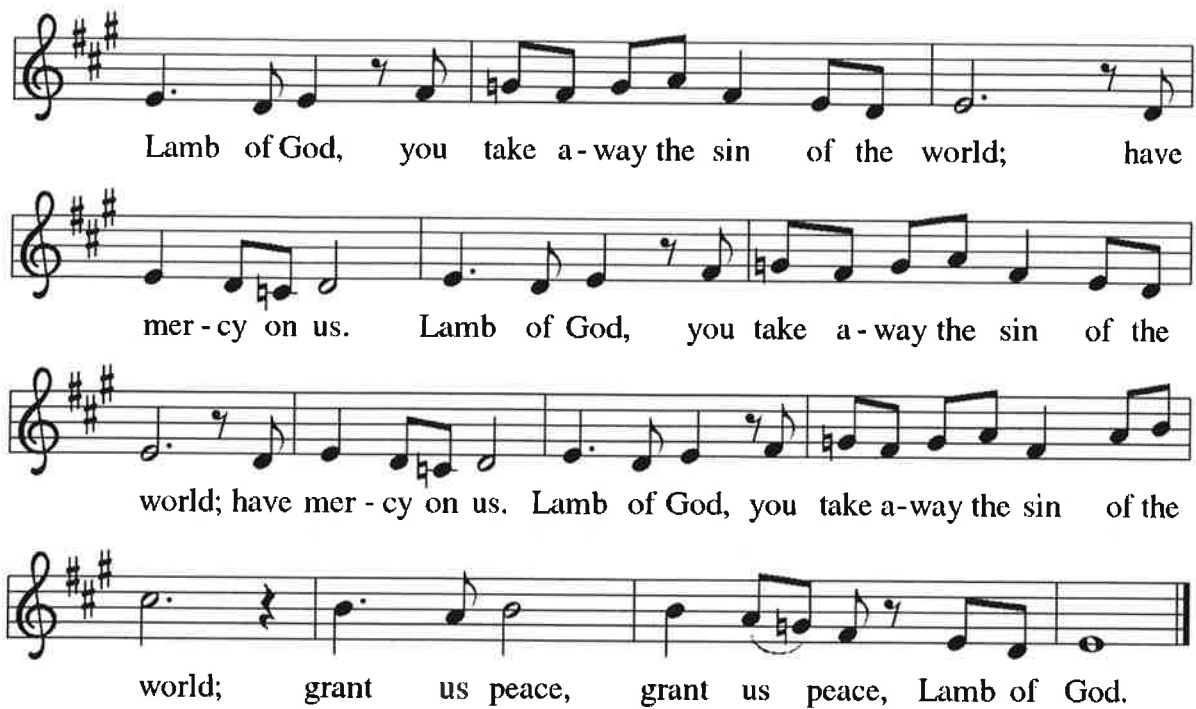
### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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**

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all.  
Come!

### **COMMUNION**

**COMMUNION HYMN#271** "I Am So Glad Each Christmas Eve"  
1st verse sung by John Gill in Norwegian

### **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**

Jesus, Bread of life,  
we have received from your table  
more than we could ever ask.  
As you have nourished us in this meal,  
now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.  
In your name we pray.  
**Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

The blessing of God,  
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,  
be upon you now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## **SENDING HYMN#267**

“Joy to the World”

## **DISSMISSAL**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.  
**Creating Community through God’s Love and Guidance —  
thanks be to God!**

## **POSTLUDE**

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or the office.

## **Welcome!**

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

## Announcements!

Today we are celebrating Christmas in July. There is a Giving Tree in the back of the sanctuary for those who wish to give a Christmas in July gift. School supplies will benefit the Appleton Bilingual School and there are cash gifts for Sanctuary Repairs to take care of some much-needed maintenance here at Zion. **Please leave the ornaments on the tree**, just take a gift slip off an ornament. Return cash gifts in the offering basket (use envelopes provided or clearly mark "gift for Sanctuary Repairs" on your envelope). Place school supply gifts under the Giving Tree by **August 4<sup>th</sup>**. Items and envelopes can be dropped off at the church office as well.

Hospitality and Outreach Coordinator-We are seeking an individual to work with the pastor, other church staff, church council and volunteers to turn their ideas and content for events and outreach into reality. This is a part-time, hourly position, without benefits. The position is open to people who are committed to the mission of Zion Lutheran Congregation and serving the needs of the local community. If you are interested, please contact Wendy Sachs by phone 920-851-3422 or email [wife4bike@aol.com](mailto:wife4bike@aol.com). A copy of the job description is available upon request.

Beginning on August 5th, our Church Administrator, Karen Farlow, will be reducing her hours from 20 hours per week to 10. Due to additional hours required by her other employer, this change is necessary. However, because of Karen's knowledge and efficiency as well as Zion transitioning to Lambert Business Solutions for our financial matters, there will be no disruption to the effective running of our facility. Thanks, Karen, for all you do. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Sue Bunkert.

M. C. Kinney Photography of Appleton recently photographed the sanctuary as part of their project documenting historic churches. Any interested parties may purchase a professional print of the photo at the link below and 10% of any sales will be donated to the congregation. The picture is in the back of the sanctuary so you can see what it looks like. <https://mckp.acisitebuilder.com/store/shop/image/119/8>

Lynn will have gift cards for purchase today after the service. They are \$10 from McDonalds & \$10 & \$25 from Kwik Trip. She will be placing an order for any gift cards you might need on **Aug. 1st**. If you are interested please contact her. Order forms are in the narthex with her information if you want to think about it & then let her know what you need. Zion does benefit from your gift card purchases.

Here are the next 2 Lunchtime Organ Recitals. The recitals are held at 12:15pm.

**July 31:** Ethan Mellema-St. Paul Lutheran-200 N. Commercial St.-Neenah

**Aug. 7:** Don Verkuijen-Zion Lutheran Church-912 N. Oneida St.-Appleton

Educational opportunity at Linwood Community. **Thursday, August 8 at 2 PM.** How Faith Can Impact Our Health & Wellness. Join her as Terry Burnett shares her personal story about faith and wellness. Before retirement Terry worked for a local Christian radio station and is a member of our Linwood family as the wife of our Building Manager Lynn.

If you have any updated information (address, phone number, how you get your newsletter etc) for the 2024 Guidebook. please either contact the office or fill out the Updates: Members & Friends sheet in the narthex & drop it in the slot in the office door. We would like any updated information by **July 31** so we have time to compile it to get it to the printers. If you or anyone you may know has a business that would like to advertise in the guidebook please let the office know.

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**Sunday, July 28**

Isaiah 9:2-7; Ps 96

Titus 2: 11-14; Luke 2: 1-20

**Worship Service 9:00 am**

followed by

Coffee Hour

**Lectionary 17 (Pentecost 10)**

Vicar Jake Czarnik-Neimeyer

Assisting Minister: Tom Meltz

Musician: Jim Schley

Opens and Closes: Gwen Schwandt

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Monday, August 12, 2024

Submissions due for September's calendar

**Sunday, August 4**

Exod 16:2-4, 9-15; Ps 78:23-29

Eph 4:1-16; John 6:24-35

**Worship Service 9:00 am**

followed by

Coffee Hour

**Lectionary 18 (Pentecost 11)**

Pastor Karen Jewell

Assisting Minister: Tom Meltz

Reader: John Gill

Musician: Heather Watney

Opens: Greg Pettigrew

Closes: Tammy Mossholder

# He Came Down

Musical notation for the first line of the song. It consists of a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody begins with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G4, an eighth note F#4, and a quarter note E4. A bracket above the next three notes (D4, C4, B3) indicates a triplet. The melody continues with a quarter note A3, a quarter note G3, and a quarter note F3. A quarter rest is followed by a quarter note E3, a quarter note D3, and a quarter note C3. A final quarter note B2 is followed by a quarter rest.

- 1 He came down that we may have love; he came down that we may have love;
- 2 He came down that we may have light; he came down that we may have light;
- 3 He came down that we may have peace; he came down that we may have peace;
- 4 He came down that we may have joy; he came down that we may have joy;

Musical notation for the second line of the song. It consists of a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody begins with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G4, an eighth note F#4, and a quarter note E4. A bracket above the next three notes (D4, C4, B3) indicates a triplet. The melody continues with a quarter note A3, a quarter note G3, and a quarter note F3. A quarter rest is followed by a quarter note E3, a quarter note D3, and a quarter note C3. A final quarter note B2 is followed by a quarter rest.

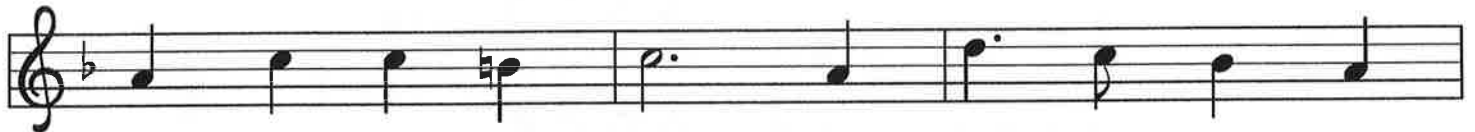
he came down that we may have love;  
he came down that we may have light;  
he came down that we may have peace;  
he came down that we may have joy;  
hal - le - lu - jah for - ev - er - more.

Text: Cameroon traditional  
Music: HE CAME DOWN, Cameroon traditional

# While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks



1 While shep - herds watched their flocks by night, all  
 2 "Fear not," said he, for might - y dread had  
 3 "To you, in Da - vid's town this day, is  
 4 "The heav'n - ly babe you there shall find to



seat - ed on the ground, the an - gel of the  
 seized their trou - bled mind: "Glad tid - ings of great  
 born of Da - vid's line the Sav - ior, who is  
 hu - man view dis - played, all hum - bly wrapped in



Lord came down, and glo - ry shone a - round.  
 joy I bring to you and hu - man - kind.  
 Christ the Lord, and this shall be the sign:  
 swath - ing bands, and in a man - ger laid."

5 Thus spoke the seraph, and forthwith  
 appeared a shining throng  
 of angels praising God, who thus  
 addressed their joyful song:

6 "All glory be to God on high,  
 and to the earth be peace;  
 good will to all from highest heav'n  
 begin and never cease!"

Text: Nahum Tate, 1652-1715

Music: WINCHESTER OLD, Este's *Psalms*, 1592; arr. George Kirbye, 1560-1634

# I Am So Glad Each Christmas Eve

## *Jeg er så glad hver julekvel*



- Jeg er så glad hver ju - le - kveld, ti da blev Je - sus født;*
- 1 I am so glad each Christ-mas Eve, the night of Je - sus' birth!
  - 2 The lit - tle child in Beth - le - hem, he was a king in - deed!
  - 3 He dwells a - gain in heav - en's realm, the Son of God to - day;
  - 4 I am so glad each Christ-mas Eve! His prais - es then I sing;
  - 5 And so I love each Christ-mas Eve, and I love Je - sus too;



*da lys - te stjer - nen som en sol, og eng - ler sang så sødt.*

Then like the sun the star shone forth, and an - gels sang on earth.  
 For he came down from heav'n a - bove to help a world in need.  
 and still he loves his lit - tle ones and hears them when they pray.  
 he o - pens now for ev - 'ry child the pal - ace of the king.  
 and that he loves me ev - 'ry day I know so well is true.

Text: Marie Wexelsen, 1832-1911; tr. Peter A. Sveeggen, 1881-1959

Music: JEG ER SÅ GLAD, Peder Knudsen, 1819-1863

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## Joy to the World



1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re -  
 2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let all their  
 3 No more let sin and sor - row grow nor thorns in -  
 4 He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the



ceive her king; let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him  
 songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and  
 fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings  
 na - tions prove the glo - ries of his righ - teous -



room and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture  
 plains re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing  
 flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is  
 ness and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his



sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.  
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.  
 found, far as, far as the curse is found.  
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748

Music: ANTIOCH, English melody, 18th cent.; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792-1872