



Zion Lutheran Church – LCMS
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Sunday, January 2, 2022
Second Sunday after Christmas

Prelude
Tower Bells
Welcome
Announcements

Visitors are encouraged to note their attendance by filling out the "Welcome" side (blue print) of the pew cards and putting the card into the offering plate near the entrance doors. Those taking Communion are asked to fill out the "Communion" side (black print) of the card. Completed cards may also be left on the pew seat.

Opening Hymn
Confession and Absolution

Let All Together Praise Our God
LSB 203 (Divine Service IV)

LSB 389

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C: who made heaven and earth.

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

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

Introit Psalm 119:97-104

97 Oh how I love your law!

It is my meditation all the day.

98 Your commandment makes me wiser than
my enemies,

for it is ever with me.

99 I have more understanding than all my
teachers,

for your testimonies are my meditation.

100 I understand more than the aged,
for I keep your precepts.

101 I hold back my feet from every evil way,
in order to keep your word.

102 I do not turn aside from your rules,
for you have taught me.

103 How sweet are your words to my taste,
sweeter than honey to my mouth!

104 Through your precepts I get
understanding;
therefore I hate every false way.

Kyrie and Gloria in Excelsis (*sing*)

LSB 204

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

1 To God on high be glory

And peace to all the earth;

Goodwill from God in heaven

Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!

We praise and bless You, Father;

Your holy name, we sing—

Our thanks for Your great glory,

Lord God, our heav'nly King.

Have mercy on us, Jesus;

Receive our heartfelt cry,

Where You in pow'r are seated

At God's right hand on high—

2 To You, O sole-begotten,

The Father's Son, we pray;

O Lamb of God, our Savior,

You take our sins away.

3 For You alone are holy;

You only are the Lord.

Forever and forever,

Be worshiped and adored;

You with the Holy Spirit

Alone are Lord Most High,

In God the Father's glory.

"Amen!" our glad reply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

LSB 205

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

All: Almighty God, You have poured into our hearts the true Light of Your incarnate Word. Grant that this Light may shine forth in our lives; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Old Testament Reading 1 Kings 3:4-15

4 And the king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the great high place. Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. 5 At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night, and God said, "Ask what I shall give you." 6 And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant David my father, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you. And you have kept for him this great and steadfast love and have given him a son to sit on his throne this day. 7 And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of David my father, although I am but a little child. I do not know how to go out or come in. 8 And your servant is in the midst of your people whom you have chosen, a great people, too many to be numbered or counted for multitude. 9 Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, that I may discern between good and evil, for who is able to govern this your great people?"

10 It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. 11 And God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches or the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, 12 behold, I now do according to your word. Behold, I give you a wise and discerning mind, so that none like you has been before you and none like you shall arise after you. 13 I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor, so that no other king shall compare with you, all your days. 14 And if you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your days."

15 And Solomon awoke, and behold, it was a dream. Then he came to Jerusalem and stood before the ark of the covenant of the Lord, and offered up burnt offerings and peace offerings, and made a feast for all his servants.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle Ephesians 1:3-14

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, 4 even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love 5 he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, 6 to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. 7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, 8 which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight 9 making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ 10 as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

11 In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, 12 so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. 13 In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, 14 who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse (*sing*)

LSB 205

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 2:40-52

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter. **C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

40 And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

41 Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. 42 And when he was twelve years old, they went up according to custom. 43 And when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, 44 but supposing him to be in the group they went a day's journey, but then they began to search for him among their relatives and acquaintances, 45 and when they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him. 46 After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. 47 And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. 48 And when his parents saw him, they were astonished. And his mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress." 49 And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" 50 And they did not understand the saying that he spoke to them. 51 And he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was submissive to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart.

52 And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

LSB 206 (*Also, inside hymnal back cover*)

Children's Message

Sermon Hymn

O Word of God Incarnate

LSB 523

Sermon "Making Plans as a Christian"

Offering Brought Forward During Hymn "*Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*" (LSB 393)

1 Infant holy, Infant lowly,

Swiftly winging, Angels singing,

For His bed a cattle stall;

Bells are ringing, Tidings bringing:

Oxen lowing, Little knowing

Christ the child is Lord of all!

Christ the child is Lord of all.

Christ the child is Lord of all!

2 Flocks were sleeping,
Shepherds keeping
Vigil till the morning new
Saw the glory, Heard the story,
Tidings of a Gospel true.

Thus rejoicing,
Free from sorrow,
Praises voicing,
Greet the morrow:
Christ the child was born for you!
Christ the child was born for you!

Prayer of Zion Lutheran Church

In peace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the Church, that God would preserve her faithful; and for her ministers, that God would give them delight in this joyful season and restful reflection on the mystery of the incarnation that they preach, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For Christian homes, that following the example of our Lord Jesus, all children would be diligent to hear the Word of God, grow in wisdom and stature, submit to earthly parents, and always be about the heavenly Father's business and in His house; that all mothers with child would have good health; let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For President Biden; for all public servants; and for the government and those who protect us, that they may be upheld and strengthened in every good deed; let all health and medical workers be kept safe as they serve others; let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all people suffering from destruction and loss from natural disasters such as tornadoes, fires, and drought in areas of Kentucky, Colorado and other places that rescue and relief of body and soul may be available, and that spiritual comfort may be sought from our Heavenly Father, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the sick and everyone in any kind of need [*especially _____*]; for patience and healing according to God's will; in thanksgiving for every blessing and kindness shown to us in Christ, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who come to the blessed Sacrament this day, that as Christ once won our redemption through His blood, so now, according to the riches of His grace, He would grant us worthy repentance, confident faith and unity in a sincere confession, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord God, heavenly Father, in mercy You have established the Christian home among us. We implore You, rule and direct our hearts to be good examples to children and those subject to us, that we may not offend them by word or deed but faithfully teach them to love Your Church and hear Your blessed Word. Give them Your Spirit and grace, that this seed may bring forth good fruit and our homelife may advance Your glory, honor and praise as well as our own improvement and welfare, giving offense to no one; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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In our prayers – In our prayers – Margaret Hesterman; Charlotte Rosebrock; Loretta Cramer; Karlyn Tonjes; Shirley Ketzler; Bill Reimund; Jason Sepeda; Gary Rosebrock; Bryceton Bidlack; Keith Barth; Brad Miller; Don Wallace; Denny Henderson; Ruby Cass; James Wagenknecht; Violet Eberly; Joe DeFilippo; Kim Carreker; Jeff Fedderke; Darlene Myers; Andrew Wright; Daniel Losek; Tasha Shorn; Mary Ellen Fedderke; Pastor Niermann; Pastor Scheiwe and Pastor Berlin. Family of Tim Thorn. *Please contact Pastor Rockrohr for changes to the prayer list.*

Service of the Sacrament

Preface, Sanctus, Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 208 - 209

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also 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 in the mystery of the Word made flesh You have given us a new revelation of Your glory that, seeing You in the person of Your Son, we may know and love those things that are not seen. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

(sing) **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

P: We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

Lord's Prayer LSB 209 (Also, inside hymnal back cover)
The Words of Our Lord LSB 209

Pax Domini and Agnus Dei LSB 209 - 210
P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: Amen.**

1 (sing) O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.	2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.
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Distribution *Continuous Line*

Distribution Hymn	<i>Songs of Thankfulness and Praise</i>	LSB 394
Distribution Hymn	<i>Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread</i>	LSB 625
Distribution Hymn	<i>Hail, O Source of Every Blessing</i>	LSB 409

(NOTE: The Pastor will commune the Communion Assistants and then the organist. Then those who commune in the pews will be served starting at the back of the church. Not all hymns/verses may be needed. Organist will play as needed.)

General Dismissal Blessing

Nunc Dimittis LSB 211	
1 (sing) O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace, For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace: A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill, The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.	2 All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son, All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One; For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be, God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.

Post-Communion Collect, Benedicamus and Benediction LSB 212

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: Amen.**

P: Let us bless the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

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 give you peace.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn

Arise and Shine in Splendor

LSB 396

Silent Prayer, Extinguish Candles

Postlude

Depart in His Peace

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Sermon Notes: “Making Plans as a Christian”

I. Solomon - 1 Kings 3:6-10 - What pleases the LORD? (verse 10)

- Thankfulness
- Humility about the Work of God - _____ to learn from God.
- Asks God for discernment between _____ and _____

II. Paul – Ephesians 1:11-12

- An inheritance - Salvation in Jesus is a _____
- Christian lives are _____ plan and God’s _____. (Not ours.)

III. Jesus — Luke 2:46-51

- Truly at home in our Heavenly Father’s _____
- Desire to be active with _____ business
- Willingness to live in God-given situation
- Willingness to learn and grow according to _____ plan

Zion Lutheran Church’s Belief and Practice of the Lord’s Supper

The Lord’s Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord Jesus gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very Body and Blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes again in glory.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord’s Body and Blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor.

For further study: Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f., 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Corinthians 10:14-22; 11:17-34.