

Zion Lutheran Church – LCMS
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Education Hour 8:45 AM - Divine Worship 10:00 AM
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November 23, 2022
Thanksgiving Eve – 1 pm and 7 pm

Prelude
Tower Bells
Announcements

Opening Hymn

Now Thank We All Our God

LSB 895

Opening Versicles

P: O Lord, open my lips,

C: and my mouth will declare your praise.

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

C: make haste to help me, O Lord. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Praise to You, O Christ. Alleluia.

P: Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C: O come, let us worship Him.

Introit Psalm 67

1 May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,

2 that your way may be known on earth,
your saving power among all nations.

3 Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity

and guide the nations upon earth.

5 Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

6 The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, shall bless us.

7 God shall bless us;

let all the ends of the earth fear him!

P: Blessed be God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

C: O come, let us worship Him.

Collect of the Day

All: Almighty God, Your mercies are new every morning and You graciously provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your goodness, give thanks for

Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience all our days; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Old Testament Reading Deuteronomy 8:1-10

1 “The whole commandment that I command you today you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land that the Lord swore to give to your fathers. 2 And you shall remember the whole way that the Lord your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. 3 And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord. 4 Your clothing did not wear out on you and your foot did not swell these forty years. 5 Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, the Lord your God disciplines you. 6 So you shall keep the commandments of the Lord your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him. 7 For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing out in the valleys and hills, 8 a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, 9 a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, in which you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you can dig copper. 10 And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the Lord your God for the good land he has given you.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Epistle Philippians 4:4-20

4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. 5 Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; 6 do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

8 Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. 9 What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

10 I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. 11 Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. 12 I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. 13 I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

14 Yet it was kind of you to share my trouble. 15 And you Philippians yourselves know that in the beginning of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church entered into partnership with me in giving

and receiving, except you only. 16 Even in Thessalonica you sent me help for my needs once and again. 17 Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit. 18 I have received full payment, and more. I am well supplied, having received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent, a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God. 19 And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. 20 To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse (*spoken, stand*)

All: Alleluia!

P: Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good,

All: for His steadfast love endures forever. Alleluia!

Holy Gospel

Luke 12:13-34

13 Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." 14 But he said to him, "Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?" 15 And he said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." 16 And he told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man produced plentifully, 17 and he thought to himself, What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?" 18 And he said, 'I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. 19 And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry."' 20 But God said to him, Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' 21 So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."

22 And he said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. 23 For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. 24 Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! 25 And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? 26 If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? 27 Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. 28 But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! 29 And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. 30 For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. 31 Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you.

32 "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. 33 Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a

For those who mourn, that the God of comfort would bless them with confidence in the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting; and in thanks for those who have gone before us in the faith, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

These and whatever else You would have us ask of You, O God, grant us for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your only Son, our Lord and Savior, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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In Our Prayers – *Contact Pastor Rockrohr for changes to the prayer list.*

Hymn

God Bless Our Native Land

LSB 965

Lord's Prayer

Benediction

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

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

LSB 892

Advent – Christmas - New Year's
Worship Schedule at Zion Lutheran

Saturday, Nov. 26	Christmas Tree Lighting with Devotion/Carols/Snacks in Uptown Ridgeville	6:00 PM
Sunday, Nov. 27		10:00 AM
Wednesday, Nov. 30		1:00 & 7:00 PM
Sunday, Dec. 4		10:00 AM
Wednesday, Dec. 7		1:00 & 7:00 PM
Sunday, Dec. 11		10:00 AM
Wednesday, Dec. 14		1:00 & 7:00 PM
Sunday, Dec. 18		10:00 AM
Saturday, Christmas Eve, Dec. 24	1:00 PM – Readings & Carols 7:00 PM – Worship With Children's Participation	
Sunday, Christmas Day, Dec. 25		10:00 AM
Sunday, New Year's Day, Jan. 1		10:00 AM

Church Christmas decorating is on Saturday at 9:00 am.

Community Christmas Tree Lighting: Join the fun on **Saturday Nov. 26** as the tree is lit! **At 6:00 p.m.** we will have a short devotion, prayer, sing a few carols and light the tree! Doughnuts and hot chocolate will also be served! Invite your neighbors & friends!

The Women of Zion poinsettia sale is underway. Order blanks can also be found on the shelf in front of the mailboxes. **The due date is Sunday, November 27, 2022.**

Henry County Christmas Cheer will be collecting only monetary donations this year. If you wish to donate, please make your check payable to Zion and mark your offering envelope designating the amount to Henry County Christmas Cheer. **Donations are due today, Wednesday, November 23.**

Sermon Notes (Nov 23) – “Faith and Thankfulness” Luke 12:13-34; Philippians 4:4-7

I. Our Heavenly Father Is Providing so...

A. Coveting what others have tells God He is not providing well enough. 12:14

Possessions are not true _____

B. Thinking enough wealth lasts for many years tells God I don't need Him. 12:19-20

But I might die _____

C. Anxiousness tells God He is not powerful enough to provide; or, He does not care; or we don't care about His eternal kingdom, just today. 12:23-31

“Your _____ knows that you need them”

D. “ _____, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.” 12:32

II. Faith that God is taking care of me... Philippians 4:4-7

A. _____ in the Lord always.

B. “Reasonableness be known to everyone” (ESV)
= moderation (KJV) = gentleness (NIV) = gentle spirit (NASB)

Why? Because our heavenly Father is like this with us, we also are toward _____

C. The Lord is _____; we need not be anxious.

D. “but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made _____ to God.”