

# **ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH - Saskatoon**

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## **Order of Service**

Welcome

### **Confession and Absolution**

Prayer of the Day – **Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**Gathering Song: “Songs of Thankfulness and Praise” – ELW #310 (vs. 1, 2 & 4)**

### **First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-10**

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’ and he said, ‘Here I am!’ and ran to Eli, and said, ‘Here I am, for you called me.’ But he said, ‘I did not call; lie down again.’ So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, ‘Samuel!’ Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, ‘Here I am, for you called me.’ But he said, ‘I did not call, my son; lie down again.’ Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, ‘Here I am, for you called me.’ Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, ‘Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, “Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.”’ So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, ‘Samuel! Samuel!’ And Samuel said, ‘Speak, for your servant is listening.’

### **Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18**

O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.

You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.

Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.

You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother’s womb.

I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.

My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes beheld my unformed substance.

In your book were written all the days that were formed for me,  
when none of them as yet existed.

How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

I try to count them—they are more than the sand; I come to the end—I am still with you.

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20**

‘All things are lawful for me’, but not all things are beneficial. ‘All things are lawful for me’, but I will not be dominated by anything. ‘Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food’, and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, ‘The two shall be one flesh.’ But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

**The Holy Gospel: John 1:43-51**

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, ‘Follow me.’ Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, ‘We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.’ Nathanael said to him, ‘Can anything good come out of Nazareth?’ Philip said to him, ‘Come and see.’ When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, ‘Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!’ Nathanael asked him, ‘Where did you come to know me?’ Jesus answered, ‘I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.’ Nathanael replied, ‘Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!’ Jesus answered, ‘Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.’ And he said to him, ‘Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.’

Homily

**Hymn of the Day:** “Here I Am, Lord” – ELW #574

**Apostles’ Creed**

Prayers of Intercession

**The Lord’s Prayer**

Benediction

**Sending Song:** “Will You Come and Follow Me” – ELW #798 (vs. 1, 2, 4 & 5)

**In Our Prayers:** Derwin Hall, Andrea Nostbakken, Nandari Swamy, Martin, Weldeyesus family, Mallory Jess, Wally Cubbon, Cecelia Jurgens, Vibs Paulsen, Neil Taylor, Vi Stalwick, Dale Stalwick, Gloria Hamp, Lena & their family, Adam, Betty McManus, Aaron Froese, Glenn Wood, Borgny Lokken, Samhara & Saraq, Brenda Smith, Robert Reid, The Jahnke Family, Slind Family, Arryn Hahn and family

**Announcements:**

**The Bible “Book of the Month” Club meets Tuesdays from 12:30-2:00 on Zoom.** Contact the office for the Zoom link.

**Join Pastor Ron for prayer 10:00 am Wednesday morning** by Zoom. Contact the church for the Zoom link.

**Zion’s Annual General Meeting is scheduled for February 14<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm.** The Annual Report will be delivered next week.

### **“Songs of Thankfulness and Praise”**

Songs of thankfulness and praise,  
Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise;  
manifested by the star  
to the sages from afar,  
branch of royal David's stem  
in they birth at Bethlehem;  
anthems be to thee addressed,  
God in flesh made manifest.

Manifest at Jordan's stream,  
prophet, priest, and king supreme;  
and at Cana wedding guest  
in thy Godhead manifest;  
manifest in pow'r divine,  
changing water into wine;  
anthems be to thee addressed,  
God in flesh made manifest

Grant us grace to see thee, Lord,  
present in thy holy word;  
grace to imitate thee now  
and be pure, as pure art thou;  
that we might become like thee  
at they great epiphany,  
and may praise thee, ever blest,  
God in flesh made manifest.

### **“Here I Am, Lord”**

“I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?”

*Refrain*

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.*

“I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them.  
they turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them.  
Whom shall I send?”

*Refrain*

“I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them.

My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide  
till their hearts are satisfied.  
I will give my life to them.  
Whom shall I send?”

*Refrain*

### **“Will You Come and Follow Me”**

“Will you come and follow me  
if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know  
and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown,  
will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown in you  
and you in me?”

“Will you leave yourself behind  
if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind  
and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare,  
should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer pray'r in you  
and you in me?”

“Will you love the you you hide  
if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside  
and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found  
to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound in you  
and you in me?”

Lord, your summons echoes true  
when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you and  
and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go  
where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you  
and you in me.