

## Announcements

### CHRISTMAS SERVICE SCHEDULE at ZION:

Christmas Eve Service – online and in-person at 7 pm  
 Christmas Day Service – in-person only at 11 am  
 December 26 – no service  
 January 2 – on-line and in-person at 10:30 am

**CHRISTMAS EVE LOOSE OFFERING** is designated to CUMFI, Central Urban Metis Federation Inc. CUMFI sponsors McLeod House (transitional housing for men in recovery), the Coming Home Programme (supporting parents toward returning their children from foster care), Outreach Support Teams, and Visiting Suites.

**Zion's next in-person service in Sunday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 at 10:30 am.** Bring a bell to celebrate the Second Sunday of Christmas!



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OFFICE HOURS: Mon – Fri 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

### Zion Contact Information

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**Sunday In-Person Worship** – In-Person worship is welcome! Masking is required for in-person attendance. Masks will be available at the door for those that need one. Registration at the door and distancing will remain in effect. Worship will continue to stream online weekly at 10:30 am.

**THE BOOK OF REVELATION AND THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC** – this study will resume January 4th. Contact the office for more information.

**ANNUAL REPORTS** are due by December 31. Please submit your report in word format to Kaylyn in the office ([zion.office@sasktel.net](mailto:zion.office@sasktel.net)) by December 31 in order to be included in the annual report book.

**2021 OFFERING CONTRIBUTIONS** – offering contributions placed in the locked white box by the office by December 31 will be counted towards your 2021 offering. The white locked box is accessible outside the office using the mail slot.

**2022 OFFERING ENVELOPES** are now in your mailbox! If you run out, please contact Kaylyn in the office.

**OFFICE HOURS:** The Zion office will be closed from Friday, December 24 through Monday, January 2. Normal office hours will resume Tuesday, January 3.

Prelude

Invocation & Welcome

Gathering Song: “Once in Royal David’s City”  
 – ELW #269

Prayer of the Day: (see front of bulletin)

First Lesson: Isaiah 62:6-12

Psalm 97

Second Lesson: Titus 3:4-7

Carol: “What Child is This?” – ELW #296

Gospel: Luke 2:8-20

Reflections on the Nativity of our Lord

Hymn of the Day: “In the Bleak Midwinter”  
 – ELW #294

Nicene Creed

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

Words of Institution

The Lord’s Prayer

Communion

Blessing and Benediction

Sending Song: “The Bells of Christmas Chime Once  
 More” – ELW #298

Postlude

## Scriptures:

### **Isaiah 62:6-12**

Upon your walls, O Jerusalem, I have posted sentinels; all day and all night they shall never be silent.

You who remind the LORD, take no rest, and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it renowned throughout the earth.

The LORD has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm:

I will not again give your grain to be food for your enemies, and foreigners shall not drink the wine for which you have laboured; but those who garner it shall eat it and praise the LORD, and those who gather it shall drink it in my holy courts.

Go through, go through the gates, prepare the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, clear it of stones, lift up an ensign over the peoples.

The LORD has proclaimed to the end of the earth:

Say to daughter Zion,

‘See, your salvation comes; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.’

They shall be called, ‘The Holy People, The Redeemed of the Lord’; and you shall be called, ‘Sought Out, A City Not Forsaken.’

### **Titus 3:4-7**

But when the goodness and loving-kindness of God our Saviour appeared, he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Saviour, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

### **Luke 2:8-20**

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. 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: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.’ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, ‘Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!’

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.’ So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

## Nativity of Our Lord – Christmas Day

December 25, 2021

11:00 am

### Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Prayer of the Day: All-powerful and unseen God, the coming of your light into our world has brightened weary hearts with peace. Call us out of darkness, and empower us to proclaim the birth of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



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