

## Announcements

**WAYS TO GIVE AT ZION** – did you know there are many ways to give financially to Zion? Along with your offering envelope with cheque or cash inside, there are other ways to give at Zion. We accept e-transfer (sent to [zion.office@sasktel.net](mailto:zion.office@sasktel.net) – it is set up for auto-deposit) and we can set up monthly withdrawals from your bank account. You can also donate to Zion through [canadahelps.ca](http://canadahelps.ca).

<b>November Financial Update:</b>			
	<b>YTD Actual</b>	<b>YTD Budget</b>	<b>Difference</b>
<b>Offering</b>	<b>34,683</b>	<b>53,625</b>	<b>-18,942</b>

**Thank you for all the support in 2022! Zion has many faithful and dedicated volunteers, financial supporters and prayer support that help keep this ministry running!**

**In Our Prayers:** Derwin Hall, Andrea Nostbakken, Nandari Swamy, Weldeyesus family, Mallory Jess, Cecelia Jurgens, Betty McManus, Aaron Froese, Glenn Wood, Borgny Lokken, Samhara & Saraq, Thor Kliev, Ivar Moen, Don Peterson, Louise Dahlen, Mary Kamineski, Linda and Steven, Jennifer Finstad, Bereket and family, Alice Olson, Paul Nostbakken, Gloria Hamp, Kaye Senum, Maxine Olson, Ione Tysseland, Patti Pfeifer, Keri Schaffel, Neil Shantz, Ron & Doreen Boldt, Dick Hall, Paul Hansen, Clara Davidson, Connie Friggstad, Allan Grundahl

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

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**WELCOME VISITORS!** If you would like more information about us, please fill out a communion card (found in the pew) and give it to an usher. Communing members of Zion are encouraged to fill out a communion card each time they commune. **We invite all who are baptized in the Christian faith to commune.** If you do not commune, we invite you to come forward to receive our Lord's Blessing from our Pastor. If you wish to receive communion in your pew, please notify your usher. Grape juice (in the middle of the tray) and red wine are available. Gluten free wafers available on request.

New hearing assist headsets are here! Talk to an usher or sound tech.

**Naomi Bible Study Group will meet on Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup> – please note change of date!**

If you would like the notes taken from the November 27<sup>th</sup> congregational meeting, contact Kaylyn in the office.

**Zion's AGM is scheduled for Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup> after the 10:30 am service.** Booklets will be available by the 15<sup>th</sup>. Please plan to attend if you are able.

Handbells practice Thursdays at 11 am. New members welcome!

**Thank you to all who contributed to our beautiful Nativity display!** Please pick up your nativities by Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>.

## ORDER OF SERVICE – Setting Four

### GATHERING

Prelude  
Invocation & Welcome  
**Confession & Absolution**  
**Gathering Hymn: “The First Noel” – ELW #300**  
Kyrie – ELW pg. 147  
Glory to God – ELW pg. 148  
**Prayer of the Day:** (see front of bulletin)

### WORD

**First Lesson:** Isaiah 60:1-6  
**Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14**  
**Second Lesson:** Ephesians 3:1-12  
Gospel Acclamation: ELW pg. 151  
**Gospel Lesson:** Matthew 2:1-12  
**Homily**  
**Hymn of the Day: “Hail to the Lord's Anointed”**  
– ELW #311  
**Nicene Creed**  
**Prayers of Intercession** (P: Lord, in your mercy  
**C: Hear our prayer)**

### MEAL

The Peace  
**Offering: “Light Shone in Darkness” – ELW #307**  
The Great Thanksgiving – ELW pg. 152  
**The Lord's Prayer (contemporary version)**  
Lamb of God – ELW pg. 154  
**Communion: “Beautiful Star of Bethlehem”**  
Communion Blessing

### SENDING

**Blessings & Announcements**  
**Sending Song: “Shine, Jesus, Shine” – ELW #671**  
*“Christ the Savior is born!*  
Go in peace. Proclaim this good news.  
**“Thanks be to God!”**  
Postlude

## SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

### **Isaiah 60:1-6**

Arise, shine; for your light has come,  
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.  
For darkness shall cover the earth,  
and thick darkness the peoples;  
but the LORD will arise upon you,  
and his glory will appear over you.  
Nations shall come to your light,  
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.  
Lift up your eyes and look around;  
they all gather together, they come to you;  
your sons shall come from far away,  
and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.  
Then you shall see and be radiant;  
your heart shall thrill and rejoice,  
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,  
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.  
A multitude of camels shall cover you,  
the young camels of Midian and Ephah;  
all those from Sheba shall come.  
They shall bring gold and frankincense,  
and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

### **Ephesians 3:1-12**

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles— for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of saints, this grace was given to

me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

### **Matthew 2:1-12**

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel." '

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

## Epiphany of our Lord

January 8, 2023

10:30 am

## Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Prayer of the Day: O God, on this day, you revealed your Son to the nations by the leading of a star. Lead us now by faith to know your presence in our lives, and bring us at last to the full vision of your glory, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.



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