



**4<sup>th</sup>** Sunday *of* Advent

ZION EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH, MONROE, MI

(Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod)

IN JESUS' NAME WE WELCOME YOU!

Fourth Sunday in Advent

December 18, 2022

**WELCOME TO ZION.** It is our hope and prayer that the message you hear today from God's Word will strengthen your faith and fill your heart with the peace only God can give and the joy we have in believing that JESUS CHRIST is our Savior from sin.

**WORSHIP FOCUS:** The final Sunday in Advent celebrates the promise and fulfillment of the virgin birth of Immanuel. As we draw near to Christmas, we prepare our hearts to receive the Baby of Bethlehem as the promised Savior and Son of God.

LITURGY: SERVICE OF WORD & SACRAMENT

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OPENING HYMN: CW 3

"Lift Up Your Heads, You Mighty Gates"

ADVENT

**3 Lift Up Your Heads, You Mighty Gates**



1 Lift up your heads, you might - y gates! Be -  
2 The King is born in pov - er - ty, His  
3 How blest the land, the cit - y blest, Where  
4 Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; Make  
5 Re - deem - er, come! I o - pen wide My



hold, the King of glo - ry waits. The King of kings is  
char - iot is hu - mil - i - ty, His king - ly crown is  
Christ the rul - er is con - fessed! O peace - ful hearts and  
it a tem - ple set a - part From earth - ly use for  
heart to you; here, Lord, a - bide! Oh, en - ter with your



draw - ing near; The Sav - ior of the world is here.  
ho - li - ness, His scep - ter, pit - y in dis - tress.  
hap - py homes To whom this King in tri - umph comes!  
heav'n's em - ploy, A - dorned with prayer and love and joy.  
sav - ing grace; Show me your kind and friend - ly face.



Life and sal - va - tion he will bring; There -  
The end of all our woe he brings; There -  
The cloud - less sun of joy is he Who  
So shall your Sov - 'reign en - ter in And  
Your Ho - ly Spir - it guide us on Un -



fore re - jice and glad - ly sing. To God the Fa - ther  
fore the earth is glad and sings. To Christ the Sav - ior  
comes to set his peo - ple free. To God the Spir - it  
new and no - bler life be - gin. To God a - lone be  
til our glo - rious goal is won. E - ter - nal praise and



raise Your joy - ful songs of praise.  
raise Your grate - ful hymns of praise.  
raise Your hap - py shouts of praise.  
praise For word and deed and grace!  
fame We of - fer to your name.

P: The grace of our Lord (✠) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

## CONFESSION OF SINS

P: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

*The congregation may kneel.*

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (✠) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

### LORD, HAVE MERCY

*Kyrie*

P: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: **Lord, have mer - cy.**

P: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: **Christ, have mer - cy.**

P: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: **Lord, have mer - cy.**

P: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



C: A - men.

P: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.



C: O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in  
all the earth. Al - might - y God, mer - ci - ful Fa - ther,  
you crown our life with your love. You take a - way our sin;  
you com - fort our spir - it; you make us pure and  
ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son,  
but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,  
how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.  
O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,  
you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;  
you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the  
King of glo - ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,  
how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

*The minister says the Prayer of the Day.*

Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Take away the burden of our sins and make us ready for the celebration of your birth, that we may receive you in joy and serve you always; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



## LIGHTING OF 4TH CANDLE OF THE ADVENT WREATH

HYMN: *CW 23 (vs. 1-4)*

“Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel”

ADVENT

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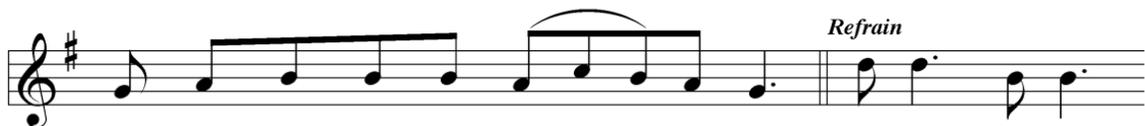
## Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel



1 Oh, come, oh, come, Em - man - u - el, And ran - som cap - tive  
2 Oh, come, O Root of Jes - se, free Your own from Sa - tan's  
3 Oh, come, O Day-spring from on high, And cheer us by your  
4 Oh, come, O Key of Da - vid, come, And o - pen wide our



Is - ra - el That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here  
tyr - an - ny; From depths of hell your peo - ple save,  
draw - ing nigh; Dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of night,  
heav'n - ly home. Make safe the way that leads on high,



Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.  
And bring them vic - t'ry o'er the grave. Re-joice! Re-joice!  
And death's dark shad - ows put to flight.  
And close the path to mis - er - y.



Em - man - u - el Shall come to you, O Is - ra - el!

Text: Latin hymn, c. 12th century, abr.; tr. John M. Neale, 1818–66, alt.

Tune: VENI, EMMANUEL (LM with Refrain) Plainsong melody, 15th century, alt.





## Second Lesson

## Matthew 1:18-25

<sup>18</sup>This is how the birth of Jesus Christ took place. His mother, Mary, was pledged in marriage to Joseph. Before they came together, she was found to be with child by the Holy Spirit. <sup>19</sup>Joseph, her husband, was a righteous man and did not want to disgrace her. So he decided to divorce her privately. <sup>20</sup>But as he was considering these things, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. <sup>21</sup>She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.” <sup>22</sup>All this happened to fulfill what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet: <sup>23</sup>“Look, the virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son. And they will name him Immanuel,” which means, “God with us.” <sup>24</sup>When Joseph woke up from his sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him. He took Mary home as his wife, <sup>25</sup>but he was not intimate with her until she gave birth to her firstborn son. And he named him Jesus. (EHV)

### VERSE OF THE DAY

Alleluia. The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel.  
Alleluia. (Matthew 1:23)

**C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!**

**These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that**

**Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.**

**Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!**

ADVENT

## 24 The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came



1 The an - gel Ga - bri - el from heav - en came, His  
 2 "I come from heav'n to tell the Lord's de - cree: A  
 3 Then gen - tle Mar - y meek - ly bowed her head; "To  
 4 Of her Im - man - u - el, the Christ, was born In



wings as drift - ed snow, his eyes as flame; "All  
 bless - ed vir - gin moth - er you shall be. Your  
 me be as it pleas - es God," she said. "My  
 Beth - le - hem, all on a Christ - mas morn, And



hail," said he to meek and low - ly Mar - y, "Most  
 Son shall be Im - man - u - el, by seers fore - told, Most  
 soul shall praise and mag - ni - fy his ho - ly name." Most  
 Chris - tian folk through - out the world will ev - er say, "Most



high - ly fa - vored maid - en." Glo - ri - a!  
 high - ly fa - vored maid - en." Glo - ri - a!  
 high - ly fa - vored maid - en, Glo - ri - a!  
 high - ly fa - vored maid - en." Glo - ri - a!

Text: Basque carol, paraphrase Sabine Baring-Gould, 1834–1924, alt.  
 Tune: GABRIEL'S MESSAGE (10 10 12 10) Basque carol.

### Sermon text and theme

Isaiah 7:1-17

7 This took place in the days when Ahaz, the son of Jotham, the son of Uzziah, was king of Judah. Rezin king of Aram, and Pekah son of Remaliah, the king of Israel, marched up to Jerusalem to wage war against it, but they could not capture it. <sup>2</sup>The house of David was told, "Aram has allied itself with Ephraim." The heart of Ahaz trembled, and the heart of his people trembled as the trees of the forest tremble in the wind. <sup>3</sup>Then the LORD said to Isaiah: Go out now to meet Ahaz, you and your son Shear Jashub. Meet him at the end of the water channel from the upper pool, on the road that goes to the launderers field. <sup>4</sup>Tell Ahaz, "Get control of yourself, and remain calm. Do not be afraid. Do not lose your courage because of these two stubs of smoldering torches. Do not be afraid because of the fierce anger of Rezin, Aram, and the son of Remaliah, <sup>5</sup>even though Aram, Ephraim, and the son of Remaliah have plotted evil against you and said, <sup>6</sup>'Let's go up against Judah and tear it apart. Let's divide it among ourselves and set up a king over it, namely, this son of Tab'e'l.'" <sup>7</sup>This is what the LORD God says. Their plan shall not succeed. It shall not

take place. <sup>8</sup> Yes, the head of Aram is Damascus, and the head of Damascus is Rezin, but within sixty-five years Ephraim will be broken into pieces, so that it will no longer be a people. <sup>9</sup> The head of Ephraim is only Samaria, and the head of Samaria is only Remaliah's son. If you do not stand firm in faith, you will not stand at all. <sup>10</sup> The LORD spoke to Ahaz again. He said, <sup>11</sup> "Ask for a sign from the LORD your God. Ask for it either in the depths below or in the heights above." <sup>12</sup> But Ahaz responded, "I will not ask. I will not test the LORD." <sup>13</sup> So Isaiah said: Listen now, you house of David. Is it not enough for you to test the patience of men? Will you test the patience of my God as well? <sup>14</sup> Therefore the Lord himself will give a sign for all of you. Look! The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son and name him Immanuel. <sup>15</sup> He will eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse evil and choose good, <sup>16</sup> because even before the child knows how to refuse evil and choose good, the land whose two kings you dread will be forsaken. <sup>17</sup> The LORD will bring on you, on your people, and on your father's house days worse than any since the day that Ephraim broke away from Judah. The LORD will bring the king of Assyria. (EHV)

## The Sign for King Ahaz

### NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,  
and became fully human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.**

**He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead**

**and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the countless blessings, which we receive from your hand: the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth, the joy of life and the pleasure of friendship, the good of work and the gift of rest, the privilege to share happiness and sorrow with one another. Above all we praise and thank you for your saving Word and for your Son's body and blood, which you give us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through these means of grace, you send the Holy Spirit into our hearts and unite us to Jesus and to the whole Christian Church on earth.

**C: Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.**

P: Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.

**C: Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

P: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

*Silent prayer.*

P: Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.

## LORD'S PRAYER

**C: Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## THE SACRAMENT

*Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. In this supper we celebrate the gift of his redemption, we bear witness to the fellowship we share as confessors of the truth, and we proclaim his death until he returns.*

P: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. Through his holy prophets, he promised a King to bring light to those living in darkness and in the shadow of death.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



## O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us your peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: *CW 5*  
*CWS 707*

“As Angels Joyed with One Accord”  
“Peace Came to Earth”

ADVENT

# 5 As Angels Joyed with One Accord



1 As an - gels joyed with one ac - cord Up - on  
2 He came, not clothed in maj - es - ty Nor pow'r  
3 This done, he soared to God's right hand, Yet or -  
4 In ev - 'ry age— let praise a - bound— He comes;  
5 He comes in wa - ter to the child And cleans -



the ad - vent of our Lord, So laud we all and  
that suits his de - i - ty. In low - ly state he  
phaned not his cho - sen band, For he, not bound in  
we hear his voice re - sound. His glo - rious gos - pel  
es it, from birth de - filed. This wash - ing seals his



bless the name Of him who from the Fa - ther came.  
walked till he In dy - ing set us cap - tives free.  
grace and pow'r, At - tends his own each day and hour.  
does not cease To bring us com - fort, joy, and peace.  
pard - 'ning grace And shows the Fa - ther's kind - ly face.

6 He comes to us in bread and wine  
To give himself—and gifts divine.  
Oh, praise him for this sacrament,  
Redeeming love's great testament!

7 Lift up your heads! All grief and pain  
Shall vanish when he comes again.  
Where we shall see him face to face,  
There joy alone shall have a place.

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Tune: PUER NOBIS NASCITUR (LM) Latin Melody, 15th century, adapt.

Peace Came to Earth



1 Peace came to earth at last that cho - sen night  
 2 And who could be the same for hav - ing held  
 3 You show the Fa - ther none has ev - er seen,  
 4 How else could I have known you, O my God!



When an - gels clove the sky with song and light And  
 The in - fant in their arms and lat - er felt The  
 In flesh and blood you bore our griefs and pain, In  
 How else could I have loved you, O my God! How



God em - bod - ied love and sheathed his might— Who could but  
 wound-ed hands and side, all doubts dis - pelled— Who could but  
 bread and wine you vis - it us a - gain— Who could but  
 else could I em - brace you, O my God! Who could but



gasp: Im - man - u - el! Who could but sing: Im - man - u - el!  
 sigh: Im - man - u - el! Who could but shout: Im - man - u - el!  
 see: Im - man - u - el! Who could but thrill: Im - man - u - el!  
 pray: Im - man - u - el! Who could but praise: Im - man - u - el!

*The picturesque language of this Jaroslav Vajda hymn vividly illustrates the weighty significance of God becoming man in Christ.*

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 Tune: PEACE CAME TO EARTH (10 10 10 88) Richard Jeffrey, b. 1952 © 2000 Birnamwood Publications (ASCAP),  
 a division of MorningStar Music Publishers, Inc. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

## THANKSGIVING



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

### Benediction

P: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (✠) give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

ADVENT

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## Savior of the Nations, Come



1 Sav - ior of the na - tions, come; Vir - gin's  
 2 Not by hu - man flesh and blood, By the  
 3 Won - drous birth! O won - drous Child Of the  
 4 From the Fa - ther's throne he came And as -  
 5 Praise to God the Fa - ther sing, Praise to



Son, make here your home. Mar - vel now, O  
 Spir - it of our God Was the Word of  
 vir - gin un - de - filed, Though by all the  
 cend - ed to the same, Cap - tive lead - ing  
 God the Son, our King, Praise to God the



heav'n and earth, That the Lord chose such a birth.  
 God made flesh, Wo - man's off - spring, pure and fresh.  
 world dis - owned, Yet to be in heav'n en - throned!  
 death and hell— High the song of tri - umph swell!  
 Spir - it be Ev - er and e - ter - nal - ly.

Text: Ambrose, 340–97, abr.; German version, Martin Luther, 1483–1546, abr.; tr. William M. Reynolds, 1812–76, alt.  
 Tune: NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN HEILAND (77 77) *Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn*, Wittenberg, 1524.

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**PHONE NUMBER UPDATE:** Pastor Ulrich and Cindy have had a change in their phone number due to changing carriers at home. Please note the new phone number is 734-244-4553.

**ADULT CHOIR:** We have an adult choir that has started practicing. They meet on Sundays after Bible Study. If you are not able to meet at that time please contact Bryan Schneck about meeting at another time. His phone number is 907-331-7761.

**THE BOARD OF SERVICE AND FELLOWSHIP** is planning to hold a marriage retreat in March 17-19, 2023. WELS Pastor Randy Hunter will lead the discussions. We would start on Friday evening and run through Sunday at noon. A worship service will be conducted on Sunday morning. We need to get an approximate number of persons who would attend. If you sign up, it does not mean you are locked into attending. We are trying to make the best arrangements for rooms and meeting rooms. If you have any questions, please contact Ken Vagt.

**COMING UP AT ZION ....**

Sunday	9:00 a.m. 4th Sunday Advent Worship Service (IC/CC) 10:15 a.m. Sunday School, Youth Group and Adult Bible Class 11:15 a.m. Choir Practice
Monday	7:00 p.m. Choir Practice
Tuesday	10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Class
Wednesday	10:30 a.m. Preschool Worship Service 2:30 p.m. Preschool Worship Service 6:30 p.m. Zion School Worship Service
Thursday	Zion School on Christmas Break through Wed., Jan. 4
Friday	Office closed through Jan. 2
Saturday	7:00 p.m. Candlelight Christmas Eve Carols & Readings
Sun., Dec. 25	9:00 a.m. Festival Christmas Worship NO Sunday School, Youth Group and Adult Bible Class
Wed., Dec. 28	NO Worship Service
Sun., Jan. 1	9:00 a.m. Worship Service (IC/CC) NO Sunday School, Youth Group and Adult Bible Class

**Our Fruits of Faith**

At worship last week: 75 + 173 = 248;

Offerings for week ending 12/10/22: General - \$9,516.29

Missions - \$699.99

## DECEMBER VOLUNTEERS

	<b>Nov. 30 &amp; Dec. 4</b>	<b>Dec. 7 &amp; 11</b>	<b>Dec. 14 &amp; 18</b>	<b>Dec. 24 &amp; 25</b>
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>		Echo Seibert &	Liz Seibert	
<b>LIVE STREAM HELPERS</b>	Zach McCormick	Steve Sordahl	Miller Sordahl	Rob Krueger
<b>USHERS</b>	<u><b>Nov. 30 &amp; Dec. 4</b></u> Jeremy Robinson Jacob Robinson William Robinson Alan Bober	<u><b>Dec. 11</b></u> Rich Heusman Jeff Heusman Jake Burke Juergan Koenig Matt McCormick	<u><b>Dec. 14</b></u> Rich Heusman Jeff Heusman Jake Burke Juergan Koenig Matt McCormick  <u><b>Dec. 18</b></u> Russ Vitale Keith McBee Mark Kipf	<u><b>Dec. 24</b></u> Rob Krueger Ray Chandonnet Ralph Naveaux Erich Freiny  <u><b>Dec. 25</b></u> Tony Affholter Mark Fuerstenberg Ray Palmatier Jeff Douglas
<b>COMMUNION HELPERS</b>	<u><b>Nov. 30</b></u> Ben Husby  <u><b>Dec. 4</b></u> Mark Kipf		<u><b>Dec. 14</b></u> Jeremy Robinson  <u><b>Dec. 18</b></u> Jeff Heusman	

## **Would you like to help “feed some lambs”?**

***Our congregation is accepting donations to Zion's two "Zion School Tuition Assistance" funds. These funds are set up to specifically assist families in need within the congregation and the community with tuition assistance scholarships for their child attending Zion Lutheran School. With recent events, there is a particular need due to the financial challenges facing several of our families this year.***



***There are two funds, one designated to help any family in our community wishing to attend Zion Lutheran School, and one designated for Zion congregation member families. We have already used most of the funds available to us for member families for the new school year, and our general fund (open to all school families) already does not meet our needs for the next school year.***

***If you are interested in making a donation to either of these funds, please make checks payable to "Zion Lutheran Church". Please write in the check memo line which fund you wish the donation to go to:***

***“ZLS Tuition Assistance – General” or  
“ZLS Tuition Assistance – Zion Member”.***

***Donations not designated to a specific fund will be applied to the funds as needed at the discretion of the school board and church council.***

***Thank you for helping Zion Lutheran School to do all we can to answer Christ's call to “feed his lambs and sheep”.***

*Jesus said, “Feed my lambs.” – John 21:15b*