

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH



*Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
February 1st, 2015*



ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Chuck & Debbie LaJeunesse in Honor of their grandson Gabriel's 4th Birthday & the Gauger Family in memory of Steve's dad Warren Gauger.

ETERNAL LIGHT is given by Paul & Terry Hayes in Memory of Robert L. Johnson.

"ALL IN." That's the theme for the upcoming men's retreat at Camp Pioneer. Mark your calendars for April 16-19th; details will be available in February's newsletter.

IT'S A WR@P. Look for details in February's Newsletter, but mark your calendar today for our first **Women's Retreat @ Pioneer**, May 1st- 3rd.

FREE COFFEE FRIDAY! We're looking for volunteers for Free Coffee Friday and we can use your help. Our goal is to remind people of the love of God for them in Jesus as they drive to work. (And, hopefully, throughout the day.) Our first Free Coffee Friday will be February 13th from 7-8am. Sign-up on the sheet in the back of the narthex area if you are interested in helping out with Free Coffee Friday!

OPERATION STARS AND STRIPES: Thank you so much to those that donated to Operation Stars & Stripes! We are at our goal of collecting at least 250 of each item! Please consider helping with shipping costs (\$300 cost last year). Make checks payable to Zion Lutheran Church and label "OSS Shipping". Also we need more coloring pages and letters to go into the packages.... please encourage your kids to color a page and write a letter!

BACK TO THE BASICS is our theme for 2015. This morning, we continue our unit on the 10 Commandments. If you missed a week of going Back to Basics, you can listen to past sermons on our website: zlc.org

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NEED PRAYER? Stephen Ministers and Elders will be available to pray with or for you following the Service in the Chancel area.

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY continues this week. We're studying the book of Galatians and it's not too late to join in the fun. The men meet on Saturday, 8:00am in the Fellowship Hall; the women on Tuesday at 7:30pm in the same place. Join us! All are welcome...

TODAY'S GOSPEL READING AND SERMON will be posted to the ZLCB.org website later today. For an archive of older sermons, visit www.zlcb.org/sermons

Welcome to worship!

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This week our focus is on the 4th Commandment—to honor father and mother. The first commandment governing our relationships with other people has a number of practical implications on our life. Usually used (correctly) by moms and dads to encourage their children to behave and do as they're told, the commandment also governs our relationships with other authorities—the police, government, the military, teachers, doctors, and many others. But the fun doesn't stop there; this commandment also addresses issues like how far we should go in obedience to authorities when what they tell us to do is wrong.

While easy to teach to our children (as we, the parents, benefit from its being practiced), the Fourth Commandment becomes more difficult with age. How do the adult children of parents “honor” an aging patriarch or matriarch? How do we honor our parents when they become unable to care and provide for themselves? And, maybe most unsettling, why is the Christian Church—across denominations—silent about this very relevant issue in an aging population?

There's a lot to cover this morning as we look at a Commandment that many of us heard a lot about as children, but has fallen silent when we became adults. Don't forget to fill out the pink sheet with any questions you have and place it in the offering plate; your question(s) will be answered at the Midweek Service and posted online.

God bless your time in worship!

-Pastor Duncan

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The Divine Service

(Please take a moment to fill out the Attendance books. If you are visiting us this morning and would like to be contacted by the church, please indicate so in the Attendance Book. We are glad you chose to worship at Zion this morning!)

Introduction to Worship and Announcements

Opening Hymn: Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning 400

The Invocation

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Confession of Sins

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ, you have been through a lot this week. Whether it seemed as though it was a week like any other, or one that you will remember for time to come, actions were taken, words spoken, and thoughts made that have impacted your life and the lives of others, the ripple effect stretching far into the future. Unfortunately, not all of our thoughts, words and deeds will be remembered favorably by our righteous heavenly Father. Therefore, let us confess our sins to the Lord Jesus Christ, asking for his mercy and forgiveness.

People: **Lord Jesus Christ, I confess that I have sinned by what I have done, what I have said and even in the thoughts of my heart. My best is not good enough, and my worst deserves shame and disgust. Therefore, I ask that you would forgive me. Deal with my kindly and do not hold my sins against me. I ask this, trusting in your mercy and in your most holy and precious name. Amen.**

Absolution Spoken by the Pastor

People: Amen.

The Hymn of Praise

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*My soul rejoices, my spirit voices—Sing the greatness of the Lord!
For God my Savior has shown me favor—Sing the greatness of the Lord!
With praise and blessing, join in confessing
God, who is solely mighty and holy—O sing the greatness of God the Lord!
His mercy surely shall rest securely
On all who fear Him, love and revere Him—O sing the greatness of God the Lord!*

*His arm now baring, His strength declaring—Sing the greatness of the Lord!
The proud He scatters, their rule He shatters—Sing the greatness of the Lord!
Oppression halted; the meek exalted.
Full are the hungry; empty the wealthy—O sing the greatness of God the Lord!
Here is the token all that was spoken
To Abraham's offspring God is fulfilling—O sing the greatness of God the Lord!*

The Prayer of the Church

Pastor: ... Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

(Please be seated)

The Service of the Word

The Old Testament Reading: Proverbs 23:13-25

Do not withhold discipline from a child; if you strike him with a rod, he will not die. If you strike him with the rod, you will save his soul from Sheol. My son, if your heart is wise, my heart too will be glad. My inmost being will exult when your lips speak what is right. Let not your heart envy sinners, but continue in the fear of the Lord all the day. Surely there is a future, and your hope will not be cut off. Hear, my son, and be wise, and direct your heart in the way. Be not among drunkards or among gluttonous eaters of meat, for the drunkard and the glutton will come to poverty, and slumber will clothe them with rags. Listen to your father who gave you life, and do not despise your mother when she is old. Buy truth, and do not sell it; buy wisdom, instruction, and understanding. The father of the righteous will greatly

rejoice; he who fathers a wise son will be glad in him. Let your father and mother be glad; let her who bore you rejoice.

The New Testament Reading: Ephesians 6:1-4

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "Honor your father and mother" (this is the first commandment with a promise), "that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land." Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

Pastor: In honor of our Lord Jesus Christ, we rise for the reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 12th chapter.

People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Gospel Reading: Mark 7:9-13

And he said to them, "You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition! For Moses said, 'Honor your father and your mother'; and, 'Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.' But you say, 'If a man tells his father or his mother, "Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban"' (that is, given to God)— then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

(Please be seated)

***Children's Message* (10:30)**

Sermon Hymn: Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling

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Sermon

(Please stand)

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and buried.
He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

(Please be seated)

Offertory Late Service (Adult Choir) - My Savior

The Collection of the Offering

If you are visiting with us this morning, know that your presence here means far more to us than any gift of money you could make; please do not hesitate to let the plate pass you by.

(Please stand)

The Service of the Sacrament

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your

ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment.

So remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

People: **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.**

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

People: **And also with you.**

The Sharing of the Peace

The Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)

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Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

(Please be seated until it is your time to commune.)

The Distribution

We welcome to the Lord's Table all who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God, can examine themselves spiritually and believe they receive the true body and blood of the Lord Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and as a profession of their faith. If you hold a profession of faith that differs from that of our congregation, please speak to the Pastor before the start of the service before communing.

- We believe the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine.
- We believe Christ offers the forgiveness of sins in the Lord's Supper, but that the Lord's Supper is not necessary for salvation.
- We believe the Lord's Supper remembers the death of Christ and proclaims his death until he returns.
- We believe the Lord's Supper is a statement of unity in the body of Christ; we do not believe it creates that unity.

During the distribution, you are encouraged to sing the Distribution Hymns, pray, or meditate on the words "this is my body... this is my blood, given for you."

The cups at the center of the Individual Communion tray contain diluted wine for those with alcohol sensitivities.

Distribution Hymns

Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread	625
Chief of Sinners Though I Be	611
Preach You the Word	586

(Please stand)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: Lord Jesus Christ, you have given us a foretaste of the feast to come. Now we ask that you would continue to be with us, strengthen us for the calling we have received to be salt and light. Bless us with your presence as we go forth in your name.

People: 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. Amen.

Benediction

People: Amen

<i>The Recessional:</i> Onward, Christian Soldiers	662
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† *Service Participants* †

Pastor:	The Rev. Duncan McLellan
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
The Organist:	Sandra Quinlan
The Elders:	Paul Klemash & Mike Sterba
The Acolyte:	Josiah Ackerman (8:00) Lara Luedeman (10:30)
The Greeters:	Bernice DeBoe(8:00) Vince & Ginny Kimberland (10:30)
The Ushers:	Melanie & Bill Becker, Shane Bryant & Michael Kozak (8:00) Vince Kimberland, Kitt Kroeger, Linda Kroeger & Richard Quinlan (10:30)
Altar Guild:	Janet, Marion & Molly Oelschlager

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (1/25) – 185

Midweek Attendance (1/28) – 19

Offering (1/25) – \$3,986.00

Week of Feb. 1st – Feb. 8th

SUNDAY 2/1	8:00 AM – Worship w/Communion 9:15 AM – Bible Class / Sunday School 10:30 AM–Worship w/Communion 11:45 AM – Children’s Choir Practice
MONDAY 2/2	7:00 PM – Trustees Meeting
TUESDAY 2/3	7:15 PM – Board of Education Meeting
WEDNESDAY 2/4	7:00 PM – Prayer & Preaching Service 7:45 PM – Stephen Ministry
THURSDAY 2/5	10:00 AM – Bible Study 7:00 PM – Choir Practice 7:30 PM – Church Council Meeting
FRIDAY 2/6	
SATURDAY 2/7	8:00 AM – Men’s Bible Breakfast
SUNDAY 2/8	8:00 AM – Worship w/ Communion 9:15 AM – Bible Study / Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship w/ Communion 11:45 PM – Children’s Choir Practice FOOD BANK COLLECTION