

# Zion's Weekly Announcements

Sunday, January 24, 2021

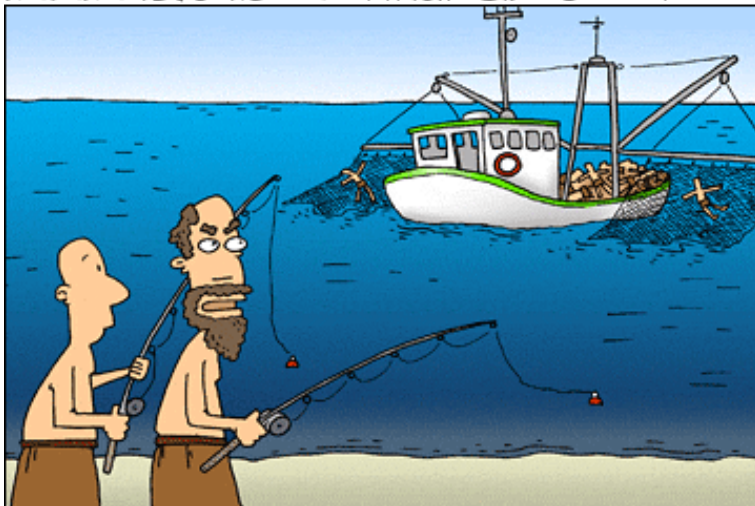
Dear members of Zion,

We gather to worship in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Welcome to all, dear family of Christ.

God, thank you for your mercy to Jonah, Nineveh and me. May I learn from them to follow your will — the first time. Amen.

There will be **Drive-In Communion today, Sunday, January 24** from 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM. If you are unable to attend today, please make an appointment with Pastor Matt. An **ONLINE** and **IN-PERSON** services will be at **9:00 AM**. You can register for next Sunday's "In-Person" worship service on the church's website. If you need assistance, call the church office (507) 373-8609.

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(See Matthew 4:19)

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## LOOKING AT TODAY'S LESSONS - The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

### ***The Lord Calls Us to Himself by the Preaching of Repentance in His Name***

When *"the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time,"* sending him to preach judgment against the great city of Nineveh, *"Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD"* (Jonah 3:1, 3). By this preaching, the people were brought to repentance. Because they *"believed God,"* as He spoke to them through His prophet, *"they turned from their evil way"* and were spared *"the disaster that he had said he would do to them"* (Jonah 3:5, 10). St. Paul also warns that *"the appointed time has grown very short"* (1 Cor. 7:29). Therefore, while we live in this world and deal with it, we are not to cling to it, nor put our trust in it, for *"the present form of this world is passing away"* (1 Cor. 7:31). Rather, give *"your undivided devotion to the Lord"* (1 Cor. 7:35). When our Lord Jesus Christ comes and

is proclaimed in the Gospel, *"the time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand"* (Mark 1:14–15). Therefore, He still calls men and sends them to become *"fishers of men"* with the net of that Gospel (Mark 1:17).

### **MEMORY VERSE FOR THE WEEK**

**Colossians 2:13–14** – "And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross."

### **OUTREACH THOUGHT**

**Mark 1:14-20** - Jesus gives us the same invitation that He gave to Simon and Andrew: "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." We are equipped, not with fishing poles, but with God's Word. Through our "fishing" - our sharing of God's Word, the Holy Spirit lures others into the lavish grace that only God provides.

### **STEWARDSHIP PONDERING**

**Mark 1:14-15** – "... Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.'" To repent means to turn away from sins and our former way of thinking and turn toward belief in God and His Gospel of grace and mercy. The whole Christian life is one of repentance and faith. Where is God calling you to repent today? How is He calling you to deeper faith?

### **LUTHERAN HOUR – Today on KATE Radio at 6:00 pm** **"Lost in Wonder, Love, and Praise!" (Mark 3)**

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer

The word of Jesus turns us out from ourselves and our problems to the faith, hope, and love that He brings.

### **FUNDING THE LUTHERAN HOUR BROADCAST**

The weekly broadcast of Lutheran Hour on KATE Radio is \$65.00. If you are looking for another way to support the mission ministry of Zion Lutheran Church might be it. Many people around the Albert Lea listening area hear the Good News of Jesus Christ each Sunday night at 6:00 PM. KATE Radio's airwaves travel a long way in southern Minnesota and northern Iowa. Earmark you check or your offering envelope to support this mission ministry. Thank you!

### **Biblical Authors and Facts**

Dig into your Bible and find the correct answers. The answers will be shared in next week's announcements.

- 1.) Who wrote the first five books of the Bible?  
\_\_\_\_ Adam    \_\_\_\_ Moses    \_\_\_\_ David    \_\_\_\_ Abraham
- 2.) Who wrote the book of Ecclesiastes?  
\_\_\_\_ David    \_\_\_\_ Ecclesia    \_\_\_\_ Solomon    \_\_\_\_ Jeremiah
- 3.) How many books of the Bible did Timothy write?  
\_\_\_\_ One    \_\_\_\_ Two    \_\_\_\_ Three    \_\_\_\_ None

- 4.) Who wrote the most books in the New Testament?  
\_\_\_ Jesus \_\_\_ Luke \_\_\_ Paul \_\_\_ John
- 5.) In which book of the Bible is God not mentioned?  
\_\_\_ Esther \_\_\_ Ruth \_\_\_ Amos \_\_\_ Titus
- 6.) How many books are in the Bible? \_\_\_ 55 \_\_\_ 66 \_\_\_ 77 \_\_\_ 88
- 7.) Who wrote the book of Lamentations?  
\_\_\_ David \_\_\_ Nehemiah \_\_\_ Solomon \_\_\_ Jeremiah
- 8.) Who wrote the book of Acts?  
\_\_\_ Paul \_\_\_ Luke \_\_\_ Matthew \_\_\_ James
- 9.) What is the longest book in the Bible?  
\_\_\_ Genesis \_\_\_ Revelation \_\_\_ Psalms \_\_\_ Isaiah
- 10.) What is the shortest book in the Bible?  
\_\_\_ Jude \_\_\_ 3<sup>rd</sup> John \_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> Peter \_\_\_ Obadiah



**Camp Omega Summer registration is open!**

Get ready for a summer that changes lives! Visit the Camp Omega website to learn more about their programs for all interests and ages. Regardless of the camper's age, summer camp at Camp Omega is a life-changing and Christ-filled experience where campers will build community outdoors.

Early registration discounts end on March 1st, so secure your spot today!

*Camp has plans in place regarding the safety of guests and campers in the midst of the pandemic.*

## **+ This Week's Calendar +**

### **Sunday, January 24, 2021 – The Third Sunday after the Epiphany**

9:00 AM – Online Service Available

9:00 AM – In-Person Service with Holy Communion

10:30 AM – Drive-In Communion Begins

1:00 PM – Drive-In Communion Ends

6:00 PM – Lutheran Hour on KATE Radio (1450 AM)

### **Monday, January 25, 2021**

### **Tuesday, January 26, 2021**

### **Wednesday, January 27, 2021**

6:00 PM – Confirmation on Zoom

### **Thursday, January 28, 2021**

Pre-work for service recording.

### **Friday, January 29, 2021**

Pastor's Day Off

### **Saturday, January 30, 2021**

Recording Worship Service

### **Sunday, January 31, 2021 – The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany**

9:00 AM – Online Service Available

9:00 AM – In-Person Service with Holy Communion

10:30 AM – Drive-In Communion Begins

1:00 PM – Drive-In Communion Ends

6:00 PM – Lutheran Hour on KATE Radio (1450 AM)

### **PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

The appointed Scripture readings for this Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany are Deuteronomy 18:15–20; Psalm 111; 1 Corinthians 8:1–13, and Mark 1:21–28.

### **January 17, 2021**

**In-Person Attendance:** 45

**YouTube Views:** 70

**In-Person Communion:** 43

**Drive-In Communion:** 10