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The Second Sunday after the Epiphany~ January 20, 2019

Psalm: Psalm 128 (Front part of Hymnal)

Old Testament: Isaiah 62:1-11

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Gospel Reading: John 2:1-11

Sermon: "Jesus Manifests His Glory" John 2:1-11 Pastor Gless

Choir Anthem: "For All of Life"

8:00 AM Hymns:

"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" LSB 394

"The Star Proclaims the King is Here" LSB 399

"Come, Join in Cana's Feast" LSB 408

"Here, O My Lord, I see Thee Face to Face" LSB 631

"God Loves Me Dearly" LSB 392 [January Hymn of the Month]



The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod belief about the Sacrament of the Altar:

(also called the Lord's Supper and Holy Communion)

What is the Sacrament of the Altar?

It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ [in, with, and] under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us Christians to eat and to drink. *(Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25)*

What is the benefit of such eating and drinking?

These words "given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins" show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation are given to us in the sacrament through these words.

Who receives the sacrament worthily?

The person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words "for you" require all hearts to believe. *(Martin Luther, Small Catechism).*

"We must never regard the sacrament as a harmful thing from which we should flee, but as a pure, wholesome, soothing medicine that aids you and gives life in both soul and body. For where the soul is healed, the body is helped as well. Why, then, do we act as if the sacrament were a poison that would kill us if we ate of it? Of course, it is true that those who despise the sacrament and lead unchristian lives receive it to their damnation... But those who feel their weakness, who are anxious to be rid of it and desire help, should regard and use the sacrament as a precious antidote against the poison in their systems. For here in the sacrament you are to receive from Christ's lips the forgiveness of sins, which contains and brings with it God's grace and Spirit with all his gifts, protection, defense, and power against death, the devil, and every trouble." *Martin Luther Large Catechism*

FOR OUR GUESTS...

We are delighted to have all guests and visitors with us today! As we celebrate Holy Communion, if you have not yet been instructed in the faith, or if you hold to a faith different than the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, it is out of love that we would, for the moment, invite you to refrain from partaking of this meal until we have had a chance to talk with you about our beliefs and practices. If you desire to learn more about our practice of the Lord's Supper, you are invited to be a part of Zion's *Welcome to Worship* class which is held twice a year. In the meantime, please feel free to come forward for a blessing, placing your arms across your chest to let the pastor know you would like to receive that blessing. As our pastors desire to faithfully love and care for you, please respect our position of love on this matter. In addition to the individual cups, we also offer the **Common Cup** during the administration of the Lord's Supper. **Non-Alcoholic White Wine** is also available in the center portion of each communion tray. **Gluten free wafers** are available. Please request a gluten-free wafer from the pastor.

IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK, please include:

- Those who are in God's care, especially our shut-ins
- Also for **Pastor LeRoy LaPlant, Jody Snow, Arlys Honebrink, David Roy, Lorraine Thaemert, Dick Krahn, James Hagen, Carol Carlson, Lucille Farniok, Edna Ernst, Dolores Hoese, Kathy Ecklund, Arlene Steinborn, Myron Schuette, Jenny Maetzold, Harvey Ziermann, Cory Mitteness, Lynn Zellman**
- Blessings for those celebrating birthdays this week: 20– **Roseanne Malberg**; 21– **Henry Quaas**; 23–**Nicole Baumann, Troy Carlson, Lauren Erdman, Shannon Gordon, Molly Hagen, Shelly Kahl**; 24– **Marlene Magnuson, Marilyn McPadden**; 25–**Andrew Lauseng**; 26– **David Olsen, Ken Quaas**.
- Blessings for those celebrating anniversaries this week: 26– **Mark & Pam Gutzke (34) & Ted & Julie Van Beusekom (6)**.
- Our missionaries: **Todd Roeske and family (Alaska & Philippines), Pastor James May and Family (Lutherans in Africa). Seminarian Mark Peters & his wife Martha (nee Buckentin) (Fort Wayne)**
- Please remember Zion's call committee in your prayers as the call process continues.



PRAYER MINISTRY– Zion's Prayer Chain is available for your use! To initiate a prayer, please call one of the following contact persons: Arleen Hoese (657-1049), Marlene Jopp (657-2398), or Sharon Buckentin (657-2549). You may also use prayer cards (found in church pews) to request prayers from prayer chain or during Sunday worship.

INCLUDING CHILDREN IN WORSHIP—We welcome children in the worship service! Worship Bags for toddlers are available to help you share the worship experience with your child. They're located at the balcony stairs.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING —Operating Fund (Church, School, LHS, Missions): **\$11,969.66**; Debt Reduction: **\$30**; Help A Neighbor: **\$120**; Building Fund (Maintenance): **\$25.00**; Building Fund (New): **\$15.00**. ***Honor the Lord with your wealth, and with the first fruits of all your income. Then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine." Proverbs 3:9-10.***

John 2:3 – "When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." Behold the faith of Mary: she sees a problem and simply lays it before her Son and Lord, "They have no wine." She does not offer a proposed solution, she does not demand, she simply states her need and waits for the Lord's response. She trusts that the Lord is a giver, and she knows that He always provides. May such a faith be ours.

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January 20 – Epiphany II – Life issues such as infertility, surprise pregnancy, or terminal diagnosis can loom like six stone jars (John 2:6). They remind us of our imperfections and our need for cleansing. As at Cana, Jesus still compassionately intervenes. He makes life issues speak instead the sweetness of His miraculous but mysterious salvation from the shadows of death. Let us delight to proclaim it lest the stones shame us by their crying out.

Adult Bible Class - "Back to the Basics"

With anything in life, we always seem to be going back to the basics. The fundamentals we may have learned years ago are just as vital now as they were back then. We rely upon what we learned in the past. We build upon what we learned in the past. We grow from what we learned in the past. Our learning of the Christian faith is no different. Though we may have been confirmed years ago, the basic building blocks, the six chief parts of the Catechism, are just as important now as they were back when we were confirmed. This class aims to provide both a review of the basics as well as practical faith learning that we can apply to the here and now of our lives. Join us for "Back to the Basics" in between services in the church basement on the Sundays from January 13 through March 3. This will be taught by Pastor Gless.

Mark your calendar! Zion's next Voters' Meeting will be this Thursday, January 24th at 7:00pm. Annual Report packets are available in the narthex, on our website, and will be emailed out today.

Reminder: January 27th there will be only 1 service, at 9:00am, in Zion

Lutheran School's Gymnasium. There will be no bible class or Sunday school that day. This is in celebration of National Lutheran Schools Week and

Pastor LaPlant will be preaching.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS ...

Food Shelf Sunday is today, January 20th. Friends for Life food shelf in Watertown are grateful for the 62 pounds that were delivered from Zion in December by LWML'er Helen Bunge.

The Sanctity of Human Life Sunday is today. You will find a Lutherans for Life insert in your bulletin with the 2018 Theme "From Age to Age the Same" based on Isaiah 46:36-4. Stop by our Lutherans for Life display in the narthex. You may use the special Lutherans for Life envelope in your 2019 offering packet for an offering.

WBC Fundraiser: We wish to thank you all so much for coming out and making the Waconia Brewing fundraiser a huge success. It was so well attended. We will be doing the Lenten soup and sandwich suppers again this year, but we are going to be doing it with the senior high youth group. Please come out and support us and our youth. Menu to follow in the February newsletter

Families Moving Forward: We would like to thank all those individuals who came out and helped with Families Moving Forward. We really appreciate those that financially helped, made meals, donated food, did laundry, and those that came to play. It makes the work easier, but we hope and pray that it touched your life in some way. If you are interested in participating, please call Gayle Guthland at 952-826-9046 or Chelsea Radmacher at 320-282-6511.

Zion Mayer Dartball team: Our next game is January 22 against Hamburg. Zion Mayer remains in first place after winning 2 out of 3 games against New Germany. Whether you are interested in playing a or have questions please contact Jason Hoese at 952-334-9559 or 952-955-2331.



Pro-Life Breakfast: Trinity Lutheran Church in Waconia will host the annual Pro-Life Breakfast TODAY that Trinity and St. Joseph churches sponsor. Serving times are 8am-12:30pm. Free will offerings are welcome.

MCCL March: On Jan. 22, 1973, the U.S. Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton decisions legalized abortion on demand nationwide. Each year, pro-life Minnesotans mark the anniversary of Roe and Doe with the MCCL March for Life at the state Capitol in St. Paul. The purpose of the March is to commemorate the lives lost to abortion (and the women and men who have been hurt as a result) and to call for renewed respect and protection for all members of the human family, including unborn children and their mothers. The 2019 MCCL March for Life will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 22. The March will begin at noon on the state Capitol grounds, followed by a brief program at 12:30 p.m. MCCL will announce our 2019 legislative agenda and introduce pro-life lawmakers and officials. For more information visit mcll.org/march

Blood Drive—Mayer New Germany Community blood drive will be Tuesday, February 5th from 1:00 to 7:00pm at St. Mark Lutheran School (211 Adams Ave. S.-New Germany). For Appt/Info Contact Lois at 952-657-2161. Appointments can also be made online.



ZION SCHOOL NEWS...

"Sharing Hope, Teaching Christ!"...

Zion's website www.zionmayer.org

Chapel offerings for second quarter go towards 363 Days
(363days.org)

SALT SALES – If you are in need of salt, please use the salt sheets in the narthex, or call the school office, 952-657-2339. Thank you for your support!

No School January 21st. Office Open 8am-12pm & 1pm-4pm

Zion Preschool & Kindergarten Open House~ Parents that are interested in enrolling their child in preschool or kindergarten should attend our Open House on Tuesday, January 22 from 3:30 to 6:30 pm. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Joshua Baumann, School Administrator, at 952.657.2339 or jbaumann.zion@gmail.com. Please share this information with anyone that you know that has an incoming student in preschool or kindergarten.



National Lutheran Schools Week is Jan. 27-Feb. 2. We will kick off NLSW with our worship service on Sunday, Jan. 27 at 9:00 am in Zion Lutheran School's gym. Monday is Lunch with our students. The cost of lunch is \$3.25 for adults. Please call the school office at 952.657.2339 to make reservations. Lunch times are 11:00 for PS-4th grade and 12:15 for grades 5-8. We will end the week with Chapel on Friday, Feb. 1st at 2:00 pm.



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during the week of January 20th

Today:	Worship/Holy Communion	8:00 AM
	Bible Class/Sunday School	9:15 AM
	Worship/Holy Communion	10:30 AM
Monday:	No School ~ Office Open 8am-12pm & 1pm-4pm	
Tuesday:	Quilters	9:00 AM-3:00 PM
	PreK & K Open House	3:30-6:30 PM
Wednesday:	*Feb Newsletter/Calendar Items due	
	Chapel	8:30 AM
	Midweek Bible Class	10:00 AM
	Midweek Catechesis	3:45 PM
	Ladies Bible Class	7:15 PM
Thursday:	Voters' Meeting	7:00 PM
Next Sunday:	NLSW Service at Zion School Gym	9:00 AM

SERVING THE LORD & HIS PEOPLE TODAY:

Worship Leader/Preacher: Rev. Adam Gless

Elder: Kelly Ecklund

Greeters: **Early:** Gary & Kathy Hoese, Scott Theisen, Dale Hoese, Mark & Pam Gutzke

Late: Ralph & Karen Unglaub, Bob & Robin Carlson, Dave & Heidi Olsen

Organist: Autumn Frey

Acolytes: Natalie Boersma Isaiah Wasser

Eva Bjerke Levi Hahn

PowerPoint: Austin Maetzold Chris Farniok