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The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany ~ February 3, 2019

Old Testament: Jeremiah 1:4-10

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:31b-13:13

Gospel Reading: Luke 4:31-44

Sermon: "The Amazing Authority of God's Word" Luke 4:31-44 Pastor Gless

8:00 AM Hymns:

"You Are the Way; Through You Alone" LSB 526 [Feb Hymn of the Month]

"Son of God, Eternal Savior" LSB 842

"O God, Forsake Me Not" LSB 731

"Thy Strong Word" LSB 578

"God of Grace and God of Glory" LSB 850

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, Lynn Zellman, Barb Grimm, Donna Lindstrom.**
- Blessings for those celebrating birthdays this week: 3– **Ryan Stahlke, Max Tuttle; 4– Kristen Guse, Art Knutson; 5– Kaitlyn King, Peggy Lundeen; 6– Sandy Heldt; 7– Jacob Harpel, Tami Otterstatter; 8– Rex Heldt, D'Laney McPadden, Darlene Unglaub; 9–Karen H. Hoese, Linda Kutzke, Richard Nienow.**
- Blessings for those celebrating anniversaries this week: 9–**Dustin & Dawnelle Frantsen (11).**
- 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): **\$10,608.35; Debt Reduction: \$210; Help A Neighbor: \$50; Building Fund (New): \$165.00; Zion School: \$260.00. 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.**

1 Corinthians 13:4-5 – "Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful." Love is the greatest of the three "theological virtues" because God is Love. That is why love is the fulfillment of the Law, because the Law is the reflection of God's being and God is love. St. Paul urges the Corinthians to grow in love, to grow up into the image of Christ who demonstrates what love looks like with His sacrifice on the cross. For love always seeks the good of the other, always seeks to serve, to give, to bless.

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Sunday 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 through March 3. This will be taught by Pastor Gless.

Small Group Sunday Bible Study: Challenge of Islam. Join us as we use the Lutheran Hour video study on Islam to unravel their belief system as it relates to Christians. Between services at Christ Corner.

Zion 2019 Council Members:

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UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS ...

Lutheran Hour Ministry Sunday: As today is Lutheran Hour Ministry Sunday, if you would like to support Lutheran Hour Ministry with an offering, please use a blank envelope marked "Lutheran Hour Ministry" with your name and offering envelope number on it. Thank you! For more information on LHM visit www.lhm.org Today's Lutheran Hour sermon is: "**Slow Solution**" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler God's gift of eternal life through faith in Christ is not a quick fix. It's a slow solution to the hidden problem that separates us from God and each from other. (John 20:21)

The Lutheran Laymen's League of Carver Zone meets each even numbered month of the year. Zion will host the Feb 4th meeting at 7:00 in the church basement. All are welcome.

Zion Church Directories- For those individuals/families that got their pictures taken or submitted photographs, your free directory is located in the narthex. If you did not have your photographs taken or submit a picture for the directory, but would like one, directories can be purchased from the church office for \$6.50 each. We have limited quantities of directories available.

Zion Mayer Dartball team: Our next game is Feb 5 at Zion against Watertown. Whether you are interested in playing or have questions please contact Jason Hoese at 952-334-9559 or 952-955-2331.



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.

F.A.I.T.H. Sledding Event—Our next F.A.I.T.H. event is sledding at the Watertown Mayer Primary school! The event will be February 17th from 2pm-4pm. The gym will be available for keeping warm and snacks! This event will be canceled in the event that there is not enough snow. We hope you will join us!

F.A.I.T.H. EVENT

Sledding

Gym will be available for warming and snacks!

FEBRUARY 17, 2019
2:00 PM TO 4:00 PM
WATERTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL



313 Angel Ave NW, Watertown

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!

Due to weather the following rescheduled activities for NLSW will be as follows: Friday, February 8th

Bring a box of cereal for the Watertown Food Shelf

Breakfast for students served by PTL

Bag Lunch Day

Dress: Pajama Day



Zion's Youth Group Valentine's Day Cupcakes Fundraiser– our youth group is selling cupcakes by Katie's Cakes for Valentine's Day to fund raise for the National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis this summer. Please place your order with one of the youth or in the office by February 12. 4 flavors to choose from. 1/2 dozen \$15, 1 dozen \$25.00. Arrange delivery with a youth or pick up at Zion on Feb. 14th. Please see order forms in the narthex or on our website/Facebook

Donation request: Zion Lutheran School in Cologne started a GoFundMe for one of their teachers who lost everything in a house fire on Monday, January 28th. Prayerfully considered donating by visiting their website at <https://www.zion-cologne.org/>





SHARING HOPE—TEACHING CHRIST ...

during the week of February 3

Today:	Lutheran Hour Ministry Sunday	
	Worship/Holy Communion	8:00 AM
	Bible Class/Sunday School	9:15 AM
	Worship/Holy Communion	10:30 AM
Monday:	Faculty Meeting	3:15 PM
	LLL Carver Zone @ Zion	7:30 PM
Tuesday:	Quilters	9:00 AM-3:00 PM
	Blood Mobile @ St. Mark	1:00 PM-7:00 PM
	Elders	7:00 PM
Wednesday:	Chapel	8:30 AM
	Midweek Bible Class	10:00 AM
	Midweek Catechesis	3:45 PM
	Ladies Bible Class	7:15 PM
Thursday:	LFL-Lifelines @ Westview Acres	3:00 PM
	Council Meeting	7:00 PM
Next Sunday:	Worship/Holy Communion	8:00 AM
	Bible Class/Sunday School	9:15 AM
	Worship/Holy Communion	10:30 AM

SERVING THE LORD & HIS PEOPLE TODAY:

Worship Leader/Preacher: Rev. Adam Gless

Elder: Kelly Ecklund

Greeters: **Early:** Curt & Peggy Lundeen, Brian Grimm, Eugene Grimm, Boersma Family

Late: Leon & Joleen Guetzkow, Matt & Kristen Guse, Larry & Cathy Michaletz, Scott & Yvonne Hoes

Organist: Wanda Honebrink

Acolytes: Chloe Maetzold Jada Zajicek

Jack Baumann Ava Turner

Powerpoint: Austin Maetzold Adam Erdman