

**Zion Lutheran Church**

210 North Wayne Street

Saint Mary, Ohio 45885

**December 25, 2022**

8:00 a.m.

Setting 10

**Prelude**

**Announcements**

**GATHERING SONG** *“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”* #288

**Advent Candle lightning**

# CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS Page 94

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P Most merciful God,

**C we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.**

**We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done**

**and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;**

**we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,**

**have mercy on us.**

**Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,**

**so that we may delight in your will**

**and walk in your ways,**

**to the glory of your holy name.**

**Amen.**

P In the mercy of almighty God,

Jesus Christ was given to die for us,

and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.

As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority,

I therefore declare to you

the entire forgiveness of all your sins,

in the name of the Father,

and of the + Son,

and of the Holy Spirit

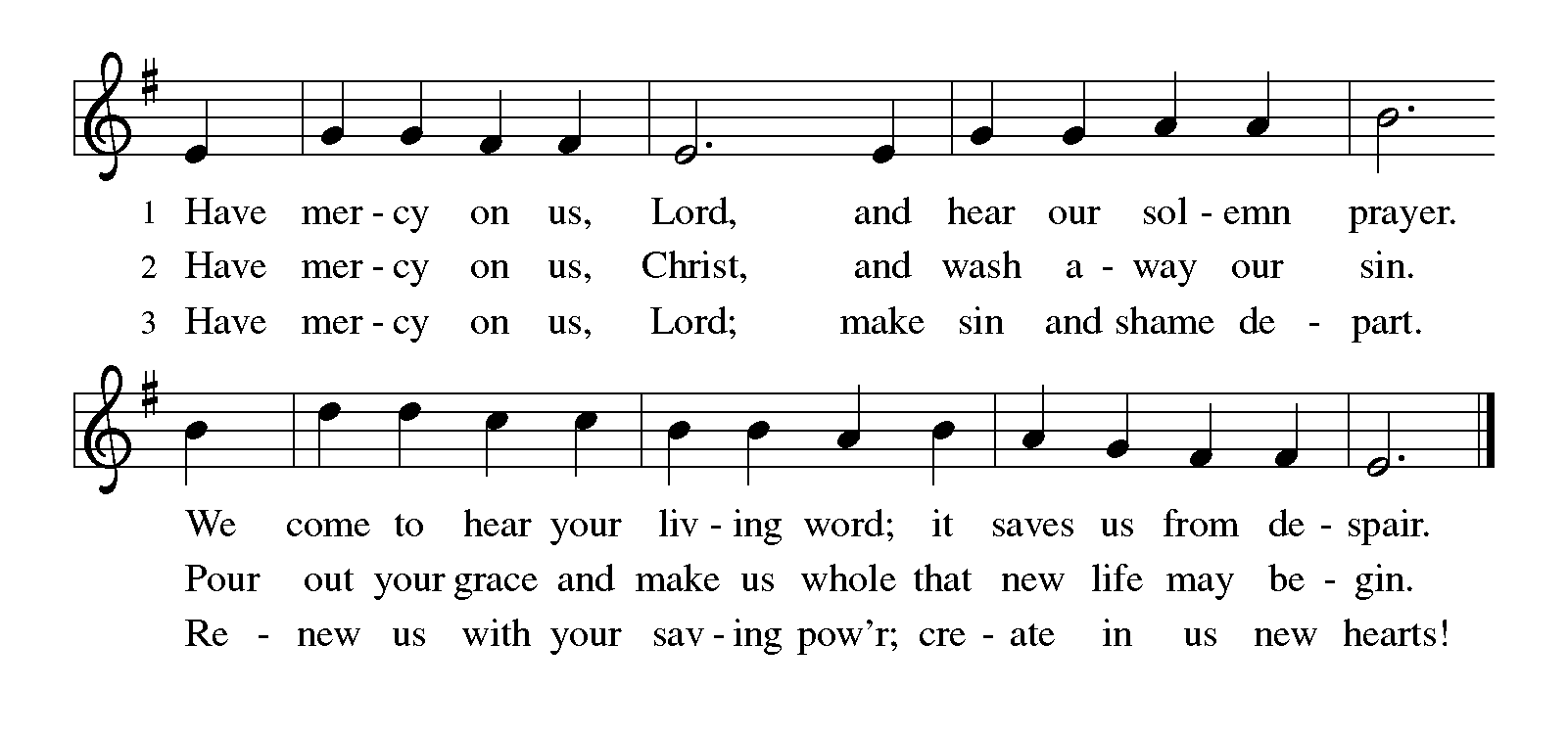
**C Amen.**

# GREETING

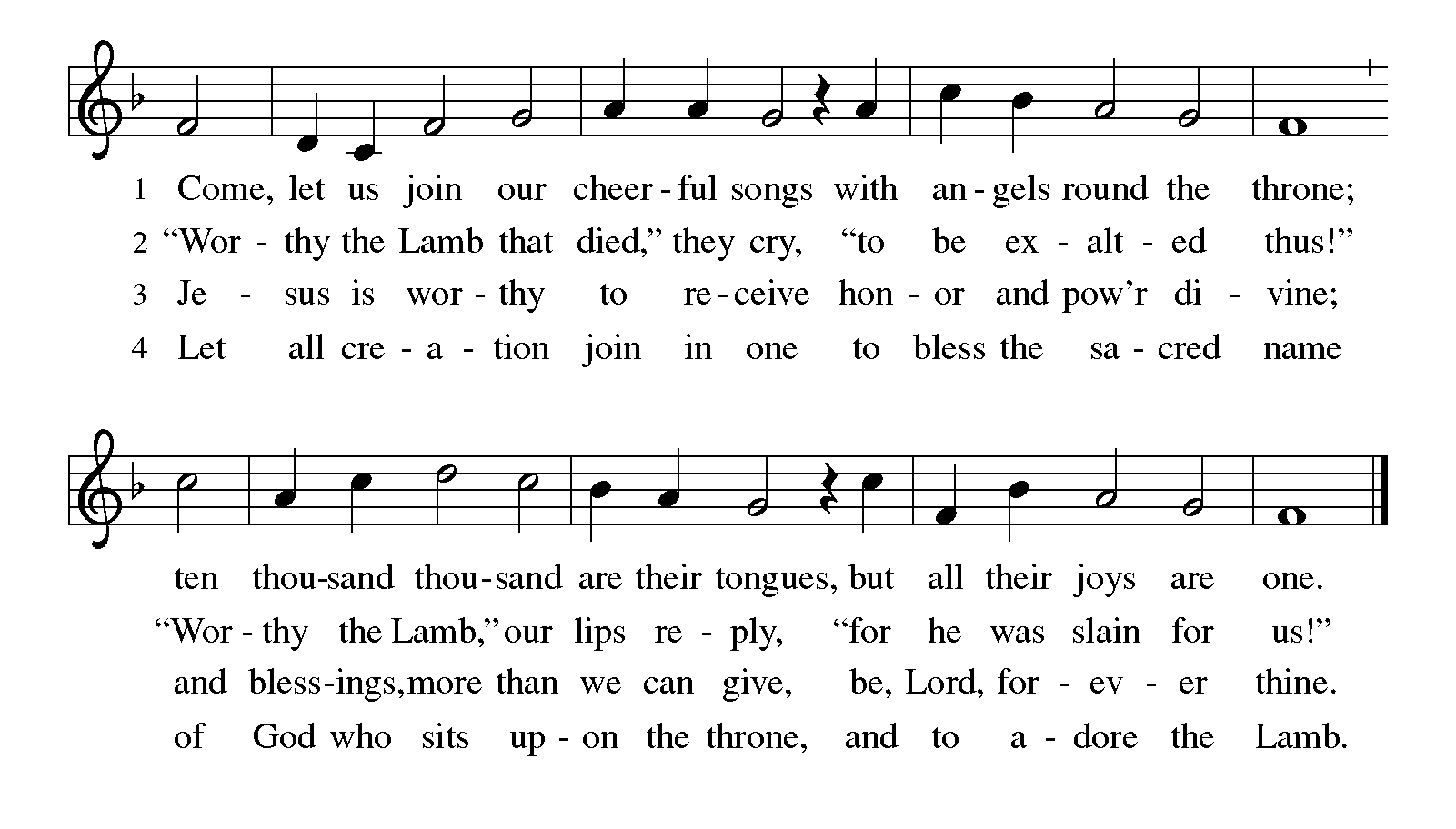
L The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Word who became flesh and dwelt among us; the love of the Father who created us in his own image; and the communion of the Holy Spirit, the giver of all good gifts, be with you all.

**C And also with you.**

**KYRIE** Page 203



# CANTICLE OF PRAISE Page 204



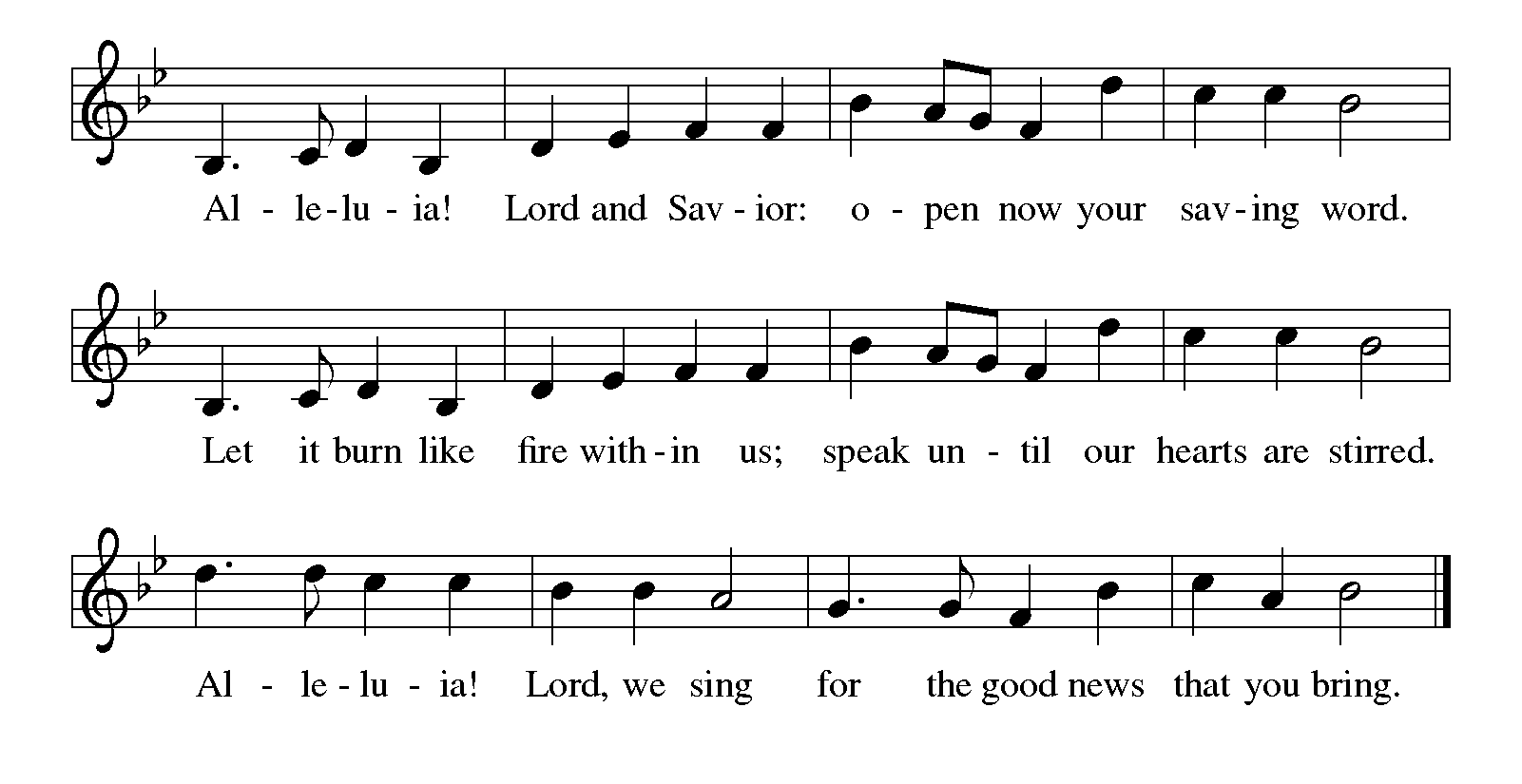
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**Psalm 2**  Insert

**Second Reading Hebrews 1:1-6** Insert

# GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Page 205



P The holy gospel according to Saint John the first chapter.

**C Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel John 1:1-14** Insert

P The gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon** Pastor Bill

**Hymn of the Day** *“Love Has Come”* #292

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**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 truly 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 with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic 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.**

# PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION Page 206

L Lord in your mercy…

**C Hear our prayer.**

**Peace**

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

**OFFERING**

# OFFERTORY RESPONSE HYMN #182

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**Offering Prayer**

L Let us pray.

Loving God, we give you thanks for the generous gifts you have first given us. May that which we offer to you, come joyfully from our hearts and be pleasing in your sight.

**C Amen.**

**DIALOGUE** Page 206

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

**C We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**PREFACE**

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh you have opened the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vision of your glory, that beholding the God made visible, we may be drawn to love the God whom we cannot see. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

# THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

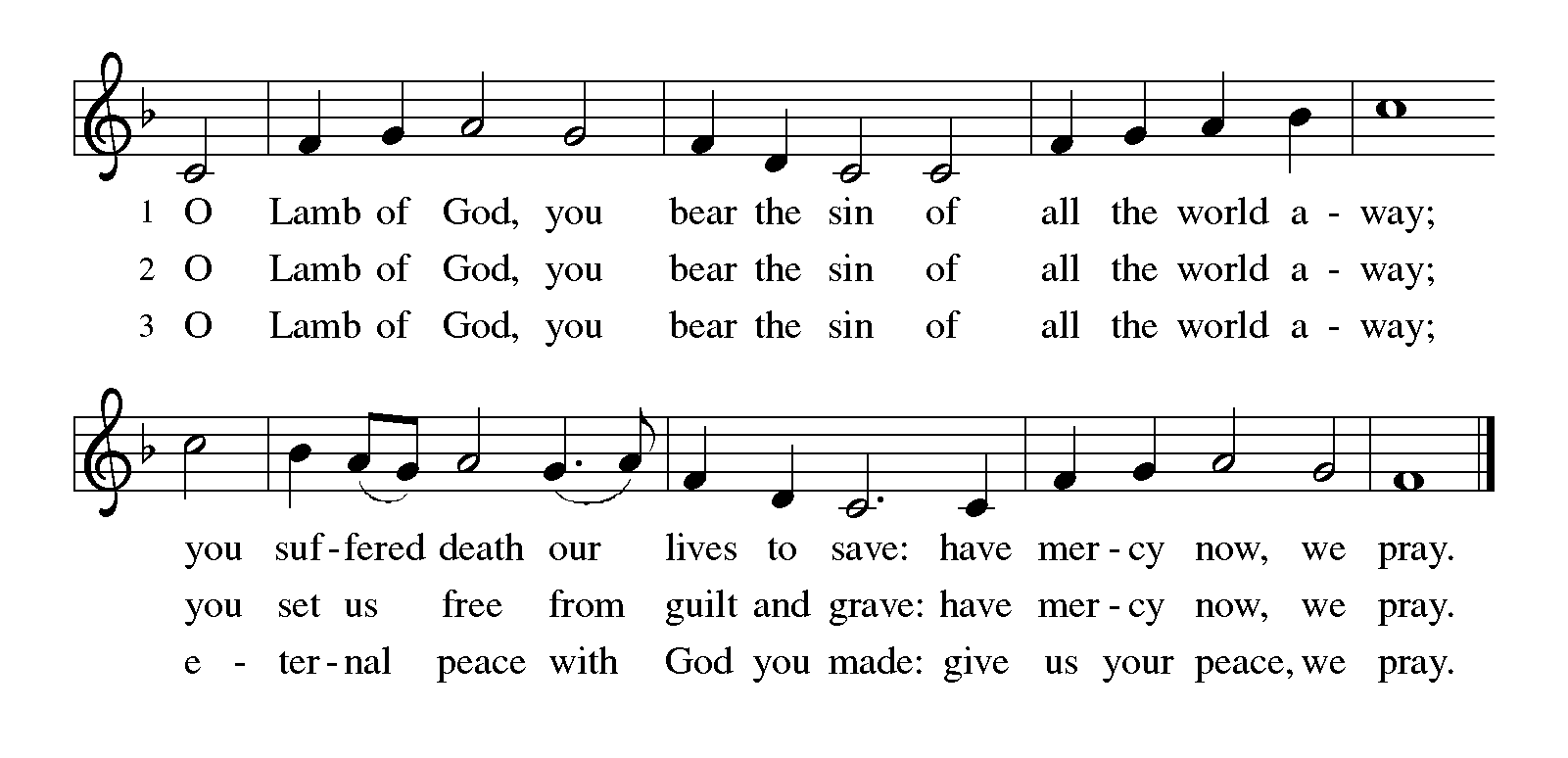
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

# LORD'S PRAYER Page 112

**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.**

**Communion Song**



**Communion**

P The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

**C Amen.**

# COMMUNION HYMNS

*“The First Noel”* #300

**Post Communion Blessing**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

L We give you thanks, O God, that you have fed us with Christ’s precious body and blood, forgiven us through this Sacrament, and given us a new beginning. Send us now into the world you love, to share Christ’s sacrificial love with all we meet.

**C Amen.**

**Blessing**

P As you go from this place, remember that with God, nothing is impossible. May God the Father, Son, + and Holy Spirit go before you, beside you, and with you wherever you go. (Luke 1:37)

**C Amen.**

**SENDING** *“Go Tell It on the Mountain”* #290

# DISMISSAL

P Go in peace! God’s Word has been fulfilled.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

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**Memory Verse** John 1:9

*The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world.*

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***Happy Birthday Savannah!***

*The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God in celebration of Savannah Slater’s 19th birthday on December 31st.*

***Today, December 25\****

**Acolyte:** Zoey Lampert

**Communion Assistant:** Jody Slemmons

**Crucifer:** Braylon Lampert

**Ushers:** Jeanne Wurster, Bob Hinschlager, Chris White,

Rhonda Weaver

**Fellowship Table:** Sandy Wierwille

**Greeters:** Judy Schultz, Vic Von Blon

**Reader:** Linda Yahl

***Next Sunday, January 1\****

**Acolytes:** 8AM**:** Hunter Coldiron

10:30am: Allison Ankerman

**Communion** 8AM: Jody Slemmons

**Assistants:** 10:30AM: Cheryl Macklem

**Crucifer:** 8AM: Bennett Glass

10:30AM: Aiden Meinerding

**Ushers:** 8AM: Jeanne Wurster, Bob Hinschlager,

Chris White, Rhonda Weaver

10:30AM: Dan Macklem, Stan & Debbie Brown,

Darl Bishir

**Fellowship** 8AM**:** Kraig & Miriam Johns

**Table:**  10:30am: Kathy & Craig Miller

**Greeters:** 8AM: Becky Harvey, Chris White

10:30AM: Joni Immenschuh, Sandy Wierwille

**Readers:** 8AM: Doris Cook

10:30AM:Stephanie Ross

\*Subject to change, correct as of time printed

ATTENDANCE Last Wednesday: 56

Sunday 8 a.m.: 54, 10:30 a.m.: 31, Total for the Day: 85

Total for the Week: 141

PIANIST Miriam Johns

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S/25 8:00 a.m. Christmas Day Worship Service+\*

**Calendar for December 25, 2022—January 8, 2023**

T/27 9:30 a.m. Dorcas Quilting

12:30 p.m. Bulletin Information Deadline

F/30 6:00 p.m. Schramm/Gillis Rehearsal

S/31 3:00 p.m. Christian Schramm/Brittany Gillis Wedding

S/1 8:00 a.m. Service of Lessons & Carols+\*

9:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Service of Lessons & Carols\*

M/2 Office Closed

T/3 9:00 a.m. Dorcas Quilting

W/4 11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

12:30 p.m. Bulletin Information Deadline

1:00 p.m. Book Club

6:30 p.m. Worship\*

7:00 p.m. Confirmation Class

S/7 10:00 a.m. Take Down Christmas Decorations

S/8 8:00 a.m. Baptism of Our Lord Sunday Worship+\*/

Recognition & Installations of Councils

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Baptism of Our Lord Sunday Worship\*/ Recognition & Installations of Councils

*\*Holy Communion*

*+Livestreamed on zionstmarys.org & broadcasted on WCSM 96.7*

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**We invite you** to include the following people in your daily prayers: Janet Dicke, Judy Von Blon, Brent Paulus, Sandi Deerhake, Alma Kuffner, Caleb Yahl, Michael Moore, Tom Kaster, Kason Thobe, Ann Morris, John & Katie, Darlene Henkener, Margaret Moore, Pastor Phil Gagnon, Amelia Green, Kelsey, Karen Vornholt, Mark & Dana, Vicki Bishir, Amy Grewe, Family of Jordan Brelsman, Lisa Suchland, Dolores Irish, Lillian, Beth Olberding, Bill & Carolyn Slemmons, Emily Henkle, Dave Frahm, Ed Danner III, Eileen Zimmerman, Kristin Hemmelgarn, Mary Willmann, Marla Puthoff, Family of Susan Wicker, Family of Family of Rick Adams, the Family of Larry Haberkamp and the Family of Roger Hesse.

**Please** **pray** for Sean Lawler, Andrew Johnson, Michael Carroll, Nathan Adams, Jacob Yahl, Jason Gross, Daniel C. Lukac IV, Michael Franklin and Kyle Schmehl who are in the service. Please pray for them, their family, and their safe return home.

**Please include in your prayers** the upcoming marriage of Christian Schramm and Brittany Gillis, who will be married next Saturday.

**Christian Sympathy** to the Family of Roger Hesse, brother of John Hesse.

**Thank you** to everyone for the cards, prayers and gifts. Wishing you a blessed year ahead. Pastor Bill

**Our loose offerings** each Wednesday and Sunday for the month of December are earmarked to support the Institute of Lutheran Theology. For more information on this institution, check out your December Newsletter.

*The loose plate offerings for Christmas Eve will go toward Zion’s current expenses.*

**The church office** will be closed on **Monday, December 26**, and **Monday, January 2**. There will be limited hours **Tuesday, December 27** through **Friday, December 30**. The hours will befrom 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**There will be NO** Wednesday night worship service on **December 28**.

**Service of Lessons & Carols:** Our Service of Carols and Lessons will be held on **Sunday, January 1**, at both our 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., worship services. We invite you to bring your family and friends.

**Help Needed** on **Saturday, January 7**, to take down Christmas decorations at 10 a.m. If you can help, please sign up on your “I Worshiped Today”.

**The recognitions** of our 2022 Congregation Council and Women’s Council and installation of the 2023 councils will take place at both services on **Sunday, January 8**, 2023. If you were a member of council or a newly elected council member, please plan to attend one of the worship services on that day.

**The Creative Crafters** will be making homemade vanilla extract on **Sunday, January 8,** at 1:30 p.m., in the church kitchen.  Sign up in the binder provided in the Narthex.    A sample is there on display.

**The first part** of the 2023 Flower Chartis on the bulletin board by the alley entrance. We invite you to select the date you wish to provide flowers. On the Tuesday before the date you selected, order your arrangement from your favorite florist, and contact the church office, 419-394-3115, to let us know what information you would like included in the bulletin.

**Pianist:** We are looking for an additional pianist for our Wednesday night worship service. They would play once or twice a month. If you are interested in this paid position, please contact the church office, 419-394-3115.

**Dorcas Quilting** has been a part of Zion for over 120 years. We need people who can hand sew to help make quilts. There have been 4 members coming to quilting but 2 are going to quit. If we cannot get any more people to come, we will have to disband Dorcas Quilting. If you or someone you know would be interested, please call the church office, or just come to quilting on Tuesdays at 9 a.m.

**We have installed equipment** for livestreaming of our worship services. The worship services can be found on our Facebook page.   Volunteers are needed to help with recording each of the services.  Please contact the church office, 419-394-3115, or Pastor Bill about this ministry.

**Our** **8 a.m. worship service** is broadcast live on WCSM radio 96.7 FM. Thank you to our primary sponsor of our WCSM radio broadcast–St. Marys Chrysler. Volunteers are needed to help with the sound board. No experience needed! Anyone interested in running the sound board during worship will be trained. We would like to have more people for rotation purposes. Contact the church office, 419-394-3115, or Pastor Bill if you can help.

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| **Weekly Needs**  **51 Week** | **Budget**  **Y-T-D** | **Received**  **12/18** | **Offerings**  **Y-T-D** | **On Hold** |
| Current $6,068.75 | $309,519 | $5,529 | $263,818 | $0 |
| NALC Offering $290 | $14,790 | $167 | $6,978 |  |
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| Bank Balance as of 12/19: | | $76,247 | |  |