

Second Sunday after Epiphany



**Called to be saints together
with all those who in every place**



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Prayer Before Worship *Dear Father, strengthen us in our faith, so that in all things we are drawn closer to you, in love and greater devotion--in Jesus' name. Amen.*

This Week's Prayer List We pray for a portion of Zion's family and friends...Terry, Jill, Megan, Courtney, and Sydney Bruesehoff; Harry Jr. Bruesehoff; John Bruesehoff; Harold Bruesehoff; Alan and Nancy Buckentine. We pray for those under the care of a physician, undergoing treatment and therapy; for all difficulties meeting obligations, and a strong faith for every need.

Carver County Lutherans for Life – A Door Offering will be taken to help support pro-life efforts. Christians will support and encourage women in this important time of life.

Financial Giving Reports are available in the narthex (lobby). Please pick up your own statement as an official copy of your giving in 2019. Be sure to call if there are any questions or observations. Thank you for your generosity and for sharing in this ministry.

Chuck Woolery turns 100! A birthday celebration will be at Kingsway (Belle Plaine) TODAY at 2pm. You're invited!

Open House and Preschool/Kindergarten Round-up is tomorrow, January 20th from 6-7 PM and Round-up starting at 6:30. Tell prospective parents about the great opportunity for their child.

Feed My Starving Children – Zion's students will be going to FMSC in Chanhassen on Tuesday morning, January 28th for Lutheran Schools Week. We have some extra spots available if anyone in the congregation would like to participate and hang out with some pretty amazing kids. Let Mr. M know if you are interested in going or for more information.

Jim Mesenbring died on Tuesday (1/15); visitation will be Friday at Johnson's in Waconia, 4-8pm and committal at Zion on Saturday. See Johnssonfh.com for more info.

Pick up your copy of Lutheran Witness and Portals of Prayer.

Opening Hymn # 839 “O Christ, Our True and Only Light”

P In the name of the Father † Son † Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

"I said I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin" (Psalm 32:5)

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is
not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us
our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9)

P You have searched me, LORD, and you know me.

C You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts
from afar.

P You discern my going out and my lying down;

C You are familiar with all my ways.

P Before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it
completely.

C You surround me: behind and before, and you lay your hand
upon me.

P Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to
attain.

C Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your
presence?

P If I go up to the heavens,

C You are there!

P If I make my bed in the depths,

C You are there!

P If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the
sea,

C Even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold
me securely.

P If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become
night around me,"

C Even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine
like the day, for darkness is as light to you.

O Savior, precious Savior, Whom yet unseen we love, (**LSB, 527**)

O Name of might and favor, All other names above;
We worship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We praise Thee, and confess Thee Our holy Lord and King.

O bringer of salvation, Who wondrously have wrought,
Thyself the revelation Of love beyond our thought;
We worship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We praise Thee, and confess Thee Our gracious Lord and King.

- P** For you created my inmost being; You knit me together in my mother's womb.
- C** I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful; I know that full well.
- P** My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the womb: Your eyes saw my unformed body;
- C** All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.
- P** How precious to me are your thoughts, God! How vast is the sum of them!
- C** Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand— when I awake, I am still with you...
- P** Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me and lead me in the way everlasting.

Reflecting upon our transgressions, we then pray...

Heavenly Father, in whom we live and move and have our being, just as we cannot hide from your presence, so our sins are not hidden from your sight. We come before you confessing our sins and offenses, to you and to one another, for we have sinned in thought, word and deed: We have not loved you with all our heart, soul, mind and strength and we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength-- as you have promised, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

P The gift of God is there for those who believe. God is faithful and just and he will forgive all who call upon him in truth. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I announce that your sins are forgiven, your iniquities absolved, for the sake of Jesus Christ, who is the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Let your hearts not be troubled: Go in peace.

In Thee all fulness dwelleth, All grace and pow'r divine;
The glory that excelleth, O Son of God, is Thine;
We worship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We praise Thee, and confess Thee Our glorious Lord and King.

Old Testament Reading *Light to the nations* **Isaiah 49:1-7**

P This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading *Enriched in Christ* **1 Corinthians 1:1-9**

P This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

O grant the consummation Of this our song above
In endless adoration, And everlasting love;
Then shall we praise and bless Thee Where perfect praises ring,
And evermore confess Thee Our Savior and our King!

P Our Gospel Reading is from St. John, chapter 1.

C Praise be to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading *"Behold, the Lamb of God!"* **John 1:29-42**

P This is the Gospel of our Lord. **C** Praise be to you, O Christ.

Children's Message

Sunday School to follow in Mr. M's room

Sermon Hymn # 589 **"Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens"**

Sermon **Something to Behold!** **John 1:29-42**

Jesus asks questions that need answering!

* The Lamb that takes things away: Sin.

* What do you seek? * Where will you stay?

Offertory

C ♪ Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence,
and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,
and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Offering

Prayers & the Lord's Prayer

P The Lord be with you. **C** And with thy spirit.
P Bless we the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.
P The Lord bless you and...give you peace. **C** Amen, amen,
amen

Closing Hymn # 861

“Christ Be My Leader”

TOMORROW, JANUARY 20th

Zion Open House

6-7 PM

Preschool/Kindergarten Round-up

6:30 PM

*Be sure to tell parents who might want their child
to have a good Christian education.*

Finances

Salary:

Beginning Balance (1/1/2019)	-\$59,468.86
YTD Income	\$448,688.28
YTD Expenses	-\$438,718.38
Current Balance (12/31)	-\$49,498.96
Loan	\$54,604.33
On Deposit	\$5,105.37

Missions:

YTD Total (12/31)	\$5,590.00
Budgeted	\$6,765.00
Unbudgeted	\$700.00
2019 Pledged	\$7,500.00
2019 Goal	\$15,000.00

LHS:

Year to date total (12/31)	\$19,027.66
2019 Commitment	\$22,715.00
Per communicant member	\$55.00

Building/Repair Fund:

Account Balance (12/5)	\$10,660.19
Suggested household contrib.	\$550.00

Agnus Day

John calls Jesus "The Lamb"

John 1:29-42



January 19th – January 25th

Sun, Jan. 19th	Sunday Service 9:30
Mon, Jan. 20th	No Bus Service for School Open House 6-7 PK/K Round-up 6:30 Voter's Meeting 8:00
Tue, Jan. 21st	Evangelism Meeting 7:30
Wed, Jan. 22nd	Confirmation 6:15
Fri, Jan. 24th	Chapel 8:10

January 26th – February 1st

Sun, Jan. 26th	Sunday Service Communion 9:30
Mon, Jan. 27th	ZEL Meeting 6:30
Mon, Jan. 27th – 31st	Lutheran Schools Week
Tue, Jan. 28th	Dball @ home against New Germany 8:00
Wed, Jan. 29th	Confirmation 6:15
Fri, Jan. 31st	Chapel 8:10

Trinity Lutheran Church and The Knights of Columbus #2506 of St. Joseph's Church in Waconia are co-sponsoring a Pancake/French Toast & Sausage Breakfast today to be held at St Joe's Catholic School from 8 – 12:30 PM. All proceeds will benefit Pro-Life causes. Free will offerings are welcomed.

First Evangelical Lutheran Church of Glencoe is hosting a Potato Pancake and Sausage Dinner on Sunday, February 2 from 9 AM – 2 PM.

Addresses for our Soldiers

(Only letters are allowed for John at this time.)

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