

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany January 28, 2018

# ZION

# Evangelical Lutheran Church

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**JANUARY 28, 2018** 



We extend a warm welcome to our guests. Please know you are included in Christ's own invitation to receive God's promise and presence in the "for you" of Holy Communion. Thank you for filling out the bulletin insert especially if you have prayer concerns. We also use this page to welcome and invite newcomers and guests into the events and activities at Zion.

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation. 2 Corinthians 5:17-18

We are Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, committed to being a loving and welcoming community of faith in Jesus Christ. As a community of God we welcome all. We rejoice in the manner in which diversity enriches, nurtures, and challenges the life and ministry we share in Christ. We embrace actions and attitudes within the Church that assure access to Word and Sacrament regardless of gender identity, sexual orientation, socio-economic or marital status, physical or mental capacities, age or race. We are a Reconciling in Christ community. All are welcome!



#### WORSHIP RESOURCES

Online Bulletin You can download today's and previous bulletins to your PDA to view during worship or at other times. Simply go to <a href="www.zelc.org/bulletins">www.zelc.org/bulletins</a> Child Care Child care is available downstairs during worship for children 18 months-5 years.

Quiet Activity Bags Cloth bags with quiet activities are available for young children during worship. Our ushers would be happy to provide you with one.

**Hearing Devices** Please speak to an usher if you are in need of a hearing assistance device.



#### Worship Today

- 8:15 Awakening Worship
- 9:15 Education Hour
- 10:30 Worship, Youth Choir + ZY-Jam
- 12:30 First Communion class

#### Church Events

- Monday, January 29th
  - 9 Yoga-based exercise group
  - \* 7-8:30 pm Yoga w/Julie
  - \* 7:45-9 pm Library in use
- Tuesday, January 30th
  - \* 10:30 am Library Work
  - \* 6:30-8:30 G/A Chorus
  - \* 7:45-9 pm Library in use
  - Caretakers vacation thru 1/30/18
- Wednesday, January 31st
  - \* 7 am Men's Bible Study
  - 9 am Yoga-based exercise group
  - 9 am Staff meeting
  - 11:40 LMS Chapel
  - \* 12-2 LMS Staff Meeting
  - 6:30 pm Beginner Meditation
- Thursday, February 1st
  - \* 6:30-8:30 Meditation Gr
- Friday, February 2nd
  - 9 am Yoga-based exercise group
- Saturday, February 3rd
- Sunday, February 4th
  - \* 8:15 am Awakening Worship
  - 9:15 Education Hour
  - \* 10:30 am Worship

#### **GATHERING**

#### Welcome

In this season of Epiphany, we celebrate the revelation of Christ to the Gentiles — that is, to all nations. Our worship reflects the global nature of Epiphany with a variety of ethnic songs and hymns. Today, parts of the liturgy come from Reconciling in Christ (www.ric.org) in honor of Reconciling in Christ Sunday.

#### **Prelude**

ZY Jam

"Mighty to Save"

Laura Story

# Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: God of dreamers, We are often oblivious to the ways in which we oppress and are complicit in the oppression of our neighbors. We have sinned through our actions and our lack of action. Our sins are unique and varied and yet we are all consumed by the same fire of sinfulness. We have not loved and welcomed the LGBTQIA+ community into the church with open arms and a mindset of re-imagining. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us so that we may live and serve you in newness of life in your holy name.

People: follow on ELW page 240

Absolution: While we were consumed by the fire of our sin, Christ who is rich in mercy and love, made us alive through their death on the cross. By grace you have been saved. In the name of the risen and dreaming Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven

Amen.

#### Entrance Hymn

"All are Welcome"

Vs. 1, 3, 5

Hymn No. 641

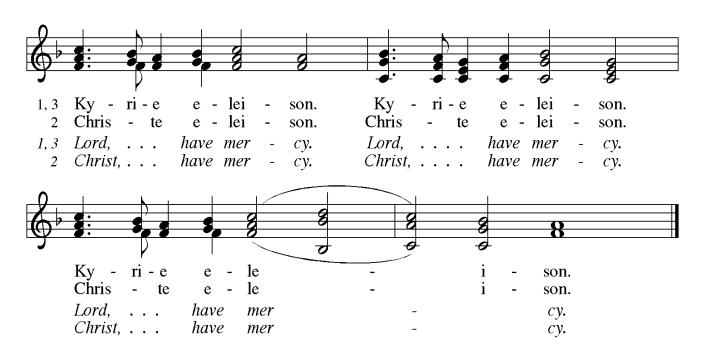
#### Greeting

The grace of our Risen Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

# Kyrie (sing in Latin)

#### Lord, Have Mercy



Music: Russian Orthodox traditional

#### Hymn of Praise

#### Amen, We Praise Your Name

#### Amen siakudumisa



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#### **Prayer of Day**

Let us pray.

Compassionate God, you gather the whole universe into your radiant presence and continually reveal your Son as our Savior. Bring wholeness to all that is broken and speak truth to us in our confusion, that all creation will see and know your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

#### **WORD**

#### **First Lesson**

Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Today's reading is part of a longer discourse in Deuteronomy, an updating of the law for the Israelite community as the people wait to enter the promised land. Here Moses assures the people that God will continue to guide them through prophets who will proclaim the divine word

[Moses said:] 15The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. 16This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." 17Then the Lord replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. 18I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. 19Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. 20But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 111

#### Verses (sung by cantor)



Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are your works, O Lord, pondered by all who delight in them.

Majesty and splendor mark your deeds, and your righteousness endures forever.

You cause your wonders to be remembered;

you are gracious and full of compassion.

Refrain

You give food to those who fear you, remembering forever your covenant. You have shown your people the power of your works in giving them the lands of the nations. The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice; all of your precepts are sure. They stand fast forever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.

#### Refrain

You sent redemption to your people and commanded your covenant forever; holy and awesome is your name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all who practice this have a good understanding. God's praise endures forever. Refrain

#### Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 8:1-13 Paul is concerned about how some Corinthian Christians use their freedom in Christ as license to engage in non-Christian behavior that sets a damaging example to other, impressionable. believers. Christians have a responsibility to each other that their behavior does not cause a sister or brother to sin.

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that "all of us possess" knowledge." Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; <sup>3</sup>but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "no idol in the world really exists," and that "there is no God but one." 5 Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—<sup>6</sup>yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled.  $^{8}$ "Food will not bring us close to God." We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. <sup>9</sup>But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. <sup>10</sup>For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? 11 So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. <sup>12</sup>But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. 13 Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



# Children's Message

All children are welcome to join Pastor Steve at the communion rail.

#### **Gospel Verse**

"Open Your Ears, O Faithful People" Vs. 1

Hymn No. 519

#### **The Holy Gospel**

Mark 1:21-28
The story has barely begun, and already the battle is joined. Jesus sides with humanity against every force that would bring death and disease. These forces recognize Jesus and know what his power means for them. This, however, is only the first fight. The war will go on much longer.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter. *Glory to you, O Lord.* 

<sup>21</sup>[Jesus and his disciples] went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. <sup>22</sup>They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. <sup>23</sup>Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, <sup>24</sup>and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." <sup>25</sup>But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" <sup>26</sup>And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. <sup>27</sup>They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." <sup>28</sup>At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

A brief silence for reflection.

#### Sermon

Pastor Steve Klemz

"What is This?"

#### **Hymn of the Day**

"Christ, Be Our Light"

Hymn No. 715

# Affirmation of Baptism

#### Leader:

Holy One of Blessing, in baptism you bring us to new life in Jesus Christ and you name us Beloved. We give you thanks for the renewal of that life and love in the renewal of our baptisms.



#### Leader:

Let us pray. Merciful God, you have made each of us your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called us to yourself, enlightened us with the gifts of Your Spirit, nourished us in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ. All:

#### Amen.

Leader:

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians:

As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave nor free, there is no longer male and female; for all are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

#### The Prayers

#### IN OUR PRAYERS:

That God's grace be sufficient for Dorothy Nielsen. Christ's healing presence with Rodney Schroeder, Dianne Krehbiel, Marie Newton, Jim Wright, Dennis Bird. Continued healing with Lacy Foulks, Cindy Haverkost. Health and safekeeping with Lacy Hanson, Heather, and all mothers with child. We pray for those in need of our prayers: Linda, Paul and Sandy, Anna Maria Freeman, John Modde, Olena, Deena & Vlodny, Stan, Gary, Mandy & Corey, Julie, Gloria Roundy, Alan, Gary, Duane, Jamie, Carla, Becky, Kollins, Kennady, Laurie DeKorver, Lori Davidson & Kevin, Jamie, Sue & husband, Beth, Kevin, Doris, Laura, Amy, Cheryl, Matt, Marsha McBride, Anna, Rob & Sharon, Marilyn Wood, Chuck, Henri Schrecengost, Mary Ann, Susie, Susie, Mike, Christian, Mary, Günter, Hanan, Jackie, Linde; for seminary education with Lisa Mensinger and Juan de Dios Lopez. We pray for Paul, Kent, Christian and Bryce our brothers in Christ in prison. For those suffering devastation of storm and fire. Safekeeping and protection of conflict-affected Rohingya and Rakhine communities in Myanmar.

Each petition concludes, "Lord, in your mercy", and the people prayerfully respond, "hear our prayer."

Prayer requests can be submitted using the bulletin insert or anytime during the week via email to the church office (office@zelc.org) or Pastor Steve (pastor@zelc.org).

# The Sharing of the Peace

John 20 More than a greeting, we participate in Christ's gift of community.

The Peace of the Lord be with you. And also with you.

The ministers and congregation signal their unity with each other in the family of Christ by sharing a moment of greeting with each other saying, "Peace be with you" and are seated when finished exchanging the peace.

#### MEAL

# Gathering of the Gifts

Thank you for filling in the hospitality page (bulletin insert). It serves as an instrument for pastoral care, especially with the requested prayers. Please place the page in the offering plate.



If you give online, feel free to pick up a 'giving bookmark' found in the pew and place it in the offering plate.

If you would like to give online, please go to <a href="http://www.zelc.org/giving">http://www.zelc.org/giving</a> or scan the code to the left.

#### Offertory

ZY Jam

"God of Wonders"

Marc Byrd and Steve HIndalong

#### **Offertory Hymn**

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ" Vs 1

Hymn No. 674

#### **Offertory Prayer**

Let us pray.

Merciful God,

Receive the gifts we bring, our selves, our time, and our possessions.

Through this meal unite us as your body,

shining with the light of your justice and mercy; for the sake of him who gave himself for us,

Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

# The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *It is right to give God thanks and praise.* 

#### **Proper Preface**

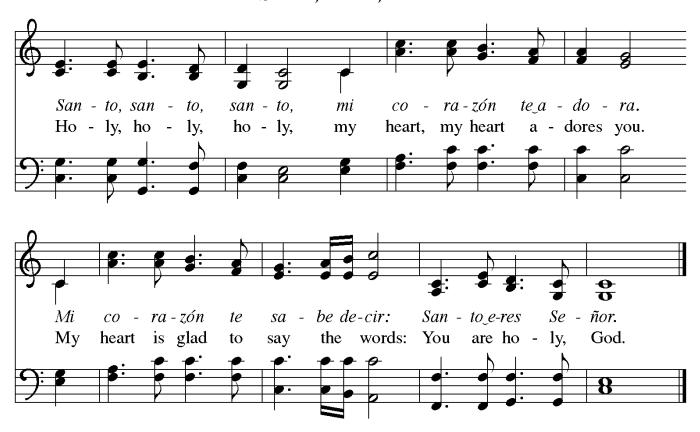
It is indeed right and salutary....we praise your name and join their unending

hymn:

#### **Sanctus**

Sing in the language of your choice.

#### Holy, Holy, Holy Santo, santo, santo



Text: Argentine traditional Music: ARGENTINE SANTO, Argentine traditional

#### **Thanksgiving** at the Table

Before the Lord's Supper is shared, the presiding minister leads us into Thanksgiving. With the whole creation, we join the angels'

**Eucharistic Prayer** 



song.

# The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.
Amen.

# Invitation to Communion

All are welcome. We who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread. Come. Be filled with light and life. *Thanks be to God.* 

#### Lamb of God

"O Lamb of God"

Hymn No. 198

#### Holy Communion

In Christ's body and blood given to us, God forgives us and nourishes us for mission. We sing as the bread is broken and as the meal is shared. We ask God to send us in witness to the world. To receive Holy Communion, please come down the center aisle.

<u>Newcomers & Visitors:</u> You are welcome to join us for Holy Communion. The wine may be received by dipping the bread in the cup, or eating the bread and drinking from the cup. Individual cups are available for those who desire. Grape juice is clear, individual cups of wine are red. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

If you would like to receive a blessing for yourself and/or your child, simply come forward with your hands folded, and the person serving the bread will offer you a blessing.

#### Anthem

Youth Choir

The Lone Wild Bird

S. McRae, arr.



# Communion Hymns

"Healer of Our Every III"
"Drawn to the Light

Hymn No. 612 Hymn No. 593

After all have received, please remain seated until the Benediction.

#### **Table Blessing**

The body and the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep us in God's great grace. **Amen.** 

# Post Communion Prayer

May the Creator grant us peace & courage, for we are beautifully and wonderfully made, just as we are.

May the One whose life was spent reaching out to the outsiders grant us healing, wholeness, and the assurance that we belong. May we be challenged to extend that same healing and hospitality to others.

May the One who is our advocate strengthen us in community, empower us in our gifts, and fill us with joy in the good news.

Amen.

#### **Benediction**

The God of glory dwell in you richly, name you beloved, and shine brightly on your path; and the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

Amen.



**Sending Hymn** 

"The Lord Now Sends Us Forth"

Hymn No. 538

**Dismissal** 

Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"How Brightly Shines the Morning Star"

David Chamberlin

# SERMON NOTES

#### **Dodo Bird Sightings!**

(February 16—March 23, 2018)
Rumors are flying around about a wild flock of Dodo Birds just waiting to visit a friends home and roost for the evening.

Details coming soon on how to spread the joy as you help support the youth on their outreach mission in Houston this summer.

Souper Bowl of Caring February 23-24, 2018

Begins at 6:30 pm on Friday Events: Ninja Warrior Theme: Compassion

RSVP to Lisa Mensinger by February 4th.

<u>Beautiful Blessings</u>— This women's small group will meet on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>February 6 & 13</u> at 10 am at Honeysuckle Coffee, in Sandy

<u>Pub Theology—</u> God+Conversation+Beer. Wednesday, **February 7 at 7 pm** at Desert Edge Brewery in Trolley Square. TOPIC: Music as an expression of God

Today following the 10:30 worship, Pastor Steve will meet with families with children interested in **First Communion**. Parents are encouraged to stay and a light snack will be provided. Please RSVP to Pastor Steve or Louise Nelson if you will be attending.

\*Lessons for next Sunday, February 4, 2018\* Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

- Isaiah 40:21-31
- 1 Corinthians 9:16-23
  - → Mark 1:29-39

#### Small Groups & Bible Studies:

#### Women's Small Group, Alyce Gross,

**Shepherd.** Meets the first and third Mondays at 7pm in various homes. We will be studying the Gospel of John. Contact Alyce at adgross1@msn.com.

**Men's Bible Study**-meets each Wednesday morning at 7:00am downstairs. Come have breakfast with us and discuss God's Word! We are studying the weekly scriptures from the Taking Faith Home bulletin insert.

**Adult Bible Study**—Pastor Steve leads this class which meets each Sunday in the atrium, 9:15-10:15AM. All are welcome. Currently studying the Gospel of Mark.

**Beautiful Blessings Small Group**—Women are invited to join this small group meeting on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at Honeysuckle Coffee Co (8745 S 700 E, #2, Sandy). There is a play area, so feel free to bring the little ones while you share blessings with other women. Contact Lisa Mensinger with questions. youth@zelc.org.

**Sunday Lectionary Bible Study**—An open forum on the lessons of the day, with a focus on the Gospel, will be held in the lounge from 9:15--10:15. Whether there is a leader or not, discussing scripture is one way to help it become the living word. All are welcome.

**Men's Small Group, Peter Staks, Shepherd** 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month at 7pm at various homes. peter@wardleycompanies.com. This group is studying Early Christian Family Tree.

#### **Pub Theology—Different Brews + Different**

**Views** Meets one Thursday a month. Check out Facebook.com/ZionSLC for the current schedule.

**Chancel Choir**-Meets Sundays at 9:15 am in the sanctuary. Singing in a choir has tremendous benefits for physical and mental well-being. Prepare music to support the day's lessons, learn more about church music traditions, reduce stress, and have fun. Singers of all abilities are welcome.

**Sunday Parent Drop-In Group**-After dropping your kids in their Sunday school classroom, you are welcome to join other parents in the church kitchen for some coffee and conversation



### CONNECTING THROUGH GRACE: YOUR TIME & TALENTS NEEDED

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. 1 Peter 4:10 There are many ways to help out at ZELC. Contact info is given or signup sheets can be found at www.zelc.org or in the main hall.

- Greeters Needed! Please use the sign-up sheet outside the church library to pick the Sundays that work with your schedule and be a greeter at Zion! It's a great way to meet congregational members you may not yet know.
- Primary Children's Hospital—want to serve a meal to the families of patients? 4 people are needed. Please contact the church office for more details on ways to participate in this great service.
- Ushers Needed! This is a vital role in welcoming people to worship with us. Interested? Please contact the church office.

## CONNECTING THROUGH GRACE: FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Matt 6:21

• Yearly Operating Budget 2018: \$484,650.00

• Weekly Operating Budget: \$9,320.00

• Last Week's Offerings: \$8,562.00

• Total Received this year: \$20,925.00

• January 21, 2018: 8:15 AM—18 10:30 AM—96

• Sunday school attendance: 64

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Let Me Shine! Christian Playschool and Preschool It's time to start thinking about enrolling your child for next fall. Re-enrollment is underway and we are 70% full! Enrollment forms are available in the preschool and church offices. Priority will be given to currently enrolled families and Zion members. Beginning February 1, enrollment opens to the public on a first come - first serve basis. Many classes fill up fast so please get your applications in ASAP.

Crossroads Urban Center needs for January: Towels, blankets, pants, canned tomatoes and pasta.

Today, January 28th following the 10:30 worship Pastor Steve will meet with families with children interested in First Communion. Parents are encouraged to stay and a light snack will be provided. Please RSVP to Pastor Steve or Louise Nelson if you will be attending.

#### Opportunity for Teens to participate in the 2018 Ulster **Proiect**

The Ulster Project is inviting teens who are in the 9th grade or are 15 years old to apply for the 2018 Project which will be held in July. The Project is a Christian peace project set up to bring teens from Northern Ireland and Utah together here in Salt Lake City in a structured program of fun activities, service projects and exercises to teach trust, tolerance and mutual respect, particularly as they relate to religious intolerance. If you or you know of a friend who might be interested in participating please check out our web site at utahulsterproject.org or contact Julie Langie (801-601-8310) or Nikki Schlehuber (801-209-4055).

#### **Quilters Without Borders**

Our next meeting is coming right up on Thursday, February 1 at 7 pm. We will meet at the First Baptist Church, on the corner of 1300 E and 800 South and will be tying guilts. Looking forward to seeing everyone!

# UPCOMING EVENTS



#### TODAY'S WORSHIP

Pastor Steven A. Klemz — Preacher & Presiding Minister David Chamberlin — Organist | Diane Gardner - Music Director Susan Swidnicki — Children's Choir Director Carrie Hinderaker + Melissa Livengood, Altar Guild Art + Marian Sutherland, Greeters

#### 8:15 AM Worship

Rachel Kibler, Cantor

#### 10:30 AM Worship

Rachel Kibler, Assisting Minister Volunteers needed, Ushers

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