



**“W.I.N.”**

**Worship | 10:30 am**

**December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019**

**First Sunday of Advent**

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# In Christ's Name, Welcome!

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. During the 10:30 am worship service, we provide childcare in the nursery directly down the west stairs.

*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 Today

- 8:15 am | Awakening Worship
- 9:15 am | Education Hour \ Sunday School
- 10:30 am | Traditional Worship



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## Events at Zion This Week

- Monday, December 2
  - 9 am | Yoga Exercise Class
  - 6:30 pm | Girl Scouts
- Tuesday, December 3
  - 6:30 pm | German American Chorus
- Wednesday, December 4
  - 7 am | Men's Bible Study
  - 9 am | Yoga Exercise Class
  - 6:30 pm | Meditation Class
- Thursday, December 5
  - Meditation Group
- Friday, December 6
  - Yoga Exercise Class
- Sunday, December 8
  - 8:15 am | Awakening Worship
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## Resources for Worship

- Online Bulletin
  - You can download today's and previous bulletins to your smartphone or tablet to view during worship or at other times. Simply go to [zelc.org](http://zelc.org)
- Quiet Activity cloth bags 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.
- Childcare available down the west staircase in the nursery
- Large Format Bulletin
  - Please speak to an usher if you are in need of a large format bulletin.

**For information on this and other news and events go to [zelc.org](http://zelc.org)**

# Gathering

## Call to Worship

Hymn No. 253 || “He Came Down” – Vs. 1  
*Chancel Choir*

*“The Lighting of the Advent Wreath”*

## Welcome

## Confession and Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,  
the parent who rouses us from slumber,  
the shepherd who gathers us on the holy mountain,  
the deliverer who sets us free.  
**Amen.**

Let us come before the living God in confession.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

As we wait and watch for the promised day of salvation,  
**we open our hearts to you, O God.**  
**Search us and know us.**  
**Reveal all that we keep inside.**  
**To you, O God, we confess our sins,**  
**known and unknown.**  
**Forgive us, renew us,**  
**and lead us in your ways of justice and peace.**  
**Make us reflections of the radiant love**  
**of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ.**  
**Amen.**

Beloved children of the Most High,  
you are gathered before the righteous judge  
who has mercy on all.  
Splash exuberantly in the waters of baptism,  
where sin is washed away in the river of life.  
Dwell peacefully in the loving arms  
of the one who nurtures all creation.  
Go forth boldly in the assurance that your sins are forgiven  
in the name of the one who is coming and is already here,  
+ Jesus Christ, our Savior.  
**Amen.**

## Gathering Hymn

Hymn No. 263 || "Savior of the Nations, Come" – Vs. 1-4

## Greeting

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

**And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, and enlighten our walk in the way of your salvation, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## Scripture

Isaiah 2:1-5

*Page 550 in the pew Bible*

<sup>2</sup>In days to come  
the mountain of the LORD's house  
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,  
and shall be raised above the hills;  
all the nations shall stream to it.

<sup>3</sup>Many peoples shall come and say,  
"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,  
to the house of the God of Jacob;  
that he may teach us his ways  
and that we may walk in his paths."

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,  
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

<sup>4</sup>He shall judge between the nations,  
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;  
they shall beat their swords into plowshares,  
and their spears into pruning hooks;  
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,  
neither shall they learn war any more.

<sup>5</sup>O house of Jacob,  
come, let us walk  
in the light of the LORD!

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

# Psalm

## Psalm 122

Refrain

D. Chamberlin

I was glad when they said to me,

"Let us go to the house of the Lord."

### Verses *(spoken responsively over vamp)*

Now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.  
**Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity with itself;**  
to which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD,  
**the assembly of Israel, to praise the name of the LORD.**  
For there are the thrones of judgment,  
**the thrones of the house of David.**  
**Refrain**

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:  
**"May they prosper who love you.**  
Peace be within your walls  
**and quietness within your towers.**  
For the sake of my kindred and companions,  
**I pray for your prosperity.**  
Because of the house of the LORD our God,  
**I will seek to do you good."**  
**Refrain**

## Scripture

Romans 13:11-14  
*Page 923 in the pew Bible*

<sup>11</sup>Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; <sup>12</sup>the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; <sup>13</sup>let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. <sup>14</sup>Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## Children's Message

All children are invited to meet Vicar Lisa at the communion rail.



## Gospel Verse

Hymn No. 247 || Come Now, O Prince of Peace - Vs. 1

**Come now, O Prince of Peace, make us one bod-y  
Come, O Lord Je-sus rec-on-cile your people**

## Holy Gospel

Matthew 24:36-44

*Page 806 in the pew Bible*

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the twenty-fourth chapter.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

[Jesus said to the disciples,] <sup>36</sup>“About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>37</sup>For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>38</sup>For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, <sup>39</sup>and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>40</sup>Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. <sup>41</sup>Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. <sup>42</sup>Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. <sup>43</sup>But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>44</sup>Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon

“W.I.N.”

*Vicar Lisa Mensinger*

## Hymn

Hymn No. 438 || “My Lord, What a Morning”

## **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.**

## **The Prayers**

- ☐ safekeeping for all who travel
- ☐ for our nation
- ☐ for mission partners, Vicar Lisa Mensinger, Crossroads Urban Center
- ☐ for our congregation, for our stewardship response
- ☐ for Erin Bramscher, Ellen Liu
- ☐ for continued healing: Terri Moffit, Dave Zabriskie, Susan Swidnicki, Michael Chard, Bonnie Judge, Elfie Wright, John Krehbiel, Ron Finner, Cindy Haverkost, Paul Krehbiel, Rowan Ayers
- ☐ for those who request prayers: Amy Larsen, Saria Woodall, Ronnie, Vicki, Carla, Mike, Olena, Darrel, Rupel & Devin, Charm, Kirsten, Carol, Ken, Richard Fiefr, Charlie Ostegren, Norma Klemz, Ken, & Kristen Doran.
- ☐ for resurrection peace, the Damsen family

Each petition concludes, “let us pray,” and the people prayerfully respond,  
**“Come, Lord Jesus.”**

## **The Sharing of the Peace**

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.*

## **The Meal**

### **The 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 would like to give online, please go to [zelc.org/give-now](https://zelc.org/give-now)*

### **Anthem**

“Now Let All the World Be Silent” –Jay Althouse

*Chancel Choir*

### **Offering Prayer**

Let us pray.

Giver of every good thing,

we set before you the gifts that you have already given  
to sustain our lives and to share with others.

Help us to be good stewards of the earth and all that is in it,  
and let our lives be a testimony to the abundant feast  
you prepare for all who hunger.

**Amen.**

### **Thanksgiving at the Table**

Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:

Blessed are you for the birth of creation.

Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.

Blessed are you for your promise to your people.

Blessed are you in the prophets’ hopes and dreams.

Blessed are you for Mary’s openness to your will.

Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,

the Word made flesh.

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.



With this bread and cup  
we remember your Word dwelling among us,  
full of grace and truth.  
We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection.  
We look with hope for his coming.  
**Come, Lord Jesus.**

Holy God, we long for your Spirit.  
Come among us.  
Bless this meal.  
May your Word take flesh in us.  
Awaken your people.  
Fill us with your light.  
Bring the gift of peace on earth.  
**Come, Holy Spirit.**

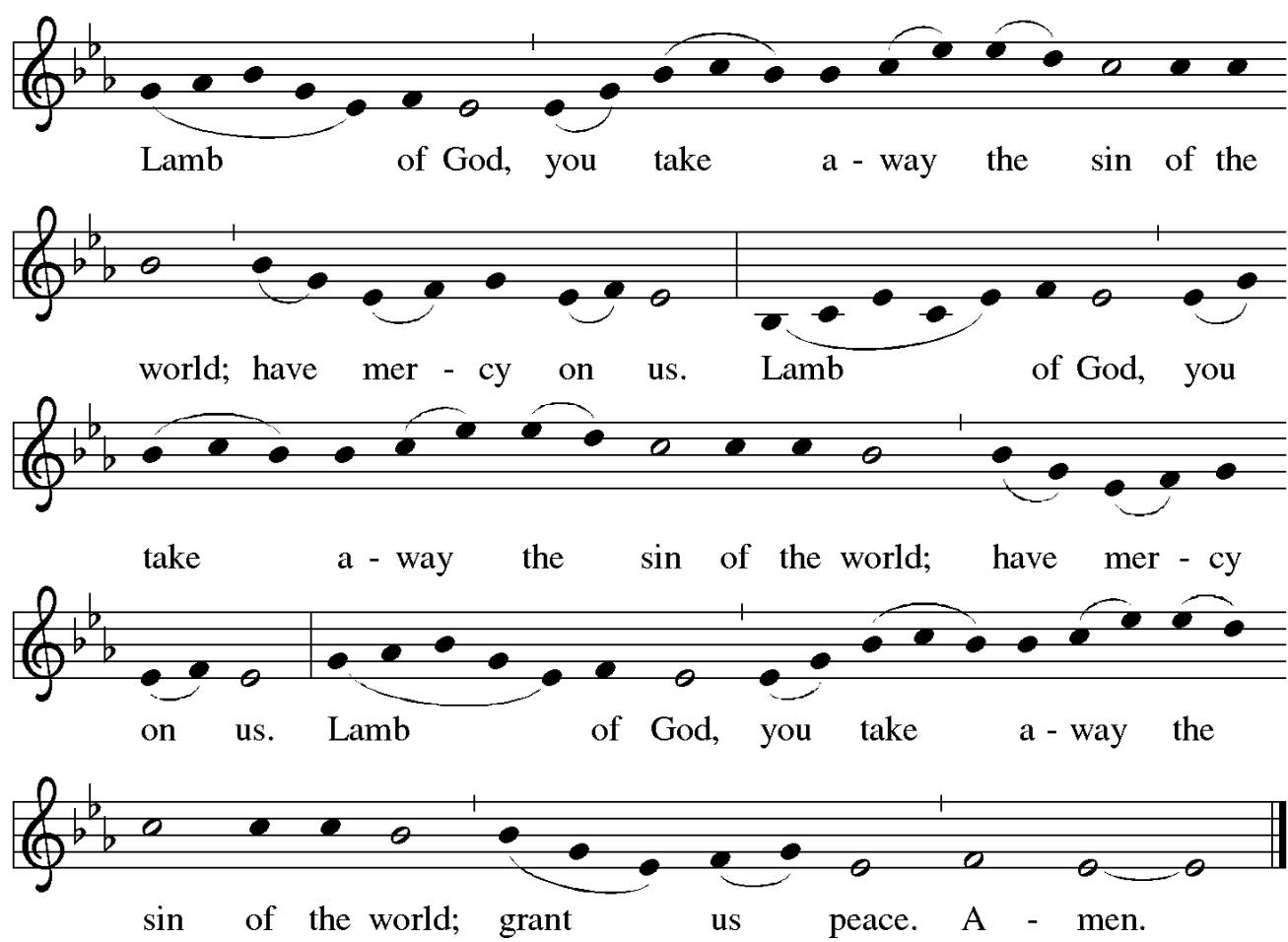
**The Lord’s Prayer**

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**

Come now with joy to Emmanuel’s table.  
Feast at the banquet of hope and love.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**The Lamb of God**



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy  
on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace. A - men.

## 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.*

*Newcomers & Visitors: 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.*

## Communion Hymns

Hymn No. 245 || "Creator of the Stars of Night"

Hymn No. 489 || "Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"

Hymn No. 262 || "Wait for the Lord"

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

## The Table Blessing

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

## Prayer After Communion

God of abundance,  
we give you thanks that in this holy meal  
you have invited us to feast with you and one another.  
May the taste of your love remain with us,  
and may our words and our work in your name  
invite others into your bountiful grace.  
Send us from your table to proclaim your presence,  
even as we await the glorious coming of Christ our Savior.  
**Amen.**

## Announcements

### Blessing

May God, who gathers us in love,  
lead you in pathways of righteousness and justice.

May God, who knows us more deeply than we know ourselves,  
lead you in pathways of forgiveness and freedom.

May God, who fills us with good things,  
lead you in pathways of equity and abundance.

The blessing of the holy Trinity, + one God,  
be upon you and remain with you forever.  
**Amen.**

## Sending Hymn

Hymn No. 439 || "Soon and Very Soon"

## Dismissal

Go in peace. Set your hope on Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"Allegro assai vivace" (Sonata #1) – Mendelssohn

<b>Today's Worship</b> Pastor Steve Klemz—Presiding Vicar Lisa Mensinger—Preaching David Chamberlin—Organist Susan Swidnicki— Children's Choir Director Dave Zabriskie—Choir Director Brandt Graham—Child Care Steve & Marie Newton + Denny Gross—Altar Guild Andrew Benseler + Warren Patten—Counters Vicar Lisa Mensinger—Assisting Minister	<b>Church Office</b> Pastor Steve Klemz   Pastor   pastor@zelc.org Christian Mogren   Office Manager   office@zelc.org Lisa Mensinger   Intern, Vicar   youth@zelc.org Resident Property Managers ☐ Kelly Mitchell ☐ Kaci Evans  1070 Foothill Drive Salt Lake City, UT 84108 801.582.2321: phone   801.583.8043: fax
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Next Sunday

December 8, 2019

Second Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 11:1-10

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

Romans 15:4-13

Matthew 3:1-12

Financial Stewardship

Yearly Operating Budget 2019: \$480,450

Weekly Operating Budget: \$9,240

Last Week's Offerings: \$5,244

YTD Total Received: \$371,731

November 24, 2019

8:15 am = 22 | 10:30 am = 118

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# What's Happening at Zion

## Childcare available

During worship we have childcare available for any who need it – downstairs in the nursery.

## Men's Bible Study

Meets each Wednesday morning at 7 am downstairs. Come have breakfast with us and discuss God's Word! We are studying the weekly scripture from the book of Ezekiel.

## Women's Small Group

Alyce Gross, Shepherd. Meets the first and third Mondays at 7 pm in various homes. This group is studying the Book of Acts. Contact Alyce at [adgross1@msn.com](mailto:adgross1@msn.com).

## Sunday School

All kiddos are invited to Sunday School during the education hour (9:15-10:15 am). Check the board in Narthex to see where your age group is meeting.

## This-is-what-grace-looks-like-Sunday - December 8

With displays, we are invited and encouraged to learn about more ways that we can participate in our life together in Zion. The offerings range from brushing down a horse to setting the table for the Holy Meal. All are welcome to join in following 10:30 am worship. Prayerfully consider how you will complete your Statement of Intent for 2020. Your statement will be received during the offering in worship. Thank you for your prayers and generosity.

## Lectionary

Wayne Graham leads this morning's adult forum. All are welcome. We are in the atrium, 9:15-10:15 am.

## Zion's Annual Wine & Cheese Party

Join us on Saturday **December 7 from 6-9 pm** at the home of Erin Basta (1231 East 6200 South, Murray, 84121) for Zion's Annual Wine & Cheese Party. Bring your favorite beverage and an appetizer or dessert to share. All members and guests are welcome. There will be a free will offering for Courage Reins. Sign up on the sheet in the Narthex.

## Save the Date!

Zion's Children's Christmas Program - **Sunday, December 22, 2019 - 6 pm**

Children and youth please arrive at 5:30 pm to warm up. Arrive at 5:15 pm if you want to use one of our robes or costumes.

- ☐ Reader rehearsal- Saturday, December 21 - 9 am
- ☐ Joyful NOIZ - Youth choir rehearsal - Saturday, December 21 -10 am
- ☐ Rehearsal: Sunday, December 22 - 9:15 am in Sanctuary

Everyone may wear a costume which fits with the Bible story of Christmas (e.g. Angel, Mary, cow, sheep, wise person, not Frosty or an elf). We have many angel robes and will have garland to make halos. Please don't spend money on this! A robe and stick and dish towel for a shepherd would be perfect. We will need volunteers to set up and clean up our cookie reception afterwards. We also need lots of homemade cookies for our reception. If your child wants to sing or play a Christmas solo or duet during the program, please let Susan know.

Questions? Email: Susan Swidnicki : [sljswidnicki@gmail.com](mailto:sljswidnicki@gmail.com)

## Coffee Hour

All are welcome for coffee hour in the atrium after worship where we share community and faith.

## Christmas Ponsettias

If you would like to sponsor one of the poinsettias used to decorate the sanctuary for Christmas, please contact the church office for more information or mark your envelope "poinsettia" in the offering plate. The suggested donation is \$10.

## Christmas Worship

Please join us on Tuesday December 24th for our traditional Christmas worship. There is a family-friendly worship at 6 pm with carols and celebration and a traditional late service at 10 pm with choir and brass, preceded at 9:30 by our organist David Chamberlin's annual organ concert.

## Staff Gifts

It is that time of year where we continue to welcome your gesture of generosity toward our Zion staff by way of donations to our traditional staff Christmas gifts. If you would like to participate this year, please use the pew envelopes to indicate your donation as a "staff gift." Thank you for your generosity for those who take care of all of us. – *Zion Council*