



TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD  
HOLY COMMUNION  
Evangelical Lutheran Worship  
Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church  
February 15, 2026 – 10:00 AM

# WELCOME!

We are delighted you are here today.  
Everyone is welcome at Zion and all – without exception – are welcome  
to Holy Communion.

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## FREE COFFEE

Why not join us for some great coffee and conversation after worship near the east entryway. See you there!

## CONNECT

To connect with the Zion community, scan this QR code. You can indicate prayer requests and find a link to subscribe to Zion's newsletter.



## PRAYER PODIUM

Inside the sanctuary entrance is a Prayer Podium. You can write prayer request(s) to be included in today's Prayers of Intercession.



## ACCESSIBILITY

All floors of the building are accessible by elevator. Sanctuary space is available for those with wheelchairs, walkers, or strollers. Please ask an usher if assistance is helpful. Large print bulletins are available.



## NAME TAGS

We want to be a place where everyone knows your name! Name tag stickers are available on the welcome table in the gathering space. When you want one, a permanent name tag will be provided.



## WORSHIP LIVESTREAM

We livestream worship on YouTube and the Zion Facebook page. You might appear in the livestream, but for security purposes, our children's sermon is blurred.

WiFi Network: Zion Guest  
WiFi Password: Zion5822321



## CHILDREN

We welcome kids of all ages! Children are invited to enjoy the carpeted zone in the rear of the sanctuary. There are activity bags on hooks along the back wall. Check out our Kids Station in the same area. **If you wish to take your child (<4 yrs) to our staffed nursery, it is in the lounge across from the sanctuary.**



# HYMN OF PRAISE \*

*Refrain*



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.



2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and



glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



God; to make all things new.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY \*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray. O God, **in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## WORD OF GOD

### FIRST READING: Exodus 24:12-18

The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there; I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up onto the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come back to you. Look, Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the Israelites. Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

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

## PSALM 2

*Cantor:* Let me announce the decree of the Lord, who said to me:  
You are my son; this day have I begotten you.

### Refrain

D. Chamberlin



Why are the nations in an uproar?  
Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?  
Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt, and the princes plot together,  
against the Lord and against the Lord's anointed?  
"Let us break their yoke," they say;  
"let us cast off their bonds from us."  
God whose throne is in heaven is laughing;  
the Lord holds them in derision.  
Then in wrath God speaks to them,  
and in rage fills them with terror.  
"As for me, I have anointed my king  
upon Zion, my holy mountain." **Refrain**

Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance  
and the ends of the earth for your possession.  
You shall crush them with an iron rod  
and shatter them like a piece of pottery."  
And now, you kings, be wise;  
be warned, you rulers of the earth.  
Submit to the Lord with fear,  
and with trembling bow in worship;  
lest the Lord be angry, and you perish in a sudden blaze of wrath.  
Happy are all who take refuge in God! **Refrain**

## SECOND READING: 2 Peter 1:16-21

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

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

## GOSPEL VERSE \*

*Congregation:*

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we  
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal  
life. Al - le - lu - ia! *Repeat optional*

## HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 17:1-9 \*

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face

shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

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

## CHILDREN'S TIME

## SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY 315 \*

*How Good Lord to Be Here*

APOSTLES CREED \*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

INSTALLATION OF CALL COMMITTEE

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION \*

*After each petition ending: Merciful God, congregation responds: **hear our prayer.***

*Pastor concludes: Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior. **Amen.***

## THE PEACE \*

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

## THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

## HOLY COMMUNION

### OFFERING

With gratitude, we receive offerings during worship to support the mission and ministries of Zion Lutheran Church. You may make your Sunday offering in one of two ways:

- ⊕ By placing your offering in the plate that is passed now or
- ⊕ Scan the QR code with your phone.



### MUSIC AT THE OFFERING

Chamberlin

## OFFERTORY \*



By the star the sa-ges found him, whose praise the a-ges sound.

We too have a star to guide us, which for-ev - er will pro-vide us

with the light to find our Lord, with the light to find our Lord.

## OFFERING PRAYER \*

Let us pray. God of majesty, **no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## 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.**

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. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory.

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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and  
 might; heav - en and earth are filled with your  
 glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

We give you thanks, Almighty God, through Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, whom you sent in this end of the ages to save us and redeem us and to proclaim to us your will.

He is your Word, become flesh, He is your light in the darkness. He is our hope and our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread, 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.

In the same way 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.

Remembering, then, his death and resurrection, we share this bread and cup and proclaim the mystery of faith: **Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.**

Send your Spirit upon these gifts of your church; gather into one all who share this bread and wine; fill us with your Holy Spirit to establish our faith in truth. **Come, Holy Spirit.**

To you be all honor and glory through your Son Jesus Christ, and with the Holy Spirit, both now and forever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**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.**

## 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.

## HOLY COMMUNION

*All are welcome to Holy Communion at Zion. To receive communion, please come forward at the direction of the ushers, forming two lines in the center aisle.*

*To receive the bread, place one hand in the other, like a manger or a bowl. Once you receive the bread, you may eat it. Gluten free wafers are available upon request. Continue to the side to receive either wine (red) or grape juice (white) in an individual cup.*

*If you would like to receive a blessing only, simply cross your arms in an x form across your chest and you will receive a blessing.*

COMMUNION HYMN 838

*Beautiful Savior*

COMMUNION HYMN 661

*I Love to Tell the Story*

POST COMMUNION BLESSING \*

May the body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in His grace. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE \*



1 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -  
 2 From of old you loved and sought us: thanks be to you for -  
 3 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -



ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:  
 ev - er! Truth and jus - tice you have taught us:  
 ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:



thanks be to you for - ev - er!  
 thanks be to you for - ev - er!  
 thanks be to you for -



Strong is your faith - ful-ness, strong is your love, re -



mem - b'ring your cov - e - nant of life with us.



ev - er! Thanks be to you for - ev - er!

POST COMMUNION PRAYER \*

Let us pray. Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## SENDING

### BENEDICTION \*

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you and grant you grace and peace. In the name of the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

### SENDING HYMN 867 \*

*In Thee Is Gladness*

### DISMISSAL \*

Go in peace. Do justice. Love mercy. **Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

"In dir ist Freude"

Bach

## TODAY'S MINISTRY LEADERS

Preaching & Presiding Minister	The Rev. Tony Auer
Assisting Minister	Sabrina Bell
Organist/Pianist	David Chamberlin
Cantor	Jon Hall
Reader	Charice Bourdeaux
Communion Assistants	Susan Auer / Marc Foulks
Altar Guild	Tracy Hackworth / Steve & Marie Newton
Ushers	Doug Graham
Counters	Fred Strohacker / Paula Dastrup
Fellowship Hosts	Sabrina Bell / Lois Graham

Congregation Council: President – Joe Darnell; Vice President – Ross Anthony; Treasurer - Dennis Gross; Secretary - Liz Prystas; Sabrina Bell, David Buff, Jon Hall, Steve Newton, Cynthia Rowatt, Gavin Tonkyro



Zion Lutheran Church is a Reconciling in Christ Congregation – We are committed to being a loving and welcoming community of faith in Jesus Christ. As a community of God, we welcome all. We celebrate the manner in which diversity enriches, nurtures, and challenges the life and ministry we share in Christ. Our Table is open and we invite all to full participation in the life of our church regardless of race, sexual orientations, gender identities, gender expressions, socio-economic and marital statuses, physical or mental capacities, age, or social position. We commit to the work of anti-racism and all forms of structural, systemic, institutional, and personal bias.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**TODAY Call Committee Commissioning** – We will officially welcome Zion’s pastoral transition Call Committee: **Holly Graham, Marci Hall, Kim Hersey, Bill Mackie, Steve Newton, David Rowatt, and Ilsa Shobe** will be commissioned to their new roles during worship. The Call Committee will build on the work of the Transition Team, using the Transition Report to generate a Ministry Site Profile, akin to a resume, of Zion. Once this profile is complete, the Office of the Bishop of the Rocky Mountain Synod of the ELCA will identify appropriate pastoral candidates for the Call Committee to consider. Continue to pray for all involved in Zion’s ongoing pastoral transition journey!

**Stephen Ministry Information Session, TODAY!** For more than **50 years**, Stephen Ministry programs across the country have been offering high-quality, one-on-one Christ-centered care to individuals experiencing life difficulties. As Zion’s Stephen Ministry program nears its 2-year anniversary, please join our current Stephen Ministers and Stephen Leaders for an informal gathering in the library following worship on Sunday, February 15. We’ll discuss all aspects of this caring ministry, share our insights and experiences of participating in the ministry, and answer your questions about becoming more involved, either as a Stephen Minister, a Care Receiver, or an ancillary supporter. We will begin training a new cohort of Stephen Ministers soon, so now is a great time to consider your possible calling to this ministry! Please contact Kathy Foulks ([kmaloha@hotmail.com](mailto:kmaloha@hotmail.com)) or Liz Prystas ([eprystas@gmail.com](mailto:eprystas@gmail.com)) with any questions.

**Zion Prayer Partners** - Prayer partners hold each other in prayer - a child or teen is paired with an adult from our congregation to lift each other up in prayer and connect more deeply as a community in Christ. It has been a few years since we have renewed the prayer partners and it is time to update to make sure that all of our new people are included. If your prayer partner is still here at Zion, they can continue to be your partner and we will just update your photos. If you are new(er) or your prayer partner has moved away, we will give you a new partner. If you are interested and have not been involved before, please email Susan Swidnicki ([sljswidnicki@gmail.com](mailto:sljswidnicki@gmail.com)). In the next few weeks, we'll be taking photos on Sunday mornings. You are also welcome to send the photo you would like to have on your prayer partner bookmark to Susan.

**Ash Wednesday Worship** – February 18<sup>th</sup> we offer worship at Noon and 7:00 PM. All are welcome.

**Weekly Lenten Worship** – begins Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup> with soup supper at 6:00 PM downstairs in the Terrace Room. To sign up to bring soup, bread, crackers or just bring your appetite, scan the QR code. Holden Evening Prayer will follow at 7:00 PM in the sanctuary. All are welcome.



**Youth Activity (High School Seniors Only) Service Project** - Sunday, March 8th after worship 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM; We will be preparing and serving lunch at the Ronald McDonald House Family Room, SLC Primary Children's Hospital. Contact Sabrina Bell with questions (801) 661-5417 or [sabrinambell05@gmail.com](mailto:sabrinambell05@gmail.com).

**Caring Connections Prayer Circle Requests** - Are you, or someone you care about, in need of prayer? Please send your prayer requests to Holly Graham ([40Grambo@msn.com](mailto:40Grambo@msn.com)). Holly will forward them to the dedicated members of our developing prayer circle. *May our prayers rise up like incense before God!*

**Bi-Monthly Mission January / February - Volunteer of America, Utah Youth Resource Center.** Volunteers of America (VOA) is a nationwide ministry of service, carried out by both professional employees and volunteers, all dedicated to helping the most vulnerable members of society. [VOA Utah's Youth Resource Center](#) in SLC offers comprehensive resources and emergency shelter for youth ages 15-22 who are at risk of or experiencing homelessness. The Center is open and professionally staffed 24/7, 365 days per year, providing emergency shelter, hot meals, clothing, case management, and legal services. To learn more about VOA, Utah, visit [voautah.org](http://voautah.org). You may contribute to this remarkable ministry through Zion's online gifting portal ("bimonthly mission") or by noting "VOA, Utah" on your check or envelope. **\*\*We will NOT collect Noisy Offerings on February 22 or during Lent.** Please place your earmarked contributions in the offering plates during the regular collection time.

**Adult Sunday School meets at 9:00am in the Lounge**—come ready for good conversation and learning together, facilitated by Alyce Gross!

**Chancel Choir rehearses each Sunday at 8:45am in the Choir Room downstairs**—new voices are always welcome. 🎵

**Sunday School Schedule (Sept. 14 - May 17):**

**PreK - K** (Rm 7, Upstairs West Hall)

9:00 - 9:15am: Bible class

9:15 - 9:30am: Cherub Choir

9:30 - 9:50am: Activity and snack

**1st - 3rd & 4th - 5th** (Terrace Room)

9:00 - 9:30am: Bible class

9:30 - 9:50am: Youth Choir

**Confirmation** (Library) & **Youth Group** (Youth Room downstairs)

8:45 - 9:15am: Joyful NOIZ

9:15 - 9:50am: Bible class

**Crossroads Urban Center** – Share donations of food/small household items. The drop off bin is directly under the stairway leading to the balcony. Current needs: canned soup for pantry & coats, blankets for thrift store.

**Informal Yoga Exercise Group** – Please join us at 10am in the atrium each Monday, Wednesday & Friday. Bring your yoga mat. No experience needed!

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QR code (also on the table in the Narthex).

**Attendance Feb 8, 2026** Worship: 124; Online views: 125;  
Sunday school: 66

**Looking Ahead** – Readings and Psalm for next Sunday: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7; Psalm 32; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11