

Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church!

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*Rooted in Faith   \*   Growing in Spirit   \*   Reaching out to Those in Need*  
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10:45 am Baptism of Our Lord January 7, 2018

Our re-creation in baptism is an image of the Genesis creation, where the Spirit/wind moved over the waters. Both Mark's gospel and the story in Acts make clear that it is the Spirit's movement that distinguishes Jesus' baptism from John's. The Spirit has come upon us as upon Jesus and the Ephesians, calling us God's beloved children and setting us on Jesus' mission to re-create the world in the image of God's vision of justice and peace.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP

The heavens open. The Spirit descends.

Jesus emerges from the water.

And a voice echoes through the blue expanse.

"This is my child, the Beloved, with whom I am well-pleased."

Jesus is named. Claimed.

We come to the water. We remember we are named. Claimed.

Can it be so? What a thing to be named. Claimed.

Let us worship the one who names and claims us still.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(please stand)*

Loving God,
we confess that we have turned from your way
to follow our own ways.

Forgive us for the times
we have spoken or acted too quickly;
we have not spoken or acted at all;
we have hurt those closest to us;
we have hurt those we have yet to know;
we have thought more about ourselves than others;
we have thought less of ourselves than we ought.
Turn us around, and give us a fresh start,
so that we can live again as your children. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right.
Even when we have messed up, God puts us together.
God's love never runs out.
God never tires of calling us beloved children.
Hear God say to you now:
Your sins are forgiven,
for the sake of ☩ Jesus Christ our Savior.

Thanks be to God!

OPENING SONG

"Come, Now Is the Time To Worship"

Come, now is the time to worship;
Come, now is the time to give your heart.
Come, just as you are to worship;
Come, just as you are before your God, come.

One day ev'ry tongue will confess You are God,
One day ev'ry knee will bow;
Still the greatest treasure remains for those who gladly choose You now.

Come, now is the time to worship;
Come, now is the time to give your heart.
Come, just as you are to worship;
Come, just as you are before your God, come.

**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. *(please be seated)***

OFFERING

The children are welcome to come forward and place their offerings in the "For Children Everywhere" box.

OFFERING SONG

"Offering"

The sun cannot compare to the Glory of Your love.
There is no shadow in Your presence.
No mortal man would dare to stand before Your throne.
Before the Holy One of Heaven.
It's only by Your blood. And it's only through Your mercy.

Lord I come.
I bring an offering of worship to the King.
No one on earth deserves the praises that I sing.
Jesus may You receive the honor that You're due.
Oh Lord, I bring an offering to You.

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OFFERING PRAYER *(please stand)*

Merciful God, receive the gifts we bring, ourselves, 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.**

MEAL

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION *(please be seated)*

DISTRIBUTION OF THE SUPPER

*All are welcome at the Lord's table. Please come forward as directed by the ushers.
Grape juice and gluten free wafers are available; please indicate to the server by raising your hand.*

DISTRIBUTION SONG

“He Knows My Name”

I have a Maker, He formed my heart.
Before even time began, my life was in His hands.
He knows my name, He knows my every thought.
He sees each tear that falls and hears me when I call.

I have a Father, He calls me His own.
He’ll never leave me, no matter where I go.
He knows my name, He knows my every thought.
He sees each tear that falls and hears me when I call.

He knows my name, He knows my every thought.
He sees each tear that falls and hears me when I call.
And hears me when I call, and hears me when I call.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(please stand)*

Ever-faithful God, you have taken us again into your arms and nourished us as your children.
Lead us and guide us, that we may share our bread and your healing light with those who
hunger and thirst, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

The God of glory dwell in you richly.
He names you beloved, and shines brightly on your path;
The blessing of almighty God, the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you and remain with you always.
Amen.

SENDING SONG

“Let The River Flow”

Let the poor man say I am rich in Him,
let the lost man say I am found in Him,
Oh, let the river flow.
Let the blind man say I can see again.
Let the dead man say I am born again.
Oh, let the river flow. Let the river flow.

Let the river flow, let the river flow.
Holy Spirit come, move in power.
Let the river flow.

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