

BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

January 12, 2025



ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Cultivating communities of caring and belonging as
champions of the gospel by being rooted in faith, growing in spirit, and
reaching out to those in need*

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Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church

We are grateful you chose to worship with us. Your participation is an honor to our community, and we invite you to immerse yourself into the unique expression of Lutheran flavored faith. We love Christ deeply and believe it is He alone that saves, freeing us to respond with joy for all the creator has done, guided by the Advocate to serve the neighbor.

Whether you are a visitor or a long-time member, we invite you to fill out the "Welcome to Zion" connection card, especially if you have any pastoral needs, interests in ministry, or wish to communicate with the office for support.

Small guests are invited to take and utilize the worship toolboxes and bags in the pews or immerse themselves in the Playground at the rear of the sanctuary. There is also a nursery located next to the restrooms in the hallway between the Sanctuary and the Fellowship Hall, along with changing stations in both restrooms for your convenience.

Your siblings in Christ,
Zion Lutheran Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

GATHERING SONG

The River

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *(please stand)*

SONG OF REFLECTION

Come to the River

GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

WORD

KIDS' TIME & NOISY OFFERING (*please be seated*)

PSALM

Psalm 51:6-17

Pew Bible OT, pg. 575

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

ALLELUIA (*please stand*) **Alleluia (I am the Light of the World)**

GOSPEL

Luke 3:1-22

Pew Bible NT, pg. 61

SERMON (*please be seated*)

SONG OF THE DAY

Borning Cry

OFFERING

APOSTLES' CREED (*please stand*)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING (*please be seated*)

OFFERING SONG **Create in Me a Clean Heart**

OFFERING PRAYER (*please stand*)

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING & LITANY

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION (*please be seated*)

COMMUNION SONG **Let the River Flow**

BLESSING & PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

MINISTRY MOMENT

BENEDICTION (*please stand*)

SENDING SONG **The River is Here**

SENDING WORDS

POSTLUDE

IN OUR PRAYERS

As a community of faith, we are connected through joy, sorrow, and worship and called to pray without ceasing. Please pray with us for:
Lois Leicht, Bernice Schock, Gladys Melcher, Delbert Rohrbach, Rhonda Strouckel

And for those with long-term care needs:

Alyssa Weber, Kathy Johnson, Jerry Gab, Barb Gardner, Ken Cordingley, Esther Ottenbacher, Norma Nielsen, Sharon Wagemann, Kari Brown, Sharon Paranto, Dal Golz

ZIONS' RADIO BROADCAST

Today's broadcast is sponsored by Jan, Charles, Lana, Will, and Nicole Reich in memory of Gene Reich.

If you are interested in sponsoring a broadcast, please call the church office or sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex. You can listen along on KSDN radio (930 AM & 102.1 FM) at 9:00 AM each Sunday.

JANUARY STEWARDSHIP LOVE OFFERINGS

Theme for the month: The Work of Christmas: Baptismal Blessings

Church Ministry Focus: Youth and Adult Faith Formation

Special & Noisy Offering: LuMin campus ministry

Special Activities: Stockholders Fundraiser for Milwaukee mission trip
Quilt raffle for Scholarship fund

Baptismal recognition of one year olds on Jan. 12

First time voting of recently confirmed on Jan. 26

GIVEPLUS⁺ For support of Zion ministries please consider electronic giving. If you have a smart phone, you can simply scan the code, and it will take you directly to our "Giving" page on the Zion website. You can also take advantage of the GivePlus mobile app for your smart phone to make giving even more convenient. Just download the GivePlus app, find Zion Lutheran Church, and choose your amount!



Do you need an easy way to contribute to the church? Text giving is a powerful way to give in a matter of seconds. Send a text with your offering amount to **(844-771-9038)**. It's simple and secure.

THIS WEEK AT ZION

SUNDAY—January 12

9:00 AM Worship w/ baptism
milestone

10:15 AM Fellowship

10:15 AM Annual mtg forum

10:15 AM Faith Explorers

11:00 AM Education meeting

1:00 PM New Year's party

MONDAY—January 13

1:00 PM Quilters

TUESDAY—January 14

10:00 AM Staff meeting

11:30 AM Zion book club

5:30 PM Worship & Music mtg

WEDNESDAY—January 15

1:00 PM Cardmakers

6:05 PM Living Out Loud

8:00 PM AA meeting

THURSDAY—January 16

1:00 PM Quilters

FRIDAY—January 17

6:00 PM Girl Scouts

SUNDAY—January 19

9:00 AM Worship

10:15 AM Fellowship

10:15 AM Annual mtg forum

11:00 AM Milwaukee trip mtg

SAVE THE DATE

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| • Annual meeting | January 26 after worship |
| • Table of Plenty | January 27 @ 5:30 PM |
| • Men's Fellowship | January 29 @ 8:00 PM |
| • Vendor Fair set-up | January 30 @ 5:30 PM |
| • Vendor set-up | January 31 from 3-6 PM |
| • Winter Vendor Fair | February 1 from 9 AM—2 PM |
| • Youth in the Night event | February 2 @ 5:30 PM |

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

SNOWBLOWER TRAINING—We are looking to train a handful of people on running the new snowblower. The goal is to have six people willing to be on call in case the sidewalks need cleared for worship. If you would be willing to be one of these people, please visit with Mike Bretsch or Pastor Nicole.

2025 OFFERING ENVELOPES—are out on a table in the Fellowship Hall. If you haven't already, please stop and pick yours up to begin using today!

ALL YOUTH NEW YEAR'S PARTY—

There will be a New Year's party for youth of all ages **TODAY @ 1:00 PM** in the Zion Youth Room. We will play some Minute to Win It games with prizes, snacks, and more! Join us for a time of celebration and fellowship with Good Shepherd Lutheran.

ANNUAL MEETING

FORUMS—There will be two forums held ahead of the annual meeting. These forums will be held **TODAY** and January 19 at the beginning of fellowship time. Please be sure to bring any questions you have to these sessions, including questions about the proposed constitution and bylaw changes.

MILWAUKEE MISSION TRIP

MEETING—There will be a meeting for Milwaukee Mission Trip participants on **Sunday, January 19 @ 11:00 AM**. Please mark the date on your calendar and plan to attend!

WINTER VENDOR FAIR—

Zion will be hosting the annual Winter Vendor Fair on Saturday, February 1, starting at 9:00 AM in the fellowship hall. If you would like to have a booth at the event, please call the church office at 225-6755. Cost is \$30.

QUILT RAFFLE—TODAY, the Women of Zion will begin raffling a beautiful quilt donated by the family of Myron and Beth Walth. Tickets will be 1 for \$3 or 2 for \$5. Tickets can be purchased before or after worship in the narthex, and the winner will be drawn at the annual meeting.

STOCKHOLDER FUND.—The youth attending the Milwaukee mission trip are selling stocks in their trip. The cost is \$25, which also gives you a seat at the stockholder meal to be held when we return. To purchase stock, please see the youth on Sunday morning or visit with Sandra. Donations of any amount are also welcome!

THANKS AND PRAISE FOR TODAY'S SUPPORT TEAM

Worship Assistant: Sandra Anderson

Sound: Kathy Heffernan

PowerPoint: Noah VanderWeyst

Communion: Chase Hawkinson; Allen/Kirsten Nash

Ushers: Harvey & Deb Hardy; Doug & Sharlene Wanttie

Greeters: Dennis & Julie Beusch

Praise Band: Stephanie Hawkinson, Stacy Geffre, Phyllis Gab, Garry Johnson, Vicki Carlson, Mike German, Cadynce German

Altar Guild: Trudy Anderson; Judy Albl

Coffee Hosts: Gladys Melcher; Duane & Della Mullner

Lector: Kirsten Nash

Van Driver: Jerold Gehring