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ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

- Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod -

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Today's Worship

Order of worship: Setting Three with Holy Communion - p.184

Hymns: 900, 387, 370 vs. 3, 392

Ushers serving in January: Dennis Stuemke & John Wohltman
Reserve: Robert Roedl

We welcome our visitors in the name of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ! We pray that your time of worship with us today will be a blessing to you. Please introduce yourself to our members and our pastor. If you are interested in learning more about Zion, membership, or our teachings, please don't hesitate to speak with Pastor Manley or an Elder.

In Our Prayers This Week

In need of healing: Pam Buening, Darren Feldkamp, Zoe Hoehler, Ruth Holland, Elverna Tappendorf

Serving in the military: Cole Stuemke, Brandon Voelker

Imprisoned: Alex Beccue



Happy Birthday this week to Jeanine Wendling on Friday (01/06)

January Birthdays & Anniversaries*

Jeanine Wendling (6th), Charlotte Murray (19th),

David Suckow (24th), Jason Suckow (26th)

HOLY COMMUNION: *The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.*

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive this sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to Pastor Fortkamp for serving us this morning. He was honored at St. John's Effingham for 56 years in the ministry in 2022.

Pastor out of Town: Pastor Manley is in Indiana preaching at his home congregation on Jan. 1st. He is available if you need pastoral care, please call him on his cell phone: (712) 880-2452.

Installation of Officers will be held during the service next Sunday, **January 8**. Those being installed are: Mark Suckow – Elder, Dwayne Beccue – Elder, Rick Conway – Elder; Steve Suckow – Trustee (General Treasury); John Wohltman – Trustee (Missions); Dennis Stuemke – Trustee (Building/Cemetery); Lloyd Alwardt – Chairman; Morris Suckow – Secretary; Jenna Murray – SS Superintendent; Jason Suckow – Chief Usher; Dean Biggs – LCC Executive Board; Herb Stuemke – LCC Full Board; Dwayne Beccue – ALIS Board; Brock Murray – ALIS Board; Gary Wendling – LLL Rep.

2023 Zion Ladies Aid Officers: Jeanine Wendling, President; Linda Suckow, Vice President; Beverly Suckow, Treasurer; Imogene Clark, Secretary

2023 Zion LWML Officers: Anita Alwardt, President; Imogene Clark, Collections

The full list of officers will remain posted in the Narthex for your information as well as a reference point throughout the year to direct any questions, comments, or concerns to the appropriate person.

DATE CHANGE: Sausage Supper at St. Peter's Lutheran Men's Club, St. Peter. Please watch for information regarding the date change for this supper.

ALIS News/Upcoming Events:

Dec. 23 – Jan. 3 – No School - Christmas Break/Teachers Institute
Wed., Jan. 4 – School Resumes

The following Lectionary Summary, provided by the LCMS, serves as a guide to help understand the theme of the readings for each Sunday as well as how they fit into the particular season of the Church Year.

Jesus Blesses us with His Name and Saves us with His Blood

Our newborn God keeps the Law for us and brings Abraham's promises to their fulfillment when He is circumcised. It is there that the *Name above all names* is "bestowed on Him" (Phil. 2:9), "the Name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb": Jesus, "the Lord saves" (Luke 2:21). He sheds the first drops of His precious blood in accordance with this Name and in anticipation of His cross, "for He will save His people from their sins" (Matt. 1:21). The law's captivity gives way to the freedom of faith in Christ Jesus, who cuts a new covenant in His blood to be received by faith, whether male or female, Jew or Greek (Gal. 3:23–28). His Name is given to us in Holy Baptism, and we are made sons of God and "heirs according to promise," true offspring of Abraham by faith (Gal. 3:29). Eight days after the celebration of our Lord's birth, a new "Year of our Lord" is begun in Jesus' holy Name and with His benediction. Jesus is the Lord, and by this Name we are blessed (Num. 6:22–27).

ATTENDANCE

12/24	92
12/25	19

OUR CURRENT GIVING

Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,200.00
Received 12/24	\$ 6,986.00
Received 12/25	\$ 1,052.00
Received YTD	\$ 63,982.36
Difference in actual needed:	\$ +1,582.36
Missions budget goal:	\$ 2,000.00
Received 12/24	\$ 75.00
Received 12/25	\$ 0.00
Missions received YTD:	\$ 2,720.00

**Thought for the week...**

Luke 2:21 – “And at the end of eight days, when he was circumcised, he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.” There it is: the shortest Gospel lesson of the whole Church Year. It is for the festival of the Circumcision and Name of Jesus. What more do you need to know than the name of Jesus — “the Lord saves.” That’s who Jesus is: the Lord who saves us sinners. That simple Gospel message is the foundation of our faith and the strength to live out our faith.

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CID’s website: <http://www.cidlcms.org/>

CID’s Gatepost (newsletter) <http://www.cidlcms.org/gatepost.html>

Local Television/Radio Broadcast Schedule:

Bethlehem Lutheran	Mediacom - Ch. 81	Sunday, 5:00 PM
Immanuel Lutheran	Mediacom - Ch. 81	Sunday, 6:00 PM

Lutheran Hour Radio (lhm.org)

WCRA, Effingham, IL	96.3 FM	Sunday, 9:30 AM
WCRA, Effingham, IL	1090 AM	Sunday, 9:30 AM
WPMB, Effingham, IL	104.7 FM	Sunday, 12:03 PM

KFUO - 850AM / KFJU.org – Programs are archived for 24/7 on-demand listening
Issues, Etc. broadcasts live weekdays from 3:05 to 5:00 P.M. Central.

STUDY GOD’S WORD IN 2023... The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily, 15-minute, verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon is currently leading a study on the Book of Luke. You can listen at thewordendures.org or your favorite podcast provider.

Bulletin Announcements Please contact Tonya Suckow to submit bulletin announcements. You may E-mail zion.altamont@gmail.com or call/text 618-780-7732. Please submit announcements by 12 P.M. on Friday.