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- Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod -

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Today's Worship

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

Hymns: 408; 395; 507

Ushers serving in January: Rick Conway & Dennis Stuemke

Reserve: B.J. Voelker

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: Lloyd Alwardt (knee surgery recovery), Heather Davis (cancer), Lillian Grobengieser, Janice Heiden (lung cancer), Pastor Heimgartner, Florence Leppin (cancer), Todd Luedtke (hospice), Wanda Phillips, Marion Schmidt (lung), Bert Siebert (recovery), Steve Voelker, Patti Wolff (heart), Catherine Zumwalt (cancer)

Receiving skilled care: Lucille Beccue (LCC), Bernice Graumenz (LCC), Shirley Siddens (LCC), Judy Stuemke (LCC), Mildred Wolf (LCC)

Serving in the military: Cole Stuemke, Brandon Voelker

Imprisoned: Alex Beccue

Happy Birthday today to Charlotte Murray (01/19)

Upcoming January Birthdays & Anniversaries*

David Suckow (01/24), Jason Suckow (01/26)

Life Sunday Prayer: O God of all grace, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give You thanks that by His death He destroyed the power of death and by His resurrection He opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Strengthen us in the confidence that because He lives, we shall live also, and that neither death nor life nor things present nor things to come will be able to separate us from Your love, which is in Christ Jesus, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Zion's Quarterly Voters Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 26. The Council will meet at 1:30 PM, the Voters will meet at 2 PM.

Thank you to all who helped prepare for the burial service of Rev. Riemer and with snow removal at the church and cemetery. It is appreciated.

Ladies - LWML Mite Boxes – Please turn in your mite boxes.

LCC Full Board and Congregational Meeting will be held on Monday, January 27, at 7 PM in the Family Gathering Center.

2025 Volunteer Sign-up sheets for Communion set-up and Church cleaning have been posted on the bulletin board. Volunteers are needed for each month.

SAVE-THE-DATE: Annual PTL Dinner Auction will be held on Saturday, February 22, at the Carriage House Event Center in Altamont. See your Rocket Review for full details.

Vandalia Holy Cross Lutheran - Ladies Society will be hosting their annual Chili/Soup Luncheon *today, January 19*, from 11:30 AM -1:00 PM. This is a **DRIVE THRU ONLY** event. Cost is a free-will donation. The menu includes homemade Chicken Noodle Soup, Chili; Chicken Salad or Peanut Butter sandwiches, hot dog; Chocolate sheet cake, Carrot sheet cake, or Angel food cake. See the announcement on the bulletin board for more details.

49th annual Pro-Life Breakfast will be held *today, January 19*, from 7:00am-Noon at the Teutopolis Banquet Hall. Free will donation accepted for breakfast, menu: whole hog sausage, eggs, home baked breads, juice, milk, and water. This is the primary fundraiser for Effingham Area Right to Life.

Pancake & Sausage Supper - St. Paul (Blue Point) Lutheran Church Men's Club will host their annual Pancake & Sausage Supper on Sunday, February 2, from 4 -7 PM. All you can eat menu: pancakes, sausage links, and applesauce for a free will donation. Cooked, bulk, and rope sausage "to go" will also be available.

Sausage Supper: St. Peter's Lutheran Men's Club, St. Peter, on February 16, with serving beginning at 5 PM in the St. Peter's Lutheran School Gym. Menu: sausage, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, and all the fixings. Carry Outs available. Pre-orders for sausage and ribs are encouraged ahead of time, deadline to order is January 31. Call St. Peter's Lutheran Church (618-349-8321 after 12 PM).

ALIS News/Upcoming Events:

Mon., Jan. 20 – No School – Martin Luther King Day

Mon., Jan. 20 – ALIS Board of Directors Meeting – 7 PM

Tues., Jan. 21 – PTL Meeting – 7 PM *cancelled*

Thought for the week...

John 2:5 – “His mother said to the servants, ‘Do whatever He tells you.’”

What must Mary have thought when Jesus replied, “What does this have to do with Me?” But she knew this: whatever her Son said to do would be a blessing, so she knows what advice to give to the servants: Do whatever He tells you! That's still good advice for us in every aspect of our lives — including in our generosity toward the Lord's work in the church.

ATTENDANCE

01/12

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OUR CURRENT GIVING

Weekly amount needed:	\$ 1,300.00
(ALIS tuition per week = \$675)	
Received 01/12	\$ 1,253.00
Received YTD:	\$ 1,558.00
Difference in actual needed YTD:	\$ -1,042.00
Missions budget goal:	\$ 2,000.00
Received 01/12	\$ 0.00
Missions received YTD:	\$ 0.00



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' First Miracle Reveals God's Glory

The coming of the Messianic kingdom means the restoration of creation. The sign of this restoration is that *"the mountains shall drip sweet wine"* (Amos 9:11–15). When the elements of a fallen creation fail and run short at a wedding feast, our Lord Jesus steps in to restore creation and miraculously changes water into an abundance of the very best wine (John 2:1–11). With this sign, Christ manifests His glory. The *"back"* of God (Ex. 33:12–23) is revealed to those who believe. The hour will come when Jesus will again manifest His glory by taking creation's curse into His own body to release us from its power. The Bridegroom will give His life for the Bride (Eph. 5:22–32), and from His side will flow water and blood, the holy sacraments by which she is cleansed and made one with Him. Through this sacrificial love of Christ we are enabled to *"love one another with brotherly affection . . ."* and to *"outdo one another in showing honor"* (Rom. 12:6–16).

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.

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