THIS WEEK WITH OUR LORD: Jan 2-9, 2022 CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday 8:30AM-1:00PM Office phone: 436-5289 Email: sil office @frontiernet.net Website: silnorthrop.com **Installation of New Officers** Sunday Divine Worship (SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM Sunday School (Z) 8:45 AM, (SJ) 9:45 AM **School Resumes Tuesday** Chapel (SJ) 8:40 AM Wednesday Confirmation Class (6th & 7th grades) (SJ) 4:00 PM Confirmation Class (8th grade) (SJ) 5:00 PM Joint Elder's Meeting (SJ) 7:00 PM Thursday Chapel (SJ) 8:40 AM **Epiphany Supper** (Z) 6-6:45 PM **Epiphany Divine Service** (Z) 7:00 PM LYF Bonfire (Z) 8:00 PM Morning Bible Study Friday (SJ) 8:00 AM Divine Worship Sunday (SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM Sunday School/Bible Class (Z) 8:45 AM, (SJ) 9:45 AM LYF Pizza Planning Meeting (SJ) 6:00 PM NFL (SJ) 7:00 PM

"Friend of Jesus, no matter what painful or wonderful endings you marked in the past year, please watch for the early signs of new beginnings. Seize them as opportunities for you and God to develop together. Think about what the Bible teaches about life, appreciate God's love for you, gather up bits and pieces of experience, and put them in a file named 'lessons learned.' Then keep it handy." *Jason Nelson, Time of Grace – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org* 

Willing to Serve	Those Serving our Lord			
	Greeters	Acolyte		
SJL 1-2	Greg & Deb Raabe	Cedar Bohlsen		
1-9	Mike & Heidi Steuber	Bryce Borkenhagen		
Zion 1-2	Wayne & Laura Wille	Kayden Glidden		
1-6	Matt & Angela Brown 7pm			
1-9	Chuck & Nita Dobson	John Henry IV		

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Zion & St. James Lutheran Churches of Martin County, Minnesota



## Pastor John Henry



## **Second Sunday after Christmas**

January 2, 2022

#### Regarding Membership and the Holy Communion

We believe that, in the Holy Communion, the bread is truly Christ's Body and the wine is truly His Blood, given to us to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins. As we receive this gift individually, we profess that we are truly one body in Christ—that we are united in one faith and teaching (doctrine). Ordinarily, full participation in this Holy Communion is reserved for those who are members in good standing of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. *Any visitors or guests who desire to partake of the Body and Blood of Christ are asked to please speak with the Pastor or an Elder before the service.* 

**Opening Hymn** 

Let Our Gladness Banish Sadness

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## **Invocation, Confession & Absolution**

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- ... in the name of the Father and of the → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Entrance Psalm John 1:14



P The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his | glory,\* glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of | grace and truth.

Gloria Patri

LSB pg. 186

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**Kyrie** *LSB pg. 186* 

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Gloria in Excelsis** 

LSB pgs. 186-189

- **P** *Glory be to God on high:*
- **C** and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with your spirit.
- **P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, You have poured into our hearts the true Light of Your incarnate Word. Grant that this Light may shine forth in our lives; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Offering Envelopes for 2022 are on the table in the Narthex at Zion or in your bulletin boxes at SJL. Please throw away any extras from 2021 because your number may have changed.



Online giving is an easy and reliable method to contribute to your church while you are out of town, or if you are interested in eliminating the need to remember your envelope on Sunday morning. You can make a one time donation or save time and schedule recurring contributions. This option is available for either congregation through our website, sjlnorthop.com.

Zion Christmas Eve		SJL	
Attendance 4 PM	118	Christmas Eve	154
Attendance 10PM	40 (HC 32)	Christmas Day	Jt 77 (HC 61)

Reflecting our Stewardship – Zion			December 26, 2021
Attendance	66 (HC 51)	Home	\$2,345.00
Christmas Eve 4pm	\$1,279.00	Missions	\$190.00
Christmas Eve 10pm	\$391.00	Christmas Bags	\$50.00
Loose Plate	\$167.00	Kitchen	\$5,000.00
SJL School	\$50.00		

Reflecting our Stewardship – St James			<b>December 26, 2021</b>
Attendance	87 (HC 66)	Home	\$3,305.00
Online	\$529.56	Tuition	\$750.00
Loose Plate	\$83.00	MLHS	\$50.00
Memorials	\$10.00	Missions	\$125.00
Bulletins/Broadcast	\$35.00	Advent III	\$78.00
SJLC Misc	\$5,000.00	Advent IV	\$25.00
Christmas Eve	\$4,892.00	Christmas Day	\$1,506.00



# KEEP SEEKING HIM

Friday Morning Bible Study Continues their study of Revelation, led by Pastor Henry in the SJL fellowship hall, beginning at 8:00 AM. If you are unable to join us in person this is available to view live through our website sjlnorthrop.com or on our Facebook page.

Sunday Morning Bible Study at SJL is going through a video series from Focus on the Family entitled That The World May Know. The current volume is With All Your

Heart. Do you remember where your blessings come from? In Exodus, God warned Israel to remember Him when they left the dry desert and reached the fertile fields of the promised land. But we quickly discover how quickly the Israelites forgot God and began to rely on themselves. Everyone is welcome to bring your coffee/juice/snack to the fellowship hall after church for the video and discussion.

**Sunday Morning Bible Study at Zion** meets at 8:45am. Everyone is welcome to start your Sunday morning in fellowship with God's Word.

Grocery Receipts for SJLS.
HyVee \$99,000 Fareway \$109,000
Receipts from HyVee can be grocery, gas or pharmacy

Remember to use Amazon Smile as you shop as another way to financially help the school. Talk to Heather if you have questions.

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<sup>1</sup>There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit.
<sup>2</sup>And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.
<sup>3</sup>And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.
He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear,
<sup>4</sup>but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.
<sup>5</sup>Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins.

<sup>6</sup>The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together; and a little child shall lead them.

<sup>7</sup>The cow and the bear shall graze; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

<sup>8</sup>The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den.

<sup>9</sup>They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

<sup>10</sup>In that day the root of Jesse, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples—of him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious. <sup>11</sup>In that day the Lord will extend his hand yet a second time to recover the remnant that remains of his people, from Assyria, from Egypt, from Pathros, from Cush, from Elam, from Shinar, from Hamath, and from the coastlands of the sea.

<sup>12</sup>He will raise a signal for the nations and will assemble the banished of Israel, and gather the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Psalm Psalm 13



<sup>1</sup>How long, O LORD? Will you forget me for- | ever?\*
How long will you hide your | face from me?

<sup>2</sup>How long must I take counsel in my soul and have sorrow in my heart | all the day?\*

How long shall my enemy be exalted | over me?

<sup>3</sup>Consider and answer me, O |LORD my God;\* light up my eyes, lest I sleep the | sleep of death,

<sup>4</sup>lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed | over him,"\* lest my foes rejoice because I am | shaken.

<sup>5</sup>But I have trusted in your | steadfast love;\* my heart shall rejoice in your sal- | vation.

<sup>6</sup>I will sing | to the LORD,\*

because he has dealt bountifully with me.

**Second Lesson** *Galatians 4:4–7* 

<sup>4</sup>When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. <sup>6</sup>And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Verse of the Day

Luke 2:30-31

My eyes have seen your salvation that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

Alleluia LSB pg. 190

C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel Luke 2:22–38

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

You can sponsor the bulletins (\$10) or online broadcast (\$25) any-time throughout the year, in honor of a special event or giving thanks to God. Call the church office to reserve the week of your choice.

MARTIN LUTHER HIGH SCHOOL Generation-to-Generation Antique Auction will be on Saturday, January 15, 2022. Now is the time to clean out those antiques, primitives and collectibles to donate or consign. Notifications and pictures of items are appreciated. Call MLHS (507-436-5249) for more information.

The Panther Press is available to view online at <u>sjlnorthrop.com</u>. Check out all the wonderful happenings at the school. Hover over the School Tab across the top of the home page and in the dropdown menu you will find Panther Press, then just choose a date.

**NEEDED: Sunday School Superintendent at SJL**. Please contact Paul Tomlinson (236-2143).

**Donations for Zion Kitchen Remodel** are welcomed. Please make checks out to Zion Lutheran and designate to Kitchen Remodel.

#### LYF Events

- Epiphany Bonfire after church at Zion on Thursday, Jan 6th
- •Super Bowl Pizza Planning Meeting, Sunday Jan 9th @ 6pm
- •Pizza Making Day, Saturday Feb 12th @ TBA

**LYF is raising money** to go to the Higher Things Youth Gathering in Bozeman, MT, this summer. As a fundraiser, they are offering to collect Christmas trees after Christmas (real trees only). Collection will run until January 6th (Epiphany). If you are interested in helping the kids raise money by having them haul away your tree, please contact Larissa Hillmer (236-2780).

**Dear Friends in Christ**--members, teachers, families, and leadership of Zion & St. James: Thank you for another blessed and fruitful year of ministry under Christ. We appreciate the support, the friendship, and the generosity we continue to experience, and we give thanks to God for all of you. We pray you all are experiencing a blessed and Merry Christmas season, and that the coming year will be filled with an abundance of grace for us all. **Thank you**, ~**Pastor & Laura Henry, John, Luke, Silas, Molly.** 

## **In Our Prayers**

#### St James

Baptism Birthdays: Sharon Kusick, Heather Wiederhoeft, Kai White,

Katlyn Kopischke, Lori Schock, Lynn Becker

Serving our Country: Adam Quade

Sick & In Distress: Dan Becker, Web Quade, Mitchell Wagnar Homebound: Bev Graplar, Janice Peterson, Carl Luhmann

## Zion

Baptism Birthdays: Gini Brummond, Chuck Patsche, Curtis Wille Serving our Country: Ben Peymann, Dalton Fette, Kory Brown,

Jesse Peterson

Sick & In Distress: Greg Wallace, Duane Behrens, Kathy Bergemann,

Homebound: Dale Schwieger, Arlene Darmer, Bill Peymann,

Lenore Wendt, Norma Patsche

Our prayers for the family of Adeline Hartmann who went to be with her Lord on Monday, Dec 20th. And for the family of Carol Swanson who went to be with her Lord on Sunday, Dec 26th. May God bring you peace and comfort during this difficult time.



## **Annual Church Meetings**

**Zion** 1/12 @ 7:30—(Supper provided by the LWML @ 6:30)

SJL 1/19 @ 7:30

**ANNUAL REPORTS** can be turned in to the church office or emailed to sjl\_office@frontiernet.net. Please have them submitted before Wed 1/5 for Zion, and before Wed 1/12 for SJL **Thank you!** 

**Please update** your contact information with the office. Check the list located on the tables in the Narthex so our records are up to date. **Thank you!** 

**St James Lutheran PTL** will be serving a meal before the **Epiphany Service** on **Thursday January 6th, 6-6:45pm at Zion**. They will be serving Cheesy Potatoes with Ham, Green Beans, Dinner Roll, and Cookies.

<sup>22</sup>And when the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord <sup>23</sup>(as it is written in the Law of the Lord, "Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord") <sup>24</sup>and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons." <sup>25</sup>Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. <sup>26</sup>And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. <sup>27</sup>And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, <sup>28</sup>he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said,

<sup>29</sup>"Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word;

<sup>30</sup> for my eyes have seen your salvation

<sup>31</sup>that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

<sup>32</sup>a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel."

<sup>33</sup>And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. <sup>34</sup>And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed <sup>35</sup>(and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed."

<sup>36</sup>And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin, <sup>37</sup>and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. <sup>38</sup>And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

**Hymn of the Day** In Thee Is Gladness

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Sermon

Nicene Creed

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## The Prayers

#### **Installation of Officers**

## **Offering**

Offertory

LSB pgs. 192-193

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

#### The Preface

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with your spirit.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P It is truly good, right, and salutary [...] evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus LSB pg. 195

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer

inside the back cover of the hymnal

#### The Consecration

#### Pax Domini

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

Agnus Dei LSB pg. 198

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

## **Communion Hymns**

Lord of All Hopefulness	738
We Praise You, Jesus, at Your Birth	382
O God, My Faithful God	696

**Nunc Dimittis** 

LSB pgs. 199-200

**C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,

for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,

a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## Thanksgiving & Benediction

- P Let us pray... who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- **C** Amen
- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with your spirit.
- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.
- The Lord bless you and keep you.

  The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

  The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give H you peace.
- C Amen.

**Closing Hymn** 

From East to West

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