Zion & St. James Lutheran Churches



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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 Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love 900

Invocation, Confession & Absolution

- **C** Amen.
- If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- **C** 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.
- C 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.
- **C** Amen.

Entrance Psalm

Psalm 8:9



O [LORD, our Lord, * how majestic is your name in | all the earth!

Gloria Patri

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C 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

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

Gloria in Excelsis

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- **P** *Glory be to God on high:*
- 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.

Lord God, You made Your beloved Son, our Savior, subject to the Law and caused Him to shed His blood on our behalf. Grant us the true circumcision of the Spirit that our hearts may be made pure from all sins; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

First Lesson

Numbers 6:22–27

²²The LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ²³"Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the people of Israel: you shall say to them,

²⁴The LORD bless you and keep you;

²⁵the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;

²⁶the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

²⁷"So shall they put my name upon the people of Israel, and I will bless them."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 8



¹O LORD, our Lord,

how majestic is your name in | all the earth!* You have set your glory above the | heavens.

²Out of the mouth of babes and infants, you have established strength because | of your foes,*

to still the enemy and the a- | venger.

³When I look at your heavens, the work of your | fingers,*
the moon and the stars, which you have | set in place,
⁴what is man that you are mind- | ful of him,*

and the son of man that you [care for him?

⁵Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly | beings* and crowned him with glory and | honor.

⁶You have given him dominion over the works | of your hands;* you have put all things under | his feet,

⁷all sheep and | oxen, *

and also the beasts of the field,

⁸the birds of the heavens, and the fish | of the sea,* whatever passes along the paths | of the seas.

⁹O |LORD, our Lord,*

how majestic is your name in | all the earth!

Second Lesson

⁸See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. ⁹For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. ¹¹In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, ¹²having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, ¹⁴by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Verse of the Day

Matthew 1:21

Alleluia. She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins. Alleluia.

Alleluia C *Alleluia*. *Alleluia*. *Alleluia*.

Luke 2:21

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Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.
C Glory to You, O Lord.

²¹And 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.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.C Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day Now Greet the Swiftly Changing Year 896

Sermon

Nicene Creed

The Prayers

Offering

Offertory

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C 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

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

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Agnus Dei C 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.

Distribution Hymns

How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds	524
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Nunc Dimittis

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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.
- С Amen
- **P** The Lord be with you.
- С And with your spirit.
- P Let us bless the Lord.
- С Thanks be to God.

P 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 + you peace.

С Amen.

Closing Hymn Let Us All with Gladsome Voice 39
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