

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**In our Hearts and Prayers:** Dan McGookey, our homebound and shut-ins, our Fredericksburg community, our nation, and the military.

**The Altar Flowers** are given to the Glory of God by Julia Seidensticker in honor of everyone who has a birthday in January.

**The Jan** Special Concern is Disaster Response - Ukraine & the Holy Land Crisis.

**A Budget Forum** will be held **TODAY** after worship in the Sanctuary.

**Annual Reports** can be picked up from the Narthex or Atrium. Please bring them back with you to the meeting next Sunday.

**Year-end** Contribution Statements can be found in the Narthex (near front doors).

**Join us for an Adult Bible Study** – Key Teachings of Jesus in Luke on Mondays at 6:30pm in the Conference Room or by Zoom. Sign up in the Atrium, just show up, or email for a Zoom link. (Study will go through February.)

**The Annual Congregational Meeting** will be on Sunday, Jan 26 at 10am.

**Thank you** to everyone who showed up to help take down the Christbaum display. Everyone's help made the process much easier and quicker. Your help is greatly appreciated.

**Several Sundays** are open if you wish to give Altar Flowers in Feb or March.

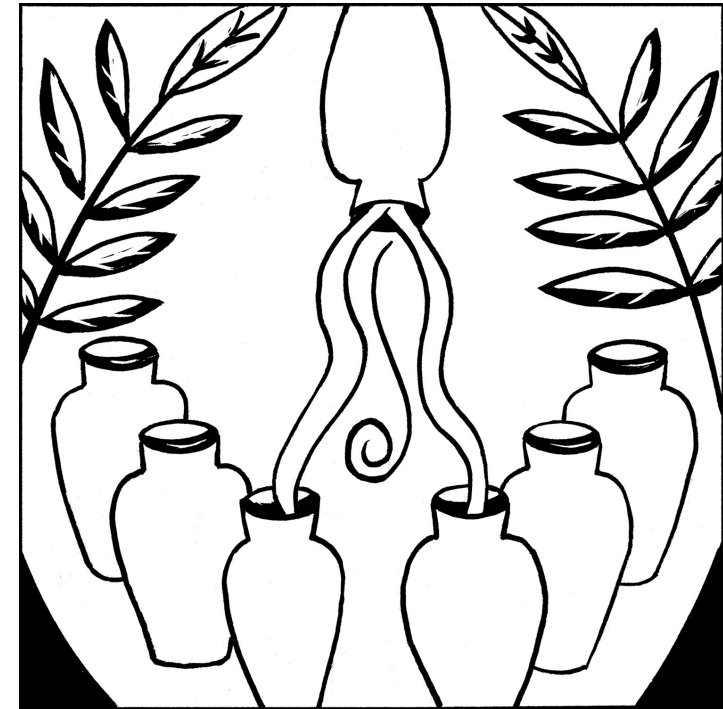
**Pastor Jonathan's** office hours: M 1-5, T 8-10:30, Th 8-10:30, F Off

**Thank you** for your contributions of \$2,951 given last week. **Attendance** – 64

**ASSISTANT & LECTOR** – Robert Menking; **USHERS** – Darlene Hartmann, Arleen Crenwelge, Arthur Haun, Audrey Mayer (Acolyte – Minshew)

### MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEK

TODAY – Jan 19	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Budget Forum – Sanctuary</b>
	10:15am	Youth SS (NO Adult SS)
MON – Jan 20		Office Closed in Observance of MLK Day
	5:00pm	Line Dancing – The Hub
	6:30pm	Adult Bible Study – Conf Rm (or by Zoom)
TUES – Jan 21	5:30pm	Choir Practice – Choir Rm
WED – Jan 22	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Laborers of Love – Arhelger House</b>
	4:15pm	Confirmation – Elijah's Cave NO Game Day
SUN – Jan 26	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Worship with Communion</b> (Live on YouTube at 9am & Radio Broadcast at 10:30am)
	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Annual Congregational Mtg – Sanctuary</b> NO Sunday School



## ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Evangelical Lutheran Church in America*  
Fredericksburg, Texas

### Second Sunday after Epiphany – January 19, 2025

**Video on Zion's YouTube Channel at 9:00AM**

(go to [www.zion-lutheran.com/youtube](http://www.zion-lutheran.com/youtube))

**Broadcast on KNAF (910AM) at 10:30AM**

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**Zion Lutheran Church**  
Fredericksburg, Texas  
*Second Sunday after Epiphany*  
**January 19, 2025**

P=Presider **R=Responses** \*Please stand, as you are able

**Our Mission Statement** – *We Share the Joy. We Worship, Love and Serve.*

## GATHERING

### BELLS

**WELCOME** *(Please register your attendance in the books at the end of the row where you are seated, and fill out a prayer request card and place it in the offering basket as you desire.)*

*(Please prepare your heart and mind for worship)*

**PRELUDE** *“Stepping in the Light”* by William J. Kirkpatrick & Eliza E. Hewitt

### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life.

**R Amen**

P Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P Merciful God,

**R you speak blessing and compassion into the world. Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp. Show us your lovingkindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ’s ways. Amen**

P God proclaims these words of assurance: “Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name. You are mine.” In † Christ, you are forgiven. In the Spirit, you are made free. Refreshed by the waters of mercy, live anew as beloved children of God.

**R Amen**

### \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**R Amen**

## SENDING

### \*BENEDICTION

P The Spirit of the triune God † bless you with joy, anoint you with compassion, and send you in love.

**R Amen**

**\*SENDING HYMN** *“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”* **HYMN NO. 547**

**Sent forth by God’s blessing, our true faith confessing,  
the people of God from this dwelling take leave.  
The supper is ended.**

**Oh, now be extended the fruits of this service in all who believe.  
The seed of Christ’s teaching, receptive souls reaching,  
shall blossom in action for God and for all.  
Your grace shall incite us, your love shall unite us  
to work for your kingdom and answer your call.**

**With praise and thanksgiving to God ever-living,  
the tasks of our ev’ryday life we will face—  
our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,  
embracing God’s children, the whole human race.  
With your feast you feed us, with your light now lead us;  
unite us as one in this life that we share.  
Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving  
give honor to Christ and his name that we bear.**

Text: Omer Westendorf, 1916-1997, alt; Text © 1964 World Library Publications

### \*DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Live in hope.

**R Thanks be to God.**

### POSTLUDE

*“Send the Light”* by Charles H. Gabriel  
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**COMMUNION HYMN** "Lamb of God"



1. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
2. Lamb of God, you break the chains of ha - tred and fear;



have mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us, mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world:



grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

Text: ICET; Additional text and music by Marty Haugen, ©1990

**COMMUNION HYMN** "Let Us Break Bread Together" **HYMN NO. 471**

**Let us break bread together on our knees;  
let us break bread together on our knees.**

**Refrain:**

***When I fall on my knees,  
with my face to the rising sun,  
O Lord, have mercy on me.***

**Let us drink wine together on our knees;  
let us drink wine together on our knees. Refrain**

**Let us praise God together on our knees;  
let us praise God together on our knees. Refrain**

Text: African American spiritual

"Open Our Eyes, Lord" by Robert Cull

**\*BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION**

**\*GATHERING HYMN** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" **HYMN NO. 858**

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!  
Let all who hear now to his temple draw near,  
joining in glad adoration!**

**Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning  
and, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.  
Have you not seen all that is needful has been  
sent by his gracious ordaining?**

**Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;  
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do  
if with his love he befriend you.**

**Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!  
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!  
Let the amen sound from his people again.  
Gladly forever adore him!**

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650-1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.

**\*GREETING**

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**R** And also with you.

**\*KYRIE** (from the Greek word "Lord" – Sung)

**HYMN NO. 157**

A In peace, in peace, let us pray to the...

**R Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

A For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all, let us pray to the...

**R Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

A For your people here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your word, let us pray to the...

**R Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

A Help, save, and defend us, O God.

**R Amen**

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**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

*"Now the Feast and Celebration"*

**HYMN NO. 167**

***Refrain: Now the feast and celebration, all of creation sings for joy  
to the God of life and love and freedom;  
praise and glory forevermore!***

**Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain,  
whose blood has freed and united us to be one great people of God.**

***Refrain***

**Power and riches, wisdom and might,  
all honor and glory to Christ forever. *Refrain***

**For God has come to dwell with us, to make us people of God;  
to make all things new. *Refrain***

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P The Lord be with you.

**R And also with you.**

P Let us pray...Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**R Amen**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

*"Let Earth Resound with Praise!"*

***Chancel Choir***

Words by J. Paul Williams, Music by Joseph M. Martin

P It is our duty and delight...join their unending hymn:

(Sung)

**HYMN NO. 191** (Holy, Holy...)

**R Holy, holy, holy are you, God of power and might; Heaven and earth are filled with your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the One who comes in your name. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!** Text and Music: Marty Haugen, 1990, GIA Publications, Inc.

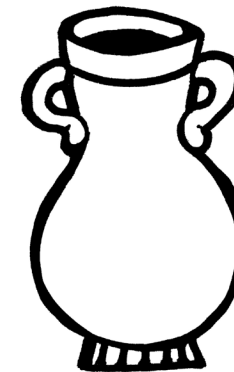
**\*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**R Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen**

**\*DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

All are welcome to share the body and blood of Jesus that are present in the bread and wine of communion. If you do not wish to participate, you may still come forward for a blessing. **If you desire a gluten free wafer and/or white grape juice, please hold up two fingers to the server.**



**\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

**\*PEACE**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R **And also with you.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MEAL**

**OFFERING**

*"Fill My Cup, Lord"* by Richard Blanchard

**\*OFFERING SONG**

*"As the Grains of Wheat"*

***Refrain: As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill  
were gathered into one to become our bread;  
so may all your people from all the ends of earth  
be gathered into one in you.***

**As this cup of blessing is shared within our midst,  
may we share the presence of your love. *Refrain***

Text: Didache, 2nd cent.; Marty Haugen, b. 1950; Text © 1990 GIA Publications, Inc.

**\*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise." The score alternates between a Presider part and a Congregation part.

**FIRST READING**

**Isaiah 62:1-5**

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn and her salvation like a burning torch. <sup>2</sup>The nations shall see your vindication and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. <sup>3</sup>You shall be a beautiful crown in the hand of the Lord and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. <sup>4</sup>You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her and your land Married, for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. <sup>5</sup>For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

L The Word of the Lord. R **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 36:5-10** *(Read Responsively)*

A Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

R **Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains;  
your judgments are like the great deep;  
you save humans and animals alike, O LORD.**

A How precious is your steadfast love, O God!  
All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

R **They feast on the abundance of your house,  
and you give them drink from the river of your delights.**  
A For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.  
R **O continue your steadfast love to those who know you  
and your salvation to the upright of heart!**

**SECOND READING**

**1 Corinthians 12:1-11**

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be ignorant. <sup>2</sup>You know that when you were gentiles you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. <sup>3</sup>Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. <sup>4</sup>Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, <sup>5</sup>and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, <sup>6</sup>and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. <sup>7</sup>To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup>To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup>to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup>to another the working of powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues.

<sup>11</sup>All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

L The word of the Lord.  
R **Thanks be to God.**

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Congregation:

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we  
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal  
life. Al - le - lu - ia! Repeat

P The holy gospel according to St. John, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Chapter.  
R **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**\*GOSPEL John 2:1-11**

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup>Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup>When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." <sup>4</sup>And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to me and to you? My hour has not yet come." <sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." <sup>6</sup>Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup>He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the person in charge of the banquet." So they took it. <sup>9</sup>When the person in charge tasted the water that had become wine and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), that person called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." <sup>11</sup>Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee and revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

P The gospel of the Lord.  
R **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

**Rev. Jonathan Mollenkopf**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY** "Bind Us Together"

**Refrain:**  
**Bind us together,**  
**Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.**  
**Bind us together,**  
**Lord, bind us together, Lord;**  
**bind us together in love.**

**There is only one God.**  
**There is only one King.**  
**There is only one Body;**  
**that is why we can sing; Refrain**

**You are the family of God.**  
**You are the promise divine.**  
**You are God's chosen desire,**  
**you are the glorious new wine. Refrain**

Text & Music: Bob Gillman, b. 1946

**\*THE APOSTLES' CREED**

A Let us confess our faith, the faith in which we baptize, in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

R **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**