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Christmas 1
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Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church!

In Jesus' name we welcome you to worship today. May God bless you through his Word of grace and give you the peace and joy that come only from Jesus!

Welcome Guests!

We pray the service will be a blessing for you. Please do us the honor of filling out the guest register located in the narthex. Should you desire any further information about Zion, our Pastor will be happy to speak with you after the service. Additional notes about our Church are printed on the back page of this bulletin.

THEME OF THE DAY

Christ is the Savior – the only one there is – for all people. In him we have peace, for him we live.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, in mercy you sent your one and only Son to take upon himself our human nature. By his gracious coming deliver us from the corruption of our sin and transform us into the likeness of his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST LESSON

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26

But Samuel ministered before the LORD while he was still a young boy, dressed in a special vest made of linen. His mother would make a little robe for him and bring it to him whenever she came up with her husband to offer the annual sacrifice. Eli would bless Elkanah and his wife, and say, "May the LORD give you offspring from this woman in place of the son she asked for, whom she loaned to the LORD." Then they would go back to their home. The young man Samuel continued to grow, and he increased in favor with both the LORD and with men.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalms 111 Pg. 106

SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 2:10-18

Certainly it was fitting for God (the one for whom and through whom everything exists), in leading many sons to glory, to bring the author of their salvation to his goal through sufferings. For he who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified all have one Father. For that reason, he is not ashamed to call them brothers. He says: I will declare your name to my brothers. Within the congregation I will sing your praise. And

again: I will trust in him. And again: Here I am and the children God has given me. Therefore, since the children share flesh and blood, he also shared the same flesh and blood, so that through death he could destroy the one who had the power of death (that is, the Devil) and free those who were held in slavery all their lives by the fear of death. For surely he was not concerned with helping angels but with helping Abraham's offspring. For this reason, he had to become like his brothers in every way, in order that he would be a merciful and faithful high priest in the things pertaining to God, so that he could pay for the sins of the people. Indeed, because he suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

VERSE OF THE DAY: Alleluia. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts. Alleluia. (Colossians 3:15a)

GOSPEL **Luke 2:41-52**
 Every year his parents traveled to Jerusalem for the Passover Festival. When he was twelve years old, they went up according to the custom of the Festival. When the days had ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it. Since they thought he was in their group, they went a day's journey. Then they began to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem, searching for him. After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us this way? See, your father and I have been anxiously looking for you." He said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be taking care of my Father's business?" They did not understand what he was telling them. He went down with them and came to Nazareth. He was always obedient to them. And his mother treasured up all these things in her heart. Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and with people.

SERMON **God's Resolutions for the New Year** **Hebrews 13:5**

Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."



**This Week at Zion
 Dec. 30th - Jan. 7th**

Today	9:00am Worship 10:00am Fellowship No Sunday School
Monday	No Monday Service
Tuesday	Office Closed
Wednesday	10:00am Bible Class 3:15pm Confirmation
Thursday	1:30pm Ladies Aid Meeting
Sunday	9:00am Worship with Communion 10:00am Fellowship 10:15am Sunday School
Monday	6:30pm Worship with Communion

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 And Sermons are all available there.

Bulletins

The bulletins today are in loving memory of Edward Zahn who went to meet his Lord 5 years ago on December 28th. They are given by his wife Marlene Zahn.

Ladies Night Out

Wednesday January 16th

4:30 PM Social

5:00 PM Dinner

The Avenue in Marinette

Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall or call Marquita Limberg at 715-582-3304. All women from the congregation are invited to attend.

**There will be no choir practice on
 January 2nd & 9th.**

Worship Attendance

Weekend of Dec. 23/24/25 682

Bible Study Attendance

Sunday Morning Bible Class No Class

Wednesday Morning Bible Class No Class

Our Gifts to Our Lord \$7,170.52

Current \$5,192.00

Missions \$40.00

Direct Deposit \$475.00

Plate \$1,436.75

Fellowship/Lighting Fund \$26.75

Ladies Aid Meeting

The first meeting of the Ladies Aid for 2019 will be on January 3rd at 1:30pm. Please take note of the new time for the start of the meeting. The Ladies Aid is open to all women of communicate age in the congregation. If you are interested in joining talk with Joyce Caebe the Ladies Aid President at 715-582-4077.

Altar Guild Meeting

The first meeting for the Altar Guild for 2019 will be on January 15th at 4:00pm. At this time they will un-decorate the church from the Christmas season. After that has been completed they will have their regular meeting. The members of the Altar Guild are inviting anyone in the congregation to join their group as caring for the church sanctuary would be easier with a larger group of helpers. If you are interested talk with the Altar Guild President Debbie Techmeier at 715-582-4317.

Annual Meeting

The date of the Annual Meeting of Zion Congregation has been moved back one week due to the installation of Pastor Sargent at St. John Church on January 20th. The Annual meeting will be held on January 27, 2019 at 10:15am in the fellowship hall.

Thank You!

Thanks to two donations from the families of Richard & Betty Neumann and Carleton & Alice Warnecke we were able to purchase a digital bulletin board system (which includes a new office computer) to enhance our narthex. The uses for this are endless and we are only beginning to learn the number of things we can use it for. We thank these families for their generous gifts in memory of their loves ones.



Thank You!

We would like to thank our Sunday School teachers, organists and pianists for the extra efforts in presenting a very well received Children's Service. We heard many positive comments as people left our church that evening.

Pastor Sargent's Installation

It has been over a year since St. John in Grover has had their own Pastor. On January 20th at 4:00pm Pastor Daniel Sargent will be installed as the new Pastor at St. John. Come and celebrate with our sister congregation as their patience for a new Pastor is rewarded with God's Love.

Sunday Morning Bible Class

Sunday morning bible class will be held on January 13th at 10:15am in the fellowship hall. Then in February we will again have bible class every Sunday morning as Pastor Myslik will no longer have the obligation to serve St. John Congregation.

Annual Report

All groups of the congregation are asked to submit their individual annual reports (financial or informational) to Pastor Myslik ASAP so he can compile them into the church's annual report to the congregation.

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Peace Came to Earth



1 Peace came to earth at last that cho - sen night
 2 And who could be the same for hav - ing held
 3 You show the Fa - ther none has ev - er seen,
 4 How else could I have known you, O my God!



When an - gels clove the sky with song and light And
 The in - fant in their arms and lat - er felt The
 In flesh and blood you bore our griefs and pain, In
 How else could I have loved you, O my God! How



God em - bod - ied love and sheathed his might— Who could but
 wound-ed hands and side, all doubts dis - pelled— Who could but
 bread and wine you vis - it us a - gain— Who could but
 else could I em - brace you, O my God! Who could but



gasp: Im - man - u - el! Who could but sing: Im - man - u - el!
 sigh: Im - man - u - el! Who could but shout: Im - man - u - el!
 see: Im - man - u - el! Who could but thrill: Im - man - u - el!
 pray: Im - man - u - el! Who could but praise: Im - man - u - el!

The picturesque language of this Jaroslav Vajda hymn vividly illustrates the weighty significance of God becoming man in Christ.

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Note To Visitors

We sing the Psalms! Before the service it might help to read through the instructions on page 63 of the hymnal.

Personal Prayers for Worship may be found on pages 10-11 of the hymnal.

If your child becomes restless, that's okay....We love having children in worship at Zion. Feel free to step into the fellowship hall or to use the cry room near the west entry until your little one settles. There are speakers in both areas.

Restrooms are at the west end entry area also. Changing tables for babies are in each.

Holy Communion

Holy Communion is celebrated on the first and the third Sundays of each month (and the Mondays after). In the Lord's Supper, our Savior offers unworthy sinners a personal pledge of forgiveness of sins through His body and blood. As He draws repentant sinners to himself, he also draws them into a special bond of fellowship with one another. In the WELS, we demonstrate this special fellowship bond in what is called "close communion." Thus, if you have never communed with us before, we ask that you first speak with our pastor. He will share with you the steps toward establishing communion fellowship. Thank you for respecting our practice. Personal preparation help is found on page 156 in the hymnal.

Our Mission Statement

As a family of believers in Christ and members of His Kingdom, our congregation exists to worship, praise and honor the Triune God, share His pure Gospel message, encourage one another to grow stronger in faith through daily use of the Word, and urge each other to demonstrate such faith in daily living.



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Welcome Bell

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Lesson - 1 Samuel

2:18-20, 26

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Lesson - Hebrews

2:10-18

Verse of the Day

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Hebrews 13:5

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