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Sixth Sunday After the Epiphany
February 12 & 16, 2025

Christians Live by Faith in Christ and Rejoice in the Promise of His Resurrection

“Cursed is the man who trusts in man,” for all the strength of his flesh is like the grass that fades away (Jer. 17:5) for now, but he “shall mourn and weep” in the judgment (Luke 6:24–25). But “the man who trusts in the LORD” is blessed with all that he needs, “like a tree planted by water.” When heat comes, he survives (Jer. 17:7–8). For the Lord has come in the flesh to heal the people of all their diseases, to cleanse their spirits with forgiveness, and to preach the Gospel of the kingdom of God to the poor (Luke 6:18–20). As all of this is by way of His cross, it is solely by faith in the promise of His resurrection that Christians “rejoice” and “leap for joy” (Luke 6:21–23). “If Christ has not been raised,” our faith is in vain and we are most to be pitied (1 Cor. 15:14–19). But, in fact, just as “Christ died for our sins,” so has He also “been raised from the dead” (1 Cor. 15:3, 20).

The Lord’s Supper is offered today at Zion. Communicant members and members of our sister (LCMS) congregations are invited to commune at this altar. Please speak to our pastor if you have any questions about our communion practice. We would love to discuss the doctrine of the Lord’s Supper and joy of Christian fellowship. Please know the gifts of Jesus were given for you—but the proper spiritual preparation for communion is commanded by the Word of God (1 Cor 11:23-29). Those who do not yet commune here may come forward for a blessing (simply fold your arms over your heart to receive a Baptismal blessing) or you may remain in the pew during communion to join us in song and praise. There are no “offering” plates passed during the service. Rather, offering plates are set at the front pew. **You are invited to leave an offering of thanks to Christ on your way to communion** or any time during the first part of the service.

A PRAYER UPON ENTERING THE LORD’S HOUSE

O Lord, you bless the poor, the hungry, the weeping and the persecuted Mercifully hear the prayers of your people when they call upon you, and give us faith to believe that your kingdom belongs to the humble of heart; through Jesus Christ, your Son who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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HYMN OF INVOCATION: “10,000 Reasons”

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Psalm 119:1–2, 4–5; antiphon: v. 7

I will praise you with an upright heart,

when I learn your just and righteous decrees.

Blessèd are those whose way is blameless,

who walk in the law of the Lord!

Blessèd are those who keep his testimonies,

who seek him with their whole heart.

You have commanded your precepts

to be kept diligently.

Oh that my ways may be steadfast

in keeping your statutes!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE: “Better is One Day”

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Jeremiah 17:5-8

EPISTLE READING: 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 6:17-26

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HYMN OF THE DAY: “Be Thou My Vision”

SERMON: “Blessed Are You...in Christ” Luke 6:17-26

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: (See Prayer List on Page 6 of Bulletin)

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DISTRIBUTION: “Sanctuary”
“Jesus Strong and Kind”
“You are My All in All”
“Praise the Father, Praise the Son”

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CLOSING: “This is Amazing Grace”

Our Lord's Current Business

Welcome to worship. God plants us like trees beside streams of living water, provided by Jesus himself (Psalm 1:3; John 4:14). All who are thirsty, come and drink! God, I come to you with many preoccupations. Settle my spirit in the embrace of your love and peace. Amen.

Heartfelt "Thank You" to Katie & Jeff Harris for sponsorship of bulletin this week in honor of their 28th wedding anniversary on February 14th.

Katie Harris and Mary Gehrke have volunteered to coordinate the Zion Sharing Table meals starting this fall. Putting on a Sharing Table requires support from the congregation in order to be fun and successful. Please thank Katie and Mary for taking on this task and volunteer cheerfully when needed.

The Call Committee has shared the congregation's nomination forms with our District President. The next step for Zion is to wait and pray while information is assembled on potential candidates for our ministry. Please keep this process in your prayers.

Confirmation Corner

February 16 - This week we will concentrate on the introduction of the Lord's Prayer. "Our Father Who Art in Heaven." We will learn that God wants us to approach Him in complete confidence as our heavenly Father on account of Christ, our Brother. Our Bible verse for the week is: "In Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith." Galatians 3:26

Sunday School - classes begin at 10:30 in the downstairs gathering space for singing, devotions and prayer. The students then move to their individual classrooms. Please join us for this time of learning and growing.

Sunday Morning Adult Class - This week we continue our "Walk through the New Testament" as we look at Luke's Gospel. As we look into this Gospel, we will learn more about living our lives as disciples of Christ. We will see how God uses us to share the Good News with others. We meet in the fellowship hall at 10:30 for this study.

Middle & Senior High Bible Class - We meet every Sunday at 10:30. The junior high group is currently walking through the Old Testament to discover the promises of God. The senior high group is looking at God's Word to us in the New Testament and how we can share His love with others. Come and join us!

Sr. & Jr. High Youth – Today, Sunday, Feb. 16 is the day! We will meet at the Loscheider's from 3:00 - 6:00. There is snow, so bring your sleds! There will be food, fun and maybe a fire! If the temps are too cold, there will be inside activities. Plan to join us for this great time!

Adult choir - We continue to meet and sing on Thursday nights from 6:30-7:30. We would love to have you join us for this time of singing, fellowship and fun! Right now we are starting to look at music for Lent and Easter

Butter Braid Fundraiser - Now is the time to get your butter braid! This pastry is great to have on hand for any time you are looking for a sweet treat! They are frozen and just need to be thawed overnight before they are baked. Feb. 23 is the last day orders will be accepted. There is an order form in the resource room, or you can ask any of our youth. Funds raised will help support our youth and adults who will be attending the National Youth Gathering this summer.

Ladies, please check the cart in the lobby area to see if there is a dish or pan that belongs to you. Thank you for sharing your food blessings with us.

Ash Wednesday - As you are planning your calendars for the next few months, don't forget to include Ash Wednesday and our Lenten services. Ash Wednesday is March 5 this year. We will gather to mark the beginning of the Lenten season as a fellowship of believers - please plan to join us.

Camp Luther - Our LCMS North-Wisconsin District camp has opened its registration for summer camp. This is a wonderful place for our children and youth to grow in their faith. Camp Luther has programs for all ages (including kindergarten and parents). There is information in the resource center on the programs that are available. Finances a concern? Camp has programs for first time campers - they are very willing to talk with you!

Quilters would appreciate any queen or king size flat sheets in gently used or new condition. These sheets will become part of the beautiful quilts that are given to individual's in need. Thank you in advance 😊

Thrivent Choice Dollar-Eligible Thrivent clients can recommend where Thrivent distributes some of its charitable grant funds. These funds are called Choice Dollars and are accessed by signing into your account or contacting your agent. Choice Dollars can be designated after February 1 and during the calendar year and up until March 31 of the following year.

Our Lord's On-Going Business

Beautiful boxes & individual cards are on display in the Resource Center. *Valentine* cards are also now available. We are offering cards at the usual 50 cents. Monies can be left with our AA Diane or put in the church "bank" on the card shelf or given to Brenda Mc.

Puzzles are available to take home passing time with family and friends. Please bring back after

you have finished and swap for another one. This is a great pastime during the winter months.

Sign up sheets for Sponsorship of Bulletins or Altar Flowers for 2025 are in a blue folder marked as such in the Resource Center. Please put your name & who IHO or IMO on the sheet by appropriate date.

If you are in need of church envelopes, please call the church office at 715-926-3664 or email at office@zionmondovi.com. A box will have your number placed on the envelopes and be placed in your mailbox in the narthex.

Bulletin or newsletter announcements can be submitted to office@zionmondovi.com, call the office at 715-926-3664 or leave a written note in Diane's mailbox.

ZION'S PRAYER LIST: For those mourning:

The family of Liz Leighton (sister of Mary Standaert).

The call process here at Zion for guidance on decisions being God's Will.

For those seeking healing: Max Stuber, Lavina Johnson, Peter Linse, Croix Johnson, Ruth Kent, Marvin Meier, Mike Radle, Scott Anderson, Jeff Kacures, Mary Rolandt, Luther Larson, Susan Loomis, Ed Gunderson, Ron Laehn, Marge Linse, Peggy Waldbillig, Elsie Steinbach, Jackie, Shadie, Savannah Au, Donna Seltrecht, Marvin Stay, Lois Stay, David Bloss, Jean Fleming, Jean Sandberg.

Thanksgiving for those celebrating birthdays: Gwen Browskowski, Landen Miller, Susan Birtzer, Anna Gruber-Kronberg, Chuck Bauer, Harrison Buchholz, Juniper York, Linda Goodman, Scott Erickson, Rich Brion, Tiomthy Marsolek.

Thanksgiving for those celebrating anniversaries: Ronald & Barbara Moyer.

**LaRae Grotzinger has volunteered to help coordinate our prayer chain. If you have any updates to this list, please contact her (.), the office, or Pastor. You may also utilize the prayer box found in the narthex.*



OUR WEEK'S WORK

February 10-16, 2025

MON.	WA Street Apt Service	1:00 p.m.
	Monday Night Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
TUES.	Evangelism Committee	6:00 p.m.
	Board of Elders	7:00 p.m.
WED.	Quilters	9:30 a.m.
	Confirmation	5:30 p.m.
	Divine Service	7:00 p.m.
THURS.	Ruby's Pantry	4:00 p.m.
	Choir Practice	6:30 p.m.
SUN.	Divine Service	9:00 a.m.
	Christian Education	10:30 a.m.



A Stewardship Thought

Luke 6:20–21 – “Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied.” The Beatitudes are largely about emptiness: if you're poor, your pockets are empty. If you are hungry, your stomach is empty. If you are mourning, there's an emptiness in your heart that used to be filled with the presence of a loved one. Jesus assures us in each case that the Lord will fill our emptiness. That assurance gives us not only peace, but also courage to follow the Lord faithfully.



OUR WORSHIP LAST WEEK

Attendance
 Wednesday 29 Sunday 84
 Sunday School 15

General Offering:	\$	6179.25
TIM	\$	5.00
Sleep in Heavenly Peace	\$	20.00
Offerings thru January 2025	\$	15,137.00
Expenses thru January 2025	\$	14,352.70



SERVING THIS WEEK

February 12 & 16, 2025

Accom:	Mary Gehrke		
Elder:	Gene Schultz	Weds.	7:00 p.m.
	Matt Mohn	Sun.	9:00 a.m.
Usher:	Dennis Ring	Weds.	7:00 p.m.
	John Schultz	Sun.	9:00 a.m.
Greeter:	Cindy Ring	Weds.	7:00 p.m.
	Alli Hoffman	Weds.	7:00 p.m.
	Mary Brion	Sun.	9:00 a.m.
Acolyte:	Jayden Miller	Weds.	7:00 p.m.
	Amelia Bethke	Weds.	7:00 p.m.
	Keegan Hill	Sun.	9:00 a.m.
	Matt Triggs	Sun.	9:00 a.m.
Screen:	Katie Harris	Weds.	7:00 p.m.
	Emily Benning	Sun.	9:00 a.m.

Counters: Margaret Ronnei & Brenda McKissick
 Altar Guild: Karn Mohn, Amanda Osenga & Wendi Ashwell



SERVING NEXT WEEK SCHEDULE

February 19 & 23, 2025

Accom:	Mary Gehrke		
Elder:	Joe Osenga	Weds.	7:00 p.m.
	Matt Mohn	Sun.	9:00 a.m.
Usher:	Reggie Corpuz	Weds.	7:00 p.m.
	John Gehrke	Sun.	9:00 a.m.
Greeter:	Lucy Corpuz	Weds.	7:00 p.m.
	Cheryl Anibas	Sun.	9:00 a.m.
Acolyte:	Aubrey Wittig	Weds.	7:00 p.m.
	Arabella Wittig	Weds.	7:00 p.m.
	Calvin Olson	Sun.	9:00 a.m.
	Jacob Loscheider	Sun.	9:00 a.m.
Screen:	Corpuz Family	Weds.	7:00 p.m.
	David Reineke	Sun.	9:00 a.m.

Counters: Dan Hill & Frank Standaert
 Altar Guild: Karn Mohn, Amanda Osenga & Wendi Ashwell