

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH



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The Seventh Sunday After Epiphany



Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church

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Welcome to worship!

The Fifth Commandment: **You shall not murder.**

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not hurt or harm our neighbor in his body, but help and support him in every physical need.

What you just read was the fifth commandment and explanation from Luther's small catechism. Luther explains the commandments and expounds upon how we break and keep them in our lives. The fifth commandment has to do with life, and our calling to help and preserve the life of our neighbor.

How does this explanation sound to you? My mind immediately jumps to "help and support him in *every* physical need." How can this be possible? As we go through our text from Leviticus 19 this morning, we'll wrestle with our calling to help and support our neighbor in his or her physical body. We'll confront the fact that we will always fail at this task. There will always be more to do, more needs to assist with. We will also take comfort that this command flows from a loving and compassionate God, whose mercies are never-ending.

May God Bless your worship this morning!

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ZION EQUIPS, EDUCATES, AND ENCOURAGES BELIEVERS IN CHRIST, SENDING THEM INTO THE WORLD TO SHARE THE GOSPEL.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Elsie DallaPiazza in Memory of her father, Armando DallaPiazza and Andrew Weldon in Memory of Loved ones.

THIS WEEK'S FAVORITE BIBLE VERSE...is from LOIS SAURO. John 3:16 NIV *For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.*

VICAR'S BOOK OF THE MONTH for January is Robert Kolb's "The Christian Faith". You can check it out of the Zion library!

ALL THINGS NEW SESSION 3 TAKEAWAY ...This week's takeaway is two-fold:

1. **Sincerity** when sharing the Gospel is critical to effective witness: live what you believe. 2. **"I believed, therefore I spoke."** 2 Cor 4:13 A vibrant faith cannot go unspoken (be it word or action).

PLAY BALL...the longstanding ZION LIONS coed softball team is looking to recruit a few new committed players to maintain their roster for church league play. It's great fun, fellowship and fitness. If you are interested, please touch base with AARON JANUSEY at [412-983-0627](tel:412-983-0627) or janman17@gmail.com.

OPERATION STARS AND STRIPES...outstanding response to our 5th and best year ever supporting our troops! Last year we sent 264 bags of love...this year we are sending **500 bags of love**...that's an 89.4% increase! Praise God that we have exceeded our goal of 300 bags and will have 500 bags to assemble!!! THANK YOU for your generous donations and CONTINUED PRAYERS in support of our troops! -*Zion Lutheran Sunday School*

USHER SIGN UP SHEET is in the narthex. We are looking for a few more ushers for our 10:30am service. If you are interested please sign up. Contact Larry Zreliak with any questions.

WELCOME CENTER! Are you a guest or visitor looking for information about Zion? Hello and welcome to Zion! Stop by the table in the foyer after the service and we'll try to help.

CHURCH NURSERY: Is available for kids age 0-2 during the 10:30 Service! The Nursery ("Little Lions") is open during the late service in the lower level of the building. (If you need help locating the nursery, please ask an Usher or Greeter for assistance.)

NEED PRAYER? Stephen Ministers and Elders will be available to pray with or for you following the Service in the Chancel area.

TODAY'S GOSPEL READING AND SERMON will be posted to the ZLCB.org website later today. For an archive of older sermons, visit www.zlcb.org/sermons

Service of the Word

586 Hail, O Source of Every Blessing

Invocation

V In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Exhortation

V Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

V If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

V Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, and call upon Him in prayer and praise, and let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen**

407 Prayer for Forgiveness

Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Psalm 119:33–40

V Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes;

C and I will keep it to the end.

V Give me understanding, that I may keep your law

C and observe it with my whole heart.

V Lead me in the path of your commandments,

C for I de-light in it.

V Incline my heart to your testimonies,

C and not to selfish gain!

V Turn my eyes from looking at worthless things;

C and give me life in your ways.

V Confirm to your servant your promise,

C that you may be feared.

V Turn away the reproach that I dread,

C or your rules are good.

V Behold, I long for your precepts;

C in your righteousness give me life!

Kyrie

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

A Help, save, comfort, and defend us gracious Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

Gloria in Excelsis



- C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Collect for The Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament Reading

Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18

And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, "Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them, You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy.

"When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field right up to its edge, neither shall you gather the gleanings after your harvest. And you shall not strip your vineyard bare, neither shall you gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard. You shall leave them for the poor and for the sojourner: I am the LORD your God.

"You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; you shall not lie to one another. You shall not swear by my name falsely, and so profane the name of your God: I am the LORD.

"You shall not oppress your neighbor or rob him. The wages of a hired servant shall not remain with you all night until the morning. You shall not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind, but you shall fear your God: I am the LORD.

"You shall do no injustice in court. You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: I am the LORD.

"You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 3:10-23

According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building upon it. Let each one take care how he builds upon it. For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw— each one's work will become manifest, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. If the work that anyone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If anyone's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire.



Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.

Let no one deceive himself. If anyone among you thinks that he is wise in this age, let him become a fool that he may become wise. For the wisdom of this world is folly with God. For it is written, "He catches the wise in their craftiness," and again, "The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile." So let no one boast in men. For all things are yours, whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future—all are yours, and you are Christ's, and Christ is God's.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

V The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 5th chapter.

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

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:21-37

[Jesus said:] "You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.'

But I say to you, Do not resist the one who is evil. But if anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also. And if anyone would sue you and take your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. And if anyone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles. Give to the one who begs from you, and do not refuse the one who would borrow from you.



“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You , O Christ.

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.**

Sit

761 Rock of Ages, Cleft of Me

Sermon

Stand

Prayer of the Church

- Lord in your mercy
- hear our prayer.

Lord's Prayer *LSB 209*

- 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.

Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

Please be seated. Following the Offering Music the congregation will stand.

Sit

Offering

If you are visiting with us this morning, know that your presence here means far more to us than any gift of money you could make; please do not hesitate to let the plate pass you by. Please stop by the welcome desk on your way out of church this morning.

Stand

Benedicamus

- Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.**

Benediction

- The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- Amen.**

Week of Feb. 19th - Feb. 26th

<p>SUNDAY 2/19</p>	<p>8:00 AM – Worship 9:15 AM – Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:30 AM – Worship 11:45 AM – Teen Girls Bible Study - Seamless 11:45 AM – Children’s Choir</p>
<p>MONDAY 2/20</p>	<p>7:00 PM – Confirmation</p>
<p>TUESDAY 2/21</p>	<p>7:15 PM—Women’s Bible Study—All Things New</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY 2/22</p>	<p>7:00 PM – Bible Study & Prayer</p>
<p>THURSDAY 2/23</p>	<p>10:00 AM – Bible Study 7:00 PM – Adult Choir Practice</p>
<p>FRIDAY 2/24</p>	
<p>SATURDAY 2/25</p>	<p>8:00 AM – Men’s Bible Breakfast</p>
<p>SUNDAY 2/26</p>	<p>8:00 AM – Worship 9:15 AM – Adult Bible Study & Sunday School 10:30 AM – Worship 11:45 AM – Children’s Choir Practice 11:45 AM—Teen Girls Bible Study—Seamless 11:45 AM—Events Meeting</p>



Service Participants



Vicar:	Joshua Ulm
Music Director:	Mark Killinger
The Organist:	Sandra Quinlan
The Elders:	Peter Fisher & Shane Bryant
The Acolyte:	Ava Pasquini (8:00) Lara Luedeman (10:30)
The Greeters:	Brian & Megan Pasquini & Family (8:00) John & Kari Gresh & Family (10:30)
The Ushers:	Ed Malachosky, Mike Kozak, Bill & Melanie Becker
Altar Guild:	Sarah Ali, Janet & Marian Oelschlager
Nursery:	Adele Goodge, Sharon Bogden & Christine Chilcott

Last Week in Worship

Sunday Worship Attendance (2/12) - 192

Sunday Offering (2/12) \$4,740.50

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Upcoming Middle School Youth Group Event



Black

Light

Night

When? March 30
Where? Basement of Zion Lutheran Church
Who? Anyone in 6-8th Grade
Time? 8-10pm
Address? 3197 Washington Pike, Bridgeville
Food? Pizza!
Cost? \$0

Wear something
White or Neon

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SAVE THE DATE!

Zion Women's Retreat
MARCH 17TH - 19TH AT CAMP PIONEER

Join us for a weekend of Bible Study,
Fellowship, Games, Food, and Wine!
Friends welcome!



More information to come!
Interested? Sign up in the Narthex
or contact Megan Pasquini!