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ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

STANDING STRONG + GROWING TOGETHER + REACHING OUT

The Second Sunday After The Epiphany

January 17, 2021

AS WE GATHER

Today we are called to remember that our bodies are not our own. Paul reminds us in the Epistle that we were bought with a price: the blood of Christ. Our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit. Our bodies, even our whole lives, belong to the Lord, and we are called to consider how we are to best steward the bodies God has given us for the sake of His kingdom.



David Garcia, Organ

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO WORSHIP

Rev. Stephen Heimer

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

"Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty" v.1,3 Lutheran Service Book 901

Worshipers are invited to stand and face the processional cross.



INVOCATION Matt 28:19

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- ${\bf P}$ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

OPENING VERSICLES

Ps 124:8, Ps 130:3-4, Luke 18:13

- P O Lord, You have searched and known us.
- **You discern our thoughts from afar.**
- P Where shall we go from Your Spirit?
- Or where shall we flee from Your presence?
- **P** If we ascend to heaven, You are there!
- If we make our bed in Sheol, You are there!
- P Our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit.
- **@** We were bought with a price, the blood of Christ.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Indeed, we were bought with the precious blood of Christ, and God calls on us to glorify God with our bodies, but we have failed to do this. We have lived as if our bodies and lives were our own, as if Your Son had not bought them with His blood. Such sins cause deep shame, yet even now, our heavenly Father invites us to come to Him and ask for forgiveness.

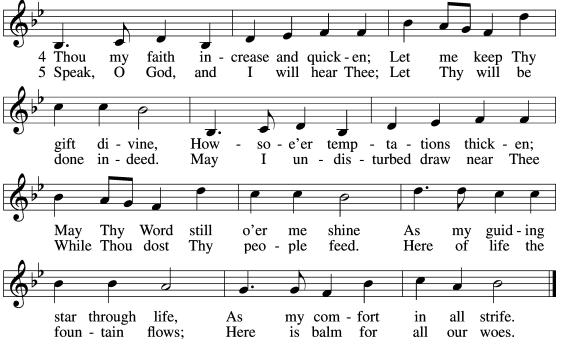
Silence for reflection.

- P Heavenly Father,
- we have sinned by the things we have done and by the things we have left undone. Forgive us, remove the shame that clings to us, and make us new creations for the sake of Jesus. Amen.
- P Almighty God, in His infinite mercy and grace, sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to die for our sins. In His resurrection, He removes our shame and makes us more than conquerors. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the
 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen. We are forgiven in Christ. Our shame is removed.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

ENTRANCE HYMN

"Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty" v.4-5 LSB 901



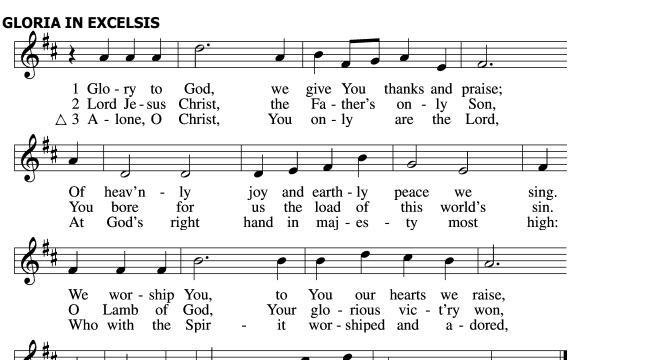
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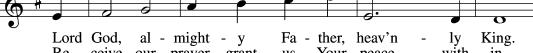
KYRIE Mark 10:47





- C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.
- A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- (Sung) 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.
- **■** Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
- A Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.
- **L**ord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.





Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in. With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

2 Tim 4:22

LSB 946

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, You paid for our lives with the price of Your blood on the cross. Strengthen us to serve You with pure hearts and minds, that we may be witnesses to the word of Your forgiveness; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- Amen.

READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

OLD TESTAMENT

(The Lord calls Samuel.)

1 Samuel 3:1-20

¹The young man Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision.

²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. ³The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was.

⁴Then the LORD called Samuel, and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down.

⁶And the LORD called again, "Samuel!" and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." ⁷Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

⁸And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the young man. ⁹Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant hears." So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰And the Lord came and stood, calling as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant hears." ¹¹Then the Lord said to Samuel, "Behold, I am about to do a thing in Israel at which the two ears of everyone who hears it will tingle. ¹²On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. ¹³And I declare to him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be atoned for by sacrifice or offering forever."

¹⁵Samuel lay until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. And Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. ¹⁶But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." And he said, "Here I am." ¹⁷And Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." ¹⁸So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. And he said, "It is the LORD. Let him do what seems good to him."

¹⁹And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba knew that Samuel was established as a prophet of the LORD.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE

(To whom does your body belong?)

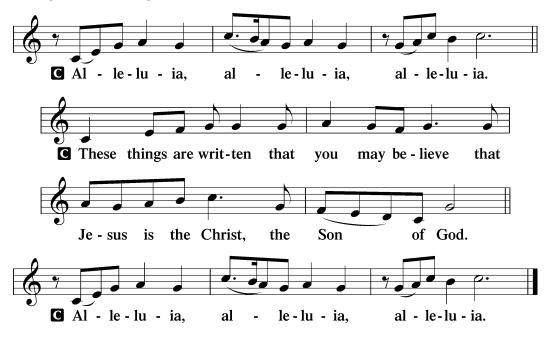
1 Corinthians 6:12-20

¹²"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be enslaved by anything. ¹³"Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food"—and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. ¹⁵Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, "The two will become one flesh." ¹⁷But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. ¹⁸Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. ¹⁹Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, ²⁰for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE John 20:31



HOLY GOSPEL

(Jesus calls Philip and Nathanael.)

John 1:43-51

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.
- G Glory to You, O Lord.

⁴³The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." ⁴⁴Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." ⁴⁷Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" ⁴⁸Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." ⁴⁹Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" ⁵⁰Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." ⁵¹And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

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

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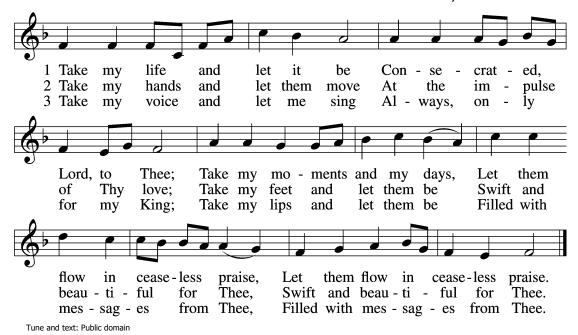
I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated" v.1-3 LSB 784



SERMON "We Follow Christ"

OFFERING

Offerings can be placed in the offering plate located on the stand while entering the church or can be mailed of given online at www.zionelpaso.org.

OFFERTORY

"Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated" v.5-6 LSB 783



PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

1 Tim 2:1-4

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

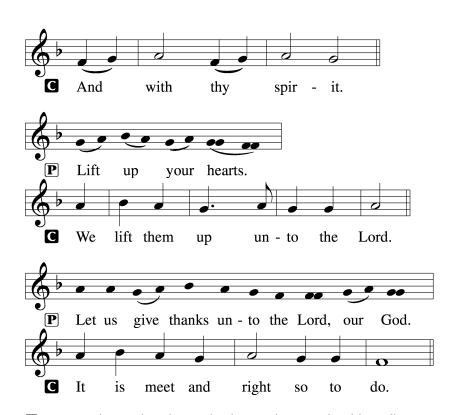
Holy Spirit, from sin and sorrow set us free;

© may we Your living temples be. (prayers continue with this response after each petition)

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +



2 Tim 4:22, Col 3:1, Ps 136



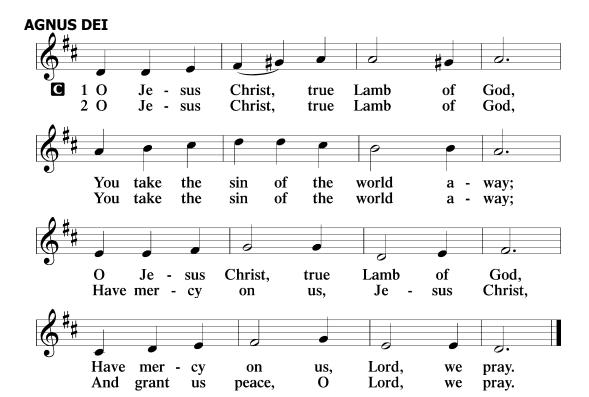
P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who has redeemed and bought us with the price of His blood so that we might live under Him in His kingdom. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9



LORD'S PRAYER

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.



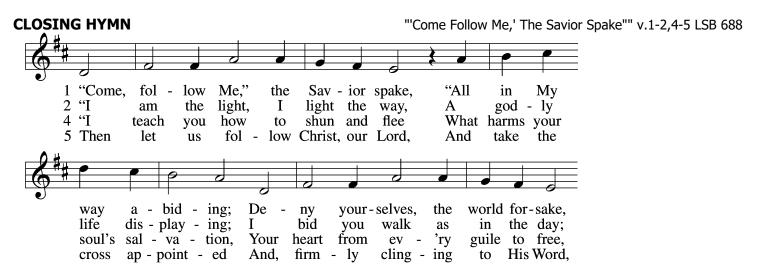
COLLECT FOR PEACE

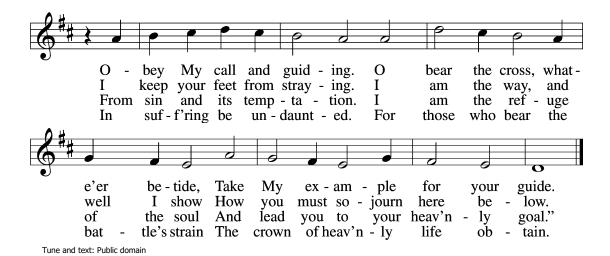
O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

BENEDICTION

- The grace of our Lord
 Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS





After the hymn, the Livestream comes to an end and the service of the sacrament continues. If you are unable to be present in the sanctuary due to health concerns but desire to receive the sacrament of the altar, Pastor Stephen and an elder will be available curbside on Birch St. between 12:30 and 1pm today that you might partake while remaining in your vehicle. As you wait curbside, pray aloud the prayers below in preparation for the sacrament:

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Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

Here our Heavenly Father promises anew His unconditional love, renews His pledge of forgiveness in Christ, and offers His Holy Spirit as strength for daily faith and life. If you are a visitor to Zion, we invite you in the Name of Jesus to commune with us. However, since God reminds us that thoughtless or faithless reception of the Sacrament can incur His judgment (1 Corinthians 11:27-32), the Scriptures call those who commune to personally examine themselves and in their communing publicly confess:

- + I am a baptized Christian and I trust in Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior.
- **⊥** I believe that Christ is truly present with His body and blood under the bread and wine offering me forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation.
- Through His grace and strength, I will live to God's glory, in ministry with His people, in mission to His world.

For those communicants preferring it, a light-colored, non-alcoholic grape juice can be found at the center of each tray of wine (fruit of the vine). Children are invited to accompany parents to the altar for the blessing. We trust that your communion with Christ and His people will strengthen your faith, increase your love, and empower your witness to Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. If you have questions about your communing, please speak with the Pastor.

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross, and we seek to live as people who were bought with a price.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive and renew us by the power of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat Christ's body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

If you will be receiving the Lord's Supper today, please wait as ushers guide each household forward. Remain standing and the pastor will serve you the sacrament in plastic cups. Take those cups with you as you return to your seat, placing them in one of the baskets located at either side of the sanctuary.

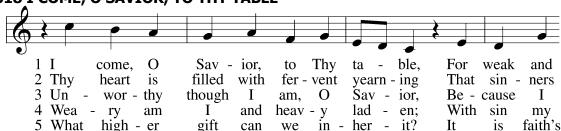
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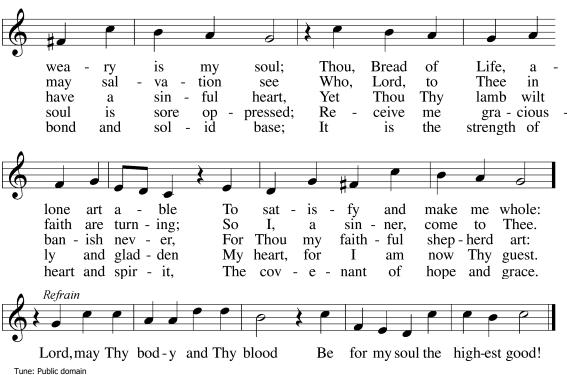




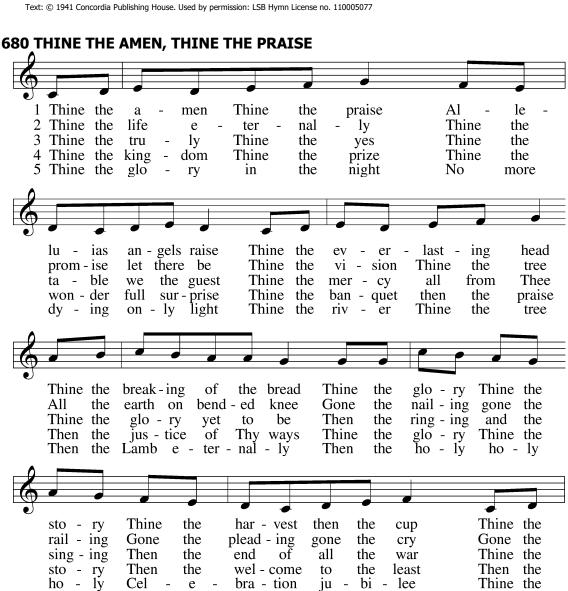
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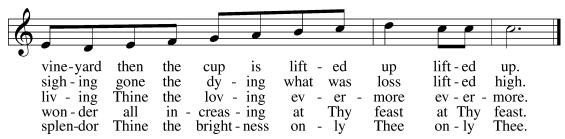
618 I COME, O SAVIOR, TO THY TABLE





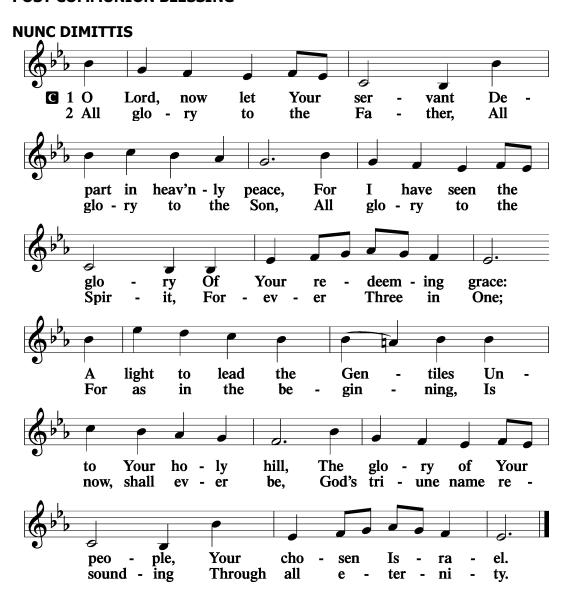
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POST COMMUNION BLESSING



POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

- We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You purchased and won us by the blood of Christ. We implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us to live as worthy witnesses of Your grace and wisdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- Amen.

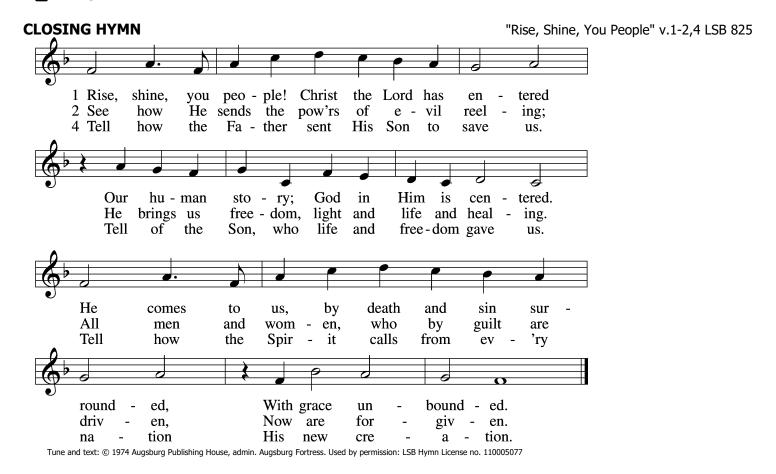
BENEDICAMUS & BENEDICTION

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

Psalm 103:1, Numbers 6:24

Luke 2:29-32

Amen.



Please remain seated as ushers dismiss each row. Please maintain a safe distance as you go.

POSTLUDE David Garcia, *Organ*

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You can contribute offerings using three main methods:

Online donations: You can make a secure contribution from your credit card or bank account at www.zionelpaso.org. We use Vanco, a reputable agency which specializes in donations to churches and nonprofits. Your contribution can be set up to be recurring, such as each week or month, or as a one-time donation.

Mail donations: Mail your check to the Zion church office at 2808 Pershing Drive, El Paso, TX 79903. The mail is checked every day.

Donations via an app: If you prefer using your phone or tablet, you can download the Vanco Give Plus app. You can easily set up an account and donation through the app.

Your offerings and support are crucial to our congregation and we are very grateful for your support!

Altar flowers today are given to the glory of God and in gratitude for His countless blessings!

We are updating information for the 2021 Directory to keep our Zion community connected to each other, even when we are far apart! Be sure to send us your favorite picture of the people in your household! Also, if you have changed your address or contact information in the past year, please call the church office or email us at info@zionelpaso.org.

Please Save the Date: Zion's LWML is hosting a Virtual Baby Shower for 2 of Zion's Expectant Moms, both expecting baby boys: Erin Shimkus, due in February, and Martha Sellers, due in May! The Shower will be held on Zoom, on Sunday, January 24, 2021, at 3:00 p.m., and you are invited! We will be presenting a special Baby Shower Devotion focusing on various baby items, with the help of a Thrivent Action Grant. **Please RSVP to Lydia Williams at (915) 630-2131 or the Church Office, if you will be attending the Shower, so we may send you the Zoom link closer to the date of the Baby Shower. **

*In addition, we will be collecting Diapers (from sizes Newborn to Size 2) and Baby Wipes for the 2 Moms and their babies. You are also invited to join this "Diapers and Baby Wipes Collection", which will be divided and shared with the 2 families. For the next several weeks, Diapers and Baby Wipes will be collected in the Auditorium, in the designated spot, or may be dropped off at the Church Office. **Members of LWML will also be happy to pick up these items from your home and/or shop for you. Please contact Lydia or the Church Office if you need help with either of those details.** Further information will be forthcoming. Thanks, in advance for contributing to the collection for the babies and their Moms! We hope to see you at the Virtual Baby Shower!



ZION STEWARDSHIP OF + TIME + TALENT + TREASURE

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Join Any Zion Bible Study from Home!

We are working to continue being a channel for the Holy Spirit through God's word, and to help keep our Zion family connected.

All are invited, please contact the Zion office for login information or questions. Never attended an online meeting? No problem! Call 915.566.4667 for assistance.

THIS WEEK AT ZION

1/19	Tuesday	5:30 PM	Confirmation Class
	-	7:00 PM	Eastside Bible Study
1/21	Thursday	5:30 PM	Council Meeting
		7:00 PM	"Acts" Bible Study
1/22	Friday	10:00 AM	Friday Bible Study
1/24	Sunday	9:15 AM	"Exodus" Bible Study
		10:30 AM	Worship Service