Zion Announcements:

Hearing Assist Headsets: we have 7 hearing headsets available at the sound booth; anyone is welcome to use them if needed! Any set of wired earbuds can be used; you are welcome to bring your own pair from home.

Saskatoon Symphony Orchestra Sing-Along Messiah: December 12th at 2 pm at Knox United Church. If you would like to attend with friends from Zion, please let the office know. Tickets are $27 and available online (follow the links on the SSO site). If the price is an issue, contact the office. We will gather at Zion for coffee/hot chocolate and then head to Knox together.

Saskatoon Norwegian Cultural Society: Annual Norwegian Christmas Service will be held at Zion this afternoon at 2:00 p.m. Potluck dainties to follow service. Everyone welcome!

In From the Cold: Zion people are once again responding to the huge need for blankets and warm winter clothing. We will continue to deliver to St. Mary's warming shelter; donation bins are in the back of the narthex. We are asking for volunteers to take the donations to St. Mary's as needed. They accept donations during office hours. Contact Kaylyn in the office if you can help!

Mustard Seed: Krista Dawn Kimsey from the Mustard Seed will be coming for the coffee hour after the service on Sunday, December 6th. She'll have a short presentation with time for questions and discussions afterwards.

November is Stewardship Month: pledge cards are available at the back of the Narthex. They can be returned to the white locked box found at the back of the Narthex as well.

September	Actual	Budget	Difference
Offering	12,566.83	16,916.67	-4349.84

Nativity Scenes: you are invited to bring a nativity scene from home to be on display at Zion for the season of Advent.

The Mitten Tree: has been set up in the Narthex. We are collecting new or gently used mitts, toques, scarves, and socks to donate to an inner-city organization in the new year. Thanks in advance for your donation.

Zion Handbells: Sunday, December 6, the Zion Handbell Ringers will be playing during the service. The group, under the direction of Janet Wilson, have been rehearsing since September and are excited to share the beautiful music that handbells can make.

WELCOME TO ZION! If you would like more information about us, please fill in the communion card and give it to an usher. All Christians are welcome to commune. If you do not commune, please come forward to receive the Lord's Blessing. If you receive communion in your pew, notify the usher. Grape juice is available in the middle of the tray. Gluten free wafers are available on request. Ushers will direct you to the altar.

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In Our Prayers

Andrea; Nandari; Mallory; Don; Louise; Mary; Linda & Steven; Jennifer; Gloria; Kaye; Doreen; Clara; Connie; Marilyn; Fred; Lorna; Betsy; Anne; Maureen; Susan; Ron; Lara; Carolyn; Alice; Neil; Helen; Mary; Marie; Phyllis; Gordon; Ted; Dolores; Stan; Barb

Inter-Lutheran Announcements:

Gifts from the Heart: CLWR's Gifts from the Heart catalogue is now available! Copies are available on the table by the mailboxes.

Candlelight Service of Remembrance and Healing: on Thursday, December 17th, at 7:30 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church - Christmas without a loved one can be a difficult time for those left behind. Other losses, such as the loss of a relationship, health or job can be the cause of loneliness in the midst of Christmas celebrations. Please join us in a service of prayer, scripture, communion and music knowing that God is present. May we find hope and comfort in knowing that we are not alone at this time. Refreshments to follow hosted by Saskatoon Lutheran Stephen Ministers.

City-Wide Announcements:

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe: This acclaimed 2-actor adaptation captivates audiences of all ages with C.S. Lewis' beloved children's classic. HELD OVER until Dec 6, 2026 due to tickets selling fast. Venue: PAVED Arts (424 20th St W) Tickets & details at burntthicket.com.

Order of Service – Setting Three

GATHERING
Prelude: "Savior of the Nations Come" – arr. Kosche
Welcome
Confession & Forgiveness
Gathering Hymn – "The King Shall Come" – ELW #260
Kyrie – ELW pg. 138
This is the Feast – ELW pg. 140
Prayer of the Day: (see front of bulletin)
Lighting of the Advent Wreath
Candle-Lighting Hymn: "Light One Candle" – ELW #240

WORD
First Lesson: Isaiah 64:1-9
Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Gospel Acclamation – ELW pg. 142
Gospel Lesson: Mark 13:24-37
Sermon
Hymn of the Day: "Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn" – ELW #242
Apostles' Creed
Prayers of Intercession (P: God in your mercy, **C: receive our prayer.)**

COMMUNION
The Peace
Offering: "We Are Waiting for Jesus" – ACS #905
The Great Thanksgiving – ELW pg. 144
Holy Lord – ELW pg. 144
The Lord's Prayer
Lamb of God – ELW pg. 146
Communion: "Come, Lord Jesus"; "Christ the Lord"; "Even So Lord Jesus Come"
Communion Prayer

SENDING
Benediction
Announcements
Sending Song: "Hark! A Thrilling Voice is Sounding!" – ELW #246
Go in peace. Bring good news to the brokenhearted.
Thanks be to God.
Postlude: "Savior of the Nations Come" – J.S. Bach

Isaiah 64:1-9

1 O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,
so that the mountains would quake at your presence—
2 as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—
to make your name known to your adversaries,
so that the nations might tremble at your presence!
3 When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,
you came down; the mountains quaked at your presence.
4 From ages past no one has heard,
no ear has perceived,
no eye has seen any God besides you,
who works for those who wait for him.
5 You meet those who gladly do right,
those who remember you in your ways.
But you were angry, and we sinned;
because you hid yourself we transgressed.
6 We have all become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.
We all fade like a leaf,
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
7 There is no one who calls on your name
or attempts to take hold of you,
for you have hidden your face from us
and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.
8 Yet, O Lord, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
9 Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord,
and do not remember iniquity forever.
Now consider, we are all your people.

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

4 I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, 5 for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—6 just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—7 so that you are not lacking in any gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. 8 He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 God is faithful, by whom you were called into the partnership of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Mark 13:24-37

[Jesus said:] 24 "In those days, after that suffering,
the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light,
25 and the stars will be falling from heaven,
and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.
26 "Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. 27 Then he will send out the angels and gather the elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

28 "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. 29 So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. 30 Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. 31 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

32 "But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven nor the Son, but only the Father. 33 Beware, keep alert, for you do not know when the time will come. 34 It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. 35 Therefore, keep awake, for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening or at midnight or at cockcrow or at dawn, 36 or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. 37 And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

First Sunday of Advent
November 29, 2026
10:30 am
Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Prayer of the Day:
Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come.
By your merciful protection
awaken us to the threatening dangers of our sins,
and keep us blameless until the coming of your new day,
for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
Amen.



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