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Week of January 7, 2020



Here's what happened in worship this past Sunday.

This week in worship we heard from the gospel of Matthew, in this passage we hear of wise men from the east coming to visit the newborn King of the Jews. They had seen a star and followed it to Judea. This frightened King Herod and learning from the religious leaders that the messiah was to be born in Bethlehem, Herod sent the wise men to find this king. Once they found Jesus they gave him gifts and having been warned in a dream about Herod's intentions they went a different route home to avoid him. In the sermon we considered how odd the whole circumstance of Jesus birth was, then we get today's reading that makes it just a little stranger. Maybe the strangest part though is that despite all the Angels announcements those nearest the birth still didn't quite get it. Then suddenly people from far away come bringing gifts. They saw something, they got it, they knew that this baby was something special coming into the world. Sometimes those outsiders who come seeking are the ones who get it a little bit more than most. We left worship considering how we can be more curious like the wise men, seeking Jesus a little more each day.

Watch this week's sermon by clicking the link. (MP3 version now available, listen on the go!)

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Celebrating 275 Years of Ministry in 2020

2020 is the 275th anniversary of Zion Lutheran Church. Keep an eye out for celebrations all year long, culminating on Sunday August 23rd. Each month we will highlight different events that made Zion what it is today. January will celebrate Baptism, February Youth, March Confirmation, April past Church Sites, May Weddings, June Military Recognition, July and August history on display.

We are seeking artifacts, pictures, and stories relating to these monthly themes. Please contact the Church office for details or to help out!

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*Wednesday
Night Live!*

All Are Welcome!

Wednesday Night Live returns January 8th!

Join us on Wednesday's this winter as we gather for a **Community Meal at 5:45pm** then grow together with **Faith Formation opportunities for all ages from 6:30-7:30pm**. For the weeks before Lent the adult group will listen to a Zion favorite Dr. Charlie Sigel and as we discuss Major Topics in Scripture, such as "What Does the Bible Say about Universal Salvation?". On alternating weeks we will have an expert panel who will further explore what we learned. You don't want to miss this!

Youth Group will also return January 8th! We will jump right back into games and small groups each Wednesday from 6:30-7:30pm.

Come join the food, fellowship, fun and faith formation activities!

It's a new year, do you need to update your automated giving?

Thank you for your continued care of the mission of Zion Lutheran Church! If you have any questions or need help with your donations feel free to contact the church office and speak to Starr Corley. Starr@zionlexsc.com - 803-356-2297
General information or questions: Zionchurch@zionlexsc.com

Birthdays this Week

8th	Casey Hendrix
9th	Donna Corley
10th	Ilysa Henwood Caroline Beck
12th	Linda Corley
13th	Anna Hunter Johnathan Sebring

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