

## Isaiah 60:1-6

"Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you. See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the Lord rises upon you and his glory appears over you. Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. "Lift up your eyes and look about you: All assemble and come to you; your sons come from afar, and your daughters are carried on the hip. Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy; the wealth on the seas will be brought to you, to you the riches of the nations will come. Herds of camels will cover your land, young camels of Midian and Ephah. And all from Sheba will come, bearing gold and incense and proclaiming the praise of the Lord.

## Galatians 4:4-7

But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba, Father." So you are no longer a slave, but God's child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir.

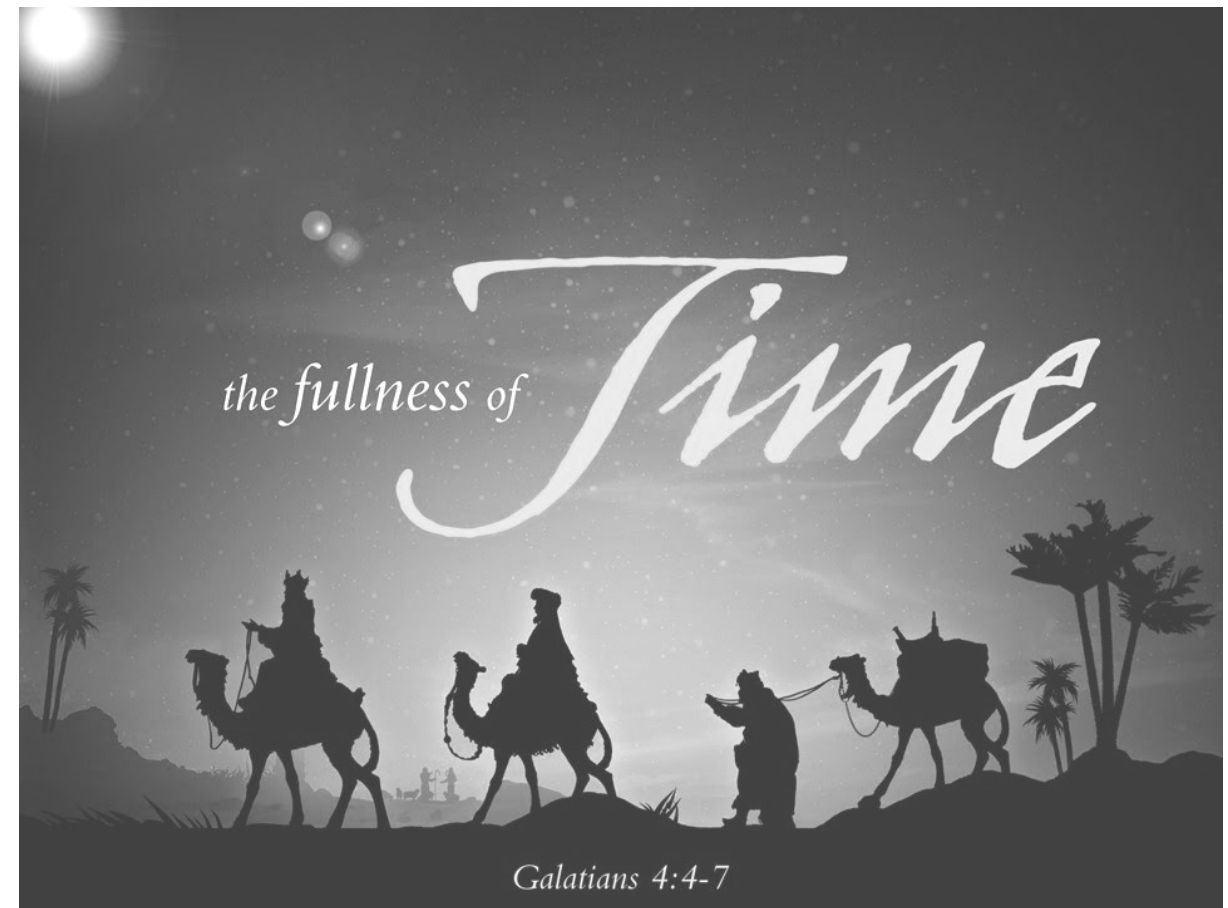
## Matthew 2:1-12

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born. "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written: "'But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.'" Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him." After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

## ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Marengo, Illinois

"With Great Boldness . . . Tell Everyone What He Has Done"



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## Zion's Mission Statement:

Proclaiming Jesus Christ through Preaching, Teaching and Reaching

Pastor:

Rev. Jonathan M. Ripke

Interim Co-Principals:

Dan Bertrand & Merri-lynn Seaburg

Music Director:

Karina Keating

Ministering to Each Other:

All Members

### ✦ WELCOME ✦

A warm and cordial welcome to all! Your presence is a blessing to us and we are happy that we can all join together in worshiping our Lord and in celebrating His triumphant resurrection. We invite you to lift up your hearts with joy and thanksgiving with us. And please do come and worship with us again!

### ✦ FOR OUR CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION ✦

The Lord's Supper, Jesus says "This is my body; This is my Blood." We cannot fully grasp this mystery, but faithfully trust Him that in this Sacrament we receive Christ's body and blood in, with and under the bread and wine, for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of faith. By communing together we affirm that we share this same confession of faith. If you have not yet been instructed in the Lutheran confession or have questions about the Sacrament please refrain from communing until you have opportunity to speak to the pastor. We joyfully desire to gather together at the table of the Lord in faithful accordance with God's Word.

## ✦ Epiphany ✦

January 5, 6, 7, 2019

6:00 PM, 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 6:30 PM—Divine Service 4 — LSB Page 203

Hymns:

LSB 905, 803, 396, 395, 802

Organist:

Karina Keating

Sermon:

"When The Fulness of Time Arrived"

Pastor Schultz

Sermon Text:

Galatians 4:4-7

## "When the Fullness of Time Arrived"

1. There is t\_\_\_\_\_, and then there is t\_\_\_\_\_, and then...
2. The world was 'r\_\_\_\_\_ ' for the birth of C\_\_\_\_\_:
  - a. C\_\_\_\_\_ – common language
  - b. Politically – 'Roman P\_\_\_\_\_ '
  - c. G\_\_\_\_\_ – extensive road system
  - d. S\_\_\_\_\_ – former religions floundering
3. At just the right time (which means \_\_\_\_\_ time), God acted in Jesus Christ.
4. What time is it in your world? The New Year can be a time of r\_\_\_\_\_ and r\_\_\_\_\_.
  - i. C\_\_\_\_\_
  - ii. C\_\_\_\_\_
  - iii. C\_\_\_\_\_
  - iv. C\_\_\_\_\_
5. We don't find time – we m\_\_\_\_\_ it. Do we need to make a conscious effort to 'prepare Him r\_\_\_\_\_ ' in the new year as well?



## Weekly Church Calendar

### Sunday

8:00 AM ..... Worship W/C  
 9:15 AM ..... Sunday School  
 9:30 AM ..... Bible Study–Pastor Ripke  
 10:30 AM ..... Worship W/C  
 2:00 PM ..... Pastor Ripke’s Installation

### Monday

4:30 PM ..... 7th & 8th Grade Public  
 ..... Confirmation  
 6:30 PM... John Henning Counting Team  
 6:30 PM ..... Worship W/C

### Tuesday

8:45 AM ..... Ladies Bible Study  
 9:00 AM..... Reading Partners  
 10:00 AM ..... Worship  
 11:30 AM ..... Silver Streaks

### Wednesday

6:00 PM ..... Adult Handbells  
 7:00 PM ..... Adult Choir

### Saturday

7:30 AM ..... Men’s Bible Study  
 6:00 PM ..... Worship

### Student in College?

Pastor Ripke would like to connect with members from Zion who are in college right now. Addresses, phone numbers, etc.-- any contact info is great! You can send information to Pastor Ripke at [pastor.ripke@zionmarengo.net](mailto:pastor.ripke@zionmarengo.net) or talk with him at church.



All children age 3 through high school are invited to Sunday School on Sunday mornings.

9:15 AM Opening Songs

9:30 AM Sunday School

### Bulletin Announcements

- ◆ **Due: Wed. @ Noon**
- ◆ E-mail submissions 100 words or less to [sandy.hauschildt@zionmarengo.net](mailto:sandy.hauschildt@zionmarengo.net)
- ◆ Typed/neatly printed announcements can be dropped off in the office.
- ◆ All submissions must include name, phone, and start/stop date (max. three weeks).
- ◆ Announcements are subject to approval, may be edited, and must be Zion related, reflecting the mission of the church and school.

### Church Information

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## Zion Lutheran Church

Weekend of January 6, 2019  
 Information Bulletin

### Adult Bible Studies

9:30-10:15 AM

“Anxious for Nothing”  
 Taught by Pastor Schulz, will meet in the Library.

“Why Do We Say That?” led by Pastor Ripke, will meet in the Chapel.

### Coffee Hour

This week’s coffee hour is being hosted by  
 The Macygin Family

We still have an opening for next weeks coffee hour if you would like to host.

### Altar Flowers

In celebration of:  
 Pastor Ripke’s installation

In memory of:  
 Elivra Freise, Gabriel Freise & Floyd Reiser  
 From Lois Reiser

### Next Week’s Acolytes

January 12, 13, 14

6:00 PM.....Sydney Andrews  
 8:00 AM... Macgregor Hellyer  
 10:30 AM... Keatyn Velasquez  
 6:30 PM ..... Omar Timoumi

### Last Week’s Attendance Total – 362

6:00 PM ..... Saturday Worship Service ..... 41  
 8:00 AM ..... Sunday Worship Service ..... 149  
 10:30 AM ..... Sunday Worship Service ..... 96  
 6:30 PM ..... New Year’s Eve Worship Service ..... 76

### Next Week’s Greeters — January 12, 13, 14

6:00 PM ..... Gerald & Chris Gieseke  
 8:00 AM ..... Tim Bowler & Art Ryden  
 10:30 AM ..... Doug & Lynn Anthony  
 6:30 PM ..... Irene & Anthony Fender



Garnet Anthony

Elaine Fick

Aiden Nichols

For those who mourn  
 Joan Tate –grandmother of Becky Smith

For those who mourn  
 Calvin Miller–father of Jim Miller

For those who mourn  
 Michael Marotta–father of Ann Marotta

Sunday School resumes today.

### Special Installation Service

Installation Service for Pastor Ripke will be held today (January 6th) at 2:00 P.M.

Cake and coffee will be served directly after the service in the multi purpose room. This is hosted by Planning Board.

## NEW SUNDAY ADULT STUDY

Over the past few decades, studies have shown that Americans are the most anxious people in the world. We take the most medication for it, see doctors to treat it, and spend fortunes trying to relieve it. How have we let our fears get the better of us? In *Anxious for Nothing*, Max Lucado reflects on the promises of Philippians 4:4-8. This passage from Paul's epistle contains an antidote to anxiety that will help you develop a mindset of resilience. A new Bible study, based on Lucado's book and accompanying video, will begin at Zion on Sunday, January 6th. Plan to be a part of the study and discussion.

## Zion Worship Services

Marengo Community Radio (WXMR) is now broadcasting at 94.3 FM, our service is played Sundays at 9:00 AM.

## Prayer Shawl

Please come to our Prayer Shawl meeting on January 17th at 1:00 PM in the Teen Room. A lot of free yarn has been donated for you to choose from. We hope to see you there!

## Save the Date

January 13, 2019  
2:00-4:00 PM

March for Life Chicago  
Location: Federal Plaza  
Chicago, IL

A bus might be going from Huntley at St. Mary's  
Contact Shirley at  
224-654-8596  
to save your seat.

## Holy Scrap

You can put small items like pop/beer cans, electric wire, tin cans, small appliances and place them in the designated truck or trailer parked by the signs next to the electric pole opposite the front door of the Church.

## Financial Recap

### GENERAL GIVING:

Weekly Budget	\$19,000
Weekly Dec. 30	\$16,801
YTD Giving Over	\$25,428

### BUILDING FUND GIVING:

December Budget	\$3,000
December Received	\$3,211

### 2018 GIVING FOR:

Pastor Ferry	\$3,602
Comfort Dogs:	\$7,040

### Operational Loan Balance:

Buhrows Endowment	\$42,309
Current Operations	\$ 0.00

## SCRIP Orders

Monday, January 14th  
& Monday, January 28th

## Coat Drive

We are, once again, collecting gently used coats in all sizes. All donations are given to The More Center, to be given to our fellow community members who may need them. Your generosity has helped to keep others warm for many a past winter. We will collect the coats, mittens/gloves and hats.

## Adult Volleyball

Starting January 13th

Open play and team picking on the 13th starting at 4:00 PM. There is a sign-up sheet in the church office.

## New in the Narthex

January Newsletter  
Hope-Full Living  
Portals of Prayer

## PTL Pies

PTL still has apple pies left. They are \$11 each. If you are interested one or more please call/text Rachel Ortega at 815-543-6949.

## Ski As A Family at Alpine Valley Resort 2018-2019

We have the opportunity once again to ski as a group this year at Alpine Valley Resort. We will be skiing Sunday evenings from 3-10 PM. There's a one-time club card fee of \$18. This card allows you to purchase \$18 lift tickets and \$18 ski/snowboard rentals for each Club night (Jan 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th, Feb 3rd, 10th) of the program. The card also allows students to ski or snowboard Sunday through Friday after 3:00 PM for the same \$18 club price lift tickets. In addition, the Student Program also includes one free lesson on club night. There are also opportunities to ski starting December 2, over the Christmas break and through the end of February, with full day passes into March, weather permitting. Please follow the link in r/e to dates and times:  
<http://files.constantcontact.com/6779075b501/bb5c242d-f307-4872-ab81-c50543261afe.pdf>  
Contact Stephanie Martin for club card purchases (cash only...Alpine Valley policy) and additional information call 815-405-2218

## Thrivent Choice Dollars

If you have Thrivent products, you may have money to donate to Zion Church or School. This is easy to do. You have until March 31st to tell them where you want your dollars to go.

Call 800-847-4836 during weekdays. All you need to tell them is your name, birthday, and telephone number. You may be on hold for a few minutes. There are still thousands of dollars available through our members.

## Life Light

Life Light starts on Monday, January 14th. There will be 2 classes, one at 10:00 AM and the other is at 7:15 PM. We will be studying Ephesians and 1 & 2 Thessalonians. Books are available in the church office for \$10.00 each.

## Communion Committee

The sign up sheet for 2019 is up in the Altar Guild Room. Please sign up for the month(s) you can serve. Thank you so much for your help!