

**Zion Lutheran Church  
Glen Rock, PA  
Service of Lessons & Carols  
The First Sunday of Christmas  
January 1, 2023**

\*We stand as we are able.

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE**

\***ENTRANCE HYMN: “The First Noel” LBW 56, vs. 1, 2**

\***DIALOGUE**

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.

**The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.**

Those who dwelt in the land of deep darkness, on them light has shined.

**We have beheld Christ’s glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.**

To us a child is born, to us a Son is given.

**In him was life, and the life was the light of all people.**

\***OPENING PRAYER**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray. Almighty God, **you have filled us with the new light of the Word who became flesh and lived among us. Let the light of our faith shine in all we do; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

**FIRST READING: Genesis 3:1-23**

**CAROL: “Lo, How a Rose Is Growing” LBW 58, vs. 1, 3**

**SECOND READING: Isaiah 9:2-7**

**CAROL: “Infant Holy, Infant Lowly” LBW 44, vs. 1, 2**

**THIRD READING: Micah 5:2-5a**

**CAROL: “O Little Town of Bethlehem” LBW 41, vs. 1, 2**

**FOURTH READING: Luke 1:26-35,38**

**CAROL: “From Heaven Above” LBW 51, vs. 1, 2**

**FIFTH READING: Luke 2:1-7**

**CAROL: “Once in Royal David’s City” WOV 643, vs. 1, 4**

**SIXTH READING: Luke 2:8-16**

**CAROL: “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing” LBW 60, all 3 vs.**

**SEVENTH READING: John 1:1-14**

**CAROL: “Of the Father’s Love Begotten” LBW 42, vs. 1, 4**

## **SERMON**

**\*HYMN: “Joy to the World” LBW 39, vs. 1, 4**

**\*PRESENTATION OF OFFERING**

**\*OFFERTORY HYMN: “What Child Is This” LBW 40, vs. 1, 3**

**\*RESPONSIVE PRAYER**

Let us pray. Glory to God in the highest,

**And peace to God’s people on earth.**

Blessed are you, Prince of Peace. You rule the earth with truth and justice.

**Send your gifts of peace to all nations of the world.**

Blessed are you, Son of Mary. You share our humanity.

**Have mercy on the sick, the dying, and all who suffer this day.**

Blessed are you, Son of God. You dwell among us as the Word made flesh.

**Reveal yourself to us in word and sacrament that we may bear your light to all the world. Amen**

**\*THE LORD’S PRAYER: Our Father who art in heaven....**

**\*BLESSING**

Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

**May you be filled with the wonder of Mary, the obedience of Joseph, the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, and the peace of the Christ child. Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever more. Amen**

**\*SENDING Hymn: “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice” LBW 55, all 3 vs.**

**POSTLUDE**

**\*DISMISSAL**

**Go in peace. Share the Light of Christ. Thanks be to God.**

Today’s altar flowers are presented in memory of Claude & Nelda Roser, by Evie and Dennis Roser.

**SCRIPTURE TEXT FOR SUNDAY 1/8/2023**

Isa 42:1-9, Ps 29, Acts 10:34-43, Matt 3:13-17

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Marlene Batchelor, Adley French, Andrew Gilroy, Ron & Lois Goodling,  
Rev. Paul Haack, Butch Hengst, Joann King, Linda Kowalewski,  
Kevin Krout, Sharon Krout, Melann Laughman, Karen & Randy McCullough,  
Don Miller, Brian Phelps, Tom & Pam Prowell, Bev Reindollar, Mike & Janet  
Schriver, LeMos Stallard, Mary & Pat Wigglesworth

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Services are videotaped and streamed live each week on Zion Lutheran Church's Facebook page.** It is possible during recording that people attending the service will be filmed. If you have any concerns about being filmed, please contact the office at 717-235-3276.

**Offering envelopes for 2023 have not arrived yet.** Generic offering envelopes for you to use until the numbered envelopes arrive can be found near the offering plates at the back of the Sanctuary. Unless you have been contacted by Brenda, your envelope number will not change for 2023.

**The Loose Change offering plate is available every Sunday.** You may bring your loose change any Sunday of the month. At the end of the month, the total collected for that month will be sent to the chosen organization. **January's Loose Change collection will benefit Friends of Glen Rock Borough.** Friends of Glen Rock Borough's goal is to enhance, encourage, and embrace Glen Rock, PA's residents, and businesses. The group organizes and advertises events being held in Glen Rock.

**Due to flower and supply prices going up** and the costs involved in delivering flowers for churches, Flowers by Cindy will be increasing prices starting 1/1/2023. Regular altar flowers will increase to \$30. High altar flowers will increase to \$20.

**If you desire pastoral care or conversation, please contact Vicar David Hoth at 720-855-8878.**

## PERSONNEL here at ZION

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## **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Donna Price, Tom Bailey, Susan Hengst, Edgar Davis, Rick Freda, Chad Fisher, Linda Beegle, Jeff Brown

## **SUNDAY SERVANTS**

### **Assisting Ministers:**

Jan. 8: Donna Price  
Jan. 15: Diane Bortner  
Jan. 22: George Brown  
Jan 29: Linda Beegle

### **Lectors:**

Jan. 8: Linda Beegle  
Jan. 15: Kelley Fisher  
Jan. 22: Jenn Webb  
Jan 29: Sandy Fair

### **Council Offering Duty:**

January – Donna Price and Linda Beegle

### **Social Time Hosts:**

Jan. 1: Becki McCullough  
Jan. 8: Jen and Eric Webb  
Jan. 15: Joy Keller-Brown and Jeff Brown  
Jan. 22: Tom and Pam Spangler  
Jan 29: Sheree Sidler

### **Altar Care:**

January – Sandy Fair



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