



# The Lord's Week at Zion and Salem

*"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want." Psalm 23:1*

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Week of Sunday, Dec. 7, 2025-Sunday, Dec. 14, 2025

## Today . . .

- † Zion Voters' Annual Meeting—After Zion Worship
- † Salem Voters' Special Meeting—After Salem Worship

## This Week at Salem and Zion . . .

### Monday, December 8, 2025

- † Pastor Hellwege's Day Off

### Tuesday, December 9, 2025

- † Dartball-Crosstown at Farrar—7 p.m.

### Wednesday, December 10, 2025

- † Advent Soup Supper (and after worship)—6 p.m.
- † Confirmation Instruction at Salem—6 p.m.
- † Advent Worship at Salem—7 p.m.

### Thursday, December 11, 2025

- † Bulletin and Announcement Items Due—12 p.m.

### Saturday, December 13, 2025

- † Worship/Holy Communion at Salem—5:30 p.m.

### Sunday, December 14, 2025

- † Zion Worship/Holy Communion—7:30 a.m.

- † Zion Sunday School—After Worship

- † Salem Sunday School/Adult Bible Class—8:15 a.m.

- † Salem Worship/Monthly Mission Offering for

Rev. Jonathan Clausing and Rev. Matthew Wood—9 a.m.

## This Week at UCLS . . .

### Monday, December 8, 2025

- † EPC Wildcats Boys Basketball vs. Kelso C-7 (Away)—5:30 p.m.

### Tuesday, December 9, 2025

- † EPC Wildcats Boys Basketball vs. St. Paul (Home at Salem)  
(Parents' Night)—5:30 p.m.

### Friday, December 12, 2025

- † "A Lamb's Tale" (A Christmas Musical for Kids) at UCLS—  
2 p.m. (Matinee), 6:30 p.m.

### Saturday, December 13, 2025

- † EPC Wildcats Boys Basketball-A-Team Tournament at Saxony—  
TBA

## Volunteers Needed at Salem and Zion

The Christmas Country Church Tour will be Thursday and Friday, December 18 and 19, from 1-8 p.m. Volunteers from each church are needed as hosts. A sign-up sheet is on the Zion and Salem bulletin boards. Maps of churches participating in the tour are also available on the bulletin boards. Please contact Denise Brueckner at 573-517-8229 at Salem or Cheryl Hagan at 573-768-1817 at Zion for questions concerning the tour or volunteering as a host.

## CHRIST FOR YOU this Week on KFUO.org

We are continuing our series "Yearning for the Day of Christ's Returning" on *Sharper Iron* (weekdays at 8 a.m.)! This week, we'll be studying 1 Thessalonians 3-5. Tune in to *Thy Strong Word* (weekdays at 11 a.m.) as we begin a new series for the time of Advent. "Prophecy and Fulfillment" will take us through Old Testament prophecy and New Testament fulfillment, tracing God's promises from Isaiah to the birth of Christ. On *Concord Matters* this Saturday, December 13, at 10 a.m., we'll be discussing the 2nd Petition of the Lord's Prayer. Find your favorite programs on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or in the KFUO Radio app!

## Week: 16

### Sunday:

#### The Third Sunday in Advent

##### Bible Stories

- 12/08 - M: Nehemiah 1:1-2:6
- 12/09 - Tu: Nehemiah 7:73-8:4a, 5-6, 7b-12
- 12/10 -- W: Luke 1:5-25
- 12/11 -- Th: Luke 1:26-38
- 12/12 - F: Matthew 1:18-25

## Hymn of the Week

### LSB 383

#### *"Once He Came in Blessing"*

Once He came in blessing,  
All our sins redressing;  
Came in likeness lowly,  
Son of God most holy;  
Bore the cross to save us;  
Hope and freedom gave us.

##### Bible Verse

*Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul.  
Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell.*  
Matthew 10:28 (ESV)

##### Catechism

The Lord's Prayer -- The Introduction and Meaning - "Our Father who art in heaven. *What does this mean?* With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father."

## Pie Donations Requested

Salem/Zion LYF will be running the concession stand during the Dartball Tournament to be held at Salem on Tuesdays in January. Donations of pies are being requested. If you can donate, please sign the list posted on Salem's bulletin board.

## Community and Other Events

- **Pancake and Sausage Breakfast-Immanuel Hall, Altenburg (Hosted by Immanuel LYF)**  
—Today, December 7—8-11:30 a.m.  
—A free-will donation will be accepted for the meal.  
—Santa will make a special guest appearance.  
—Proceeds will benefit the Immanuel Lutheran LYF.
- **Smoked Pork Steak Dinner-Eisleben Lutheran Church, 432 Lutheran Lane, Scott City**  
—Today, December 7—11 a.m.-2 p.m.  
—The dinner will include smoked pork steaks, baked beans, salad, potatoes, and dessert.  
—Adults and all carry outs-\$14 and kids (ages 6-10)-\$7.  
—Proceeds will go to improvements for the smoking shed.
- **Annual "Christmas Service of Readings and Carols"-Hill of Peace Lutheran Church, Friedenberg**  
—Today, December 7-3 p.m.  
—Rev. Dr. Daniel Harmelink, from Concordia Historical Institute, will lead the service.  
—The Immanuel Men's Choir, Perryville, will provide music.  
—Refreshments will be served in the hall following the service.
- **Authentic German Christmas Market-Concordia Lutheran Church, 836 Park Avenue, Sikeston**  
—Friday, December 19—4:30-8 p.m., Saturday, December 20—10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.  
—Experience German Lutheran Christmas traditions.  
—Shop German-inspired ornaments and crafts.  
—Visit with St. Nicholas.  
—Listen to Christmas hymns.  
—Sit by the fire and eat German food.  
—This event will include a kids' craft corner.