

**\*SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5\*** is a worship filled with great excitement. The ropes in the Sanctuary are coming down and it will be the first Sunday of worship allowing full capacity. **Registration in advance will still be required as well as masks.**

Paul Shilton is excited that this is the first Sunday that our choir will be back performing. This is a much welcomed addition which has been truly missed. Paul has invited as special guests, **Andrew Chung who will be playing his violin and Leisel Deppe on flute**, to join the music program. The music will be sure to raise the roof. So, please call to register for this very “special” worship!

**THIS WEEK WE PRAY:**

>for our members and friends with special needs: Steve, Nya, Dan, Jane, Maria, Bob, Brian, Murray, Mary, Lynnette, Al, Glenn, Beryl, Cathy, Jack, John, Katana, Ron, Brian and Kolby.  
>for those who have no one to pray for them.

**Serving Next Sunday, November 21, 2021 As We Worship:**

Greeters: Volunteers Needed    Reader: Sister Jean Widmeyer  
Usher Captain: Tom Cosstick    Counter: Tim Gropp Team

## 25 Sunday After Pentecost



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## People of Zion

Rev. Jeffrey Laustsen  
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Paul Shilton  
Laura Burton  
Sandra Mogensen

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## Ministers

Pastor  
Visitation Minister  
Minister of Music  
Organist  
Pianist

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## PENTECOST 25

November 14, 2021

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### GATHERING

Prelude  
Welcome, Announcements  
Confession and Forgiveness  
**HYMN 652:** "Built on a Rock"  
Greeting

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Prayer of the Day:

**Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.**

### WORD

First Lesson: Daniel 12:1-3  
Psalm 16  
Second Lesson: Hebrews 10:11-25  
Gospel: Mark 13:1-8  
Sermon:  
<https://1drv.ms/v/s!AlrwdIq5YZa1jAlbIicVyU-MA2YU>

**HYMN 438:** "My Lord, What a Morning"

Apostles' Creed

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Prayers of Intercession

Sharing the Peace

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### MEAL

Offertory Prayer

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

Distribution of Holy Communion

Post-Communion Prayer

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### SENDING

Blessing

**HYMN 628:** "Jerusalem, My Happy Home"

Dismissal

Postlude

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Zion Lutheran Church **welcomes our visitors and guests.** We are pleased that you have come to join us in the worship of our God of grace and love. May you be strengthened and uplifted in our time together. Please sign our guest register and make yourself known to Pastor Jeff who would love to meet you. Plan to be with us, again, at your earliest opportunity.

All people of faith and those who seek faith are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. This morning, we will be distributing the Lord's Supper in a continuous fashion. The ushers will invite the congregation to come forward down the centre aisle.

**HOUSE OF BLESSING NEED OF THE WEEK:** In the last update from the House of Blessing they stated "It definitely is not near the supply we have had other years, and we are really short in **cereal and oatmeal.**" As you are able, if you could bring **cereal and oatmeal** for the House of Blessing Food Bank and place it in the basket at the back of the church. Thank you for sharing your blessings with those in need.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER NEEDED:** for our Grade 5/6 class. If you are interested, please contact Paula McNaughton by email: [pauley\\_mcnaughton@hotmail.com](mailto:pauley_mcnaughton@hotmail.com) or by calling her cell after 6:00 p.m. at 519-274-4121.

# **COVID-19 - ZION MOVING FORWARD**

## **DECEMBER 5, 2021**

As we move into the next phase of reopening, your Congregational Council is making the following announcement:

**Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Stratford is in favour of implementing a mandatory vaccination policy in order to allow us to proceed to full capacity effective December 5, 2021.**

**PROOF OF FULL VACCINATION WILL BE REQUIRED FOR ENTRY.**

**Once the proof has been presented the first time, a record will be kept in our data base and recorded on our sign-in sheet until this requirement is no longer needed under Government Regulations.**

**BOOKING IN ADVANCE FOR WORSHIP AND MASKS WILL CONTINUE TO BE REQUIRED !!**

We are excited to enter this next phase while still ensuring that our members can be confident that they are entering a “safe” environment.

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