

*Christmas Lessons and Carols
with Reflections
From: Martin Luther*

Nicene Creed continued...

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Offering Song *“What Child Is This”* **ELW 296**

Lord’s Prayer

Sending Song *“Cold December Flies Away”* **ELW 299**

Blessing of New Year 2025 and Benediction

Dismissal (L) Glory to God in the highest!
 (C) And peace to God’s people on earth!
 (L) Go in peace. Share the gift of Jesus.
 (C) Thanks be to God.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR: ZION ANNUAL MEETING
JAN 26 2025 10am(after worship) potluck to follow!



Zion Lutheran Church
Kulm ND
December 29, 2024
9:00 am

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Song “*Holy Child With in a Manger*” insert

Christmas Greeting and Dialogue

(L) The grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ—the Word made flesh, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(C) And also with you.

(L) Come! Look upon the baby Jesus, cradled in the arms of his mother.

(C) Seeing this wondrous sight, may our hearts be comforted and our spirits filled with peace.

(L) Come! Listen to choirs of angels announcing good news to all people.

**(C) Hearing this marvelous song, may we too sing:
Glory to God in the highest!**

Song of Praise “*Angels We Have Heard on High*” ELW 289

Prayer of the Day

(All) Shine into our hearts the light of your wisdom, O God, and open our minds to the knowledge of your word, that in all things we may think and act according to your good will and may live continually in the light of your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Children’s Song “*Away in Manger*” ELW 278

SCRIPTURE --- REFLECTION—CAROL

First Reading: Luke 2:1-7

Reflection: Luther’s reflections on the birth of Jesus

Carol “*Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*” ELW 276

Second Reading: Luke 2:8-16

Reflection: Luther’s reflections on the shepherds and angels

Carol “*It Came Upon the Midnight Clear*” ELW 282

Third Reading Matthew 2:1-12

Reflection: Luther’s reflections on Herod and the wise men

Carol “*The First Noel*” ELW 300

Fourth Reading John 1:1-5, 14-18

Reflection: Luther’s reflections on the Word made Flesh

Carol “*From Heaven Above*” (v. 1-3, 12-14) ELW 268

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen & unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. (continued on back)**