

Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church!

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FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT March 18, 2018

If you are a guest visiting for the first time - **WELCOME!**

If you wish to know more about Zion, we encourage you to ask any member of the congregation. Please pick up a visitor's gift bag found in the entrances to the building. You are also invited to sign the Welcome Folder at the end of the pew. Busy bags and Children's worship bulletins are available at the back of the sanctuary. Everyone is invited to join us for coffee and treats in the Fellowship Hall between services.

WORSHIP TODAY

8:30 AM Traditional Worship with Holy Communion

10:45 AM Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion

Visitors are always welcome at Zion! Please feel at home and come again!
For your information:

- † Please sign the Welcome Folder in the pew.
- † LARGE PRINT BULLETINS are available from the ushers.
- † Bibles are available in the pews for use during worship.
- † Communion is served the first and third Sunday of each month at early service and most Sundays at late service. All Christians who believe that Christ is truly present are welcome to the Lord's Table. Grape juice is available to those not wishing to drink wine and gluten free wafers are also provided.
- † Nursery, for children 3 years old and younger is located in the hallway between the Sanctuary and the Fellowship Hall. Restrooms are also in this hallway.
- † Wide Band FM wireless listening devices are available to anyone who needs hearing assistance. Please request one from an usher.
- † We print 25 regular and 1 large print worship bulletin for each service. Bulletin content is on the screens in the sanctuary. Please request a paper bulletin from an usher.

ZIONS' RADIO BROADCAST is heard each week at 8:30 am on **KSDN radio (930 AM & 102.1 FM)**. Today's broadcast is sponsored by Karl & Sonya Kempf in honor of our granddaughters Raegan & Zoe Kempf and the rest of the fifth grade class celebrating their First Communion today. Thanks for sponsoring today's broadcast.

These broadcasts are appreciated by those listening at home. Please take a look at the sign up sheet on bulletin board by the library table and see if there is a Sunday you can sign up for.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Olivia Schock (Elsie Geffre's sister),
Jordan Graves

"I GIVE ELECTRONICALLY" - Do you give electronically but desire to put something in the offering plate? There are now cards in the pews for you to place in the offering plate should you desire.

If you would like to sign up for "Simply Giving" electronic giving, call or stop into the office, it only takes a few minutes.

SCHOLARSHIPS - Two \$350 scholarships will be awarded, one to a 2018 high school graduate and one to a continuing college student.

Printed applications are now available in the fellowship hall. Completed applications and materials should be returned to the church no later than **March 31**. Contact Pastor Erin if you need an application, call/text 252-0320 or on Zion's website under the "Connect" tab or email pastorerin@nvc.net

SPECIAL OFFERING for March is **Aspire**. See the Kiosk for more information on this ministry.

THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP

Hymns: #595, #339, #334, #656, #759
Scripture: Jeremiah 31:31-34,
John 12:20-33

SPECIAL MUSIC - Thank you to Sue Gates for sharing her musical talent with us this morning.

LENTEN SERVICES - Join us as we continue our series of exploring the promises we made on Confirmation Day each Wednesday's in Lent.

March 21

12:05 pm and 6:30 pm

March 21 ~ Pastor Tim Sersen,
Good Shepherd

CONGRATULATIONS FIFTH GRADE FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

- Today we celebrate First Communion with these fifth graders: Jack Dickey, Kaylee Eframson, Hailey Fesler, Aubrey Jensen, Raegan Kempf, Zoe Kempf, Trey Otterstetter, Kaelyn Schutter, Brandon Schwan, Gavin Stemper & Brendyn Weisser.

FREEZER MEAL DONATIONS - The Social Concerns committee is holding a **Freezer Meal Prep day on Saturday, March 24th, starting at 10:00 am**. The sign up sheet for volunteers is on the table in the Fellowship Hall, along with the ingredient cards for the recipes. Please be sure to return the cards with the food items as it is easier to sort ingredients for the specific recipes. **All food items need to be returned by 5:00 pm on Friday, March 23rd**. If you are unable to purchase food items but would like to make a monetary donation, please see Pastor Erin or Donna.

WEEKLY CHURCH CALENDAR

TODAY - March 18 FIRST COMMUNION SUNDAY! CAMP SUNDAY!

8:30 AM Traditional Worship with H\C
9:45 AM Sunday School; Adult Choir,
Fellowship Hour; Finance Committee
10:45 AM Contemporary Worship with H\C
12 noon Education Committee
4:00 PM Northern Plains Conf. Assembly
in Pierre

MONDAY - March 19

1:00 PM Quilters
7:00 PM Altar Guild
7:00 PM Gamblers Anonymous

TUESDAY - March 20

11:15 AM Table Talks at Bethlehem
1:15 PM Staff meeting
7:00 PM Church Council

WEDNESDAY - March 21

12:05 & 6:30 PM Lenten Worship
1:00 Card making
8:00 PM AA at Zion

THURSDAY - March 22

1:00 PM Quilters
6:30 PM Praise Band
7:00 PM Girl Scouts

FRIDAY - March 23

6:30 PM Palm\Passion Sunday practice
Girl Scout overnight at Zion

SUNDAY - March 25 PALM/PASSION SUNDAY!

8:30 AM Traditional Worship
9:30-10:30 AM Palm Sunday Brunch
9:45 AM Sunday School; Adult Choir
10:45 AM Contemporary Worship with H\C
4:00 PM MS/HS game night!

MONDAY - March 26

5:30-7:00 PM Table of Plenty meal



RADIO BROADCAST - Please check the bulletin board near the rest rooms for available openings. You may take the whole Sunday for \$110.00 or split it in half for \$55.00. ***TAKE TIME TO SIGN UP TODAY!** Sign up in remembrance of a loved one or in celebration of a special occasion to support this ministry. Take a moment to look at the board and pick your Sunday!

Service opportunity: The Youth Committee is looking for someone to head up the monthly youth coffee fellowship. Zion youth host the coffee hour every second Sunday of the month. The freewill offerings we collect are used to fund youth activities throughout the year. Our coffee chair person will oversee the families who sign up to work at the coffee hour each month (or designate a substitute in his/her place). This service opportunity does not require much time or work but is an important way for our youth and families to serve the congregation and to raise funds. If you are interested, please contact Youth Committee Chair Jennifer Wagemann at 380-4885 or Pastor Erin.

PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST - Join us on March 25 from 9:30-10:30 as Zion youth serve Palm Sunday breakfast! Menu includes French toast bake, sausage, fruit, and juice/coffee. Freewill offerings will help youth attending the ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston this summer. If you would like to donate ingredients for the breakfast, you can take a card from the donation board in the Narthex.

TABLE OF PLENTY MEAL will be Monday, March 26th. Supper will be served from 5:30-7:00 PM. Grab your friends and come eat! Thank you Primrose for sponsoring our meal of lasagna, caesar salad with croutons, breadstick, cookies and bars.

EASTER BASKET SILENT AUCTION - Youth attending the ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston will be holding an Easter Basket silent auction in March. Baskets will be on display and open for bids on March 18, & 25. Winning bidders will take home their baskets on March 25 (Palm Sunday).

MIDDLE SCHOOL ~ HIGH SCHOOL GAME NIGHT - SUNDAY, MARCH 25 - 4:00 PM - ? 6-12 graders, come out for a great game night! Bring your favorite board game + we'll have Glow Stick Sardines, escape room, scavenger hunt, humans vs. zombies, and more! Supper included. Friends are welcome!

THRIVENT MEMBER NETWORK - Two Rivers Region will host a special event on helping prepare for retirement. The event will be Tuesday, April 3 from 6:00-7:30 PM at the Dakota Event Center. Dinner will be served. Guest speaker will be Tom Hegna, financial expert and author. Space is limited. Please RSVP by calling 507-621-0995 or email: BoxTMNTwoRivers@Thrivent.com.

LEADING OUR WORSHIP:

Preaching: Pastor Marcia Sylvester
Presiding: Pastor Erin Heidelberger
Organist (8:30): Sonya Kempf
Deacon (8:30): Garry Johnson
Curt Suedmeier
(10:45): Phyllis Gab - Monica Tietz
Acolyte (8:30): Claire Bretsch
(10:45): Grace Schwan
Lector: (8:30): Mary Jane Kabrud
(10:45): Ted Dickey
Power Point (8:30): Sue Gates
(10:45): Morgan Berryman
Altar Guild Chair: Jane Albrecht
Carmel Heyd
Sound System (8:30): Jeff Carlson
(10:45): Mike Brumbaugh
Van Driver: Loren Vilhauer
Counters: Lynae Poel, Sharon Paranto,
Jeff Vicki Carlson
Coffee Hosts: Table of Plenty
Ushers (8:30): Ron Kost, Rick, Deb, Eric &
Chris Weber
(10:45): Bill Arndt, Curt Suedmeier
Praise Band: (10:45): Mike German,
Vicki Carlson, Justin Desens,
Stacy Geffre, Stephanie Hawkinson,
Alan LaFave, Lexi LaFave,
Lynae Poel

QUILT TICKETS are available in the church office for the Table of Plenty "Fishing for Fellowship" quilt. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 tickets for \$5.00. Get your tickets in the church office during the week.