

Announcements for August 27, 2023

Leading Worship Today (9:00 AM):

Presiding: Pastor Jim Holthus

Worship Assistant: Mike Bretsch

Lector: Sharon Stroschein

Sound: Kathy Heffernan

PowerPoint: Shelley Fischbach

Communion Server: Marilyn Bender

Ushers: Dennis & Julie Beusch

Praise Band: Stephanie Hawkinson, Stacy Geffre, Phyllis Gab, Garry Johnson, Mike German, Cadynce German, Vicki Carlson

Zion Worship Opportunities

Summer Worship: There will be one worship service available on Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM. This worship service will include Holy Communion each week, will be livestreamed, and will include a live radio broadcast on KSDN radio: 930 AM and 102.1 FM. As a general rule, traditional music will be featured on the first and third Sundays of the month; contemporary music will be on the second and fourth Sundays.

Livestreaming of all worship services can be found on our Facebook page, website, and YouTube channel.

Kids' Time will be available during the Sunday morning worship service.

ZION'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Ed Suchomel – 380-6375

Chastity Madsen – 252-0523

Brent Stanek – 712-302-5252

Joel Albrecht – 226-2853

Ways to Give

Zion radio broadcast - Generous sponsors provide for each Sunday's radio broadcast. Would you consider donating either the whole cost or half the cost of a Sunday broadcast? A whole Sunday service is \$110.00 and one half is

Zion's Radio Broadcast is heard each week at 9:30 am on **KSDN radio (930 AM & 102.1 FM)**. Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by Ray & Marcie Andersh in celebration of their wedding anniversary on August 28th and in appreciation of Zion's radio ministry.

\$55.00. You are welcome to donate in remembrance of a loved one or in celebration of a special occasion to support this ministry. To sign up as a sponsor, contact the church office at 225-6755.

Electronic Giving - If you have a smart phone, you can simply scan the code you see here and it will take you directly to our "Giving" page on the Zion website. This allows you to easily give online while sitting in the pew or later at home or when travelling. You can also take advantage of the GivePlus mobile app for your smart phone to make giving even more convenient. Just download the GivePlus app, find Zion Lutheran Church, and give!



Do you need an easy, convenient way to contribute to the church? Text giving is a powerful way to give in a matter of seconds. Send a text with your offering amount to **(844-771-9058)**. It's simple and secure.

AUGUST SPECIAL OFFERING is ELCA Hunger Appeal - ELCA World Hunger is uniquely positioned to reach communities in need. From health clinics to microloans, water wells to animal husbandry, community meals to advocacy, your gifts to ELCA World Hunger make it possible for the ELCA to respond, supporting sustainable solutions that get at the root causes of hunger and poverty. Thanks for your support!

FREEZER MEALS are available in the Zion freezer if you know of anyone in need of a meal. Come to the church office to pick one up.

NOISY OFFERING will be collected during each service on the second Sunday of each month. Don't forget your coins! A bucket will remain on the offering table at the back of the sanctuary for you to use to donate noisy (or quiet) offering on the other Sundays of the month.

SUNDAY VAN RIDES AVAILABLE—Our van ride service is available on Sunday mornings for the 9:00 AM worship service. If you would like a ride to worship, or are willing to drive, please call the church office @225-6755.

COOKBOOKS FOR SALE – The Zion cookbooks are almost gone! Cost is \$20 and the proceeds support our youth programming. Pick yours up anytime throughout the week in the church office or from the table in the Narthex on Sunday mornings.

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS - Are you interested in becoming a member of our faith family, or do you know someone who is? Or are you wondering what it means to be a member of Zion? Let Pastoral Assistant Sandra Anderson or Norma Nielsen, Welcome & Outreach chair know of your interest! We'd love to know if you're thinking about becoming a member. Or you can call the church at 225-6755 or by email: zion@nvc.net.

MATERIAL NEEDED - The quilters are in need of children's themed material to make quilts for "Sleep in Heavenly Peace". Please bring to the church if you have any or find any at the store. Thanks so much!

WITH TWO HOSPITALS – PLEASE CONTACT US: Sanford and Avera St. Luke's– our area health care facilities - do not contact the church about admissions. It is vital that patients and families contact the church to notify us of pastoral care needs. If you or a loved one is hospitalized, or in need of a pastor, call the church office at 225-6755.

THRIVENT CHOICE - Direct Thrivent Choice Dollars - A heartfelt thanks to all of you who have used Thrivent's generosity programs to support Zion. The outreach funding we receive from both you and Thrivent helps us to continue our important mission. Thank you for your support. Eligible Thrivent clients with membership: Please consider directing Choice Dollars to us. You can make a profound impact!

* For more information about the Thrivent Choice program and Choice Dollars:

- Visit thrivent.com/thriventchoice.
- Call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" when prompted.
- Contact your Thrivent financial advisor

PUZZLE CHECKOUT - Puzzles are back! In Classroom C, there is a table with puzzles available for Checkout. Simply write your name, phone number, puzzle title, and checkout date on the sheet. When you return the puzzle, please put the check in date. If you have any new or gently used puzzles of 500 pieces or more (with all pieces) that you would like to donate, please bring them to the office.

TABLE OF PLENTY – The next TOP Meal will be held Monday, August 28th from 5:30-7:00 PM. The meal is sponsored by the Presentation Sisters and will be ham, bean, and rice casserole, corn bread, fruit salad, and dessert. If you are interested in supporting this ministry by volunteering, please contact Nicole Schutter at 670-6216 or Marissa Jondahl at 228-3524. Thanks to all who have volunteered: your help is greatly appreciated.

ORGAN KEYS SALE - Stop by the table in the Narthex and check out the finished engraved keyboard that has been delivered from J.F. Nordlie for our organ key sale. You may purchase a key for \$50 or a pedal for \$250. They will be engraved in honor or memory of, in celebration of or simply with your name to support the effort to fund our organ restoration.

If you would like to purchase a key or a pedal or have questions, please contact a member of the committee.

Zachary Anderson: 252-1229; Sue Gates: 290-1684; Nicole Kempf: 228-5218; Sonya Kempf: 228-2490; Sharon Stroschein: 228-1299

TABLE OF PLENTY YARD SIGNS --Table of Plenty has been rekindled and we need to keep working to get the word out! Please make sure that you display your yard signs if you still have them. If you no longer desire to, please return them to the church.

ZION BAZAAR – Mark your calendar! The ZLCW are planning for the Fall Bazaar which will be Saturday, September 23rd from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM. Mark the date on your calendar now to help at this year's bazaar. Please bring any items for Grandma's Treasurers beginning Monday, September 11th and put items in A&B classrooms. Keep working on those crafts for the Hobby Nook and those can be brought beginning the week of the bazaar. Any baked or candy items for the bake sale and candy shop can be brought beginning Friday, September 22nd. Thanks for helping us make our bazaar a success!

IT'S ABOUT BLOOMIN' TIME - It's time to do a bit of sprucing of Zion's grounds, specifically the outdoor signage at the corner of Melgaard Road and Main Street and the one in front of the church. The brick planter in front of the stained glass window has been refilled with good soil and now **needs new plants**. We would also like to **replace the shrubs** on the front and north side of the church with more sustainable plants.

If you are interested in giving toward this project, your gift may be given as offering (specify on your offering envelope) or taken to the church office. We look forward to the facelift. Thanks to all who have and are helping with this project.

GET YOUR TICKETS – Stop by and see the beautiful quilt **“Hankies of Hope”** on display in the Narthex today and purchase your tickets. This is the quilt that will be raffled at Zion's Bazaar on Saturday, September 23rd. Tickets are 1 for \$3 or 2 for \$5. You do not need to be present to win.

ELCA YOUTH GATHERING MEETING – We will be holding informational meetings this month for those interested in attending the **ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans** next summer (**July 16-20, 2024**). This meeting will be held on **Sunday, August 27 at 10:10 AM**. Even if you aren't ready to commit yet, please come and learn more about the trip, the city where we're going, what we'll do, fundraising opportunities, and more!

MEN'S FELOWSHIP OPPORTUNITY

On Wednesday, August 30 at 8:00 PM, there will be a men's meeting at Dempsey's for an opportunity for fellowship. This is intended to be extremely informal and an opportunity to get to know one another. Please feel free to invite a friend, and we will see you there!

ZION'S FALL TEA will be held on **Saturday, September 30th at 2:00 PM**. All proceeds will go towards the restoration of the church's pipe organ. Tickets will be \$15.00 each and will be available for sale beginning **Tuesday, September 5th**. Tickets will be available in the church office. If you purchase 8 tickets, a table tent will be placed on your table to assure that you and your friends will be seated together. Door prizes will be given away. Janelle Heyd-Leuning will provide the music. Please join us for a fun, relaxing time while enjoying tea, sandwiches, desserts and special music!

TEAPOTS & TRAYS NEEDED – We are looking for teapots and trays for our Fall Tea on September 30th. The teapots can be usable or decorative. We will use some on the tables for decorations and some for serving. The serving trays we are seeking can be tiered or flat. They

will hold our mini bars and desserts. If you have any that we could borrow for this event, please contact the church office or April Nehlich at 226-0954.

LIFELINE SCREENING is the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings they will offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at **Zion Lutheran Church on Tuesday, October 24, 2023.**

A package of four screenings to identify risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions will be offered:

***Carotid Artery Screening (Plaque)**

***Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening**

***Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (AAA)**

***Atrial Fibrillation**

These 4 vital screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. Register by calling toll free 1-844-591-7160 or online at <https://llsa.social/HC>

These painless screenings go beyond your regular checkup to identify dangerous plaque buildup or blockage, a major risk factor for stroke and heart disease. The screenings are accurate, affordable and will give you valuable information about your health that you can share with your doctor. Two coupons valued at \$85 are available in the church office if you are interested in making an appointment and would like a coupon.

FALL KICKOFF SUNDAY – We are so excited to begin another fall season here at Zion! There are lots of activities planned for the morning of Sunday, Sept. 10th, so be sure to mark the date on your calendar and join in the fun!

Schedule of events:

- 9:00 AM Worship with live radio broadcast, Holy Communion, and Blessing of the Backpacks
- 10:00 AM Fellowship time with activities
- 10:15 AM Sunday School opening in the sanctuary; parent

meeting to follow

The schedule and all final details are still being set. Be sure to check back next week for the final list of events!

Praying for One Another

***As a community of faith in Christ, we are connected through joy, sorrow, worship and prayer. Please pray for the people listed below:**

Kathy Johnson, Della Mullner, Joyce Mentzer, Meta Vetter, Bob Mentzer, Sharon Paranto, Julie Beusch, Myron Walth

*** For those diagnosed with cancer or other long-term illness:** Jerry Gab, Connie Sorenson, Duane Wagemann, Ken Cordingley, Barb Gardner, Esther Ottenbacher, Mildred Preszler

Zion Calendar

SUNDAY – August 27

9:00 AM Worship Service with H\C
10:00 AM Fellowship Time
10:10 AM Youth Gathering mtg.
10:15 AM Council meeting
10:15 AM Mission & Outreach meeting
10:30 AM Youth meeting

MONDAY – August 28

1:00 PM Quilters
5:30 PM Table of Plenty Meal
7:00 PM GA Meeting

WEDNESDAY– August 30

8:00 PM Men's Fellowship
8:30 PM AA @ Zion

THURSDAY– August 31

1:00 PM Quilters

SUNDAY – September 3

9:00 AM Worship Service with H\C
10:00 AM Fellowship Time

MONDAY – September 4–OFFICE CLOSED