

Announcements for August 6, 2023

Leading Worship Today (9:00 AM):

Presiding: Pastor Jim Holthus

Worship Assistant: Kathy Heffernan

Lector: Marcie Andersh

Sound: Steve Ottenbacher

PowerPoint: Kathy Heffernan

Communion Server: Garry Johnson

Ushers: Mike & Lory Bretsch

Organist: Sonya Kempf

Cantor: Zach Anderson

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)**. Half of today's broadcast is sponsored by Leonard & Betty Berger in memory of Lenora Schweigert and Byron & Eva Berger.

\$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. 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. Selling starts 10 minutes before service and 10 minutes after service.

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.

FLAT JESUS – If you would still like to make a Flat Jesus to take with you over the summer, please be sure to stop at the table in the fellowship hall to pick one up. Then, take Flat Jesus home, color & cut him out, and share your travels with us throughout the summer so we

ZION BAZAAR – Mark your calendar! The ZLCW are making plans for the Bazaar which will be **Saturday, September 23rd**. Be thinking of how you can be involved & get those crafts finished. Kuchen baking will be the day before and many hands make light work.

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.

ADOPT-A-GRAD - The Welcome and Caring and Mission and Outreach committees are in need of 3 more individuals or families to “adopt-a-grad” this school year. **Join us at 10:00 AM today in classrooms A&B for a meeting to make plans for the school year.**

Please contact Norma Nielsen or Nicole Schutter if you are willing to adopt one of our high school graduates as they venture out into their next chapters.

VBS - You are invited!! Join us for our last session of VBS as we explore who Jesus is. The next session will be held **on Wednesday, August 9th with the meal beginning @ 5:30 PM.** Each session features a new theme on a character trait of Jesus with a corresponding Bible story, along with a meal, music, and much more!

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.

MINI BAKE SALE - The Youth Committee and families attending the Youth Gathering are hosting a Mini Bake Sale on Sunday, August 20th following worship.

Prices will be marked on the items for sale. Be sure to stop by and pick up some goodies! All proceeds benefit those attending the ELCA Youth Gathering next summer.

SWEETS WITH SAUNDRA - Sweets with Sandra will be on Tuesday, August 8th. In addition to a free tasty treat, we will be completing a service project to benefit our shut ins. Meet at Zion at 3:00 PM; once the service project is complete, we will head to Twist Cone! Rides are available upon request. Open to middle and high school youth - Bring a friend!

FAREWELL TO SUMMER EVENT - A Farewell to Summer event of mini golf and Twist Cone will be held for middle and high school youth on Sunday, August 20 at 7:00 PM. Meet at 6:45 PM at the church, and bring \$5 towards the event; the youth committee will pay the rest. Bring a friend!

TODAY'S PRELUDE MUSIC is "Dundee" by Stephen Gabrielsen, **POSTLUDE** is: "Fugue on the Kyrie" by Couperin Thanks to Sonya Kempf, our organist, and our cantor, Zach Anderson.

ELCA YOUTH GATHERING MEETINGS – 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**). These meetings will be held on **Wednesday, August 9 @ 7:00 PM and 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!

All information shared at the meetings will be the same, so pick a meeting that works best for your schedule. There will also be meetings held in September and October, as well.

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY—Today we welcome Frances & Luna Mathiason as new members to Zion!

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:** Joey Kusler, Kathy Johnson, Della Mullner, Joyce Mentzer, Meta Vetter, Verna Schaffer, Bob Mentzer, Sharon Paranto

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

Zion Calendar

SUNDAY – August 6

New Member Sunday!

9:00 AM Worship Service with H\C

10:00 AM Fellowship Time

10:00 AM Adopt-a-Grad mtg. A&B rooms

MONDAY – August 7

1:00 PM Quilters

7:00 PM GA Meeting

TUESDAY – August 8

11:30 AM Book Club @ Minerva's

3:00 PM Sweets with Sandra

(meet @ the church)

5:30 PM Worship & Music committee

6:30 PM Education committee

WEDNESDAY – August 9

5:30 PM VBS

7:00 PM Youth Gathering meeting

8:30 PM AA @ Zion

THURSDAY – August 10

1:00 PM Quilters

SUNDAY – August 13

9:00 AM Worship Service with H\C

10:00 AM Fellowship Time