Announcements for November 26, 2023

Leading Worship Today (9:00 AM):

Preaching: Pastor Jim Holthus Worship Assistant: Mike Bretsch

Lector: Marje Kaiser Sound: Kathy Heffernan PowerPoint: Judy Albl

Communion Server: Kathy Johnson

Ushers: Doug & Sharlene Wanttie; Norma Miller **Praise Band:** Stephanie Hawkinson, Stacy Geffre, Phyllis Gab, Vicki Carlson, Garry Johnson, Mike German, Cadynce German, Rhonda Strouckel

Zion Worship Opportunities

Fall 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 9:00 am on KSDN radio (930 AM & 102.1 FM). Today's broadcast is sponsored by the Wasem family in memory of Bill & Lorraine Wasem and Eldeana Smith.

\$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.

NOVEMBER SPECIAL OFFERING IS SD MULTICULTURAL MINISTRIES (Woyatan & Pine

Ridge) - The ministry at the Pine Ridge Reconciliation Center seeks to foster mutual trust, respect and understanding while addressing the deep poverty that exists.

Woyatan Lutheran Church in Rapid City is an emerging ministry of the ELCA

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 Saundra 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 guilts 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.

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

KESSLER'S & KEN'S RECEIPTS—We will once again be collecting Ken's and Kessler's receipts. These receipts will be donated to the Bethesda Learning Academy, as we are a partner

congregation in their organization. Receipts have to be collected for and donated to an established school or preschool. Receipts can be dated from August 15, 2023 - May 31, 2024. Thank you for your donations in support of their work!

TREE OF SAINTS - Again this year, our youth will be putting up a Tree of Saints to remember all of our loved ones during this holiday season.

Ornaments are \$5 each and will be customized with your loved one's name; they then will be placed on the Tree of Saints at the back of the sanctuary and will be displayed through the Christmas season.

Sales will start Sunday, November 26th and go through Sunday, December 17th. Ornaments will be angels. All proceeds from the ornament sales benefit the youth attending the ELCA Youth Gathering.

DRIVE UP DONUTS - On the last Wednesday of the month, donuts and a devotion will be available for pickup at Zion and Good Shepherd Lutheran churches. Simply enter the south parking lot at either church, drive up to the table, and a helper will hand you donuts and a devotion that you can enjoy on your way to school or work. The next Drive Up Donuts event will be held on Wednesday, November 29 from 7:30-8:00 AM. There will be no Drive Up Donuts in December or January.

ADOPT-A-GRAD CARE PACKS— There will be a care package packing night for our Adopt-a-Grad college freshmen on Thursday, November 30th at 7:00 PM.

If you have any small items or gift cards you would like to include, please bring them with you or leave them on the table in the narthex before the 30th. All are welcome!

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON – The ZLCW are hosting a Christmas Luncheon (in honor of the SS

children) following the Sunday School Christmas Program on December 17th at about 10:45 AM. Everyone is invited as well as any guests. We are asking everyone to bring a plate of Christmas Goodies for dessert. There will be a free will offering given to the Sunday School. Please come and enjoy the Christmas Fellowship.

TABLE OF PLENTY – The TOP Meal is **TOMORROW from 5:30-7:00 PM.** Make plans to join us for the meal of fried chicken, cheesy hashbrowns, corn and cookies. The meal is sponsored by Family Dental Care. 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.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITY

On Wednesday, November 29th 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!

ADVENT DECORATING - The Christmas season is almost upon us! We will be decorating our building in celebration of Advent & Christmas **TODAY at 10:30 AM.** We are looking for volunteers of all ages who are willing to help put up trees, wreathes, nativity sets, etc. Please stay and help if you are able.

MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICES will begin on Wednesday, December 6th at 6:05 PM. Supper will be served from 5:15-6:00 PM.

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: Joyce Mentzer, Meta Vetter, Bob Mentzer, Lyle Chapin, Sharon Wagemann, Leo Schumacher, Michael Luitjens, Lois Leicht, Marlys Luitjens

* For those diagnosed with cancer or other longterm illness: Jerry Gab, Connie Sorenson, Ken Cordingley, Barb Gardner, Esther Ottenbacher, Greg Hanson

*We ask for God's loving embrace to hold all who mourn, especially the family of Verneda Wolff at her death this past week. Her service of life will be held at Zion on Wednesday, November 29th at 11:00 AM.

*We ask for God's loving embrace to hold all who mourn, especially the family of Duane Wagenmann at his death on Thursday. His service of life will be held at Zion on Friday, December 1st at 10:00 AM.

Zion Calendar

SUNDAY - November 26

9:00 AM Worship Service with H\C 10:00 AM Fellowship 10:30 AM Advent decorating

MONDAY - November 27 Newsletter Deadline!

1:00 PM Quilter's 5:30 PM Table of Plenty 7:00 PM GA Meeting

WEDNESDAY - November 29

7:30 AM Drive up Donuts 11:00 AM Verneda Wolff funeral 8:00 PM AA @ Zion 8:00 PM Men's Group

THURSDAY – November 30

1:00 PM Quilter's

SUNDAY - December 3

9:00 AM Worship Service with H\C 10:00 AM Fellowship 10:30 AM Sunday School 3:00 PM First Sundays