

Announcements for January 7, 2024

Leading Worship Today (9:00 AM):

Preaching: Melissa Zastrow

Worship Assistant: Monica Tietz

Lector: Marcie Andersh

Sound: Steve Ottenbacher

PowerPoint: Judy Albl

Communion Server: Marcie Andersh

Ushers: Lenny Tietz, Glenn Denning, Karl Kempf

Organ: Sonya Kempf

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 starting again in January.

ZION'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Ed Suchomel – 380-6375

Chastity Madsen – 252-0523

Brent Stanek – 712-320-5252

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 Leonard & Betty Berger in loving memory of Lenora Schweigert's January 8th birthday.

\$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.

JANUARY SPECIAL OFFERING is Journey Home.

They are focused on individuals who are committed to changing their life. Their goal is to provide struggling people in our community with a hand up, not a hand out. Thanks for supporting their work!

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.

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 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

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 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!

2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES are out on a table in the Fellowship Hall. Please take time to find yours and keep them in a safe place until January when you can begin using them. Please don't use the new ones until January 2024. THANKS!

CHRISTMAS DECORATION TAKE DOWN - Epiphany marks the end of the Christmas season at Zion. Following worship and fellowship on Sunday, January 7th, decorations will need to be taken down and put away. Many hands make light work, so please plan to stay for the men's

pancake breakfast and clean up following at 10:30 AM in the sanctuary.

ORGAN RESTORATION QUILT RAFFLE—

Congratulations to Garry Johnson who was the winner of the quilt.

THIRD ANNUAL VENDOR AND CRAFT FAIR at Zion is on Saturday, February 3rd, 9 AM- 2 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Breakfast & lunch will be available for purchase. Invite your friends and neighbors and come check out all the great vendor booths.

TABLE OF PLENTY – The TOP Meal is Monday, January 22th from 5:30-7:00 PM. Make plans to join us for the meal. 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, January 31st 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!

PASTOR NICOLE'S INSTALLATION & ANNUAL MEETING OPEN FORUM WITH MEN'S PANCAKE BREAKFAST—Bishop Constanze Hagmaier from the Synod office will be here to install Pastor Nicole during worship on Sunday, January 21st.

Join us following worship in the Fellowship Hall for breakfast and the annual meeting open forum. The full annual report will be available, and you can ask any questions you may have ahead of the annual meeting the following week. Grab your breakfast and join us for the forum.

ANNUAL MEETING - The annual congregation meeting for Zion will be held on Sunday, January 28th immediately following worship (around

10:15 AM) in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a potluck meal so congregational members are asked to bring a dish to share. Immediately after worship members can go through the food line.

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:** Norma Nielsen, Lois Leicht, Duane Mullner, Lyle Chapin, Sharon Wagemann, Joyce Mentzer, Leo Schumacher, Tom Schumacher

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

***We ask for God's loving embrace to hold all who mourn,** especially the family of Dean & Kara Pies at the sudden death of Dean's mother, Ann.

***We ask for God's loving embrace to hold all who mourn,** especially the Ed Suchomel & Mille Suchomel family at the death of Ed's father, James.

Zion Calendar

SUNDAY – January 7

9:00 AM Worship with H\C
10:10 AM Fellowship Time
10:30 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Christmas Dec. take down

MONDAY – January 8

1:00 PM Quilters
7:00 PM GA Meeting

TUESDAY – January 9

11:30 AM Book club @ Minerva's
5:30 PM Worship & Music committee

WEDNESDAY – January 10

8:00 PM AA @ Zion

THURSDAY – January 11

1:00 PM Quilters

SATURDAY – January 13

9:00 AM ZLCW Executive meeting @ Wendy's

SUNDAY – January 14

9:00 AM Worship with H\C

10:10 AM Fellowship Time

Annual meeting budget forum

10:15 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Education committee mtg.