

Announcements for April 28, 2024

Leading Worship Today (9:00 AM):

Preaching: Reverend Nicole Martin

Worship Assistant: Mike Bretsch

Lector: Mike Bretsch

Sound: Kathy Heffernan

PowerPoint: Judy Albl

Communion: Kathy Johnson; Saundra Anderson

Ushers: Joel & Jane Albrecht; Norma Miller

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

Zion Worship Opportunities

Spring 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 each Sunday morning worship service.

ZION'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Ed Suchomel – 380-6375

Chastity Madsen – 252-0523

April Nehlich – 380-6284

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 radio broadcast is sponsored by the Jim Miller family for the continued enjoyment by our radio friends.

\$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.

APRIL SPECIAL OFFERING is Lutheran Social Services. LSS of South Dakota responds to changing needs in SD communities. LSS is one of the largest private non-profit human service agencies in SD. LSS serves people of all ages, faiths, races and economic status with professional, confidential and affordable services. Thank You.

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, 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 Pastor Nicole or Pastoral Assistant Sandra 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.

WITH TWO HOSPITALS – PLEASE CONTACT US: Sanford & Avera (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; Sonya Kempf: 228-2490

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!

SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION - If you have a 3rd grade student or older, it's time to start thinking about summer options for camp! Lutheran Outdoors in South Dakota offers three different locations with options to suit whatever interests you have!

If you are interested in applying for camp, please speak with Sandra as soon as possible so we can get you registered and discuss fundraising options. [There are some scholarship funds available, as well!](#)

If we have enough kids interested, we will attend the Explorers Camp at NeSoDak August 9-11 as a Zion group. If your 3rd-6th grade child (as of Fall 2024) is interested in going together, please reach out to Pastoral Assistant Sandra.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS - We are getting ready to compose another rotation of worship volunteers for the summer. If you have been thinking about being involved in leading

worship but haven't taken the next step, now would be a great time! If you are interested in worship assisting, lecturing, serving communion, doing PowerPoint, sound, ushering, or greeting, please visit with Sandra for more information. Those who indicated on their Time and Talent sheets an interest in one of these areas will be contacted.

BAZAAR KUCHEN BAKING – The Fall Bazaar is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 21st from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

We need several volunteers - at least (15-20 people) to make kuchen baking possible. Millie can no longer take the lead. She may be there for instructional purposes only. Kuchen baking will be Friday, September 20th at 8:00.

Our Kuchen is a big draw for the bazaar and it will take many hands to make this possible. If you can help on Friday Sept. 20th, call Millie @ 380-6373 or Carmel @ 229-1360, or call the church office at 225-6755. No experience necessary!

PLANT SALES - The Sunday School youth will be selling garden starters on **Sunday, April 28th** during the fellowship time in the Narthex. They will be selling plants for a free will donation. Donations will benefit Zion Sunday School programming.

PROGRESSIVE SUPPER & ESCAPE ROOM - On Sunday, April 28, we will meet at Zion @ 4:15 PM. We will then be traveling up Main Street to Unravel to see if we can find the hidden treasure in their Midst Adventure escape room! After, we will be traveling to the VanderWeysts for supper. This event is open to middle and high school youth (grades 6-12)—bring a friend!

To be sure we have enough room in the escape room, please let Sandra know by Friday, April 26 if you plan to attend. Van rides are available!

THIS EVENT WAS RESCHEDULED FROM MARCH DUE TO WEATHER.

CONFIRMATION - The 9th grade students and their parents are invited to meet together on **Sunday, April 28th at 11:00 AM** to discuss confirmation details ahead of the summer.

PRAYER PAUSE - Each Wednesday at 12:15 and 6:05 PM, we will gather to pray for the church, our community, and the world. If you have the opportunity, please join the pastor in the sanctuary to pray and lean into listening for God's love. There will be a variety of experiences available to enrich your practice. If you are busy at work or at play, set an alarm clock, take time to sit and breath from your location knowing your are not praying alone.

Together let us unite in prayer for our neighbors and all that we wish to lift up to God. Make plans to join us!

MOTHER'S DAY BASKET RAFFLE There will be a raffle for a Mother's Day basket continuing this week. Tickets are \$5 and will be sold on Sunday mornings through Mother's Day. The drawing for the basket will be on May 12 following church. All proceeds benefit youth programming.

ALTAR GUILD will be meeting on Sunday, April 28th at 10:30 in Classrooms A&B. Anyone interested in learning about or serving on Altar Guild please stop by.

HONORING OF GRADUATES – On Sunday, May 12 we will be celebrating with our high school and college graduates. Following worship there will be cake in their honor during fellowship time.

ZION OUTSIDE WORKDAY – On Saturday, May 11 there will be a Zion workday to complete the landscaping and outside projects beginning at 9:00 AM. Anyone who is interested in helping, please make plans to join us. Mark your calendars!

WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE REQUEST – We are in need of 2 Thrivent Action Team cards to be used in preparation for our Worship Volunteer Appreciation night on May 14th. If you are a member of Thrivent and would be willing to gift us with one of your Thrivent Action Team cards we would greatly appreciate it. Please let us know by May 3rd by contacting Kathy Heffernan at 605-450-8782. Thanks.

TREAT DONATIONS NEEDED - The Mission and Outreach Committee will be putting together treat trays for the nine public schools in Aberdeen for Teacher Appreciate Week. We are looking for donations of treats (cookies, bars, muffins, cupcakes, etc.) to share with the teachers and staff in the schools. Please have all treat donations to the church by 10am on Sunday, May 5.

FREEZER MEAL PREP DAY - Mission and Outreach will host a Freezer Meal Prep event on Wednesday, May 8 at 5:30 pm in the kitchen. Ingredient cards can be found in the narthex, and volunteers are needed to help cook that evening. Please return all ingredients to the kitchen no later than 5:00 pm on Tuesday, May 7.

CHORDS OF JOY: HYMN SING

The Organ Rejuvenation music festival event Chords of Joy: Hymn Sing will be held on Sunday, May 12 at 3:00 PM in the sanctuary. Bring your mother or a friend for a special spring Sunday celebration focusing on the gift of the gospel through the telling of music.

There will be twelve musical pieces performed on the organ and in arrangement with other musicians; nine of the pieces are pre-selected. The final three spots are designated for song bids.

How to get involved:

- Come and celebrate!

- Free will donation of gracious gratitude during the event
- Help share the word within the community by hanging up posters, sharing Facebook events, word of mouth, and distributing Golden Tickets
- Song Bids (see information below)

Song Bids

Ever want to hear the organ play your favorite song (not just a hymn)? Now's your chance!

During the concert, three musical pieces are designated for the song bids. The three songs with the highest bids will be played during the event. To secure one of the three performance spots with a song of your choosing, please write the name of your choice, the name of the artist (if not a hymn), and amount of your bid on a Golden Ticket. Submit your song request and funds to the Zion church office by Wednesday, May 1 at 5:00 PM. As all bids are confidential, only highest song bid amounts will be announced weekly in the announcements, on our Facebook page, and on our website. You can submit multiple bids for multiple songs and can resubmit bids if your initial bid wasn't enough to secure a performance spot.

Current Song Bid Winning Amounts:

Song 1: \$200

Song 2: \$100

Song 3: \$0



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:**

Jim Hook, Joyce Mentzer, Lois Leicht

*** For those with long-term care needs:** Kathy Johnson, Jerry Gab, Ken Cordingley, Barb Gardner, Esther Ottenbacher, Norma Nielsen, Sharon Paranto

Zion Calendar

SUNDAY – April 28

9:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion

10:00 AM Fellowship Time

10:15 AM SS Plant Sales

10:15 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Altar Guild meeting

11:00 AM 9th grade Confirmation mtg.

4:30 PM Escape Room & Supper

MONDAY – April 29

1:00 PM Quilters

7:00 PM GA meeting

TUESDAY – April 30

10:00 AM Staff meeting

WEDNESDAY – May 1

12:15 & 6:05 PM Prayer Pause

8:00 PM AA @ Zion

THURSDAY – May 2

1:00 PM Quilters

FRIDAY – May 3

6:00 PM Girl Scouts

SUNDAY – May 5

9:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion

10:00 AM Fellowship Time

10:15 AM Last Day of Sunday School

10:30 AM Mission & Outreach mtg.