Zion's News & Notes

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Zion Lutheran Church
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A Summer Blessing

(Prayer Index at Xavier U, author Unknown)

May you walk with God
This summer
In whatever you do
Wherever you go

Walking with God means...
Walking with honesty
And with courage,
Walking with love
And respect
And concern for the feelings of others

May you talk to God
This summer
And every day and
In every situation

Talking with God means...
Praying words of praise
For the beauty of creation
Saying prayers of thanks
For friends and good times,
Asking God's help
In all your decisions
Expressing sorrow
When you have failed

May you talk with God
Every day.

August Announcements

There will be no worship service at Zion or Trinity on Sunday, August 31st.
We look forward to seeing you at the church picnic instead!
For more details, check out page six of this newsletter.

Walking With Friends
Zion's Walking Group meets on Thursdays at 11:00 am at New Hartford Town Park or at the Target wing of Sangertown (weather permitting). We stress friendship more than athleticism - please come and join us! Text Kim at 315-794-6233 for updates and walking locations should the location change to outside.

YouTube
Subscribe to Pastor Marie's YouTube channel! www.YouTube.com/@MarieNDuquette.

Worship and Music
The next meeting will be held in the Fireside Room on Wednesday, August 27th at 11:00 AM.

Women of Faith
At the request of those who attended the July Women of Faith Bible study we will look at the role of women in the early church for our next study. We will gather on **Tuesday, August 12th at 7 PM** on Zoom. Women were among the earliest followers of Jesus and stood by as he hung on the cross, and then hurried to the tomb where Mary was the first to see the risen Christ. As the early church moved forward, women were leaders, prophets, teachers, evangelists, financial and everyday supporters, and even martyrs. We'll look at who some of these women were and how their roles continue in the church today. Biblical references will follow in August. *Look for the Zoom link in your email.*

Thank You, Isabel! A heartfelt thank-you to Isabel for her two years of service as Zion's technologist. Isabel's last day at Zion will be Sunday, August 3rd, as she prepares for her next adventure in education at SUNY Potsdam.
We are excited to welcome Megan Free back to the sanctuary to serve as our new technologist!

August Worship Team Schedule

Date:	Worship Asst.	Pastor	Greeters	Ushers
August 3		Rev. Marie Duquette	Laura Hilt	Deb Murdock
August 10	Wendy Stevens		Jan Corn	Kim Marscher& Caryn Carlson
August 17		Rev. Marie Duquette	Linda Bennett	Kim Marscher
August 24		Pr. Rick Klafehn	Darlene Hill	
August 31		**CHURCH PICNIC**		

Treasurer's Report

		June Treasurer's Report		
	Jun-25	Year to Date	Budget	Over/Under Budget
Income				
Giving	$ 11,362.77	$ 73,504.35	$ 78,100.04	$ (4,595.69)
Other Income	$ 23,938.81	$ 40,630.36	$ 46,214.60	$ (5,584.24)
Total Income	$ 35,301.58	$ 114,134.71	$ 124,314.64	$ (10,179.93)
Total Expense	$ 22,752.50	$ 140,787.01	$ 130,038.32	$ 10,748.69
Net Income	$ 12,549.08	$ (26,652.30)	$ (5,723.68)	$ (20,928.62)

Birthdays

Darlene Youngkrans	2	Shawn Kelly	25
Julianna Griffiths	4	Corey Pardee	25
Nancy Thompson	7	Grayson Stevens	25
John Bonvicino III	8	Megan Roberts	27
Michael Stevens, Sr.	8	Linda White	27
Kevin Owens	11	Melissa Aceto	29
Ed Nelson	18	Karen McLennan	30
Jennifer Pierce	19	Sharon Jeche	30
Joyce Maher	23	Autumn Stevens	31

Notes of Gratitude & Other Communications

Dear Zion,
Thank you for the birthday cards that you sent me for my birthday on June 24th.
From, Jayden Silva

Dear Laurel,
Thank you for the ticket for a Fair Trade candy bar for my birthday. I got my favorite almond one.
From, Jayden

Dear Zion family,
Thank you for the cards, texts, and email wishes for my birthday! 29 Again!
Sincerely, Sara Silva

Dear Zion members and friends,
Thank you for the cards and gift cards for my graduation! That was very nice of you.
Love, Isabel Silva

Thank you for the continued use of your facilities! -Girl Scout Troop 20681

Thank you to Pastor Marie and Deb for getting the world flags hung in the sanctuary for the special service that was held after the Boilermaker. It was tricky but it was good times.

Congratulations to Tracy Stevens and Craig Warncke, who were married at Zion on June 28, 2025. May God bless Mr. and Mrs. Warncke now and always.

Notes of Gratitude & Other Communications

Zion Food Ministry Collection of cans & bottles raised $17.25 which will go to local food pantries. Thank you!

Thank You for a Wonderful Boilermaker Sunday! A big thank you to everyone who came out to cheer on the runners and join us for a great morning of fellowship during Boilermaker Sunday!

We're grateful to our amazing hospitality tent team, the parking lot crew, and all who brought drinks and baked goods to share. Special thanks to Carole for providing the bagels!

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the special "After the Boilermaker" service—and to all who read a country (or countries) aloud during the service. A heartfelt thanks to Pastor Marie and Deb for all their behind-the-scenes preparation.

And a big shout-out to Ben for setting up and taking down the tent—and to *everyone* who pitched in to make the day such a success. We couldn't have done it without you!

We collected over 100 cans and other food items! Cindy Molesky from Seeds of Hope Food Pantry picked everything up on July 22nd.
Thank You!

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The mission of Zion Lutheran Church is to prayerfully discern God's call to help people to become more fully devoted followers of Christ.

God's Work Our Hands

Join Us

4th Annual Picnic

Sunday, August 31, 2025 at 10:30am
Frankfort Marina and Park

Fellowship with Lutherans
From Trinity & Zion Churches

Cold Cuts, cheese, rolls, condiments, beverages, cups and napkins will be provided by the churches; **congregation members need to bring** their own plates and utensils and a dessert or side dish to share that will supplement the meal.

If you don't cook - don't worry you can always bring chips, pickles, or store bought cookies and a smile!

Watch for sign-up sheets at church that indicate reservations for the number of persons attending, if you need a ride and what you are bringing to share.

Games will be played for additional fellowship opportunities after worship and the meal.

Reservations need to be made by Sunday, August 24, 2025

Frankfort Harbor Marina and Park, 143 Marina Park Drive, Frankfort, N.Y.
There is a pavilion and bathrooms available.