

Zion Lutheran Church Weekly News

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Worship: Saturday at 5:00 pm (Holy Communion 2nd & 4th Saturdays)

Sundays at 9:00 am (Holy Communion 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays)

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Welcome! If you are a visitor and unfamiliar with Zion Lutheran Church, here are a few things that might help you:

- ⇒ First, thanks for coming! Every church is different, so give yourself some time to get used to our practices. We delight in having visitors and everyone around you is happy to help if you are not sure what to do.
- ⇒ Sunday school for children is available during the 9:00 am Sunday service in the conference room of the church which is located on the main level to your left as you enter the front doors of the church. Or feel free to ask an usher and they will guide you. Worship bags for children are located outside the sanctuary, and a soundproof room is located at the rear of the church for those times when children are distressed and you wish to take them out of the sanctuary.
- ⇒ Restrooms are located to your left, down the hall as you come through the front doors (to your right as you exit the church).
- ⇒ During the offering, please take the time to register your attendance by signing the friendship book and passing it down the rest of the row. This helps us to know you better and is a way of seeing who we haven't seen for a while due to illness or other circumstances.
- ⇒ Communion: After receiving the wafer, you have a choice of wine from either the individual cup or the common cup. In the center of the individual cup tray is non-alcoholic grape juice. It is lighter in color. The used individual cups are placed in the baskets on either side as you return to your seat. If you are physically unable to walk to communion, please let an usher know so that the pastor can personally bring the Lord's Supper to you at your pew. Please see page 3 for our statement of belief on the Lord's Supper.

ABOUT THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD

Zion Lutheran Church is a congregation of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod (LCMS). The LCMS is a mission-oriented, Bible-based, confessional Christian denomination headquartered in St. Louis, Mo. Founded in 1847, the LCMS has more than 2.3 million baptized members in some 6,200 congregations and more than 9,000 pastors. Two seminaries and 10 colleges and universities operate under the auspices of the LCMS, and its congregations operate the largest Protestant parochial school system in America, which includes more than 1,200 early childhood centers and pre-schools. The church broadcasts the saving message of Jesus Christ over KFUD Radio, and it has relationships and active mission work in 89 countries around the world. In the last five years, the LCMS has awarded more than \$35 million through more than 900 domestic and international grants for emergency response and disaster relief. Today, the LCMS is in full doctrinal fellowship with 33 other confessional Lutheran church bodies worldwide and is a founding partner of Lutheran Services in America, a social ministry organization serving one in every 50 Americans. For more information, visit www.lcms.org.

Zion Lutheran Early Childhood Education Center

A Reggio-inspired and Music Together Preschool® for 2-5 years old

2, 2 1/2, 3, 4 & 5 year-old programs ☺ Before and after school child care

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Confirmation /Religious Classes

Zion Congregation offers a Biblically based program for children grades 3-8 every **Wednesday** afternoon (September – May) from 4:00 to 5:00 pm. God's Word will help to inform and prepare children with the kind of values needed in these challenging times. Christian fellowship with others, music, and caring teachers await your child. These classes are open to any child – Lutheran or not. If you know of someone who would like to attend these classes, please let us know.

Call or write for more information:

Pastor Klein at 630-323-0384 or pastor.jay.klein@gmail.com.

“LORD, I LOVE THE HABITATION OF YOUR HOUSE AND THE PLACE WHERE YOUR GLORY DWELLS.” – PSALM 26:8

Bible Classes

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN at 9:00 am.

LADIES' MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE CLASS at 6:45 pm.

LADIES' 1ST, 3RD, 5TH WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS at 9:30 am.

MEN IN THE MORNING THURSDAY MORNINGS at 6:00 am.

Stewardship

Matt. 8:8 – “But the centurion replied, ‘Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof, but only say the word, and my servant will be healed.’ ” The Word of the Lord is powerful and effective. What God says, goes. “Let there be light.” And there was light. His Word is still effective and creative for us: “This is my Body given for you.” “Your sins are forgiven.” This is why it is no burden for us to live according to the Word of God: we know that His Word is always bent on our blessing.

Tithes are our regular, top priority (first fruits giving), proportionate, and grateful gifts to the Lord for the work of the Gospel and to the furtherance of His mission at Zion Church.

Offerings are our gifts for special causes over and above our tithes.

Giving thanks to God for . . .

- ☺ My time with God (**Growing** in faith through Word and sacrament)
- ☺ My talents serving God (**Going** out and living & sharing among His people)
- ☺ My treasures/money honoring God (**Sowing** into His field of harvest: Kingdom vision!)

The Lord's Supper

Holy Communion is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and confidence that, as the Lord says, He gives us not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another.

Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words and repent of all sin, that they may show forth His death until He returns.

Because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith that is confessed at this altar, any who have not yet been instructed, are in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor.

We are building and strengthening relationships with Jesus Christ and each other!

Worship † Education † Fellowship † Evangelism

IN AND AROUND ZION

Offering Envelopes

Your 2019 Offering Envelopes are ready to be picked up in the gathering area. Please help the church save postage by taking yours and/or a relative's with you. Thank you!

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION ENROLLMENT

Let your friends, family and neighbors know about our early childhood center. Take a tour and find out for yourself what a great place it is. Call Elizabeth Reilley for information you might desire, to take a tour or to get information to pass along to someone you think might be interested She can be reached at: 630-323-0065 or ereilleyzionatecec@gmail.com.

LUTHERAN RADIO STATION WORLDWIDE KFUE

This week on KFUE.org, we celebrate National Lutheran Schools Week on The Coffee Hour with guests from local Lutheran Schools (weekdays at 9:15 a.m. CT), continue studying the Gospel of Mark on Thy Strong Word with Rev. William Weedon and guest pastors (weekdays at 11:00 a.m. CT), and move forward with The New Covenant on Sharper Iron with Rev. Jonathan Fisk and guest pastors (weekdays at 8:00 a.m. CT). Find these programs on demand at kfue.org or wherever you get your podcasts.

WORSHIP ANEW

January 27, 2019 – Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Psalm 19; Old Testament: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10; Gospel: Luke 4:16-30

“Read It and...Rejoice!” - Sermon Text: Nehemiah 8:1-10 - Rev. William Mueller

In the dark days after the exiles returned from captivity in Babylon, the Word of God was rare. Ezra, the priest, reads and applies God's Word and the people respond with repentant weeping and abiding faith. The Word of God still has that same power for us – so we are invited to read it and rejoice!

PASTOR'S WEEKLY EMAIL DEVOTIONS

For anyone who is interested in receiving pastor's weekly email devotion, let him know by writing him at: pastor.jay.klein@gmail.com.

GUEST PREACHER – REV. RON WEIDLER

Please welcome Rev. Ron Weidler who is with us today as our special guest preacher. Pastor Weidler was pastor at Immanuel Lutheran Church of Batavia, IL. Now in his retirement, he represents the special ministry begun in our Northern Illinois District entitled Enviando! This ministry seeks to boldly bring the Gospel to the many Latinos and Hispanics in our Northern Illinois District area and even beyond.

A special door offering for Enviando will be taken today. You will find envelopes in the Enviando insert in the bulletin. Please help support Enviando with your prayer and financial assistance. Thank you!

You may also send your mission offering payable to NID LCMS with a memo designating “Enviando” to:

Northern Illinois District - 2301 S. Wolf Rd. - Hillside IL 60162

SPECIAL BIBLE STUDY TODAY

Please join us after the service for a Bible Study that will be led by Rev. Weidler. Refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall downstairs and child care will be provided.

SAVE YOUR STAMPS PLEASE!

The ladies of LWML need your help. We collect used stamps nationwide as a fundraiser. They are sold online to stamp collectors. Please consider cutting off your stamps and leaving a half inch or greater border around the edges. There is a temporary collection box in the church narthex. Our ladies will trim them to the appropriate size and send them on to the LWML district offices. Thank you for your help!

TEACHER ASSISTANT

Zion Lutheran Early Childhood Education Center is looking for a loving person to assist our early childhood teachers. This is a wonderful opportunity to become involved in Lutheran Education and share your faith. This is a part -time position M-F that follows our school calendar. Zion ECEC serves children ages 2-6 years old.

Please email resume to EReilleyZionECEC@gmail.com

ZION’S CUDDLY COMFORT CRITTERS PROJECT

The Cuddly Comfort Critters Project is going strong for young patients at Hinsdale Hospital! Stuffed 8 to 10 inch animals can be left in the basket in the gathering area of the church. This is an ongoing project and donations are always welcome!

AGING CARE CONNECTIONS

Aging Care Connections is a private, not-for-profit organization dedicated to making a difference in the lives of older adults and their families through community-based services that promote dignity, self-respect and independence. Founded in 1971, Aging Care Connections provides comprehensive services to adults sixty years of age and older in five suburban townships located within Cook County. Each year, more than 8,000 older adults and their families receive services. For many older adults, Aging Care Connections offers an opportunity for them to share their knowledge and experiences and receive the assistance they need to remain vital members of the community. There are many programs available at no cost, including exercise classes, field trips, painting classes and more. Check out their website for programs, times and places at www.agingcareconnections.org or call them at 708-354-1323.

ZION KNITTERZ

The Zion Knitter's appreciate the anonymous monetary donation as well as yarn donations. All items are donated to VTAAS Hospice and Health Care Facilities. Their next meeting is Monday, February 4th. They would enjoy having more ladies join them. They meet in the Conference room of the church at 10:00 am. Can't knit? No worries, they'll be happy to teach you!

LWML

There will be an LWML meeting on Thursday January 31 at 1:00 pm in conference room to discuss preparation for hosting the NID LWML Director's meeting on February 16th.

LCC KARE 9 MILITARY MINISTRY

The LCC Kare 9 Military Ministry is a ministry by veterans for veterans. We strive to serve our military, veterans and their families. The Kare 9 Military Ministry dogs and their trained veteran handlers visit many places, including VFWs, VA hospitals, Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Care Centers, homes of veterans that are home bound, Expos, Vet Clinics, Yellow Ribbon Ceremonies and various other activities to help spread the mercy and compassion of Christ Jesus.

Become a Veteran/Kare 9 Military Ministry team sponsor. If you would like more information on how to sponsor a Kare 9 Military Ministry team, please contact Tim Hetzner, President of Lutheran Church Charities, at 866-455-6466 or email him at TimHetzner@LutheranChurchCharities.org

This Week at Zion

Sunday January 27

9:00 am Worship

9:00 am Sunday School

10:30 am Altar Guild

Monday January 28

6:30 pm Ladies Bible Class

8:15 pm AA

Tuesday January 29

9:00 am Quilters

9:10 am ECEC Chapel

Wednesday January 30

9:30 am Ladies Bible Class

4:00 pm 3-8 grade Weekday

Bible and Confirmation Class

7:00 pm Choir

Thursday January 31

No School

6:00 am Men in the Morning

1:00 pm LWML Meeting

Friday, February 1

No School

Saturday February 2

5:00 pm Worship

Sunday February 3

9:00 am Worship with Holy Communion

9:00 am Sunday School

Serving Saturday January 26

Pastor: Jay Klein

Organist: Lee McGinty

Elder: Steve Swenson

Altar Guild: Donna Ellefsen, Carol Wahlgren, Cathy Groenewold

Serving Sunday January 27

Pastor: Jay Klein

Organist: Sherrie Smith

Parish Music Associates: Sam Rose and Kyle Miller

Elder: Clint Fuller

Acolytes: Ashley Berg and Olivia Fuller

Ushers/ Greeters: Jay Baker and Gina, Arnie Berg, Zach Hayes

Serving Saturday February 2

Pastor: Jay Klein

Organist: Sherrie Smith

Elder: Colin Fuller

Serving Sunday February 3

Pastor: Jay Klein

Organist: Sherrie Smith

Parish Music Associates: Sam Rose and Kyle Miller

Elder: Rolly Geiger

Acolytes:

Ushers/ Greeters: Robin and Jacob Boland, David Pequet, Sara Fuller

Altar Guild: Donna Ellefsen, Carol Wahlgren, Cathy Groenewold