

Tidings from



June-July 2017

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From the Pastor

¹How lovely is your dwelling place,
O LORD of hosts!
²My soul longs, indeed it faints
 for the courts of the LORD;
 my heart and my flesh sing for joy
 to the living God.
³Even the sparrow finds a home,
 and the swallow a nest for herself,
 where she may lay her young,
 at your altars, O LORD of hosts,
 my King and my God.
⁴Happy are those who live in your house,
 ever singing your praise.
⁵Happy are those whose strength is in you,
 in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

Psalm 84:1-5



This psalm is the song we at Zion Lutheran Church are singing in our hearts. The first worship service in Zion’s beautiful new mission center was on May 21 during which time our hearts were filled with joy and songs of praise. We are exclaiming, “How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD.”

Dedication Sunday for Zion’s new mission center will be September 10. Bishop Larry Wohlrabe from the Northwestern Minnesota Synod will participate in the dedication. Details of the day will be forthcoming as plans are made for the grand celebration.

Thank you to all those who have helped with the completion of our mission center and to those who continue to work on the finishing touches. If you haven’t yet been to our new location, feel free to stop by during office hours Monday-Thursday, 10:00-4:30 pm. Worship is at 9:00 am on Sunday mornings and 6:15 pm on Wednesday evenings. In worship we join together to sing praises to the LORD who gives us joy and strength and walks with us in life’s journey.

Singing for joy with Zion,
 Pastor Mary Gilthvedt Δ

Save the Date!
 Dedication Sunday for our new mission center
September 10

Women of Zion Red, White, and Blue Fundraiser

Sunday, June 11
 10:00 a.m.



French Toast
 Bake,
 Egg Bake,
 Rolls,
 Beverage, Fruit

Free-will
 Donation
 Bake Sale
 Gift Items
 Silent Auction



Proceeds support the
 Women of Zion’s projects.



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Same story; Second verse

by Jim Hallan

We have a wonderful opportunity to share what God has entrusted to us in making some definite decisions about giving. If you haven't found a consistent method of participating in giving, there are several ways to attain that goal.

The Capital Campaign Committee has recommended Simply Giving, or automatic deduction. A difficult assignment for our treasurer is that the offerings have been very inconsistent, and Simply Giving allows each contribution to be the same and on the same day

each month. Another idea that our family used in the past was to make our giving the first check we wrote each payday.

You have and will continue to hear reports of Zion's financial picture from the Capital Campaign Committee. Their assignment is basically to encourage and help establish giving, that will allow us to meet our expenses. Dan Curtis, Council Chairman, says that an increase of \$5.00 per week, from each member, would balance the books. Please consider increasing your present amount.

The Committee will not be giving suggestions about the total amount

of your gifts. That should be between you and the Lord. Let's all make an effort to level the field and balance the books.

You've read it before. "I'll do what I can." Δ

Council Meeting

The council will meet on Thursday, June 22, at 6:00 pm. Δ

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Core hours are Monday-Thursday
10:00 am to 4:30 pm
with additional appointments
by prior arrangement.

Zion Lutheran Church Financial Update

General Operating Account
as of April 30, 2017

Income	Apr	YTD
General Envelopes	\$14,722	\$74,994
Electronic	\$5,792	\$43,074
Loose Offerings	\$390	\$2,141
Misc.	\$196	\$2,652
Total	\$21,100	\$122,860

Expense	Budget	YTD
Support Staff	\$173,379	\$95,735
Transitional Supp.	\$22,500	\$22,500
Benevolence	\$14,150	\$3,000
Parish Wellness	\$200	\$91
Admin	\$17,150	\$6,273
Worship & Music	\$2,120	\$559
Christian Ed	\$1,800	\$123
Outreach Services	\$4,100	\$1,202
Property	\$30,544	\$18,424
Total	\$265,943	\$147,906

*One who is faithful
in a very little
is also faithful in much.
Luke 16:10a*

Building Fund
as of April 30, 2017

Dedicated Funds	Apr	YTD
Gifts Received	\$5,933	\$119,382
Loan	\$0	\$200,000
Building Fund Account Balance		
Security State		\$67,207
MIF		\$2,420
Total		\$69,626

Payments	Apr	YTD
JD Seamless		\$68,000
YHR		\$6,509
Marvin Home Ctr	\$338	\$62,957
Culinex	\$49	\$6,770
Hytex		\$40,000
G&B Carpet		\$28,716
HB Sound		\$17,919
Peterson Sht Mtl		\$1,677
Gordy Olson		\$15,636
Sell Hardware	\$2,774	\$7,344
Other		\$75
Keith Landin (reim.)		\$2,986
Loan Interest	\$2,779	\$5,806
Loan Principal		\$5,000
Total	\$5,940	\$269,395

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Notes of Thanks!

Thank you to Ray Green for the gift of the new grand piano. The piano was dedicated during the May 21 worship service. Ray donated the piano in memory of his parents, Roy and Sophie Green, his brother, Ronald, and his late wife, Isabelle. Δ

There will be no evening
worship service on
Wednesday, July 19.

Plan to go and enjoy your family and
friends at the Roseau County Fair!



Summer Coffee

by Julie Jones

Summer coffee fellowship began June 4 and concludes August 27. Your participation is needed to make this a huge success. This is an opportunity for committees, women's Circles, families, or any group of individuals to serve. To save a specific date or for more information, call Julie Jones at 386-3692. There is also a sign-up sheet on the table in the Gathering Space. Dates that are still available are June 25, July 9, July 16, and all Sundays in August. Δ

Get help now.
No judgment. Only hope.

Northstar Problem Gambling
Alliance
www.northstarproblemgambling.org
MN State Helpline
1-800-333-4673 (HOPE)

We packed 19,650 meals

at our Food Packing Event on May 7!

Thank you to everyone who participated and supported this important outreach of our congregation! We will place an order for the "God's work. Our hands." t-shirts in August, so watch for order forms later this summer if you want to pre-order any new shirts.

From the Presiding Bishop of the ELCA

May 5, 2017

On May 4, President Trump signed an executive order titled "Promoting Free Speech and Religious Liberty." The measure addresses the IRS ban on political campaigning by tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organizations, an important protection for houses of worship. That regulation is codified into law, so it would take an act of Congress to reverse, but President Trump signaled his administration's opposition to the rule by directing the IRS to use maximum discretion to refrain from enforcing it.

The Lutheran Confessions state "the power of church and civil government must not be mixed ... [while] both be held in honor and acknowledged as a gift and blessing" (Augsburg Confession, Article 28). The ELCA Constitution affirms that one of the purposes of this church is to "work with civil authorities in areas of mutual endeavor, maintaining institutional separation of church and state in a relation of functional interaction" (ELCA Constitution 4.03.n.). Our social teaching encourages members and leaders to be politically active as citizens

and to provide moral leadership that advocates for just and fair policies. Nothing in the current IRS rules prohibit such activities.

Neither our theological heritage nor our social teaching lift up what we would understand today as partisan activity by church officials by church officials—endorsing or funding specific candidates, for instance—because that confuses the appropriate responsibilities of church and state leadership.

Exemption from taxation is an appropriate benefit granted to churches and other charities. The restriction on endorsement of political candidates in no way restricts freedom of religion. In fact, it allows churches to continue to focus on ministry and protects them from being lured into participation in partisan politics to the detriment of their proclamation and mission. The ELCA provides this guidance to ministries on participation in the electoral process.

Earlier this year, the ELCA joined with 99 diverse faith groups in sending a letter to Congress opposing any effort to undermine the so-called Johnson Amendment—those IRS regulations that protect both the taxpayer and our houses of worship. We do not seek or desire a change in tax law that could prove divisive in our congregations or detrimental to our witness of Christ.

Let us not be tempted to participate in partisan politics, but rather focus on being part of God's reconciling work through Christ in the world and proclaiming the gospel word.

God's peace,

The Rev. Elizabeth A. Eaton
Presiding Bishop Δ



by LynnAnn Kofstad

Five months of 2017 have come and gone. How are you doing on your monthly shopping list for Operation Christmas Child? Do you need a little reminder? A little nudge? You still have plenty of time to find treasures for your box.

Christmas is a joyous time of year and is nice to think of throughout the year when you want to put a smile on your face— what better way than to keep in mind shopping for your Operation Christmas Child box— that way when out and about, you may find a few things to pick up. After-Christmas sales at Target had me finding headbands; shopping in February, I found plastic bracelets at Dollar Savers; and a clearance dress at Shopko in March got one of my boxes off to a good start. I try to keep my shopping local but it doesn't hurt to keep your eyes open for great deals whenever and wherever you are out shopping.

I have included a handy shopping list (in its entirety) in case your old one has been misplaced.

December- after-Christmas sales; everything is fair game!

January- Decide on boy/girl and the age category (2-4, 5-9, 10-14). Get a shoebox from the church or purchase a shoebox-sized plastic tote with lid

February- hats, gloves, and scarves

March- accessories: ponytails, barrettes, wrist watches, sunglasses, hats, jewelry

April- stuffed animals

May- hygiene items: washcloth and a bar of soap, comb and/or brush, toothpaste and toothbrush, bandages

June- toys: small cars, balls, dolls, jump ropes, yo-yos, marbles, legos

July- clothing items: undershirts, t-shirts, socks, flip flops, tennis shoes

August- school supplies: crayons, colored pencils, regular pencils with sharpener and erasers, markers, tablets

September- something fun and functional- flashlights, craft items, fun pads, sewing kits, playing cards

October- write a letter to the child receiving your box, a photo if you wish, and a \$7 donation to mail the box

November- Check the *Messenger* and the *Tidings* for the deadline to turn in your box

The above list is only a suggestion. Feel welcome to follow or just create your own shoebox throughout the year.

Have fun creating your box- it is meant to be a blessed, giving, outpouring of you as a person! Use your imagination and go back years in your memory to when you were a child and think of the gifts that meant the world to you. Some of the smallest gifts mean the most.

Thank you for helping out with Operation Christmas Child. Δ



Congratulations to the Graduates!

Congratulations to Zion's 2017 high school graduates. They are:

Krysten Bratlie
 Emma Brunelle
 MacKaelieAnn Herr
 Katie Hunter
 Blake Jensen
 Grace Pederson
 Tyler Skarp
 Nicholas Streiff

During the worship service on May 21, we prayed for God's blessing and guidance for the graduates reassuring them of God's promises in Scripture, "For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope." (Jeremiah 29:11) We thank the 2017 graduates for the gift of a flowering crab apple tree to be planted in the new church yard. Δ

Ladies and gentlemen, start your engines!

It's time to rev your lawn mower engines! The sign-up sheet to volunteer to mow the church lawn this summer is available outside the church office. Please share your time, ability, and lawn mower gas with the church this summer if you are able. Please contact Keith Landin at 242-4284 with questions about mowing (including where to mow and where not to mow). Δ

Christian Education News

submitted by Shawn Brunelle,
Christian Education Director

We picked a peck of prizes!

Congratulations to the winners of the baskets from the Pick-a-Prize Auction. The proceeds will go toward the cost of this summer's VBS daycamp with Pathways Outdoor Ministry at Zion.

- 1- S'mores Campfire Basket
Nancy Brandli
- 2- Creation Basket
Jan Kragness
- 3- Outdoor Fun Basket
Pam Rachuy
- 4- Garden Basket
Lori Schaible
- 5- Summer Party Basket
Joan Olafson
- 6- Pamper Yourself Basket
Melanie Schreiner

Thank you to all who supported the Pick-a-Prize Auction! Δ

Bold Gathering for Men

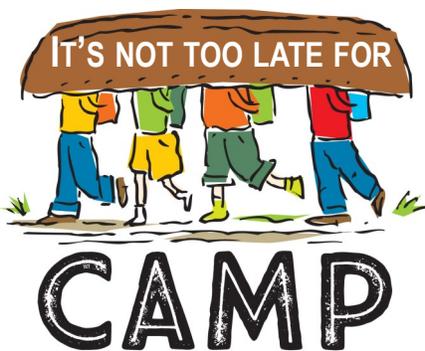
Visit boldgathering.com if you want to deepen your faith and grow in discipleship over a weekend gathering filled with great teaching, workshops, and fellowship! The gathering will be held in Minneapolis July 21-23. Δ

Noisy offerings
will be collected
Sunday, June 18 and
Sunday, July 16.

All donations will go to
future "God's work. Our
hands." projects.

Wandering through the Bible

The Tuesday noon women's Bible study is not currently meeting. Please continue with your own personal Bible reading and watch for notices about when the Tuesday gatherings will resume. Δ



It is time to think about and start planning a trip to Bible camp! Pathways Outdoor Ministry is a fabulous time for kids of all ages. There are many opportunities to participate in a camp experience for young and old. Kids can attend camp and there are opportunities for parents to volunteer to help out in different areas while your child is hanging out, singing songs, and enjoying Bible talk and the glorious outdoors that God has given us.

Go to the Pathways website at pathwaysbiblecamps.org for more information.

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If you would like to help with any of the upcoming events from Christian Education, please contact Shawn Brunelle 386-1733, ext. 15.

Confirmation

Remember to continue taking sermon notes and volunteering to help with events going on at Zion over the summer. Vacation Bible School is the end of July and helpers are needed. Shawn will send periodic emails, but the best way to keep in touch is to attend worship on Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings! Δ



Congregation Bible verse memory challenge from Christian Ed

Don't forget to work on memorizing some Bible verses this summer!

The verses for June and July are:

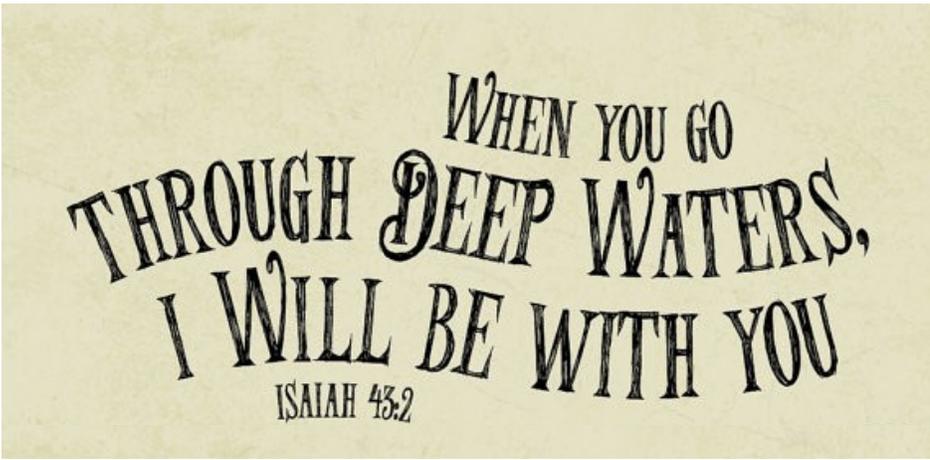
I keep the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.
Psalm 16:8-9

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.
2 Corinthians 3:17

Theme verse for 2016-17:

Be on your guard;
stand firm in the faith;
be courageous;
be strong.

1 Corinthians 16:13



Isaiah 43:2 “When you pass through the waters I will be with you”

Summer Greetings!

VBS will be held at Zion on July 24 – 27th. The theme for this year’s Pathways Day Camp is “The Water of Life”. We will look at how water plays a role in our everyday lives as Christians and what living water means. We have a fun and Spirit filled week planned for you including games, crafts, outside time, and worshipping our awesome God through music and study. Below are specifics for your planning purposes:

- Day Camp starts each day at 11:30 a.m. Campers should be dropped off between 11:15 and 11:30 a.m. Day Camp ends at 5:00 p.m. Campers must be picked up at this time.
- Campers need to bring a sack lunch and a water bottle or screw top drink container each day. Please label these!

Snacks and beverages will be provided in the afternoon.

- All campers must have a registration/health form on file before participating in the Day Camp program. This can be turned in on Day 1 of camp.
- We will be outdoors at times during our Day Camp experience. Please dress for the weather. Sunscreen and a hat are encouraged. Wear tennis shoes or other shoes appropriate for running games. Sandals are discouraged. Campers are welcome to bring a Bible to camp each day, but it is not required. Please ensure jackets/extra clothing are labeled with your child’s name.
- Plan to take part in our Wednesday night Potluck and Kids Showcase. The kids had a blast performing for their family and friends last year, and the food was great too!
- Spread the word and bring your friends! This camp is open to all kids entering Kindergarten through 6th

grade in the fall of 2017. They do not have to attend Zion to attend VBS.

Look for registration forms and contribution sign-up sheets on the table in the Gathering Space. Please contact us to volunteer or if you have any further questions about Day Camp at Zion.

See you at camp!

Sincerely,

Kristi Lien – 218-689-1368

Maika Bratlie – 218-469-5025

Melanie Schreiner – 218-242-1260

We want YOU!

Volunteers and donations are needed for 2017 VBS daycamp for which sign-up sheets are located on a table in the Gathering Space. Things that are needed are lunches for the counselors Monday through Thursday, July 24-27, cookies and kool-aid for snack time each day for campers and counselors, monetary donations, and suppers for the counselors. Volunteers are needed to help each day with serving snacks, clean-up, and helping the counselors with their small groups of kids. These jobs can be filled by youth volunteers and adult volunteers. Δ

Save the
dates
for
VBS
Daycamp
2017
July 24-27





June 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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NWMN Synod Assembly, June 9-10

July 2017



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<p>23</p> <p>9:00 am- Worship with Pathways counselors</p> <p>10:00 am- Coffee fellowship; meet 'n' greet the Pathways counselors</p> <p>tba- Games and Supper at Schreiners</p>	<p>24</p> <p>11:30 am to 5:00 pm- VBS Daycamp</p>					29
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there is opportunity, and when we see no opportunity, the creativity and determination to create it.

25 Pray that in all we do we are not driven by fear, rather we live with the assurance that God loves and values us and has given us important life-giving good news to share.

26 Pray for the safety, well-being and care of men and women working as seafarers who often serve long periods of time in dangerous, isolated working conditions to help deliver food, goods and supplies across the oceans and throughout the world.

27 We remember in prayers our synod bishops and Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, that they are supported and encouraged in their leadership and ministries and that the Spirit will guide them and grant fresh insight and wisdom for serving and growing the church in an ever-changing world and culture.

28 Trusting in God's love and forgiveness, we confess our brokenness and renew our commitments to reconciling the body of Christ, celebrating the growing ecumenical relationship between Catholics and Lutherans over 50-plus years of dialogue and recognizing the gifts given and received in our journey together on the way to greater unity.

29 *Peter and Paul, apostles* We thank God for servants like Peter and Paul who confessed their faith in Jesus Christ, used their unique gifts to spread the good news and helped grow the early Christian church. We pray the Spirit will guide and stir us to continue the work of growing the church even today—especially today.

30 As many teachers, educators and school staffs begin summer breaks, we ask God to grant them rest and renewal and to stir their enthusiasm and creativity for serving young people and communities.

*At the time of this printing, the July *Prayer Ventures* was not available. Copies will be made available at a later date at Zion.

This resource may be copied and shared among members and friends of the congregations of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Contact info@elca.org for additional information. Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, 8765 W. Higgins Road, Chicago, IL 60631. Telephone: 800-638-3522, ext. 2458.

PRAYER VENTURES JUNE 2017

These petitions are offered as guides to prayer for the global, social and outreach ministries of the ELCA, as well as for the needs and circumstances of our neighbors, communities and world. Thank you for your continued prayers for the life and mission of this church.

1 We remember in our prayers the Southwest California, Western North Dakota, Nebraska and Central/Southern Illinois synod assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and excite their leaders and members for God's work and witness in the world.

2 We remember in our prayers the Greater Milwaukee, Indiana-Kentucky, Lower Susquehanna, Florida-Bahamas, Delaware-Maryland and Montana synod assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and excite their leaders and members for God's work and witness in the world.

3 We remember in our prayers the South Dakota, Northeastern Pennsylvania, Allegheny, West Virginia-Western Maryland, North Carolina and Eastern North Dakota synod assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and excite their leaders and members for God's work and witness in the world.

4 *Day of Pentecost* Give thanks and a sigh of relief, for no matter where we are, how we feel, what we are doing, where we hide or what circumstance we find ourselves in, God's Spirit is with us and working in us—for our comfort, guidance and encouragement.

5 Pray for the thousands of young adults, volunteers and ELCA outdoor ministry staff training for a summer of ministry with children, youth, families and adults.

6 We pray for leaders, volunteers, children and youth involved in vacation Bible schools and day camps this summer, that all may experience the contagious joy and liveliness of faith and life together in Christian community.

- strengthen, guide and excite their leaders and members for God's work and witness in the world.
- 7** Ask for God's blessings on the many volunteers, staff and resource people who are busy planning and making final preparations for ELCA events and gatherings this summer and that participants will be enriched, equipped and inspired though their experiences and each other for their ministries and lives back home and in the world.
- 8** We remember in our prayers the Central States, Upstate New York, Grand Canyon and Northwestern Minnesota synod assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and excite their leaders and members for God's work and witness in the world.
- 9** We remember in our prayers the Southwestern Minnesota, Metropolitan Chicago, Northeastern Ohio and New England synod assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and excite their leaders and members for God's work and witness in the world.
- 10** We remember in our prayers the Western Iowa, Northeastern Iowa, La Crosse Area and Virginia synod assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and excite their leaders and members for God's work and witness in the world.
- 11** *Holy Trinity Sunday* Give thanks for our baptism in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit for being marked as children of God, welcomed to the body of Christ and set on our faith journey surrounded by the care and support of others.
- 12** More than 7 million people in South Sudan are suffering because of drought, famine and civil war. Pray for their relief, well-being and lasting, just solutions for the turmoil and challenges they face daily; give thanks for the ELCA's long-term commitment to work with church partners and agencies in the region to deliver life-saving assistance and develop future sustainability and resilience.
- 13** Pray that children, youth and adults with limited mobility, special needs or limited resources have opportunities to experience the beauty and enlivening spirit of outdoor summer activities in their communities and in nature.
- 14** Offer gratitude, praise and recognition for the majesty, love, mindfulness of humankind and handiwork of God reflected in the world and all creation.
- 15** We remember in our prayers the Northwestern Pennsylvania and Southwestern Pennsylvania synod assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and excite their leaders and members for God's work and witness in the world.
- 16** We remember in our prayers the Southwestern Washington, Northern Illinois, Upper Susquehanna and Metropolitan Washington, D.C., synod assemblies, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and excite their leaders and members for God's work and witness in the world.
- 17** Pray we learn to be generous, faithful, mature stewards of every gift God has entrusted to our care and use and that we pass on to every generation the best of our wisdom, what we've learned from our failings and mistakes, and a spirit of generosity and responsibility.
- 18** Pray for clarity of mission and the confidence of faith enabling each of us to be present in the world sharing the good news of Jesus Christ, bringing hope, serving our neighbor, working for an end to hunger and poverty, and discerning where we are most needed.
- 19** We thank God for the flourishing and abundant harvests of community gardens tended by congregations that help feed those who are hungry and teach new skills for growing food, cooking, self-sufficiency, caring for one another and the earth—in both urban and rural settings.
- 20** Give thanksgiving and praise to God, make a joyful noise, be glad and sing, for God's love and faithfulness embraces all generations and people.
- 21** Translators, missionaries and evangelists share the gospel in diverse languages and with respect for culture and context. We ask God to sustain their strength, wisdom and joy for ministry and teach us how to best support and encourage them in this challenging work.
- 22** We remember in our prayers the Caribbean Synod Assembly, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and excite their leaders and members for God's work and witness in the world.
- 23** We pray the Spirit will guide, equip and inspire our church as we move forward in implementing and living into the directions, goals and priorities of ELCA Strategic Directions 2025, confident about who we are in Christ and what God is calling us to do in the years ahead.
- 24** *John the Baptist* John was a bold, outspoken, hardworking witness preparing the world and announcing the promised Messiah, our Savior—Jesus Christ. We ask God to instill in us a similar spirit of enthusiasm, commitment, courage and joy in sharing our faith and the gospel wherever

June-July Volunteers

Ushers/Greeters

Sunday Morning Services

6/4 Joyce Strand, Marlene Lewis
 6/11 Ron & Fern Knudson
 6/18 Volunteer needed
 6/25 Trent & Sheri Hard family
 7/2 _____
 7/9 _____
 7/16 _____
 7/23 _____
 7/30 _____

Lectors

Sunday Morning Services

June Melanie Schreiner
 July _____

Altar Care

Sunday Morning Services

6/18 _____
 7/2 _____
 7/16 _____

Wednesday Evening Services

6/21 _____
 7/5 _____

Communion Assistants

Sunday Morning Services

6/18 _____
 7/2 _____
 7/16 _____

Projector Attendants

Volunteers are needed for Sunday and Wednesday Services

Sound Board Attendants

Sunday Morning Services
 Volunteers needed each week.

Wednesday Evening Services

June Brenda Haats
 July Volunteers needed

Attendance

	Sun. AM	Mid-wk. PM	Week Total
5/3		21	
5/7	154		175
5/10		19	
5/14*	156		175
5/17**		No worship	
5/21***	265		265
5/24		33	
5/28	131		164
5/31		14	

* Last worship service at old building: 114 Virginia Avenue NE

** No worship service due to moving to new location

*** First worship service at new building: 1301 Nelson Street NW Δ

Acolytes

Sunday Morning Services

6/4 Ella Rourk
 Volunteers are needed for the remainder of June and July.

Noisy Offering Collectors

6/18 Volunteers needed
 7/16 Volunteers needed

Summer Coffee Hosts

following Sunday morning services

6/4 Church Council
 6/11 Women of Zion
 6/18 Deborah Circle
 6/25 Volunteers needed
 7/2 Rebecca Circle
 7/9 Volunteers needed
 7/16 Volunteers needed
 7/23 VBS Daycamp
 7/30 Kamarra Brunelle

Lawn Mowing Volunteers

from Monday through Saturday
 Volunteers are needed each week.

Tithes and Offerings

Offerings for week ending 4/30:

General Offerings: \$2,800.00
 Building Fund: \$380.00

Offerings for week ending 5/7:

General Offerings: \$4,610.41
 Building Fund: \$512.50

Offerings for week ending 5/14:

General Offerings: \$4,758.02
 Building Fund: \$5,120.00
 Food Packing Event Breakfast
 "GWOH": \$179.00

Offerings for week ending 5/21:

General Offerings: \$7,060.00
 Building Fund: \$3,735.90
 Computer Fund: \$25.00
 Noisy Offering: \$125.36
 (future Food Packing Event)

Offerings for week ending 5/28:

General Offerings: \$2,654.37
 Building Fund: \$640.00 Δ



Radio Broadcast Sponsorship

May 7 - by Patsy Lindquist to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the radio broadcast.

May 14 - by the Women of Zion to the glory of God and in honor of all mothers and grandmothers. Happy Mother's Day!

May 21 - by the Kofstad family in honor and in celebration of MacKaelieAnn and the Class of 2017 as they graduate this week. It is also dedicated to the people of Zion in celebration of Zion's new church. Thank you, Lord, for all the gifts you have given us!

May 28 - in loving memory of Jessica Pellet by Dave & Nancy Pellet. Δ



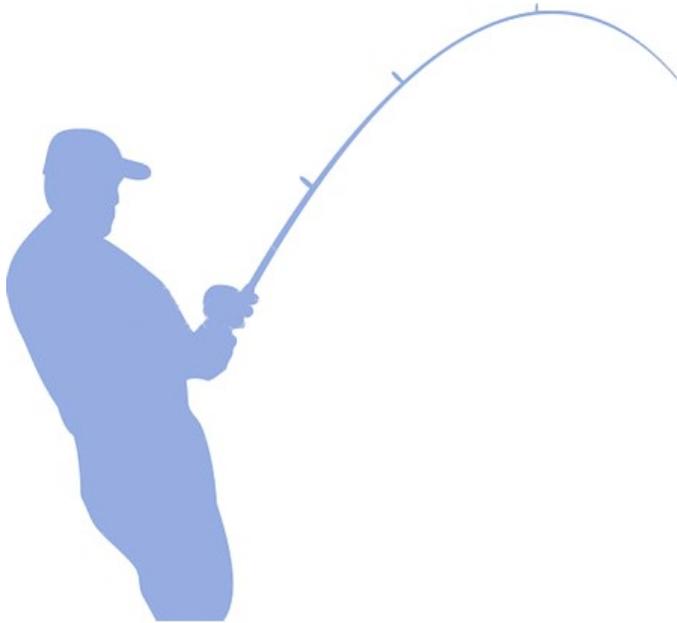


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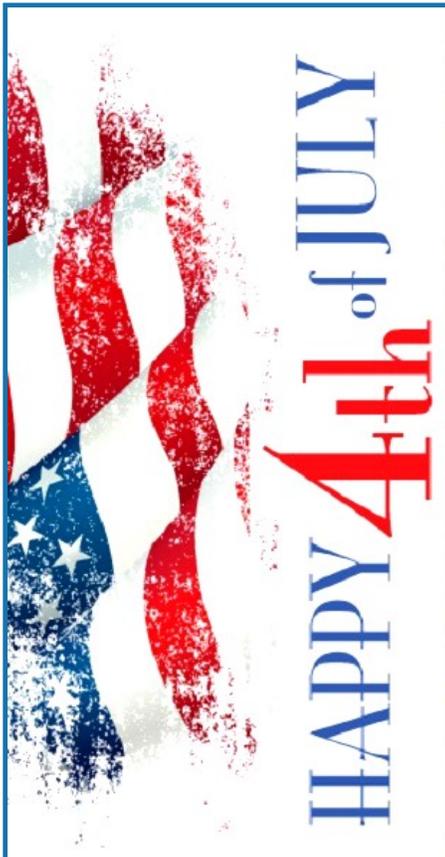
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June-July 2017

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