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³⁶"After Paul said these things, he knelt down with all of them and prayed. ³⁷They all wept very much, as they threw their arms around Paul's neck and kissed him. ³⁸They were most distressed over the statement he made, that they would never see his face again. Then they accompanied him to the ship.

Acts 20:36-38

St. Paul had spent over 3 years serving the Christians in the city of Ephesus. During that time, he proclaimed the Good News of forgiveness of sins through Jesus Christ. In addition, he had opportunity to teach the whole counsel of God by proclaiming Law and Gospel. He became the spiritual father, advisor, confidant, and pastor of those who believed. They were bound together by faith in Jesus. They were tied to one another as those who recognized and shared in the blessings of faith the Lord bestowed.

At the end of his third missionary journey, Paul was heading to Jerusalem where imprisonment and possible execution awaited him. On the way, he stopped in the city of Miletus. There he sent for the Elders from Ephesus. He wanted to meet with them and say their good-byes. This was a very emotional meeting. The Apostle made it clear that he would no longer be able to serve the Ephesians. The Holy Spirit was directing him and that divine direction was steering him away from them. Paul reassured them that although he was leaving for good the most important thing would remain – God's Word of Grace. It had been the Word which established the Ephesians in faith. It was the Word that produced the power to build them up in the faith. It is the Word that conveys an inheritance for eternity. As unwanted as this news was for the Ephesians, they saw this was God's will and, in turn, did not try to hinder it.

Their parting was sorrowful. Tears were shed. There were hugs and kisses. But all accepted it. As a matter of fact, the Ephesians did all they could to make Paul's departure as comfortable as possible. They accompanied him to the ship that would carry him out of their sight. What a sincere expression of love for

Paul and of confidence that the

Lord's Will be done.

On June 26, 1983, I was ordained and installed as a parish pastor for Our Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church of Jacksonville, FL. In 1987, I was led to accept the divine call to serve Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church of St. Charles, MI. In 1998, I was led to accept the divine call to serve Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church of Monroe, MI.



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God through His grace and mercy has given me the privilege of serving 4 flocks over a 40 year span (21 of those years here in Monroe). Now it is clear to me, that I am no longer able to serve in the full-time pastoral ministry as I have in the past. As a result of this, I am retiring effective June 30, 2023.

Since my arrival, I have enjoyed your support, cooperation, and love. It's said that new pastors enjoy a "honeymoon" when they first arrive. My "honeymoon" here never ended. It was a joy and pleasure to serve you. It was a great blessing and gift from God to get to know you professionally and personally. I love you and consider it my gain to count you as friends,

As St. Paul and the Ephesians experienced, so do we. Yet this is not a time to only ache. This is a time to "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding" (Proverbs 3:5). This is a time to meet the challenges that God is placing before you, "See, I have placed before you an open door that no one can shut" (Revelation 3:8). This is a time to offer yourself to help out now, during the vacancy, and beyond, "Therefore I urge you brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God" (Romans 12:1).

Even though this will be a time of transition, it will not be a "bad" time. I will be leaving, yet Pastor Sitzman remains as your Senior Pastor. Plans are in the works for scheduling a CALL Meeting with Circuit Pastor Brian Keller. That call meeting will be scheduled to call for an Associate Pastor. The Lord already knows who and when that shepherd is to come and serve Zion. In the meantime Zion has Pastor Sitzman as a full-time shepherd to serve our flock.

Pastors come and go at the calling of the Lord Jesus Christ. Even though shepherds may change, the Means of Grace, the Gospel in Word and Sacrament, will not change. And it is that Means which the shepherds of the Good Shepherd have always used to care for the sheep.

May the Lord bless and keep you. May you be the blessing to your pastors that you were to me. May God continue to prosper you in faith and allow you to serve Him in His kingdom. And thanks for accompanying me and Cindy "to the ship."

Pastor Ross Ulrich



WORSHIP SCHEDULE 7:00 p.m., WEDNESDAY 9:00 a.m., SUNDAY

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

COMMUNION SCHEDULE

Communion is offered regularly on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month, and the Wednesday that precedes that Sunday. Individual will be available at the Sunday Communion Services. Individual Cup will be available at the Wednesday Communion Services.

<u>June Schedule</u> Wed., 14 & 28 Sun., June 4 & 18

<u>July Schedule</u>: Wed., July 12 Sun., July 2 & 16

August Schedule: Wed., Aug. 2, 16, & 30 Sun., Aug. 6 & 20

AFTERNOON WORSHIP

Please join us for an afternoon worship service on the second Tuesday of each month.
Individual cup communion will be served.

Tues., June 13 Tues., July 11 Tues., Aug. 8

TUESDAY AFTERNOON WORSHIP During the summer

June 13 @ 1:30 p.m. July 11 @ 1:30 p.m. August 8 @ 1:30 p.m.

Bible classes, Youth and Sunday school have recessed for the summer. Classes will begin meeting again on Sunday, September 10th.

<u>INSTALLATION SUNDAY JULY 2</u>

Pastor Gregory Sitzman will be installed as Zion's Senior Pastor on Sun., July 2 at the 9 a.m. service. Circuit Pastor Brian Keller (St. Stephen, Adrian) will install Pastor Sitzman. SOLI DEO GLORIA.

CALL MEETNG FOR ASSOCIATE PASTOR SUNDAY, JULY 2

Circuit Pastor Brian Keller will conduct a Call Meeting at Zion on Sunday, July 2 at 10:30 a.m. Zion will be calling an Associate Pastor. Voters not vacationing are encourages to attend this Call Meeting. THANKYOU.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL'S



June 2nd-3rd 8am-4pm

Proceeds Benefit Zion Lutheran Church and School **Donation drop off**

- MAY 22-26: MON- FRI, 8:00 AM-12:00 PM AND AT 3:00 PM
 - DONATIONS PLACED IN SINGLE CAR GARAGE (PARKING LOT)
- MAY 28, & May 30 31: SUN, TUE-WED, 8:00 AM-12:00 PM
 - DONATIONS PLACED IN GYM
- JUNE 1: THUR, 8:00 AM- 6:00 PM
 - DONATIONS PLACED IN GYM
- PLEASE DROP OFF LARGE ITEMS STARTING SUNDAY, MAY 29TH
- WE ARE UNABLE TO ACCEPT: MATTRESSES, TVs,
 EXERCISE EQUIPMENT AND NON-OPERATIONAL /BROKEN ITEMS
- CONTACT MELISSA FREINY, THE OFFICE, OR BRYAN SCHNECK IF YOU NEED OTHER ARRANGEMENTS FOR DROPPING OFF ITEMS

* VOLUNTEERS NEEDED *

We need volunteers to help sort and set up all donations.

We are in need of help during the sale on Friday and Saturday, June 2nd-3rd, as well.
Thank you for your support!

To volunteer or to reach out with questions, please contact Melissa Freiny 734-652-1638 or melissa.freiny@gmail.com

FYI (CONTINUED)

Zion Lutheran Church and School

SIGNATION!

July 17-21

at Zion Lutheran Church 9:00am - 12:00pm Ages 5-11

Colossians 1:16 For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible

SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERING ART/MUSIC MATH

Come learn about the creation God has given for you to learn about and enjoy!

For more information & registration, watch our Facebook page and church bulletins

FYI (CONTINUED)

REPORT CARDS

Hello Zion School Family!

Student report cards for the 4th quarter will be available for pick-up at Zion on Sunday, June 3. Report cards will be available in the school hallway. Report cards not picked up after Sunday, June 10 will be mailed or delivered.

Thanks, Zion Staff



*Parents must remain with their kids.

FYI (CONTINUED)

Zion Lutheran Church Annual Camp-Out Killarney Lutheran Camp Friday-Sunday, August 4-6

Campsites are reserved for our church and school families.

Saturday Night Pot-Luck Dinner and Worship Service

Everyone is welcome to come even if it is just for the day on Saturday.

Awesome family environment: Water activities available—swimming, kayaking, canoeing, wadding, fishing. Beach front games to play as a family or as a group.

Hiking trails, basketball hoops and volleyball nets. Area for little children to play. Clean restrooms and plenty of space to picnic lunch.



THANK YOU

SUNDAY SCHOOL/YOUTH THANK YOU —We thank our Sunday School teachers—Barbra Krueger, Jennifer Burke, Deanna and Bryan Schneck, and Liz Seibert.

THANK YOU TO CAROL PITCHER for all your work and dedication to Zion's Cradle Roll. Carol works diligently and faithfully with sending out materials for Zion's Cradle Roll, sending out visitor cards and other administrative duties for Zion. Thank you Carol for your faithful service!

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR ORGANISTS/ACCOMPANISTS/SOLOISTS/MUSICIANS who help beautify our worship services—Dottie Bober, Ross Ernest, Kayla Liechty, Deanna Schneck, Miller Sordahl and Mona Vitale.

MINISTERIAL ACTS

CONFIRMATION

\$\frac{1}{2}\$Kyle Strzesinski and Anthony Vanek were confirmed on Sunday, May 21st.

MEMORIALS

In memory of Judy DeMuth from

Kenny and Mary Ann Havekost Russ and Mona Vitale Mary Lou Gautz Arnette Gahlau

In memory of Erv Yoas from Juergan and Lorrie Koenig

In memory of Jeanette Nickel from

Molly, Ellie & Tess Smith Jim and Kathy Vanisacker Gregory Clock Larry and Delores Simmons Anthony and Audrey Majauskas Debra and Derrick Jones Dick and Eileen Hutchison

Barbara Dahl Beth Nied Lynn Weeman

In memory of Dean Babcock
Beth Nied

In memory of loved ones

John and Marjorie Brinkmeier

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Principal Report for Messenger June 2023

"For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do Good works which God has prepared in advance for us to do." This passage from Ephesians 2:10 has been our school year theme for this last school year, as we reminded our students not only of their identity as redeemed children of God, but also their responsibility and privilege to serve God with their gifts and abilities. What a blessing it has been to teach Christ's lambs and sheep for yet another school year. In a world full of challenges to Christian faith and life, the joy of our salvation in Jesus and the sure hope of heaven keeps us focused and moving forward. What a blessing we have that we have been able to provide our students with another successful school year of growth and positive learning experiences. All of this has happened by God's grace. For this we are thankful to him and ask his continued blessing as we look forward to the new school year in the fall.

We rejoice in thanksgiving with our eighth grade graduates, Jana Dugan and Levi Fager, who successfully completed their education with us and move on to the next level of their education. Jana will be attending Monroe Middle College for her freshman year, while Levi will be attending Michigan Lutheran Seminary in Saginaw, Michigan. We wish them both God's blessings as they continue in their education and their Christian walk.

Our enrollment for next year already looks to increase yet again, with a full morning session for preschool with a waiting list, as well as a likely full session for our afternoon preschool. We also have a number of new students joining us in grades K-8, particularly in the upper grades. Our larger numbers in the elementary level have led us to once more readjust the middle and upper grades classrooms, with Mr. Roth taking grade 3-5 and Mr. Schneck grades 6-8. We are also planning to add a half-day assistant to help out in both the middle and upper grade classrooms. It is our hope that by God's grace we will be able to see continued growth in our school program.

Even though school is out, there are a number of available activities coming up to keep kids active. There will be three "Fun with Friends" Summer Play Group events for families to get together at the Zion playground on June 20th, July 11th, and August 8th from 10 a.m. until noon. Zion is also holding a "STEAM" (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art/Music, and Math) Vacation Bible School from July 17-21. We encourage our Zion school families to continue to connect with each other throughout the summer.

As always, we thank God for working through you, the Zion congregation, by providing support for our school program. Your continued gifts make our service to Christ's lambs and sheep possible. Thank you for being a blessing to us.

May God bless and keep us all as we rejoice together in a successful school year and look forward to the future plans he has for us!

In Christ's service and yours,

Principal Bryan Schneck



Congratulations and God's Blessings to the Zion Lutheran School Class of 2023



Class Hymn: Day by Day

Class Verse from Psalm 139:14

"I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

Your works are wonderful,

and my soul knows that very well."



Jana Dugan and Levi Fager

There were 11 members present.

- I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Steve Sordahl
 - 1. The meeting was opened with a devotion by Pastor Sitzman

A. Acts 17:28 NIV

- II. **Previous Council Minutes**: M/S/C to approve the minutes from the April 20th Council meeting (Kipf/Schneck)
- III. Pastoral Report: M/S/C to approve the submitted report for Thursday, May 18th, 2023 (Kipf/Vagt)
 - A. Zion Elders and Pastors are recommending that we receive into membership by confirmation Kyle Robert Strzesinski and Anthony David Vanek
 - B. A Senior Pastor, Gregory Sitzman, was called at a special voters meeting held on April 30th
 - C. Pastor Ulrich's last Service will be Sunday, June 11th. A special service will be held at 4pm on the 11th with a pot-luck dinner to follow
 - D. Helping our Church Family program is in place with volunteers ready to provide meals when the need arises
 - E. The annual Rummage Sale will be held June 2-3 from 8 AM to 4 PM
 - F. The Camp Killarney Chicken Barbecue will be held on Sunday May 28th from noon until 3 PM
 - G. VBS is scheduled for July 17-21
 - H. Jesus Cares Ministry is being worked on
 - I. Sunday School is being recessed as of Sunday May 21^{st} , adult bible class will be recessed May 28^{th} and will re-start on September 10^{th} , 2023
 - J. Pastor Fager and Pastor Sitzman will swap pulpits through the summer months
 - K. Pastor Sitzman will be on vacation May 27th through June 9th
- IV. **Principal Report**: M/S/C to approve the printed report (Kipf/Burke)
 - A. Enrollment Is estimated to be at 92 to start the 2023-2024 school year: 54 Non-Member, 33 Member, and 5 from sister congregations, 3 on waiting list for AM preschool
 - B. 7th and 8th graders visited Washington D.C. May 5th through the 9th
 - C. Zion graduation/awards night is May 25th at 6 PM
 - D. 8th grade graduates: Jana Dugan and Levi Fager
 - E. Final day of school is Friday, May 26
- V. Board Reports:
 - 1. Board of Education: M/S/C to accept the report as given (Kipf/Burke)
 - A. Met on May 15th, 2023
 - B. Enrollment continues with up to 92 projected students for next year, including up to 7 new primary grade students
 - C. Coming up in the next couple of weeks is the HVL Track Meet, Pre-K/K/ and 8^{th} grade Graduations, School Picnic night, and more
 - D. Due to increased enrollment, more desks and chairs will be needed for grades 3,4, and 5.
 - E. Old laptops will be phased out and we are looking to procure new Chromebooks. Getting prices to replace the bulletin boards in grades 1-5 with whiteboards
 - F. Eight families applied for tuition aid; Ten students were qualified/approved through TADS/Board approval. \$1,500 per qualified student for tuition assistance for the 2023-2024 school year, with Zion member aid coming from line item 9530 (\$7,500) and non-member family aid coming from line item 9524 (\$7,500) equaling \$15,000 (10 total students X \$1500) total financial aid. To preserve confidentiality and anonymity of applicants, individual family situations will be available upon request
 - G. Funding for new middle grade desks will be requested at a future date
 - 2. Board of Elders: M/S/C to accept the report and statistical data from April (Schneck/Burke)
 - A. Met on 5/2/2023
 - B. Jesus Cares Ministry; Pastor Joel Gaertner led a training session at Zion on May 4th
 - C. Ushering staffing needs and training were discussed at a meeting attended by Rich Heusman
 - D. Pastor Sitzman will be on vacation May 27th through June 9th
 - E. Additional Communion Assistants will be needed for May 9^{7h}, May 21st and June 4th. Mark Kipf will take May 9th and look for volunteers for the other two dates
 - F. Pastor Sitzman and Amy are working on a format for communion/attendance cards. Lamour printing in Monroe may be utilized
 - G. Pastor Sitzman would like to use the "Peter Plan" from the WELS to address straying Zion Members
 - H. Next meeting June 6th, 2023

<u>3. Board of Outreach</u>: No report given

4. Board of Service and Fellowship:

M/S/C to accept the Verbal Report as given (Schneck/Kipf)

- A. Plans continue to be made for Pastor Ulrich's retirement pot-luck on June 11th
- B. A Chili cook-off is being planned
- C. The annual Zion camp out is being planned for the 1st weekend in August at Killarney
- D. Conferred with Brenda Chandonnet for decoration dates for Christmas, and the Advent Tea
- Board of Stewardship:

No report given

6. Board of Trustees:

M/S/C to accept the report as given (Kipf/Schneck)

- A. Met on May 9th
- B. Gutters on the houses will be worked on, Jeff Grubb provided arial pictures to be reviewed
- C. Work on Brian's yard is complete
- D. Mulch for the church and school will be completed
- E. Received a quote of \$1,660 from Steele Grave Turner for the balcony lights to be upgraded/replaced
- F. A quote was received from Steele Grave Turner for \$6,160 to replace two electrical service panels (one in the gym and one in the school hall)
- VI. **Treasurer's Report**: M/S/C to accept the Treasurer's report: Balance Sheet, the monthly P&L reported as monthly net income, the YTD profit and loss reported as YTD net operating income, and the review of restricted versus unrestricted funds (Kipf/Schneck)
 - A. Balance Sheet is balanced (Total Assets = Total Liabilities plus Equity)
 - B. Monthly **net** operating income for April is \$2,923.15
 - C. YTD **net** operating income through April 30th, 2023 is \$-44,481.80
 - D. Year over year Income was down \$6,781.22, and Expenses were up \$23,844.97 resulting in a year over year loss of \$23,844.97
 - E. Restricted funds as April 30, 2023 = \$404,697.31 Unrestricted funds as of April 30, 2023 = \$236,326.92
 - F. As of April 30, 2023 we are at 34.65% of the annual budget (As of end of April we expect to be at 33% of budget)
- VII. **Financial Secretary's Report**: M/S/C to accept the report submitted for the month of April 2023 (Kipf/Burke) Numbers in Treasure's report balance with special savings account at Merchants Bank

VIII. Committee Reports:

A. Financial Staff Committee: no report

D. Security Committee: no report

E. Audit Committee: no report

G. Cottage Committee: no report

H. Bell Committee: no report

I. Church Furniture Committee: no report

IX. Unfinished Business:

- A. Tenants of leadership, Galatians 5:22, 4th fruit of the spirit is Kindness. The 5th Commandment, "Thou shall not murder"
- B. A request that the Voter's approve funding for a new handicapped bathroom in the East Foyer; Cost \$75,500 obtained from the capital campaign fund (9559) (McBee/Kipf) Motion tabled at previous meeting

X. New Business:

- A. M/S/C to accept into membership by confirmation Kyle Robert Strzesinski (Kipf/Burke)
- B. M/S/C to accept into membership by confirmation Anthony David Vanek (Burke/Schneck)
- C. M/S/C to remove the shower in the boy's locker-room as part of the bathroom renovation (Ulrich/Kipf)
- D. M/S/C to approve the policy for \$1,500 in student aid (fund 9603) for one secondary student (Kipf/Burke)
- E. M/S/C to close the following committees (Security, Bell, and Furniture) as they have completed their assigned purpose. Thanks to those leaders for carrying out and completing their assigned tasks (Kipf/Burke)
- F. M/F to create a committee that will look into a means to allow parishioners access to the basement (Failed due to lack of support)
- G. M/S/C to request that the Elders explore options for more accessible areas to hold Bible Class (Vagt/Burke)
- H. M/S/C to allocate \$1,000 from the congregation for a retirement gift for Pastor Ulrich (Kipf/Vagt)
- I. M/S/C to utilize the Thrivent Choice Fund (9604) to fund the pastor's retirement gift of \$1,000 (Kipf/Vagt)
- J. M/S/C to amend the amount of the retirement gift mentioned in motions "H & I" above to \$2,500, with this amount still being funded through the Thrivent Fund (9604) (Kipf/Vagt)
- K. M/S/C to allow the Sitzman's to move into Pastor Ullrich's house when it becomes available (Kipf/Schneck)
- XI. **Meeting Adjourned**: M/S/C with no other business needing attention, we move to adjourn at 7:52 PM with a prayer by Pastor Sitzman from Colossians Chapter 3 (Kipf/Burke)

To be Noted:

Next Council Meeting will occur on June 15th at 6 PM Next Open Forum Meeting is July 23, 2023 at 10:15 AM Next Regularly Scheduled Voter's Meeting is July 30 at 11:30 AM

Respectfully submitted, Ray Palmatier

JUNE & JULY HIGHLIGHTS

Fri.—Sat., June 2-3 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Rummage Sale Sun., June 4 9:00 a.m. Worship (IC) Mon.-Wed., June 5-7 Study Conference Wed., June 7 7:00 p.m. Worship Sun., June 11 9:00 a.m. Worship 4:00 p.m. Pastor Ulrich Retirement Worship Service Pot-Luck Dinner to follow 1:30 p.m. Worship Service (IC) Tues., June 13 Wed., June 15 7:00 p.m. Worship (IC) Thurs., June 15 7:00 p.m. Church Council (if necessary) Sun., June 18 9:00 a.m. Worship (IC) 10:00 a.m. Playgroup Tues., June 20 Wed., June 21 7:00 p.m. Worship Thurs., June 22 Wedding Rehearsal—Herman Fri., June 23 Wedding—Herman Sun., June 25 9:00 a.m. Worship Wed., June 28 7:00 p.m. Worship (IC) Sun., July 2 9:00 a.m. Worship (IC) 10:30 a.m. Call Meeting Office Closed Mon.-Tues., July 3-4 Wed., July 5 7:00 p.m. Worship Sun., July 9 9:00 a.m. Worship Tues., July 11 10:00 a.m. Playgroup 1:30 p.m. Worship (IC) Wed., July 12 7:00 p.m. Worship (IC) Sun., July 16 9:00 a.m. Worship (IC) Zion Vacation Bible School Mon.-Fri., July 17-21 Wed., July 19 7:00 p.m. Worship Thurs., July 20 7:00 p.m. Church Council Sun., July 23 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:30 p.m. Open Forum Wed., July 26 7:00 p.m. Worship Sun., July 30 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Voter's Meeting

AUGUST HIGHLIGHTS

Wed., Aug. 2 7:00 p.m. Worship (IC)

Fri.- Sun., Aug. 4-6 Zion Church Camp-out @ Killarney

Sun., Aug. 6 9:00 a.m. Worship (IC) Tues., Aug. 8 10:00 a.m. Playgroup 1:30 p.m. Worship (IC)

Wed., Aug. 9 7:00 p.m. Worship Sun., Aug. 13 9:00 a.m. Worship

Wed., Aug. 16 7:00 p.m. Worship (IC)
Thurs., Aug. 17 7:00 p.m. Church Council
Sun., Aug. 20 9:00 a.m. Worship (IC)

Tues., Aug. 22 8:00 a.m. First Day of School

Wed., Aug. 23 7:00 p.m. Worship Sun., Aug. 27 9:00 a.m. Worship Wed., Aug. 30 7:00 p.m. Worship (IC)

SUMMER VOLUNTEERS

| | June 4 July 2 Aug. 6 | June 11 July 9 Aug. 13 | June 18 July 16 Aug. 20 | June 25 July 23 Aug. 27 | July 30 |
|------------------------|---|--|---|---|--|
| ALTAR GUILD | June – Helen Heusman & Lor- rie Koenig | | July — Ruth Ann Peters & Barb Friar | | August – Gail Heus- man, Hanna & Kayla Liechty |
| LIVE STREAM HELPERS | Rob Krueger | Need Volunteer | Miller Sordahl | Steve Sordahl | |
| USHERS | June 4 Russ Vitale Keith McBee Mark Kipf Joe Schmeling July 2 Rich Heusman Jeff Heusman Jake Burke Juergan Koenig Matt McCormick Zach Turner Aug. 6 Rich Heusman Jake Burke Juergan Koenig Matt McCormick Zach Turner | June 11 Rob Krueger Ralph Naveaux Ray Chandonnet Erich Freiny July 9 Russ Vitale Keith McBee Mark Kipf Joe Schmeling Aug. 13 Russ Vitale Keith McBee Keith McBee Mark Kipf Joe Schmeling | June 18 Tony Affholter Mark Fuerstenberg Ray Palmatier Jeff Douglas July 16 Rob Krueger Ralph Naveaux Ray Chandonnet Erich Freiny Aug. 20 Rob Krueger Ralph Naveaux Ray Chandonnet Erich Freiny | June 25 Alan Bober Jeremy Robinson Jacob Robinson William Robinson Dave Benge Matt Hill July 23 Tony Affholter Mark Fuerstenberg Ray Palmatier Jeff Douglas Aug. 27 Tony Affholter Mark Fuerstenberg Ray Palmatier Jeff Douglas | July 30 Alan Bober Jeremy Robinson Jacob Robinson William Robinson Dave Benge Matt Hill |

21 Jesus looked up and saw rich people putting their gifts into the offering box. ² He saw a poor widow there putting in two small coins. ³ He said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow put in more than everyone, ⁴ for all these put in some of their leftovers as gifts to God, but she, out of her poverty, put in all that she had to live on."

Luke 21:1-4

CHURCH COUNCIL & BOARDS

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OPEN FORUM

SUNDAY, JULY 23 @ 10:30 A.M.

Quarterly Voters' Meeting

SUNDAY, JULY 30 @ 10:30 A.M.

THE MESSENGER is printed monthly for the members of Zion Ev. Lutheran Church for the purpose of informing them of the upcoming events along with sharing the good news of the Gospel and information about our members. It is also intended to help and inform those not in our church family.

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JUNE, 2023 ZION EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

| SUNDAY | Monday | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|--------|--|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|---|
| | | | | 1 | 2 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Rummage Sale | 3 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Rummage Sale |
| 4 9:00 a.m. Worship (IC/CC) | 5 | 6 7:00 p.m. Elders Meeting | 7 7:00 p.m. Worship | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 11 9:00 a.m. Worship 4:00 p.m. Pastor Ulrich Retire- ment Worship Service Pot-Luck dinner to follow | 12 | 13 1:30 Worship (IC) 5:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting | 14 7:00 p.m. Worship (IC) | 15 7:00 p.m., Church Council | 16 | 17 |
| 18 9:00 a.m. Worship (IC/CC) | 19 | 20 10:00 a.m. Playgroup | 21 7:00 p.m. Worship | 22 Herman Wedding Rehearsal | 23 Herman Wedding | 24 |
| 25 9:00 a.m. Worship | 26 | 27 | 28 7:00 p.m. Worship (IC) | 29 | 30 | |

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| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| | | | | | | 1 |
| 2 9:00 a.m. Worship (IC/CC) | 3 | 4 | 5 7:00 p.m. Worship | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| Installation Senior Pastor | Office C | losed—holiday | | | | |
| 10:30 a.m. Call Meeting | | | | | | |
| 9 9:00 a.m. Worship | 10 | 11 10:00 a.m. Playgroup 1:30 Worship (IC) 5:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting | 12 7:00 p.m. Worship (IC) | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 9:00 a.m. Worship (IC/CC) | 17 | 18 | 19 7:00 p.m. Worship | 20 7:00 p.m., Church Council | 21 | 22 |
| | | Zion Vaca | tion Bible/Steam C | amp | | |
| 23 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Open Forum | 24 | 25 | 26 7:00 p.m. Worship | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. Voter's Meeting | 31 | | | | | |

AUGUST, 2023 ZION EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| | | 1 7:00 p.m. Elders Meeting | 2 7:00 p.m. Worship (IC) | 3 | | 5 MP-OUT IILLARNEY |
| 6 9:00 a.m. Worship (IC/CC) ZION CAMP-OUT @ Camp Killarney | 7 | 8 10:00 a.m. Playgroup 1:30 Worship (IC) 5:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting | 9 7:00 p.m. Worship | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 9:00 a.m. Worship | 14 | 15 | 16 7:00 p.m. Worship | 17 7:00 p.m., Church Council | 18 | 19 |
| 20 9:00 a.m. Worship (IC/CC) | 21 | 22 8:00 a.m. First Day of School | 23 7:00 p.m. Worship | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 9:00 a.m. Worship | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | |

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