

Lutheran Church

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OCTOBER 2021

Worship

Sunday - 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.

Saturdays - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday School

9:30 Sunday School for All Ages

Sundays:

9:00 a.m. KOK Chimers Rehearsal

1:00 p.m. Drive Thru Communion

Wednesdays:

9:00 a.m. Stitch & Sew

Thursdays:

10:00 a.m. ThuMBS

OCTOBER HIGHLIGHTS

10/2: Blessing of the Animals

10/8: Hoagie Sale Pick-up

10/12: Youth Board Meeting

10/13: Property Board Meeting

10/13 & 27: Cr@zy

10/14: Communication Board Mtg

10/15-17: Adult Retreat(Sequanota)

10/19: Ruth Circle

10/21: CPC Meeting

10/23: Men's Breakfast

10/23: Zion Community Clean-up

10/24: Confirmation Course

10/26: Faith Partners Meeting

10/30: H-burg Halloween Parade

10/31: Reformation Day & Confirmation

LOOKING AHEAD TO NOVEMBER

11/7: Operation Christmas Child

11/10: Property Board Meeting

11/10 & 24: Cr@zy

10/11: Communication Board Mtg

11/12-13: 7-12th Grade Lock-in

11/16: Ruth Circle

11/18: CPC Meeting

11/19: Zion Party

11/20: Men's Breakfast

11/25 & 26: Happy Thanksgiving—
Office Closed



Renew, Restore, and Rejuvenate: A Zion Capital Stewardship Campaign

As a young teenager the change came as a surprise; we were worshipping in the Fellowship Hall. I'm quite positive that Pastors Scott and Carol Custead and members of Zion's leadership teams announced all the plans and phases and disruptions that the congregation would face, but at the age of 13 you only half-hear anything, even if you're in church every week. The routine of climbing the stairs and sitting in the pews was replaced by a sea of folding chairs all oriented to a makeshift altar. The building was under construction and the people of Zion would be worshipping here for the time being while anticipating the changes to the rest of the building.

The New Century Capital Campaign was expansive. The majority of Zion was updated and changed: the sanctuary carpet and paint scheme, the stained-glass windows were cleaned, the first floor was reconfigured, dividing walls added to the Fellowship Hall, landscaping outside...and that's just what I remember! However, the New Century Campaign occurred at the turn of the century, over two decades ago, and the time has come to replace and update Zion once again.

The Renew, Restore, and Rejuvenate Campaign aims to rehabilitate the tired and worn parts of our building and will allow for the completion of the following projects:

- Replace our 50-year-old elevator
- Painting of the sanctuary and plaster repair
- Replace of the carpet in the sanctuary
- Complete renovation of six rest rooms
- Complete renovation of the church kitchen
- Replace the flooring in the narthex

To complete these renovations our church needs to raise \$350,000 over the next three years. These funds are in addition to the regular financial offerings given for the day-to-day ministry of our congregation. The pandemic has delayed the start to the campaign and the Capital Campaign Committee is eager to begin its work in the very near future. Please keep a lookout for more information on our upcoming endeavor.

In the near future we will find ourselves again worshipping in the Fellowship Hall, wondering what the unveiling of our new sanctuary space will look like. Soon we will have the wonderful chaos of construction and renovation. It is my hope that we will effortlessly meet our goals and complete these projects to make Zion a more welcoming building and house of worship.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Dave



Notes of Thanks!

Dear Members of Zion,

We women who live at Hillcrest Apts. and are members of Zion wish to thank you and tell you how much we appreciate and thank you for all kindness and gifts given to us. It is wonderful at 90 plus to know you are appreciated and missed.

Thank you for all the prayers, dinner, flowers, pies, and peaches and to Ruth Circle for our ice cream sodas and Christmas gifts. We feel truly blessed.

Love & Prayers,

Phyllis Hultman, Nancy Alwine, Pat Fulton, Ruth Grubb,
Clara Churchill, & Marge Gamp

A thank you note FYI. Since March 2020 until now, during Covid, our newsletter has not been produced on a monthly basis. For anyone who sent a thank you note to the church during that time, your note was included in the weekend bulletin as a way to share it with the congregation.



PERSONAL CARE KITS **(LWR Kits of Care)**

Ruth Circle is sponsoring the collection of Personal Care Kits for Lutheran World Relief. As in the past years, we are inviting the congregation to participate in contributing completed kits.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR EACH KIT:

1. One light/medium weight bath size towel (dark color preferred)
2. Two bath size bars of soap (in original wrapping)
3. One metal nail clipper (remove packaging)
4. One toothbrush (in original package) (or if multi pack, put toothbrushes in a business size envelope and seal) (no plastic bags or wrap)
5. One sturdy comb (not in package)

DO NOT ADD ANY MORE ITEMS OR LEAVE OUT ANY ITEMS LISTED.

Wrap items in the towel and tie securely with yarn. Do not enclose items in plastic bags. Bring completed kits to church library by Wednesday, October 24th.



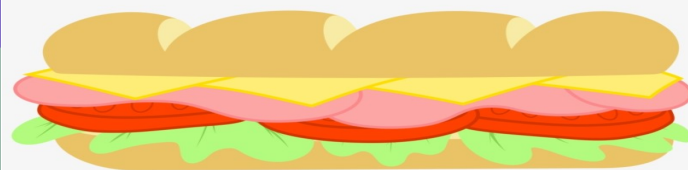
Zion Party!

Friday, 11/19

7:00-9:00pm

At the church!

Something for everyone! All are welcome to join with new and old Zion friends for a fun evening together with activities for all ages, games, music (perhaps even some dancing!), "camp" worship, and more. We will have the fellowship hall ready for a party and you are invited!



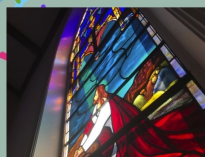
MARIANNA'S HOAGIE PICK-UP

For anyone who ordered Marianna's Hoagies and Pizzas to benefit our youth's trip to Minneapolis for the 2022 National Youth Gathering.

Orders will be available for pick-up on Friday, October 8th from 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm at Zion in the Union Street entrance (glass doors). If you did not pay for your order in advance, please bring payment when you pick-up your order.

Thank you for the support!

See you there!





Adult Retreat

Renew, Refresh, Retread

Zion is hosting a retreat for adults at the Sequanota Bowersox Enrichment Center on October 15-17. The Enrichment Center has "hotel-like" qualities—beds, your own room and private bathroom. The retreat includes lodging, meals (you don't have to cook!), bible study, evening worship, free time, and some planned activities.

The cost for the retreat is \$75 per person. If you are interested in attending, please complete a registration form available at the office. If you have any questions please speak with Pastor Dave, Gail Nedimyer, or Beth Lyon for more details.

STITCH & SEW

Stitch & Sew is a group that comes together to make lap robes for local nursing home residents and quilts that are sent to Lutheran World Relief for use around the world. Donations help keep this ministry active. Money given helps to purchase fabric for the backing and the batting needed for the middle. Fabric donations are also welcomed. Only cotton based woven fabric can be used. You are always welcome to join them on Wednesday mornings at 9:00 in the fellowship hall. All that is needed is a willing heart, and a desire to fellowship, and a bag lunch. Their day usually ends around 2:00. If you can only be there for part of the time—just come as you can.



COMMUNITY CLEAN UP

Join your Zion family for some community service on **Saturday, October 23rd at 2:00pm**. Everyone is invited to meet at the church on 10/23 and head down to the area by the US Hotel and train tracks for some community clean up. We will be picking up trash, pulling weeds, etc. This service project is for children, youth, and adults! We encourage those with work gloves to bring them, but we will have supplies for everyone to participate. **Meet at the church** at 2:00pm on 10/23 to join us as we serve our community.

Advent Devotion authors, please return your completed devotional to the Communication Board mailbox in the Library or email it to news@zionholidaysburg.org by Friday, October 22.

*Many thanks for your support,
Your Communication Board Team*



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The Children & Family Board will again be participating in Operation Christmas Child run by Samaritans Purse, and would like to extend an invitation to you to participate in this worthy endeavor. So on **Sunday, November 3rd at 4:00** a fun time is being planned to participate in this project. Adults and children (and youth) will meet at the church to go shopping to purchase the gifts and items to place in the boxes.



When everyone is reunited, we will share a pizza supper, and then the boxes will be packed and readied for shipping.

Please keep in mind, even if you are unable to attend this event, financial contributions are also accepted (mark your giving envelope "Operation Christmas Child"). If you have any questions, contact Kevin or Wendi Naugle.

CR@ZY

Cr@zy is Zion's regularly meeting 7th-12th grade youth group. We do a variety of things throughout the year like bible studies, service work with American Rescue Workers and ALSM, games, ice cream trips, etc. Cr@zy is a great opportunity for youth to grow in faith together and build relationships! Friends are always welcome.

Cr@zy meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday each month from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the church unless otherwise announced.

Upcoming Dates:

Wednesday, 10/13 from 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Wednesday, 10/27 from 7:00-8:30 p.m.



YOUTH LOCK-IN DATES

7th –12th Grade Lock-in
November 12-13, 2021
4th–6th Grade Lock-in
January 14-15, 2022

CONFIRMATION COURSE

Confirmation Courses are scheduled for **Sundays, October 24, December 5, January 9, and February 13 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.** here at the church. The last course for the season will be Confirmation Night on **Friday, March 18 from 7:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.** There will be a **Confirmation Course Make-up on Sunday, April 3.** The courses are for all youth in the Confirmation process. Topics for the courses will range from Catechism, to the Bible, to Church History. Looking forward to seeing you there!



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7TH-12TH GRADE LOCK IN

Friday, November 12th 7:00pm-
Saturday, November 13th 10:00am

At the church. Games, movies,
snacks, "night games", and more!

**FRIENDS ARE
WELCOME!**



A parent/gaurdian will need to sign a release when dropping youth off.

4th-6th Grade GameDay



All 4th-6th Graders are invited for lunch and classic Zion Youth Group games on **Saturday, December 4th** from **Noon-3:00pm** at the church. We will start with lunch together and then have some fun with youth group games ("fruit", a scavenger hunt, dodgeball, "sardines", etc.). Friends are welcome! Parents can drop youth off in the fellowship hall at noon, and pick them up at 3:00pm in the same place. Friends are very welcome! *Note that this is immediately following our first Christmas Pageant filming.* 4th-6th Grade youth who will also participate in the Christmas Pageant can plan to go straight from one to the other!



Zion Faith Partners

Recovery and D&A Ministry team

Tuesday, 10/26 @ 6:30pm

New team members welcome!

The Zion Faith Partners team is meeting on **Tuesday, 10/26 at 6:30pm** here at the church. Faith Partners is a congregational response to addiction and issues of drug and alcohol abuse in our community. Faith Partners teams advocate for those in recovery, educate their congregations on addiction, and pray for all those affected by this disease. This meeting will be a "regroup" meeting after the pandemic, so it is a great time for new members! All are welcome to be a part of this effort. Please contact Ryan Custead at the church office if you have any questions.



A Giving Opportunity

Qualified Charitable Distributions

Are you aware of the tax benefits of this giving opportunity?

As men and women approach their 72nd birthdays, their financial advisor or tax preparer should make them aware that they are required by federal law to make an annual **Required Minimum Distribution (RMD)** from all of their retirement accounts – *whether they need the money or not.*

That RMD is about four percent of a person's IRA and as you would expect, federal tax must be paid on that amount. Most financial planners take care of remitting the tax for you at the time the RMD is made.

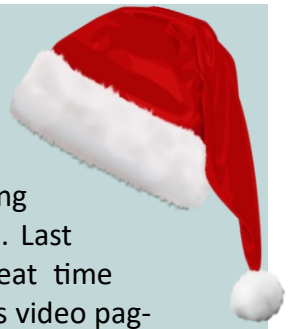
Did you know there is a way to avoid paying Federal Income Tax on a portion, or even the entire amount, of your RMD and support the ministries of Zion Lutheran Church at the same time?

Federal law provides an opportunity to make a **Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD)** when your annual distribution is required. A QCD is a tax-free donation that can be paid directly from your IRA to Zion Lutheran Church, a recognized 501 (c)(3) organization.

The maximum annual exclusion for this Qualified Charitable Donation is \$100,000. ***Please remember that this QCD must be paid directly from your IRA to the church.*** Your financial advisor can assist with this process.

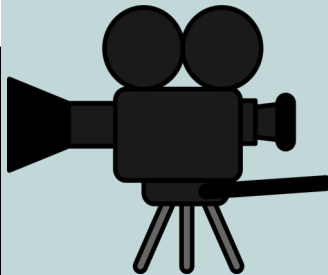
Please contact Pastor Dave or your financial advisor if you have any questions.

Christmas Pageant 2021



Believe it or not, it is time to start thinking about Zion's Christmas Pageant for 2021. Last year, the children and youth had a great time putting together "A Covid Christmas". This video pageant was seen during worship AND by lots of members and friends online. The pageant team will again be putting together a video Christmas Pageant that will be played during 10:45am worship on Sunday, December 19th and made available online. Our pageant showing on 12/19 will also include some live action acting, so please mark calendars accordingly.

We need children, youth, and a few parent/adult volunteers to make this pageant a success. Participating in the Christmas Pageant is a great way to help your child focus on faith in the Advent season. *Please let Ryan Custead know at ryncust@gmail.com or at (814)695-0091 if your children will participate. We also need a few parent helpers!* Here is this year's schedule:



Saturday, December 4th from 10:00am-Noon Pageant filming
Saturday, December 11th from 10:00am-Noon Pageant filming
Sunday, December 19th @ 10:45am Pageant performance/showing



FINANCIAL REPORT General Fund

July 1, 2021 thru August 31, 2021

Income (Giving) \$55,492.40

Expenses \$57,444.57

Income vs. Expenses (Giving Only)
(\$1,952.17)

(REMINDER: The above income figure reflects money given in the "Current Expenses" portion of your giving envelopes and undesignated loose offering only. Benevolence and money given to designated funds is not included.)

Edward Jones Investments

E J Account Value as of 8/27/21 \$638,975.99

Less Principal(initial investment) \$336,214.17

Value over principal as of 8/27/21 \$302,761.82

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