



Calendar

MONDAY, APRIL 30
7:00pm Men's Club Meeting

TUESDAY, MAY 1
9:00am LBW Large Print
1:00pm Weekly Newsletter Deadline
6:00pm Executive
6:35pm Moms in Prayer
7:00pm Leadership

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2
9:00am-3:00pm Zion Quilters
9:15 ZECC Chapel
6:30pm Living Faith
7:00pm Desert Voice

THURSDAY, MAY 3
10:00am Staff Devotions/Meeting
1:00pm LBW Large Print
6:30pm Festival Ringers
7:30pm Sanctuary Choir

FRIDAY, MAY 4
1:30pm Church Office Closes

SATURDAY, MAY 5
9:00am-10:00am ZIPS (Zion in Prayer on Saturday)
5:00pm Saturday Informal Worship with Communion

SUNDAY, MAY 6
8:30am Traditional Worship with Communion
9:40am Sunday School Adults & Kids
10:50am Contemporary Worship with Communion

VOTER'S MEETING Sunday, May 20th at 9:40am in the Fellowship Hall for board elections and other congregational business.

When We Last Gathered April 21 & 22

Attendance	294
General	\$17,660.45
Missions	\$1,087.00
Building Fund	\$2,712.50
Dedicated	\$322.33
Clean-up	\$2,210.00
Parking Lot	\$735.00

For Next Week—May 5 & 6

Readers

Don Ahlman, 5:00pm
Dee Anderson, 8:30am

Altar Care

Joyce Swinjakow & Nita Ahlman



Acolytes

Jonah Schultz, 5:00pm
Bethany Cacka, 8:30am
Libby Jacobs, 8:30am



Today at Zion

Message Theme
"Life Changers"
1 John 4:1-11

Scriptures
Acts 8:26-40, p. 917
1 John 4:1-11, p. 1023
John 15:1-8, p. 901
1 John 4:1-11, p. 1023 (10:50)

Worship Leaders
Pastor Randall Neal, Message & Liturgist
Brice Petersen, Director of Parish Music
Lori Ebert, Cantor (5:00)
Sanctuary Choir (8:30)
Denise Stover, Praise Leader (10:50)
Living Faith & Desert Voice (10:50)
Ethan Adam, Worship Assistant (10:50)
Tim Bodin, Reader (5:00)
Bob Shorten, Reader (8:30)
Brian Olson, Slide Tech (5:00)
Dan Ahlman, Slide Tech (8:30)
Rhett Dressel, Slide Tech (10:50)
Ally MacKay, Acolyte (5:00)
Lyle Discher, Elder (5:00)
Dave Erdmann, Elder (8:30 & 10:50)
Craig Ahlman, Associate Elder (5:00)
Ray Riethmeier, Associate Elder (8:30)
Richard Thorson, Associate Elder (10:50)
Linda Strei & Rebecca Pruse, Altar Care

Hymns

5:00pm

P&W 236, P&W 251, P&W 113, P&W 138, P&W 108

8:30am

Prelude: "Lasst Uns erfreuen", Ar. M. Burkhardt, Organ
LSB 465, LSB 845, LSB 808, LSB 805

Offering: "Alleluia", Randall Thompson, Sanctuary Choir
Postlude: "Old Hundredth", Arr. M. Burkhardt, Organ

10:50am

Gathering: "It Is Well", Living Faith & Desert Voice
"Soul on Fire", "Your Love Awakens Me",
"Lay Me Down", "Thrive"

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News & Notes



FIRST TIME HERE? - Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church! We are so glad to have you worshipping with us. We hope your experience today connects you to the life-changing love of Jesus Christ. Please let us know you're here by filling out the "Friendship Register" located at the end of each pew. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you find what you're looking for right here.

WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Saturday Worship: Informal 5:00pm *Holy Communion is celebrated*
Sunday Worship: Traditional 8:30am *the first and third weekends.*
Contemporary 10:50am
Education Hour: 9:40am

CHILDREN AT WORSHIP

We are pleased to have children at worship. We have quiet activity bags for use during worship. They are available in the entry area at the rear of the church. There is also a "Children's Room" in the rear of the church for those wishing to stay with their children and still participate in the worship service. A nursery is open but unstaffed on the lower level on Sunday mornings.

ASSISTED LISTENING SYSTEM—Hearing enhancement devices are available at all services; obtain one by asking an usher to direct you to one of our Elders.

FRIENDSHIP REGISTER (ATTENDANCE)

Please take a moment to clearly fill in the attendance sheet located in the maroon folder found near the center aisle in each pew so we may know how best to serve you.

LISTEN TO WORSHIP ONLINE OR WITH A CD—A free CD of today's 8:30 traditional worship service is available during the week in the Coat room, or sermons are available at www.zionhopkins.org under the "Online worship" *Quick link*.

MOBILE FINANCIAL GIVING TO ZION (Smartphone Users)

- Online: Scan Zion's QR code which takes you to Zion's web page then click on Donate Online.
- Give by Text: Send a text message to 952-260-0635 with the dollar amount you want to give; wait for a reply message, click on the link, enter your details. For future donations send text message to the same text number.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday 9:30am - 4:30pm
Friday 9:30am - 1:30pm
952.938.7661 Visit us online at www.zionhopkins.org.

ZION EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER (ZECC)

A nurturing and loving environment for the growth and development of your child, ages 6 weeks to Pre-K.
Monday - Friday 7am - 6pm
952.938.7661 ext. 21

Prayers

In your personal devotions, please pray for those in our Body of Christ who have requested your prayers and praises:

PRAYERS OF PRAISE & THANKSGIVING FOR: Scott Olson (son of Pat Mattson & nephew of Paula Rosengren), Isla (great-granddaughter of Dave & Mitzi Erdmann).


FOR HEALTH, HEALING, AND STRENGTH: Eric Olson, Dan Damschen, Chris Ruggiero (son-in-law of Brenda Walsten), Dennis & Jennifer Bernard (son-in-law & daughter of Allan & Judy Johnson), Robert Carroll (son of Robert & Shirley Carroll), Kevin Stripling, Greg Holden (son-in-law of Gene & Sylvia Herzan), Irene Stephens, Michelle Gelineao (friend of Shelly Gonshorowski), Terry Burns (brother-in-law of Ann Hanke), Barb Chase (mother of Pete Chase), Sandy Fink (friend of Don & Nita Ahlman), Arlene Howard (friend of Bob Shorten), Michael Smith (friend of Holly Thorson), Dave Mentzer (father of Becky Riethmeier), Lori Wildermuth, Rita Krueger (daughter of Carol Krueger), Darleen Best, Lois Zerfas (grandmother of Kinlin Schultz), Julie Hendrickson, Mike Ebert (brother-in-law of Lori Ebert), Claudith Washington (wife of Gene Washington), Ann Mellema (friend of Carole Arndt).

FOR FAMILIES EXPERIENCING THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE: family of Dan Slattery (friend of Wayne Koester).

FOR SPECIAL CONCERNS: Missionaries: Rev. Cullen & Deaconess Jacqueline Duke; for those in the Armed Forces; for all people in this current economic downturn, especially those for whom employment, credit, investments and housing have been adversely affected; for those affected by natural & manmade disasters.

PRAYERS FOR ZION MEMBER FAMILIES: Each week the Ministry Team at Zion meet to coordinate the many different ministries here at Zion and to pray for individual families. This past week we prayed for: Gene & Jean Brandenburg; Kevin & Nicole Brandenburg; Katie & Margo Brettin; Betty Brinkman; Muriel Bushaw .

FOR ZION: That God would continue to bless Zion Lutheran Church and allow us to be a blessing to our community; that He would abundantly provide the resources needed for faithful ministry.


 **PRAYER WARRIORS: (ZIPS)** "Zion in Prayer on Saturday" meets monthly on the 1st Saturday from 9:00am–10:00am in the Fireside Room (#102) where they pray for everyone on our prayer list and then some. Everyone is welcome. May 5th is the next gathering. Contact Karen 952-935-4356 or Carolyn 952-935-5909 with questions.

MOMS IN PRAYER Our children need our prayer support. Come pray with other women for one hour each week. We will be praying each Tuesday evening at 6:35pm in Room 205. More information is available at the Information Center or from Barb Kan.

REQUESTS FOR PRAYERS:

- Submit in writing, phone into the church office, by email, or via our website at www.zionhopkins.org
- Prayers may also be submitted to the prayer circle by calling Corrine Gust at 952-974-3846.
- Anniversary, birthday, wedding, and thanksgiving prayers will normally be included for one week.
- Medical and special concerns may be included for longer as needed. Be sure to keep us informed on any updates or changes to your loved ones condition.

Zion Happenings

 **SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Our students packed goody bags on Friendship Sunday for Pinky Swear which is an organization that helps families with a child with cancer. These bags provide snacks for either the child or the family when they are unable to get a snack at the treatment hospital either because of finances or closed cafeterias. It is also used as a special treat for a child who has just finished a treatment. The bags included macaroni and cheese, granola bars, fruit snacks, fruit cups, gatorade, and a deck of cards. Our students packed 141 pounds of food for this organization.

TAX TIME THANK OFFERING! If you are one of those fortunate folks who will be getting a refund this year would you consider sharing a portion of it with Zion? Imagine if all of our members and friends of Zion were to give just 10% (a tithe) of their refund check? Those extra funds could help accomplish our God given mission of sharing the love of God through Jesus Christ.



During the weeks surrounding April 15th

1. **PRAY** for God's blessing and guidance.
2. **BE PRESENT REGULARLY** (every week if possible) at a worship experience.
3. **GIVE A FINANCIAL DONATION** to help support the many physical needs and ministries of Zion. [KID's JAM (children), Laundromat ministry in Hopkins, ZECC (early childhood center), Shut-in visits, local and overseas missions, staff salaries, building and grounds, etc.] Use any means you choose... check, cash, electronic giving (via Simply Giving automatic withdrawal program), credit card (via our website), stocks, bonds, property, etc., \$1, \$100, \$1,000, \$10,000, or more. Give as you are able. Since we are still funded almost exclusively by individual donations from our members and friends your loving support is very important.

DEAR ZION FAMILY: It's hard to know where to start other than to say "THANK YOU" for your prayer support, love, and hugs through the years. Gene was diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease in 2003 and it's been quite a journey. The family and I would also like to thank Pastors Neal, Krienke, and Schultz for the visits to our home and hospital and the encouragement and comfort they brought to us. Pastor Krienke for the special Celebration of Life memorial service at Zion, Brice for the music, Bonnie and Carol for their help, Rick for the set up, Vicki and the ladies for the luncheon, Bruce for his tape of the service, Nancy, Al and Karen for the food for the family at the visitation, and all of the friends from Zion that visited Gene through the years and those who came to the service. There has been and is so much love and support for our family right now as we go thru the journey of grief, and I'm grateful. I'm going to be moving (again) and will be living with our son and daughter-in-law and family. I hope to come back for worship here at Zion. God and His amazing grace is real and I thank our Lord Christ Jesus for being the way just as He promised. Earlier Gene kept saying he wanted to go home but didn't have an address, however he did at the end of his life. He asked our Heavenly Father to take him home! Gene is not in pain now and is home. Praise the Lord! Thank you Zion family! To God be the glory! -Love and hugs, Carolyn Bachman and family

Zion Happenings

SUNDAY TABLE TALKS - Have you ever thought of Jesus' death on the cross in terms of a human sacrifice? Pastor Neal will be leading a new eight part DVD based Bible Class series "Jewish Foundations [Sacrifice, Worship & the Messiah]" beginning Sunday, May 13th at 9:40am in the Fireside Room (#102). Christians, Jews, and pagans all have utilized sacrifices down through the ages as they conducted their worship. As troubling as that connection might seem, it is possible to see the distinction that makes all the difference. Pagan worshipers saw their sacrifices - which included the offering of children on the altar - as appeasement to their gods. Jewish communities were instructed to sacrifice animals during their worship as a covering for sin. The Christian faith centers on the sacrifice of a human - the Man Jesus who voluntarily gave His life for us. Join Pastor Neal as we examine what is behind the systems and why one of them has saving power today. Grab a cup of coffee and join your friends around the table for a lively session each Sunday.

ZION FAMILY SUMMER CAMP OUT AT LAKE PEPIN - Save the date! The annual Zion family camp out at Hok-si-la Park on Lake Pepin will be held July 20th - 22nd. Swimming, canoeing, campfires, music, devotions, and a whole lot of outdoor fun. To register for the event please see the Information Center.

MEN'S CLUB MEETING - April 30th at 7:00pm - John Herkenratt will report on the details of our last fish fry event. John will also provide corn-feed information he got from Alice Anderson. We will then discuss the possibility of our group conducting the event. We will also begin a new DVD series "Faith, Hope, and Luck" by Andy Stanley. Bring a friend, be involved.

HEART ATTACK RESPONSE TRAINING will be presented to all Officers and Board members at our "Leadership Night" on Tuesday, May 1st at 7:00pm. A representative from the Hopkins Fire Department will be here to take us through how to use our church owned "defibrillator" (stored on the wall by our Information Center).

FOOD FOR THE POOR: A coalition of LCMS churches, in partnership with Food For The Poor, has completed several projects to help transform the lives of the poor in Latin America and the Caribbean. Together, this group of Lutheran churches around the country has contributed to the funding of a clean water project in Guatemala and 27 homes in Haiti. The coalition's most recent effort is a school in a community called Toirac, which is not far from the coastal city of Les Cayes, Haiti. Education is key to breaking the cycle of poverty that plagues the developing world, so this school will give the young ones of Toirac hope for the future. Additionally, many children receive their only nutritious meal of the day while they are at school, so this project is both a figurative and literal lifeline for many. Construction has begun in Toirac and Zion's support will help complete the budget so the school building can be finished. Please join us in bringing His hope to Haiti!
-Kinlin Schultz