

# Calendar

## Monday, April 27

1:00 PM Young at Heart

## Tuesday, April 28

9:00 AM Braille

1:00 PM Illuminations and Bulletin Deadline

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 12981

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 430

## Wednesday, April 29

9:15 AM ZECC Chapel

10:15 AM Braille

6:30 PM Living Faith

7:15 PM Desert Voice

## Thursday, April 30

10:00 AM Staff Devotions/Meeting

5:45 PM - 7:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 10722

6:30 PM Festival Ringers

7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir

## Friday, May 1

## Saturday, May 2

5:00 PM Informal Worship with Communion

## Sunday, May 3

8:30 AM Traditional Worship with Communion

9:40 AM Sunday School Education

10:50 AM Contemporary Worship with Communion



### NEW MEMBER RECEPTION AND POTLUCK

On Sunday, May 17th, at the 10:50 service Zion's new members will be received into the congregation! We are encouraging you to bring your best home cooking to the pot-luck and your warmest smile to greet and welcome them. This is such a fun and neat way to have time to visit with them and show our welcome. Start thinking about what you will bring!

# Today at Zion

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship with MN Teen Challenge  
 9:40 a.m. Sunday School Education  
 10:50 a.m. Contemporary Worship with MN Teen Challenge



### Nursery Schedule for May 3

8:30 AM Kirk & Hope Ortloff Hughes  
 9:40 AM Jessie Ditty  
 10:50 AM Larry & Anna Monskey

**LWML:** Because of the generosity of the LWML ladies, the total mission grants goal for 2007-2009 was met & exceeded by over \$75,000. Many of the LWML districts sent special gifts to assure that the \$1.7 million goal was met by March 31, 2009. LCMS President Kieschnick sent an email to the LWML President stating: "The support provided by LWML for the LCMS is vital for the ongoing mission of our Synod and is most sincerely appreciated." Thanks be to God. ....*Joan Gilmore*



Please consider signing up to provide flowers for a worship service this year. Flowers may be given to celebrate an anniversary, birthday or other special occasion, in remembrance of someone special or in thanksgiving for the many blessings you've received from God. Flowers may be ordered from a florist and delivered to the church or call *Barb Bohack* and she will put together a floral arrangement for you (952-938-2036).

**Christian Art Festival, April 25-May 17, 2009:** Cross View's 27<sup>th</sup> annual Christian Art Festival features Minnesota artist James Q. Young and his work in 3-D design, sculpture and found object wall reliefs. Also on display is a juried exhibit by over 25 Minnesota Christian artists. The exhibit is free and open to the public Mon-Fri, 10 AM-4PM and Sat/Sun, 12-4PM.

## Treasure Seekers

*A Ministry for Young Adults*

**The End of the World is Coming!! ARE YOU READY FOR IT?**  
**Join the Young Adults group for our new 6 week study on Jesus and the End of the World~**

- \* Have you ever wondered what Jesus' 2nd coming will be like?
- \* What happens when you die?
- \* Is Revelations a factual account of Heaven?

Join us as we discuss these questions plus many more riveting topics! We meet each Sunday morning at 9:40am in Room 208. Join us for meaningful discussion, a cup of coffee and snacks...what could be better??

April 26, 2009

# Illuminations

## Zion Lutheran Church Weekly Update

241 5th Avenue " Hopkins, MN 55343

952.938.7661 " www.zionhopkins.org

## Welcome to Zion

**It is a joy to have you with us today.** We pray that through God's Word and through the love of His people, you will be connected to God's love and be empowered to live as God's child this week.



**ZION** *a place to belong*

Lutheran Church & Early Childhood Center

### Our Vision:

To become an outreach center for Christ centered health and wholeness.

### Our Mission:

To encourage one another to discover or rediscover a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

### Weekend Schedule:

Saturday Worship: Informal 5:00 p.m.

*Holy Communion is celebrated the first and third weekends.*

Sunday Worship: Traditional 8:30 a.m.  
 Contemporary 10:50 a.m.  
 Education Hour 9:40 a.m.

**Wednesday Evening:** 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (September - April)  
 Confirmation, Sr. High Bible Study, and Adult Bible Study

### Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

(952)938-7661

Visit us on the web at [www.zionhopkins.org](http://www.zionhopkins.org).

### Zion Early Childhood Center (ZECC)

A nurturing and loving environment for the growth and development of your child.

Monday - Friday 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

(952)938-7661 ext. 21

### When Last We Gathered

Attendance - April 19	414
Adult Bible Class - April 19	67
Sunday School - April 19	57
Tithes & Offerings - April 19	\$14,334.39
Building Fund - April 19	\$2,354.88
Missions - April 19	\$860.05



## Prayer Page

Jesus said, "If two of you agree down here on earth concerning anything you ask for, My Father in heaven will do it for you."

Matthew 18:19

Requests for prayers may be submitted in writing, phoned into the church office (952-938-7661) or by email at [www.zionhopkins.org](http://www.zionhopkins.org). Prayers may also be submitted to the prayer chain by calling Al Reich, 952-960-4352. Anniversary, birthday, wedding and thanksgiving prayers will normally be included for one week. Medical and special concerns may be included for longer as needed. *Please take this newsletter with you* and remember the following people in your personal prayers this week:

**Special Concerns:** The U.S. Military, the U. S. economy, Sgt. Sam Raiche (stationed in Afghanistan, friend of Debi Herzan), Red River Valley flood victims, and Zion members who have lost their jobs.

**Medical Concerns:** Darleen Mueller, Barb Kan, Bud Gliem, Chelsey Nordstrom, and Anthony Bode (cousin of Joan Gilmore).

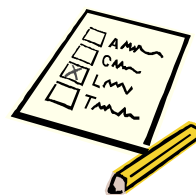
**Thanksgiving:** 70th Birthday of Gene Bachman, 49th Birthday of Brad Hassing, 20th Birthday of Lexie Bennett-Hassing, 14th Birthday of Jake Daniels, and the 3rd Birthday of William Krienke.

**Bereaved:** Argoldie Schubert (relative of Padre Howie Krienke).

**Zion Member Families:** Each week the Ministry Leadership Team at Zion (pastors and staff) meet to coordinate the many different ministries here at Zion and to pray for individual families. This past week we prayed for Ken Happ; Alf & Marcella Harfield; Vern Harjes; Brad & Teresa Hassing; and Ruth Hazuka.



Flowers are given by Addy Malvey.



### **The Regular Spring Voters' Assembly Meeting**

will be Sunday morning, May 31, 2009 at 9:40-10:35 AM in the church Fellowship Hall. The spring meeting is where our congregational officers and board members are elected. A follow-up to the motion to create a new Board of Technology will be acted upon at this meeting.

There will not be any verbal reports due to the shortness of time. Board Reports, financial information and other matters of congregational "business" will be available the week before in written format. Voting members are communicant members who have reached the age of 18 years and are familiar with the constitution of the congregation. All members of the congregation are encouraged to attend and participate in the operational portion of our congregation life.

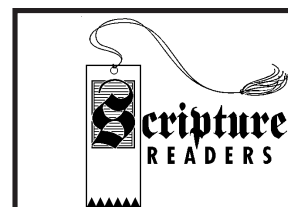
## Zion's Happenings

**Welcome Minnesota Teen Challenge:** This weekend we have the choir from MTC sharing with us at all three of our worship services. We will not only listen to their singing, but will also hear how God has been working in the lives of many of these teens and adults. MTC is one of the largest residential drug and alcohol programs in the state of Minnesota. They maintain a strong conservative environment focusing on Biblical principles to overcome addictive behaviors. We are taking a free-will offering at the end of each of the services. The money received will go to the work and ministry of MTC.

**Camp Omega Memorial Work-Weekend, May 22-24, 2009:** Join in Christian fellowship as volunteers prepare the camp for summer programs and the arrival of 1600+ children, youth and adults. Come Friday evening and stay through Sunday lunch, or any portion thereof. The event includes free lodging, meals, and use of the camp's recreation facilities. Please let Vicki Peterson or Lisa Day know if you need a ride; we might take the bus down, depending on interest. Camp Omega is located near Waterville, MN; only 1 1/2 hours away! More information is available at <http://www.campomega.org>. Flyers will be given to the Sunday School children, Junior and Senior High youth and are also available on the Gathering Area table.

**Women of Destiny:** Zion has welcomed a group of Kenyan women, know as Women of Destiny, to meet for prayer and intercession on the third Saturday of each month. We gather in the Fireside Room at 3:00pm and we end around 6:00pm. All women are welcome to join in this time of worship, study, and focused prayer. If you have any questions, please call Beth Lewis at 763-515-3331 or Karen Eck at 952-935-4356. Our next meeting is Saturday, May 16.

**The West Metro Grief Support Coalition** invites all persons experiencing grief due to death. Grief support groups offer hope and healing through education, listening, sharing, prayer, and fellowship. The group meets Tuesdays from 4:30-6:30pm at Minnetonka United Methodist Church. For more information contact Darcie Rodman at 763-546-4404.



May 2, 5:00pm - Tim Bodin  
May 3, 8:30am - Dee Anderson  
May 3, 10:50am - Karen Eck

**Are you searching for a job?** We are looking for individuals who have been affected by the recent economic downturn and lost their jobs or had their job hours or pay reduced or negatively affected in any way. These individuals can be a member of Zion congregation or a neighbor or a friend or a relative; it doesn't matter. We contracted with a professional company that specializes in providing help with job hunting skills for individuals. There will be no cost to the individual. Zion is paying for the services. You will receive encouragement, discover successful ways to do job searches, networking, and freshen up on interviewing skills, and polish your resume. Three sessions, and each session is different. **The dates are Tuesday, April 28, and Thursday, April 30.** Each evening begins at 6:30pm in Room 102 and ends at 8:30pm. If you or if you know of anyone needing this kind of professional help please inform Pastor Neal, Vicki Peterson, or leave your name and contact information with the church office.

**New Class:** We are discussing *The Screwtape Letters*, by C.S. Lewis. The class is listening to the book on audio tape, and it requires no preparation for those attending. Join us on Sundays at 9:45am in **the office suite**.

**Bethesda Thrift Shop Paid Position:** Bethesda is looking to **hire** a Store Manager for the Hopkins Thrift Stop, 40 hours a week. Will be supervising and working along side volunteers. Should have 2 years minimum business management experience. If interested, please contact James Clary at [JClary@blhs.org](mailto:JClary@blhs.org) or call James at 1-800-369-4636 Ext 4423, Cell # 920-248-1730.

### **How to become a member of Zion Lutheran Church**

**Step 1:** Come and worship at Zion Lutheran Church. "Check it out", participate in worship, observe, and ask questions.

**Step 2:** Set an appointment with one of the pastors to get acquainted and discuss expectations of membership. (952-938-7661 or [www.zionhopkins.org](http://www.zionhopkins.org))

Membership can be by:

- **Transfer** – from another LCMS congregation where you are currently a member.
- **Adult Confirmation** – completing a six (6) week class of background information about beliefs and practices of the Lutheran Church.
- **Profession of Faith** – formerly an LCMS member but not currently one.

## Thank You

Thank you for your encouraging words, cards, and prayers. It meant so much to us. *Lyle & Karlene Discher*