

Calendar

Monday, July 13
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM Women’s Summer Bible Study

Tuesday, July 14
9:00 AM Braille
1:00 PM Illuminations and Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday, July 15
9:15 AM ZECC Chapel
9:30 AM - 2:00 PM Kid’s Quilting Day
1:00 PM Messenger of Light Deadline
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM What’s Up Wednesday (K-5th)
7:00 PM Caribou Wednesday

Thursday, July 16
10:00 AM Staff Devotions/Meeting
11:30 AM Caring Friends
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM Join in Prayer
6:30 PM Summer Handbells

Friday, July 17
12:00 PM Church Office Closes

Saturday, July 18
5:00 PM Informal Worship with Communion

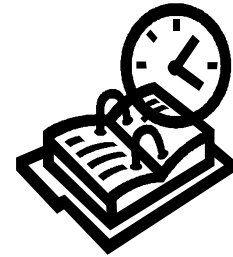
Sunday, July 19
8:30 AM Traditional Worship with Communion
9:45 AM - 10:30 AM Summer Sunday School & Table Talks
10:50 AM Contemporary Worship with Communion



Flowers are given by Debi Herzan Parker in honor of her mother’s 80th Birthday, Vangie Herzan.

Thank You

Many thanks to everyone at Zion for the cards, visits, and calls during my recent illness. They were so appreciated. Hope to be back to normal soon. With much love, *Lu Dixon*



Today at Zion

8:30 AM Traditional Worship with Favorite Hymn Time
9:40 AM Summer Sunday School & Table Talks
10:50 AM Contemporary Worship

Nursery Schedule for July 19

8:30 AM Gary & Amanda Ford
9:40 AM Dan & Kinlin Schultz
10:50 AM Kevin & Reena Stripling

Treasure Seekers

A Ministry for Young Adults

The Treasure Seekers are hosting a mission event overseas this November. This would be for all members of Zion, all ages welcome!

Q&A: Sunday, July 19, 9:40am, Fellowship Hall

When: November 21-28, 2009

Cost: \$995 + airfare to Montego Bay
(Base price includes room & board, training, travel expenses while onsite, plus a day trip to Montego Bay)

** Passport is required



Please take some time to consider this life changing opportunity! As you can imagine, this trip will be here before we know it, so we need to start planning!!!

Please contact Amanda Boysen if you have any questions!
amnsweets02@hotmail.com

Service Opportunity: Donate your time & effort with a little manual labor!

What: Volunteer @ homeless shelter

When: Saturday, July 25th from 9am-1pm

Where: Our Savior’s Lutheran Housing
2219 Chicago Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55404

*** Meet @ the Shelter, and we’ll gather in the parking lot behind the facility. If you’re late, buzz in at the front door.**

- 1) Make sure you eat breakfast before you come - we won’t break for lunch.
- 2) Bring a bag lunch & swim trunks - we’ll have a picnic @ the lake following your hard work!!! (weather permitting)

This was a big success last year, and the staff was amazed at how much our group was able to achieve in a morning! Join us again as we support a great mission opportunity.

July 12, 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

Summer Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon
(952)938-7661
Visit us on the web at 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 - July 5	265
Adult Bible Study - July 5	49
Sunday School - July 5	12
Tithes & Offerings - July 5	\$13,400.76
Building Fund - July 5	\$3,527.88
Missions - July 5	\$863.05



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. 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); CW2 Christopher Sprung (stationed in Iraq, nephew of Lori Ebert); Women's Summer Bible Study; and Zion members who have lost their jobs.

Medical Concerns: Ruth Amdahl; Karlene Discher; and Orvil Krohn (brother-in-law of Bill Bakeberg).

Thanksgiving: 61st Wedding Anniversary of Eddie & June Lundgren; and the 80th Birthday of Vangie Herzan.

Bereaved: Ron Pashina.

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: Marlene Kurtz; Marie Lopic-Henke; Carol Larson; Gladys Larson; and Gordy & Nita Larson.

Life Thoughts

July 12 - Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

The Lord did not set the "plumb line" in the midst of a pagan people, but in the midst of His own people (*Amos 7:8*). They were not able to "bear all his words" through the prophet Amos (*7:10*). The problem of old returns today. Many in the Church cannot "bear all his words" and would rather pick and choose. This contributes to the moral decay of our culture and cheapens the proclamation of the riches of God's grace in Christ (*Ephesians 1:7*).

July 12 - Life Quotes

"Over and over again, throughout the Old Testament, we read the words: 'Beget!' 'Descendants!' 'Families!' 'Genealogies!' 'Generations!' These are words of life! God's hands have not stopped creating! Each new human life bears witness of His amazing and faithful love—even for fallen, sinful creatures. Life continues! *Linda D. Bartlett, former president of Lutherans For Life* This "Life Quote" is from Lutherans For Life

Zion's Happenings

Memorial Weekend Fish Boil: Proceeds were \$1760.00. Thrivent matched \$1000.00. We were able to send \$2760.00 to Orphan Grain Train. Thanks for your support!

Financial Statements: Quarterly financial statements are available in the Gathering Area today, Sunday, July 12, and again on Sunday, July 19. Please stop by and pick up your statement today. We are **not** mailing statements this quarter. After these dates, financial statements will be available in the church office.

What's Up Wednesday! Every Wednesday in July, 6:30-8:00pm for kids in 1st-5th grades in Burnes Park. Join us for "OUTFLOW" - encouraging kids to share God's love OUT in the community with their friends and neighbors! Includes games, activities, Bible lessons and crafts. The Bible Lesson will enable, empower and train kids to do outreach that will make a difference in their world. Interested? Questions? Call Vicki Peterson, 952-938-7661. More info in July MOL. Sign up table in the Gathering Area.

Sponsor a Servant is different than asking for money – it's asking for your support as you sponsor a Texas Mission Trip participant through prayer, notes, and encouraging cards too. You are more than welcome to donate money for your Servant, but it is not required. Servants who want to participate have been asked to find 9 sponsors for the trip – one for each day. If you are interested in **Sponsoring a Servant**, please contact Lisa Day for more information and forms.

Openings Available on Technology Team: Do you have a gift in using technology? Do you want to learn? We could certainly use your help. Would you consider joining our technology team who operate the worship slides for each service. This is not a weekly commitment. You would volunteer your services once a month for one service. Everything is formatted for you, all you have to do is click away on the mouse button. You'll be trained on how to operate the projector and computer. Don't worry we won't walk off and leave you. Please call Teresa at the church office if you're interested.



18th Annual Cornfeed will be held on Wednesday, August 12th, serving from 4:30 to 7:30pm. This annual Cornfeed is sponsored by our Thrivent Congregational Coordinators as a fundraiser for families with special needs not being met through other means. Please check the flyers posted in various places for recipient information and other details. Advance tickets will be available from Dan Ahlman, Vernol Anderson, Harold Gust, and Eddie Lundgren, as well as in the Gathering Area and in the office.

Bethesda Thrift Shop: 50% OFF EVERYTHING! July 17 & 18, Store hours: 10am-4pm, 913 Mainstreet, Hopkins. What a deal! Proceeds benefit Bethesda Lutheran Homes & Services. Sharing the love of Christ with children and adults who have developmental disabilities is the main focus of Bethesda's ministry. We also provide resources to educate friends, families, congregations and other service providers about developmental disabilities.

LWML News:

Ladies, the MN South LWML Women's Retreat will be held this year at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, July 31-August 1. If you have any interest in attending, please let me know and I will get you the details and forms. You may attend without staying overnight. Thanks, *Joan Gilmore* 952-936-9185.

On my recent trip to Portland, OR for the National LWML Convention, our sisters in Christ from around the world adopted a \$1.825 million mission goal for the 2009-2011 biennium. This is the largest in the organization's 67 year history and will fund a record 19 mission grants, ranging from emergency disaster aid in Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana to Humanitarian Care Outreach in Kazakhstan. In the coming weeks, I will share more exciting information with you. *Joan Gilmore*

BAKE SALE!!
WHAT: FUNDRAISER FOR ZION'S YOUTH MISSION TRIP TO CARTHAGE, TEXAS
WHEN: JULY 25, 4-5 PM AND JULY 26, 9:30-11 AM
WHERE: ZION FELLOWSHIP HALL

July 18, 5:00pm - Tim Bodin
 July 19, 8:30am - Diane Ketcher
 July 19, 10:50am - Denise Rauchman