

Calendar

Monday, July 20

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM Women’s Summer Bible Study

Tuesday, July 21

9:00 AM Braille
1:00 PM Illuminations and Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday, July 22

9:15 AM ZECC Chapel
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM What’s Up Wednesday (K-5th)
7:00 PM Caribou Wednesday

Thursday, July 23

10:00 AM Staff Devotions/Meeting
4:30 PM Endowment Mtg
6:30 PM Summer Handbells

Friday, July 24

12:00 PM Church Office Closes

Saturday, July 25

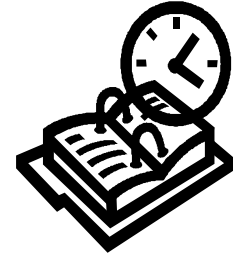
2:00 PM Youth Baking
4:00 PM Mission Trip Bake Sale
5:00 PM Informal Worship with Mission Trip Send-off
6:30 PM Mission Trip Family Picnic

Sunday, July 26

8:30 AM Traditional Worship with Mission Trip Send-off
9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Mission Trip Bake Sale
9:45 AM - 10:30 AM Summer Sunday School & Table Talks
10:50 AM Contemporary Worship with Mission Trip Send-off



Flowers are given by Barb Volker in honor of her birthday.



Financial Statements: Quarterly financial statements are available in the Gathering Area today. Please stop by and pick up your statement today. We are **not** mailing statements this quarter. After this weekend, financial statements will be available in the church office.

Today at Zion

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

Nursery Schedule for July 26

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

Treasure Seekers

A Ministry for Young Adults

The Treasure Seekers are hosting a mission event overseas this November. This trip is open to all members of Zion, all ages welcome!

When: November 21-28, 2009

Cost: \$995 + airfare to Montego Bay, Jamaica*

(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 19, 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 12	345
Adult Bible Study - July 12	58
Sunday School - July 12	15
Tithes & Offerings - July 12	\$11,112.34
Building Fund - July 12	\$1,521.55
Missions - July 12	\$794.05



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: Vonnie Doucette (mother of Denise Rauchman); Ruth Amdahl; Karlene Discher; Lillian Wildberg; Micah Cohen (son of Steven Cohen, Apple of His Eye) and Orvil Krohn (brother-in-law of Bill Bakeberg).

Thanksgiving: 78th Birthday of Carol Larson and Birthday of Barb Volker.

Bereaved: Faye Smith (sister of Teresa Hassing).

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: Steve, Wendee, Taylor & Matthew Larson; Goldyne Lau; Daryl Laub; Brian, Jane, Samantha, Sarah & Laura Lehman; and Lee & Dee Lennander.

Life Thoughts

July 19 – Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Jesus gave the already weary apostles a seemingly impossible task: feed thousands with five loaves and two fish (*Mark 6:30-44*). The battle to preserve the sanctity of human life can seem just as impossible these days to an already weary people. Impossibility, however, never stops Jesus! He uses it to demonstrate His power and compassion.

July 19 Life Quotes

"Abortion and 'mercy killing' are hopeless solutions to human problems in a sinful world, but God has words of hope no matter what the situation: '[C]hoose life, that you and your offspring may live' (Deuteronomy 30:19b)." *Linda D. Bartlett, former president of Lutherans For Life* This "Life Quote" is from Lutherans For Life – www.lutheransforlife.org.

Zion's Happenings

Munsinger Gardens

Seniors are planning a trip to Munsinger Gardens in St. Cloud on Monday, July 27, 2009. After looking at the beautiful flowers we will go to Old Country Buffet for lunch. All are welcome. Bus leaves Zion at 9:30 a.m. Call Alice Anderson for reservations at 952-938-5144.

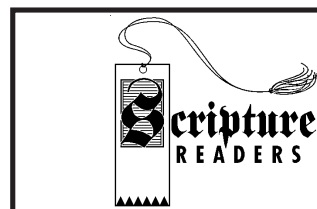
Women of Destiny: Zion has welcomed a group of Kenyan women, known as Women of Destiny, who meet for prayer and intercession on the fourth Saturday of each month. All women are welcome to join in this time of worship, study, and focused prayer in the Fireside Room, Saturday, July 25, at 3:00pm. If you have questions, please call Beth Lewis at 763-515-3331 or Karen Eck at 952-935-4356.

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. Interested? Questions? Call Vicki Peterson, 952-938-7661.

Lutheran Counseling Center serves as a referral counseling agency to the Minnesota South District of the LCMS. Their approach to counseling draws upon the power of our Christian faith. They offer a sliding fee structure that allows those with limited resources and without insurance to find the help they seek. If you would like to speak to someone from LCC they can be reached at 952-894-4828 (Twin Cities); 800-466-0401 (Outstate Minnesota), or www.lutherancounseling.org.



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.



July 25, 5:00pm -
July 26, 8:30am - Mark Rettig
July 26, 10:50am - Denise Rauchman

Openings Available on Technology Team: Do you have a gift in using technology? Do you want to learn? 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. 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.

Back to School Supplies: This year Resource West (formerly Hopkins Resource Center) is again distributing school supplies to low-income and struggling families. With the economy, the need has increased. Ideas: Backpacks, Magic Markers, Crayons (24) Colored Pencils (12), Toothbrush and Paste, Glue and Glue Sticks, Scientific Calculators, #2 Pencils and more! Many local department and chain stores are already having Back to School Specials!. If you would rather support this need through your financial support, please submit cash or check (Resource West) and we'll get it to the Resource West. **A complete list is in the Gathering Area next to the School Supply collection box!** Thank you for your support. Vicki Peterson

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.

At the National LWML Convention, President Janice Wendorf of Grafton, WI challenged all of us ladies to make a commitment to be "In the Word, (honoring a daily appointment with the Father and his Word), Of the Word (Made over by the Holy Spirit, forgiven and restored) and Walking With the Lord (totally confident of Christ's presence in serving and living)."

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