

Calendar

Monday, August 3

6:00 PM ZECC Staff Meeting
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM Women’s Summer Bible Study

Tuesday, August 4

9:00 AM Braille
1:00 PM Illuminations and Bulletin Deadline
5:00 PM ZECC Potluck Picnic

Wednesday, August 5

9:15 AM ZECC Chapel

Thursday, August 6

10:00 AM Staff Devotions/Meeting

Friday, August 7

12:00 PM Church Office Closes

Saturday, August 8

5:00 PM Informal Worship with Favorite Hymn Time

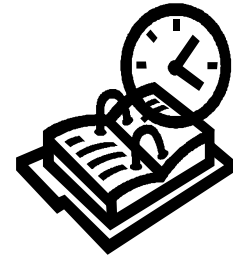
Sunday, August 9

8:30 AM Traditional Worship with Favorite Hymn Time
9:45 AM - 10:30 AM Summer Sunday School & Table Talks
10:50 AM Contemporary Worship with Communion
5:00 PM Youth return from Texas Mission trip

Life Thoughts

August 2 – Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Much “craftiness in deceitful schemes” (*Ephesians 4:14*) have caused many Christians to be “tossed to and fro” when it comes to the value of unborn human life. There is a great need for “speaking the truth in love” (*4:15*) within the body of Christ to bring us back to Him who is our “head” and the value He gives to life.



Today at Zion

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

Nursery Schedule for August 9

8:30 AM Mitch & Jennifer Mason
9:40 AM Josh & Christina Krienke
10:50 AM Kristina Zafft

Third Perennial Plant Swap: Do you wish you had some perennial plants and/or have an overabundance of others? Divide those extra plants and bring them to Zion on Sunday, August 23, 9:40 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for our Third Perennial Plant Swap! Mid-August is the best time for dividing perennials and transplanting them. Have too many houseplants? Bring them too! This is not a fundraiser, there is no charge, and it is just for fun. You can even just come and take plants, you don’t have to bring anything to swap. Please call Bev Nieting with questions, at 952-908-1092.

Bethesda Thrift Shop Sale: During the month of August there are weekly specials on clothes, including a \$1.00 an item sale, a Bag Sale will end the sale the last week of August. August 30 our Fall clothes will be coming up. This is a great way to save money, so take advantage of all the special events!



Thank You

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,
Thank you so much for your warm welcome last Sunday at your church! It was a blessing to be with all of you to share the story of what God is doing in Guinea, West Africa. Your promise of support and prayers means so much to our family. Please keep in touch! You can get regular information about our preparations and work on our website: <http://www.carlostribe.wordpress.com>. Our newsletters, prayer cards, and photos can be viewed on the website. If you would like to be added to our mailing list, just email us at carlostribe@hotmail.com. Thank you for your ongoing support of our work through the Together In Mission (TIM) program - you are a blessing to us! God’s blessings to all of you! In Jesus, *Jack & Cathy Carlos*, LCMS Missionaries to Guinea, West Africa

In grateful appreciation to Padre Krinke, Pastor Neal, The Morning Glory Circle, and to our mother’s wonderful church family of Zion, all of whom contributed to the richness of so many of her 95 years. Thank you, *the family of Helen Peterson*

August 2, 2009

Illuminations

Zion Lutheran Church Weekly Update

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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 26	376
Adult Bible Study - July 26	65
Sunday School - July 26	10
Tithes & Offerings - July 26	\$9,342.90
Building Fund - July 26	\$1,189.55
Missions - July 26	\$521.05



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; Youth Mission Trip; Padre & Madre Kreinke's travels; and Zion members who have lost their jobs.

Medical Concerns: Catherine Strange (sister-in-law of Carol Maier); Mona Serber (daughter of Vern & Alice Anderson); Martin Kruse; Jo Carroll; Vonnie Doucette (mother of Denise Rauchman); Karlene Discher; Micah Cohen (son of Steven Cohen, Apple of His Eye) and Orvil Krohn (brother-in-law of Bill Bakeberg).

Thanksgiving: 62nd Wedding Anniversary of Lee & Delores Hurry; all the August Birthdays in Alf & Marcella Harfield's family; and the 18th Birthday of Bradley Tupa.

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: Bruce Loeffler; Herman Loeffler; Naomi Loeffler; Jan Loehr; and Malinda & Tony Longen.



Flowers are given by Alf & Marcella Harfield in honor of Alf's birthday and other family members who have birthdays in August.



Twins Tickets: This is the last weekend to order Twins tickets for Lutheran Night. The game is Wednesday, August 26 at 7pm, Twins vs. Orioles. Order forms are in the upper Gathering Area.

Zion's Happenings

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.

Worship in Burnes Park on Sunday, August 23, 10:50am. We'll celebrate God's beautiful creation with an outdoor contemporary worship service and the 3rd Perennial Plant Swap (9:40am-12:30pm).

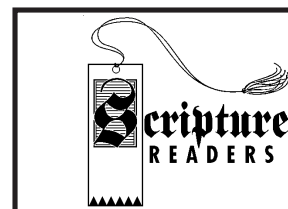


New Sermon Series: Beginning August 23, 2009 and running five weeks, Pastor Neal will be sharing a special series of messages titled: "**Knowing Right From Wrong.**" All of us have struggled from time to time with deciding if what we are doing is, good, healthy, proper, or God pleasing. How do I know if that thing, that something I'm doing in my life or want to do, is morally right or wrong? During these five weeks

Pastor Neal will share ten ways you can know if something is right or wrong in life so that you can make wise, healthy, God-pleasing choices in your life. Why not bring a friend for this special series.

Padre & Linda Krienke are attending the 100th Anniversary of their first parish, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Beach, ND. They also served St. Peter Lutheran Church in Belfield.

ICA needs to restock peanut butter and jelly. If you are able, please donate one or both. Your donation may be placed in the ICA box in the upper Gathering Area.



August 8, 5:00pm -
August 9, 8:30am - Judy Miller
August 9, 10:50am - Denise Rauchman

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*

Sewing Camp: A big thank you to our junior quilters and helpers: Barb, Eileen, Nita, Trudy, & Marvella, 25 baby quilts were made by the kids from Zion and Trinity Lone Oak, Eagan, in June & July and sent to the Orphan Grain Train. August is SEWING CAMP on the 17-19th bring 2 1/2 yards for pj bottoms or whatever else you intend to make. I will need adult sewing helpers, then, thanks to those of you who have signed up, more are welcome! *Linda Krienke 952-934-4205.*

Announcing the Opening of Lion's Gate Christian Academy, a K-12 Lutheran School opening this fall. During its inaugural year LGCA will be located on three campuses. Kindergarten will be at Mt. Hope Lutheran, 3601 W. Old Shakopee, grades 1-6 will be located at Lutheran Church of the Redemption, 927 E. Old Shakopee Rd. and grades 7-12 will be at Mt. Calvary Lutheran, 6541 16th Ave. S. If you would like more information, contact John Kirchner at 952.210.3135, 952.894.8781 or jkiceh2o@comcast.net.

The "Lion's Gate Christian Academy Community in Prayer" will gather together for the first time in the 2009-10 school year. It is at Mount Calvary in Richfield from 7:00-8:00 pm, Wednesday, August 5. It is our hope that the Lion's Gate community, especially members of the Mount Calvary, Redemption and Mt. Hope Lutheran Churches (in whose buildings we will reside), will unite with us in prayer. Young and old are encouraged to come. Come when your schedule allows. Out of town? At a meeting? ... join with us in prayer wherever you are and whenever you can.

The Lutheran Polka Padre (There is a Catholic one you know.) will preach and conduct the first ever Polka Worship Service at the Carver County Fair Sunday, August 9 at 10:00am. Guess who the Polka Band will be? You are invited to Waconia that day. The service will be at the entertainment center.