

Calendar

Monday, October 12

7:00 AM - 6:00 PM ZECC Parent/Teacher Conferences
 8:00 AM Braille
 12:00 PM Braille

Tuesday, October 13

7:00 AM - 6:00 PM ZECC Parent/Teacher Conferences
 9:00 AM Braille
 9:15 AM Lighthouse
 1:00 PM Illuminations and Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday, October 14

No Evening Classes
 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM ZECC Parent/Teacher Conferences
 9:15 AM ZECC Chapel
 1:00 PM Braille
 6:00 PM 9th Grade leave for Confirmation Retreat
 6:30 PM Living Faith
 7:15 PM Desert Voice

Thursday, October 15

7:00 AM - 6:00 PM ZECC Parent/Teacher Conferences
 10:00 AM Staff Devotions/Meeting
 11:30 PM Caring Friends
 1:00 PM Messenger of Light Deadline
 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM Join in Prayer
 4:00 PM 9th Grade return from Confirmation Retreat
 5:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal
 6:30 PM Festival Ringers
 7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir



Friday, October 16

7:00 AM - 6:00 PM ZECC Parent/Teacher Conferences
 5:00 PM Causse/Battani Wedding

Saturday, October 17

5:00 PM Informal Worship with Communion

Sunday, October 18

8:30 AM Traditional Worship with Communion
 9:40 AM Sunday School Education
 10:50 AM Contemporary Worship with Communion
 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM 9th Grade Confirmation Dinner & Rehearsal

Today at Zion

8:30 AM Traditional Worship with Favorite Hymn Time
 9:40 AM Sunday School & Table Talks
 9:40 AM Discovering the Bible for 2nd Graders & Parents
 10:50 AM Contemporary Worship with 2nd Grade Bible Presentation


Nursery Schedule for October 18

8:30 AM Richard & Holly Thorson
 9:40 AM Christina Zafft
 10:50 AM Josh & Christina Krienke

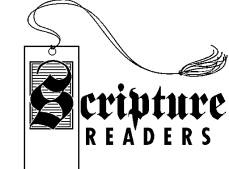
The LWML Fall Conference Rally is at Zion Lutheran Church on Tuesday, October 20th. Registration and dessert are at 6:30 PM and the Rally is at 7:00. Cost is \$4.00; first-time attendees are FREE. *All women are welcome* to attend this special event. The theme is: *Following God's Call*. The featured presenter is Brian Buuck, Wycliffe Bible Translator, serving the Chinantec people of southern Mexico. (*Mission:* Brian and his family are following God's call by making His Word available in the Chinantec language variants spoken in Jocotepec and Tepinapa, working together with local people to spread the Good News and encourage literacy and language development. They are members of Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Minnetonka and are on furlough this fall.)

Gifts from the Heart especially needed for Chinantec villages ~ bath towels (used okay), bars of soap, soft toothbrushes (adult & child), mosquito double wide netting (www.campingsurvival.com/dowimonet63x.html)





Hooray! And Congratulations to our 3 and 4 Year old classrooms. They had perfect attendance last week! Way to go William Krienke, Travis Beal, Marcus Johnson, Emma Ditty, Ben Kallerup, Jonah Schulz and teachers, Kathy Fox, Carol Yohnke, and Jennifer MacKay!



October 17, 5:00pm - Steve Brueske
 October 18, 8:30am - Diane Ketcher
 October 18, 10:50am - Denise Rauchman

October 11, 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

Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
 (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 - October 4	379
Adult Bible Study - October 4	82
Sunday School - October 4	62
Summer Clean-up - October 4	\$416.00
Tithes & Offerings - October 4	\$15,231.96
Building Fund - October 4	\$2,027.88
Missions - October 4	\$2,213.05



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); Sgt. Ryan Butler (stationed in Iraq, son-in-law of Gerry & Chris Formo); and Zion members who have lost their jobs.

Medical Concerns: Dottie Michaletz; Gordy Phelps; Annie Schurman (granddaughter of Stan Herrmann); Patricia Fritsche; Amy Burau (granddaughter of Bud & Marilyn Gliem); Harold Barlau; Larry & Pat Johnson (parents of Brenda Jorde); Sandy Berggren (daughter of Helen Berggren); Heidi Nyman (friend of Marilyn Gliem); Lauren & Betty Greenly (friends of Bonnie Shelton); Traci Mallonee; Karlene Discher; and Julie Tarshish (daughter of Darleen Mueller).

Thanksgiving: The 25th Wedding Anniversary of Dave & Bev Nieting.

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: Howard & Eldora Neitzel; Vergil & Myra Neitzel; Darlene Nelson; Dorothy Nelson, and Louie & Ellie Nelson.



Flowers are given by Dave & Bev Nieting in honor of their 25th Wedding Anniversary.

Christian Women's Fellowship is giving each family of Zion an opportunity to help with our annual fundraiser, the No-Bake-Bake-Sale. Please read the letter you will receive at the door and consider your gift to help CWF with the listed projects. You have been so generous in past years and we thank you for your gifts. October 4 – 18.

Zion's Happenings

LCMS Women's Ministry Survey: Lutheran Hour Ministries and Lutheran Women's Missionary League invite all women to complete the "LCMS Women's Survey" at www.lhm.org/research/women today! Your help is greatly appreciated!

College Care Packages will be sent out next week. Your help is needed... If you would like to donate anything (snacks, cookies, pens, pencils, books, games, toys, crayons.....) to be included in these care packages, please bring them to Zion today. Talk to Lisa Day if you have any questions.

Treasure Seekers: Time for our 2nd Annual Fall Bonfire!! Come enjoy the chill in the air, and warm up with a hot roaring fire at Jake's house Friday, October 16th @ 7:00pm. The address is 125 Harrison Ave S, Hopkins (close to the church). Jake has a bonfire pit on the back of his property; in what he calls "the back woods." Join us and have some fun with the Treasure Seekers! Bring any yard games you may want to play, and a treat to share. Ingredients for roasting hot dogs and s'mores will be provided! Bring your own beverage and lawn chair. Hope to see you all there!

Table Talks – Micah – The Old Testament Prophet of God

Join Pastor Neal beginning Sunday, October 18th, at 9:40 am in the Fireside Room (#104) as he leads us through a new study on the Old Testament book, "Micah." The prophet of God, Micah, emphasized the need for justice and peace. Like a lawyer, he set forth God's case against ancient Israel and Judah, their leaders, and their people. Micah makes it clear that God hates unkindness, idolatry, injustice, and empty ritual – and he still hates these today. But God is very willing to pardon the sins of any who repent. Grab a cup of coffee and join your friends around the table for a lively session each Sunday.

55 Alive Defensive Driving Class: A 4-hour refresher class is being offered on Friday, October 23 at 5pm. If you previously completed the 8-hour initial course, you need to have this refresher course every three years to save 10% on your auto insurance. Cost is \$12 per person if you are an AARP member and \$14.00 if not. A light supper is served. Reservations are required. Plan ahead and call Alice Anderson at 952-938-5144 or June Lundgren at 952-935-2327.

New Members: We are receiving new members on Sunday, November 8. If you would like to become a member of Zion Lutheran Church please contact the church office for details. A brochure on how to become a member is included in the "Welcome" packet located in the upper Gathering Area.

Come and experience A Taste of Ethnic Mission! Ethnic Mission is our Minnesota South District's response to the need of local immigrant ethnic groups for Lutheran pastors and a place to worship in their own language. On Saturday, November 7, you can experience a taste of ethnic worship, foods, stories of what is happening in our missions, as well as the chance to go home with an authentic ethnic item from the silent auction. The event will be held at Woodbury Lutheran Church, 7380 Afton Rd, Woodbury, MN. Tickets are \$25/person in advance, and \$30 at the door; children and students are \$5. To RSVP please contact Ms. Linda Bradford at the District Office, 952-223-2157.

Student Ministry News

9th Grade Confirmation Information: Please pray for our 5 Confirmands as they prepare their testimony and celebrate the confirming of the vows made at their Baptism: *Jacob Daniels, Evan Dickinson, Kaitlin Koester, Noah Louks, and Laura Parker.*

Retreat: Leaving Zion at 6pm THIS Wednesday, October 14 and return on Thursday by 4pm. Bring your Bible, Catechism, toiletries, your own beverages, and a snack to share.

Thrivent Banquet: Thrivent is hosting a banquet for you and your family next Sunday, October 18. Be here by 6:00pm. Also, we are spending some time rehearsing for Testimony Night and Confirmation Sunday. Make sure to bring your testimony.

Rehearsal: On Wednesday, October 21 at 6:30pm we are rehearsing a final time before your big weekend. Make sure to bring your testimony.

Testimony Night: Saturday, October 24 at the 5pm service. Be here at 4:30pm. Make sure to have your robe and your testimony. A reception follows in the Fellowship Hall.

Rite of Confirmation: Sunday, October 25 at the 10:50am service. A reception is in the Youth Room at 9:40am. Meet in the Chapel at 10:20am. Make sure to have your robe.

6-8th Grade Confirmation Parent's Night is Wednesday, October 21. Following the Large Group time with Pastor Neal, parents meet separate from their youth for various topics that pertain parenting teens.

HS BIGGER and Better Game is tonight, Sunday, October 11 starting at 6:30pm. Based on *Luke 12:23-34*, teams of youth are competing to see what they can get for a penny. Adult drivers are needed. Finished by 8:15pm.

National Youth Gathering Registration deadline is coming soon. Your signed registration form and \$100 deposit is due on or before October 25. You can download the registration forms from Zion's website or talk to Lisa Day.

Those currently ages 19-25: Check out the Young Adult Volunteer Corps at www.lcmsgathering.com and enjoy the gathering as a servant along with hundreds of other college age students.

Adults: If you are interested in serving as a chaperone for the NYG please get an adult leader registration packet from Lisa Day.