

Calendar

Monday, October 19

7:00 PM Cards

Tuesday, October 20

9:00 AM Braille
 9:15 AM Lifelight
 1:00 PM Illuminations and Bulletin Deadline
 5:00 PM - 9:30 PM LWML Fall Rally @ Zion
 6:00 PM Executive
 7:00 PM Church Council

Wednesday, October 21

9:15 AM ZECC Chapel
 1:00 PM Braille
 4:00 PM ASAZ
 6:30 PM Confirmation Parent's Night, Faith Lessons, Sr. High Jam,
 What's Up & Living Faith
 7:15 PM Desert Voice

Thursday, October 22

10:00 AM Staff Devotions/Meeting
 1:00 PM Ruth Circle
 6:30 PM Festival Ringers
 7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir

Friday, October 23

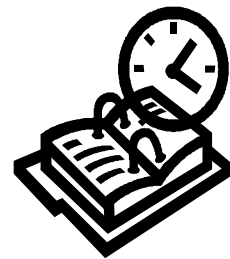
5:00 PM - 9:30 PM 55 Alive
 5:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, October 24

2:00 PM Browning/Wentz Wedding
 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM Women of Destiny
 5:00 PM Confirmation Confessions of Faith
 6:00 PM Confirmation Reception

Sunday, October 25

8:30 AM Reformation Worship
 9:40 AM Sunday School Education
 10:50 AM Rite of Confirmation



Today at Zion

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

Nursery Schedule for October 25

8:30 AM Mitch & Jennifer Mason
 9:40 AM Kyle & Teresa Johnson
 10:50 AM Gary & Amanda Ford

The LWML Fall Conference Rally is at Zion Lutheran Church on Tuesday, October 20th. Registration and dessert are at 6:30pm 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)



LET'S GIVE A HAND! To our Pre-K, Pre-School class and also our 2nd/3rd graders for PERFECT ATTENDANCE! Good job kids! And thank you teachers: Kathy Fox, Carol Yohnke, Jennifer MacKay, Denise Rauchman, and Kim Kallerup!



October 24, 5:00pm -
 October 25, 8:30am - Mark Rettig
 October 25, 10:50am - Denise Rauchman

October 18, 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 11	517
Adult Bible Study - October 11	99
Sunday School - October 11	86
Summer Clean-up - October 11	\$325.00
Tithes & Offerings - October 11	\$8,410.37
Building Fund - October 11	\$1,542.55
Missions - October 11	\$561.05



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: Dave McGuire (son-in-law of Lu Dixon); Bernice Zwiig; Brent Neal (nephew of Pastor Neal); Roger Matson (brother-in-law of Wendy Ahles); Dottie Michaletz; Gordy Phelps; Annie Schurman (granddaughter of Stan Herrmann); Patricia Fritsche; Amy Bureau (granddaughter of Bud & Marilyn Gliem); Harold Barlau; Larry & Pat Johnson (parents of Brenda Jorde); Sandy Berggren (daughter of Helen Berggren); Betty Greenly (friend of Bonnie Shelton); and Karlene Discher.

Thanksgiving: The 50th Wedding Anniversary of Harold & Elrena Barlau; Kevin & Reena Stripling's newborn son; and the 90th Birthday of Frank Duckert.

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: Paul, Monica & Sara Nelson; Steven & Dawn Nelson; Peggy Nesheim; Gloria Neu; and Jerry & Marlane Neuman.



Flowers are given by Dan & Kinlin Scultz in memory of Kinlin's father, Craig Hanson.

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.

Zion's Happenings

Table Talks – Micah – The Old Testament Prophet of God

Join Pastor Neal beginning TODAY, at 9:40am 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.

No-Bake-Bake Sale: Today is the last day for donating to the Christian Women's Fellowship No-Bake sale. If you would like to donate, please pick up an envelope in the Gathering Area.

Ruth Circle meets Thursday, October 22 at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Elrena Barlau is the hostess.

Endowment Board: The next Endowment Board meeting is Thursday, October 22 at 4:30pm in Room #204.

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.

Loving Care Circle meets Wednesday, October 28. Please bring a Christmas gift for children, unwrapped and mittens and scarves. Also, your dues for 3 months.

Adult Service Project at Feed My Starving Children

Tuesday, November 3, Lisa Day will 'chaperone' an adult trip to pack food for Feed My Starving Children at their Chanhassen location. Bring lunch money - the trip will include a stop at Culver's for lunch after we pack food. Zion's bus will leave Zion at 9:00am and return at about 12:30pm. Sign up in the church office or by calling Lisa Day.

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.

Mission Bake & Craft Sale (10 am - 2 pm) and \$5 Homemade Soup (wild rice or vegetable beef) **& Bread Luncheon (11 am - 2 pm)**, Saturday, November 7th, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 5701 Eden Prairie Rd., Minnetonka (between Excelsior Blvd. and Crosstown Hwy. 62 - in Glen Lake) 952/934-9633. Proceeds will be given to *Wycliffe Bible Translators and Missionaries Brian and Anja Buuck* for their ministry among the Chinantec people of Oaxaca, Mexico. (Thrivent Financial for Lutherans will provide \$1,300 in matching funds.) *A great way to do your holiday shopping!*

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.*

Thrivent Banquet: Thrivent is hosting a banquet for you and your family TODAY, 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: This coming 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 this coming Wednesday, October 21. Following the Large Group time with Pastor Neal, parents meet separate from their youth for various topics that pertain to parenting teens.

National Youth Gathering Registration deadline is coming soon. Your signed registration form and \$100 deposit is due on or before next Sunday, 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.