

Calendar

Monday, November 2

8:00 AM Braille
6:00 PM ZECC Staff Meeting
7:00 PM Cards

Tuesday, November 3

9:00 AM Braille
9:00 AM Feed My Starving Children
9:15 AM Lifelight
1:00 PM Illuminations and Bulletin Deadline
6:00 PM Executive Committee
7:00 PM Leadership

Wednesday, November 4

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM Zion Quilters
9:15 AM ZECC Chapel
4:00 PM ASAZ
6:30 PM Confirmation, Faith Lessons, Sr. High Jam, C.I.A., & Living Faith
7:15 PM Desert Voice

Thursday, November 5

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

Friday, November 6

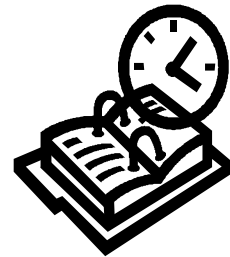
9:00 PM Youth Sleep-out for the Homeless Begins

Saturday, November 7

8:00 AM Youth Sleep-out for the Homeless Ends
5:00 PM Informal Worship with Favorite Hymn Time

Sunday, November 8

8:30 AM Traditional Worship with Favorite Hymn Time
9:40 AM Sunday School Education
10:50 AM Contemporary Worship with New Member Reception
12:00 PM Potluck to Welcome Zion's New Members



Today at Zion

All Saints Sunday

8:30 AM Traditional Worship with Communion
9:40 AM Sunday School & Table Talks
10:50 AM Contemporary Worship with Communion
5:00 PM Thrivent Meeting

Nursery Schedule for November 8

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

Christmas Festival Solo

for grades 1-5

Auditions:

Wednesday, Nov. 11, 4:30-5:15pm.

The audition includes: Warm-ups, One song of your choice (any song you like to sing) and Learning the solo song ("The Friendly Beasts")



To audition for this solo, you must be available for:

- Wed. afternoon rehearsals (TBD)
- Sunday school rehearsal, Sat., Nov. 21, 9:15-11:30am
- Dress rehearsal, Sat., Dec. 5, 9:15-11:30am
- Christmas Festival services on Sat., Dec. 12, 5pm, and Sun. Dec. 13, 10:50am.

Contact Katie Wareham for more information and to sign up for an audition time. katie.wareham@zionhopkins.org or 952-938-7661

Thank You

Congratulations from ICA: Zion has been chosen to be the ICA Congregation of the Month for November. For years, Zion has been one of our most supportive congregations. You have allowed us to use your facilities for our holiday food drives, and have provided us with food, financial support, and some wonderful volunteers. We are very grateful for all you have done for us and are delighted to have this opportunity to celebrate you.

November 1, 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 25	396
Adult Bible Study - October 25	73
Sunday School - October 25	79
Tithes & Offerings - October 25	\$9,395.24
Building Fund - October 25	\$1,478.55
Missions - October 25	\$420.05



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: Jack & Cathy Carlos and children, Raymond & Hannah; Coral Rose; 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: Amy Barau (granddaughter of Bud & Marilyn Gliem); Harold Day (father of Lisa Day); Mary Nieting; Jessica Mass (granddaughter of Bud & Marilyn Gliem); Andrew Chun (teacher @ ZECC); Al Reich; Gordy Phelps; Annie Schurman (granddaughter of Stan Herrmann); Sandy Berggren (daughter of Helen Berggren); Betty Greenly (friend of Bonnie Shelton); Karlene Discher; Sophia Steeke; Greg George (friend of Vernol & Alice Anderson); and Una Swanson.

Thanksgiving: 76th Birthday of Lowell Ittel; Vicki Peterson's 14th Anniversary at Zion and Pastor Neal's 5th Anniversary at Zion.

Bereaved: Russell Koppelman and Tom Runquist (nephew of Lowell Ittel).

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: Derek, Vanessa, Taylor & Casey Nordstrom; Sarah Oberlander; Jennifer & Lindsay Okindo; Brian & Janet Olson; Jeffrey, Renee, Joseph & Jonathan Palm.



Flowers are given by Marie Wendell in honor of her 90th Birthday and flowers are given by Tim Bodin in honor of those who have recovered and prayers for those who have not recovered from emotional and physical needs.

Zion's Happenings

Table Talks – Micah – The Old Testament Prophet of God

Join Pastor Neal 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.

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.

Zion Quilters are meeting Wednesday, November 4, 9:00am – 2:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. The group meets the first Wednesday of each month (except during Lent). Please bring your lunch and join us as we quilt away the hours!

New Member Reception and Potluck

On **Sunday, November 8**, at the 10:50 service Zion's new members will be received into the congregation! We are encouraging you to bring your best home cooking to the pot-luck and your warmest smile to greet and welcome them. This is such a fun and neat way to have time to visit with our newest members and show our welcome. Start thinking about what you will bring!

Congregation Meeting: On Sunday, November 22, 2009 an **Informational Forum** for the congregation will be held during the Educational hour (9:40am – 10:35am) downstairs in room # 102 (Fireside room). The purpose is to present various options for filling the **New Associate Pastor Position** created when in 2007 Pastor Howie Krienke announced his retirement.

Christmas Poinsettia: Help us decorate our Sanctuary for Christmas by ordering a Poinsettia before Monday, November 30th. Order forms in November MOL and in the Gathering Area. Thank you!



Next Sunday we are beginning our Annual Fall Stewardship focus. This year's theme is "**Excelling in the Work of the Lord**" and is based on I Corinthians 15:58. We pray this series will educate us on the importance of giving in our lives. When we give, we are blessed as much as the recipients of our gifts. Please be with us next week when our sermon theme will be "**Oikonomics – managing What You Have**"

**Please pickup your fall stewardship letter and commitment card in the Gathering Area of the church next weekend.*



Simply Giving is an automated giving program from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. It is designed to help you conveniently, consistently and joyfully give financial gifts to our congregation's ministry. By participating in Simply Giving, you can use **electronic funds transfer** to give your weekly, semimonthly or monthly offering to our congregation. To learn how you can participate in Simply Giving, contact the Church office. Let Simply Giving help you build better stewardship by turning a simple choice into a generous response.

Coins for Christ - As a way of supporting individuals studying to become new Lutheran pastors, the loose coins (nickels, dimes, and quarters) which are put into the weekly offering plate are joined with coins from other local Twin Cities suburban Lutheran congregations. These funds are then sent to one of our seminaries for the benefit of a student from the Twin Cities area.

Open House at Lion's Gate Christian Academy: North Campus (Grades 7 – 12), November 10, 2009, 6:30pm – 8:30pm, 6541 16th Ave. S., Richfield, MN 55423, (612)866-4222. South Campus (Kindergarten – 6th grade), November 17, 2009, 6:30pm - 8:30pm, 927 E. Old Shakopee Rd., Bloomington, MN 55420, (952)881-0036.



November 8, 8:30am - Dee Anderson
November 8, 10:50am - Cynthia Zuber

Invitation

Marie Wendell's Family wishes to extend an invitation to an Open House Celebration for Marie's 90th Birthday on Sunday, November 1st from 2pm-4:30pm in Zion's Fireside Room.