

# Calendar

## Monday, January 18

7:00 PM Cards

## Tuesday, January 19

9:15 PM LifeLight  
1:00 PM Illuminations and Bulletin Deadline  
6:00 PM Executive  
7:00 PM Church Council

## Wednesday, January 20

9:15 AM ZECC Chapel  
4:00 PM ASAZ  
6:30 PM Confirmation Parent Night, Faith Lessons, Sr. High Jam,  
C.I.A. (Children in Action), & Living Faith  
7:15 PM Desert Voice

## Thursday, January 21

10:00 AM Staff Devotions/Meeting  
11:30 AM Caring Friends  
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM Join in Prayer  
6:30 PM Festival Ringers  
7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir

## Friday, January 22

## Saturday, January 23

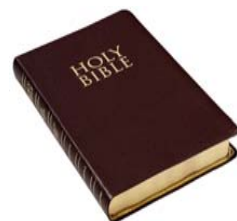
3:00 PM - 6:00 PM Women of Destiny  
5:00 PM Informal Worship  
6:00 PM Youth Fundraiser Dinner @ Hopkins Perkins

## Sunday, January 24

8:30 AM Traditional Worship  
9:40 AM Sunday School Education  
10:50 AM Contemporary Worship

### Scripture Readers

January 23, 5:00pm - Tim Bodin  
January 24, 8:30am - Mark Rettig  
January 24, 10:50am - Daryl Laub



# Today at Zion

## Life Sunday

8:30 AM Traditional Worship with Communion  
9:40 AM Table Talks  
9:40 AM Sunday School  
9:40 AM Blessings of Baptism  
10:50 AM Contemporary Worship with Communion

### Nursery Schedule for January 24

8:30 AM Richard & Holly Thorson  
9:40 AM Kirk & Hope Ortloff Hughes  
10:50 AM Dan & Kinlin Schultz

**LCMS World Relief and Human Care** offers medical professionals opportunities to volunteer abroad in underserved regions. We are in desperate need of doctors, nurses, pharmacists, and other medical professionals to work with Lutherans who share Christ's mercy. Pastors also are needed to serve as team chaplains. Teams work in conjunction with LCMS partner churches and local clinics to care for both body and soul.

Today, our most desperate need is for a physician to volunteer with our Mercy Medical Team that will serve March 11-21 in Haiti. If you know of physicians interested in short-term missionary medical service, please touch base with me immediately, using my contact information listed below.

Whether you have medical skills or a sincere heart for service, please consider becoming a Mercy Medical Team volunteer. Learn more at <http://www.lcms.org/mercyteams>.

Please e-mail Jacob Fiene at [mercyteams@lcms.org](mailto:mercyteams@lcms.org) or call toll-free (800) 248-1930, ext. 1278.



## Life Thoughts

### January 17 – Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Isaiah engages in name calling in 62:1-5. He calls desolate sinners by a new name—"My Delight." Here is a chance to address those burdened by hard-to-forget past sins like the sin of abortion that make so many feel desolate. Remind them of their new name!

January 17, 2010

# Illuminations

## Zion Lutheran Church Weekly Update

241 5th Avenue North ☩ Hopkins, MN 55343

**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](http://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, January 10	355
Adult Bible Study, January 10	73
Sunday School, January 10	81
Tithes & Offerings, January 10	\$14,895.14
Building Fund, January 10	\$3,083.80
Missions, January 10	\$1,065.55



## 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](http://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:** people of Haiti (earthquake); 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); E4 Jessica Sprung (stationed in Iraq, niece of Lori Ebert); and Zion members who have lost their jobs.

**Medical Concerns:** Markus Bachman (grandson of Gene & Carolyn Bachman); Bob Parker; Beverly Kloehn (sister of Rudy Niemiec); Mel Carrigan; Maryls Hellerud; Bud Gliem; Roger Matson (brother-in-law of Wendy Ahles); Suzanne Graft (friend of Jane Lehman); Amy Bura (granddaughter of Bud & Marilyn Gliem); Sandy Berggren (daughter of Helen Berggren); Karlene Discher; Lilita Galveniece (mother of Anita Galveniece); Kathy Splittshosser (cousin of Loren Meinke); and Jerry Karsikas (friend of Loren Meinke).

### Thanksgiving:

**Bereaved:** Lydia Sterricker (grandmother of Lori Schumacher);

**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: Lynn & Ryan Russen; Linda Ruth; Timothy & Diane Samis Dalby; David, Janet, Annika & Timothy Sandford; and Jerry & Janice Savage.



## Zion's Happenings

**National Youth Gathering Fundraiser @ Perkins Restaurant** in Hopkins is Saturday, January 23 starting at 6:00pm. Zion's Student Ministry will raise 20% per sale if you tell your server why you are there. Reservations through Lisa Day are greatly appreciated but not necessary—a reservation form is in the Gathering Area.

**Lit n' Latte:** The first two books for our group were selected on January 26. We also decided on gathering times and locations. If you are interested in hearing more about our new 'book of the month' group **Lit n' Latte**, talk to Lisa Day.

**Ruth Circle** meets Thursday, January 28 at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Betty Brinkman is the hostess.



To all leaders of Zion: You are invited and encouraged to attend our 6th annual Leader's Workshop. It will be Saturday, January 30, 2010 from 9:00 am – 12:00 noon at Chapel View Apartment Meeting Room. Our theme for this year's workshop is "**Moving From Good to**

**Great**" In small groups, we will be looking at the needs of our congregation and developing strategies to meet those needs. Your input as leaders and members of Zion is very important to the ministry of Zion Lutheran Church and School. Thank you for being willing to help in this very important part of Zion's ministry. Please let the church office know if you will be able to attend.

Thanks, *Pastor Neal*

**Zion Quilters** are planning to tie quilts Wednesday, February 3. Please join us for quilting and fellowship beginning at 9:00am in the Fellowship Hall.

**Feed My Starving Children (FMSC)** – our 2<sup>nd</sup> Adult Trip will be on Tuesday, February 9. We'll leave Zion on the bus at 9:00am, package food from 9:30-11:30, enjoy lunch at a local fast-food restaurant, and return to Zion at about 12:30. If you want to join us, leave a message in the church office or contact Lisa Day.

**Interested in possible membership at Zion?** Please contact the church office for details. In addition a new 6-week *Discovering the Faith* course (DTF) designed for new believers as well as committed Christians who would like to brush up on the essentials of the Christian faith will begin **Sunday, February 14, 2010** from 9:40 to 10:35 a.m. in room # 204 (Council) upstairs in the educational wing. Join other interested individuals as we explore the Christian faith from a Lutheran perspective as well as prepare interested participants to be received into membership at Zion Lutheran Church. All materials are provided free of charge. There are no tests nor will anyone be asked to read aloud. If you are interested or know someone who might be please give the name to the church office, 952/938-7661 or [www.zionhopkins.org](http://www.zionhopkins.org) for further details and to pre-register.

**New Members** will be received on **Sunday, March 28, 2010**. If you would like to be 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 Gathering Area entrance.



## Student Ministry News

**6-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation** – February/March brings a few schedule changes for Confirmation:

"Normal" classes will be held on Wednesday,  
February 3 & 10 (6:30-8:00pm);

NO class on Ash Wednesday, February 17;  
Lent class for 6-8<sup>th</sup> with Lisa on February 24 (7:15-8:00pm)

Early Communion Classes will be held Wednesdays,  
March 3, 10, 17, & 24 (7:15-8:00pm);

Lent class for 7-8<sup>th</sup> grade with Lisa on March 3, 10, 17, & 24  
(7:15-8:00pm)

NO class on March 31

**Confirmation Parent's Night** will be on Wednesday, February 10. All parents are asked to join in the large group time at 6:30. A special parent's only time will be held from 7:30-8:00pm.



## Thank You

Thank you Rick Tupa and Eddie Lundgren for all the extra time and work you put in over the holidays for snow removal and the two major daycare projects. Your time and talents are truly a blessing to Zion! Thank you all so much. *Zion Board of Trustees.*

Today's flowers are given by Helen Fox in memory of her mother.

