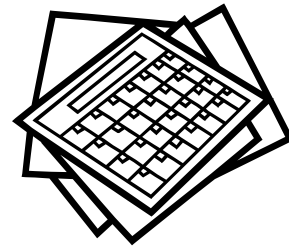


# Calendar



Monday, May 24  
 8:30 AM Braille  
 12:00 PM Young at Heart Potluck

Tuesday, May 25  
 9:00 AM Braille  
 9:15 AM Lighthouse  
 1:00 PM Illuminations and Bulletin Deadline  
 6:00 PM Brownie Troop 13354  
 6:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 10430

Wednesday, May 26  
 9:15 AM ZECC Chapel  
 9:30 AM Morning Glory Circle  
 1:30 PM Loving Care Circle  
 7:00 PM NYG Meeting

Thursday, May 27  
 10:00 AM Staff Devotions/Meeting  
 1:00 PM Braille  
 1:00 PM Ruth Circle  
 6:30 PM Festival Ringers  
 7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir

Friday, May 28

Saturday, May 29  
 5:00 PM Informal Worship

Sunday, May 30  
 8:30 AM Traditional Worship  
 9:40 AM Summer Sunday School  
 9:40 AM Faith Café (20's-30's)  
 11:00 AM Memorial Sunday Service in Burnes Park  
 12:15 PM Fish Boil in Burnes Park

Monday, May 31  
 Memorial Day  
 Church Office Closed  
 ZECC Closed

# Today at Zion

Sunday, May 23  
**Pentecost Sunday**  
 8:30 AM Traditional Worship  
 9:40 AM Sunday School Education  
 9:40 AM Faith Café (20's-30's)  
 10:50 AM Contemporary Worship  
 with Children & Youth Teacher Recognition

**Nursery Schedule for May 30**

8:30 AM Todd & Amy Bartley  
 9:40 AM Hope & Kirk Hughes  
 10:50 AM Dan & Kinlin Schultz

### Camp Omega Annual Work Weekend

Join others in Christian fellowship while preparing Camp Omega for summer camp programming. Entire families are welcome to join in the service, fun, and recreation of a free, fulfilling weekend. There are many tasks to occupy adult workers, and camp staff will lead youth and children in age-appropriate service projects and recreational activities. The weekend kicks off Friday evening, May 28 and lasts through lunch on Sunday, May 30, but guests are welcome for any part of the weekend. Download the flyer and registration form at [www.campomega.org](http://www.campomega.org) or call (507) 685-4266 for details.

**Camp Omega Day** - Affordable family fun? How about free family fun? Come for the day or just for a few hours and enjoy a free day of family fun in God's creation. Camp Omega Day activities on Saturday, June 5, include worship, picnic-style lunch, swimming, hayrides, pontoon rides, archery, canoeing, and a variety of other staff-led camp activities for the whole family. Put in your name for raffle drawings throughout the day for a FREE stay at the recipient's choice of summer camp sessions or family retreat opportunities and for Camp Omega apparel. Download the Camp Omega Day flyer at [www.campomega.org](http://www.campomega.org) for details. RSVP by calling (507) 685-4266.

**New Christian Women's Fellowship Books** are available in the church office. All women of Zion may have one.

**Sandy's Garden Benefit & Silent Auction** - for Sandy Berggren who has been battling cancer since February 2008 and is a member of Zion. Saturday, June 12th, 6 p.m. at Hopkins VFW, 100 Shady Oak Rd, Hopkins. Sandy does not have disability benefits. We are seeking items for the silent auction. Beth-Alison Berggren 612-221-5660 or Sherry 763-614-4242.

# 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, May 16	366
Adult Bible Study, May 16	108
Sunday School, May 16	74
Tithes & Offerings, May 16	\$13120.54
Building Fund, May 16	\$2,319.24
Missions, May 16	\$906.32
Financial Challenge, May 16	\$3,825.00

**Financial Challenge** Thanks to all of you who have responded to the request for financial help. As we indicated in the letter sent to all our members we are running short of what we need to pay all our bills at this time. We received **\$10,527** so far in the special envelopes provided to you. Thank you to those who responded so generously! If you have not yet made an extra gift would you consider doing so now? With your help we can continue to share the loving message of Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior in our community and beyond.



## 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:** Jack & Cathy Carlos and children, Raymond & Hannah; Coral Rose; the U.S. Military; Sgt. Ryan Butler (stationed in Iraq, son-in-law of Gerry & Chris Formo); E4 Jessica Sprung (stationed in Iraq, niece of Lori Ebert); World Earthquakes; the U. S. economy; and Zion members who have lost their jobs.

**Medical Concerns:** Milt Giese; Vern Anderson; Lynette Thomas; Evelyn Slavin; Susan Peltier; Sheila Oistad (sister of Betty Dagen); Karen Dorweiler (sister of Dee Anderson); Rachael Weber (granddaughter of Gene & Carolyn Bachman); Pete Weber (son-in-law of Gene & Carolyn Bachman); Dave Elhard (nephew of Naomi Wold); John Echols (son-in-law of Mel & Alice Carrigan); Arthur Swanson (brother of Alice Carrigan); Ida Burmeister (sister of Alice Carrigan); Dennis & Lloyd Carrigan (nephews of Mel & Alice Carrigan); Jessica Maas (granddaughter of Bud & Marilyn Gliem) and Erin Tomlinson (cousin of Wendy Ahles).

**Thanksgiving:** 93rd Birthday of George Wondra; 80th Birthday of Vern Harjes, Birthday of Eileen Pashina; Birth of Rylee Elisabeth Ayomide Olaniyi (daughter of Teju & Elisabeth Olaniyi and granddaughter of Mark & Mary Rettig)

**Bereaved:** Christina Raser (mother of Diane Ketcher); Roger Carlson (uncle of Carolyn Bachman)

**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: Kathy & Elise Williamson; Bruce, Linda, Heather, Holly & Robert Wilson; Irene Winch; Darold & Naomi Wold; George Wondra.

Today's flowers are given by Vern Harjes in honor of his 80th Birthday.



## Zion's Happenings

**Treasure Seekers' Faith Café** - Please join us on Sunday, May 23 & 30 from 9:40-10:40am in room #208 as we finish the current Treasure Seekers "Faith Café" study of *The Five Love Languages*. People express and receive love in different ways. Dr. Gary Chapman has identified five of those languages. Quality Time; Words of Affirmation; Gifts; Acts of Service, and Physical Touch. What is your "Love Language"? Come for a fascinating look at how we communicate with each other.

**Young at Heart / Seniors** - A pot luck is planned for Monday, May 24 at 12:00 noon in the Fellowship Hall. All Seniors are invited. Bring your favorite dish to pass. Also bring a wrapped white elephant gift as we will play bingo. Any questions call Alice Anderson at 952-938-5144.

**Morning Glories Circle** will meet at the home of Isabel Kloss on Wednesday, May 26 at **11:00 a.m.**

**Ruth Circle** - will meet on Thursday, May 27, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Naomi Wold. **Meet at church by 12:40 p.m. to car pool.**

**Lit n' Latte** We have a great group of readers/talkers and would love to have you join us for future book discussions. We meet at Linda Swanson's home from 7-8:15pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month (talk to Lisa Day if you need directions or a ride). Even if you don't have time to read, come and enjoy the discussion!! Here is schedule for next month:

♥ June 8 we will discuss Little Bee by Chris Cleave

**Youth Quilting** - June 9 - 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. we will be making baby quilts for Haiti. Grades 3-12 welcome. No experience needed. Pizza will be served for lunch.

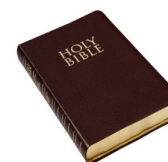
**Sewing Camp** - August 3-5 - 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Beginners will make PJ bottoms and get a T-shirt to appliqué. Advanced sewers may bring any pattern and will receive 1 on 1 assistance from our loving dedicated volunteers. Beginners bring PJ fabric, elastic, thread & pins. Advanced bring all materials your project requires. Volunteers are always needed and appreciated. It's a great way to bridge generations and teach life skills. We thank Thrivent for a grant. Questions - call Linda Krienke at 952-934-4205.

### Scripture Readers

May 29, 5:00pm - Tim Bodin

May 30, 8:30am - Mark Rettig

May 30, 10:50am - Denise Rauchman



### Table Talks – The Book of Proverbs

Pastor Neal will be leading a new Bible Class series beginning Sunday, May 30th at 9:40 am in the Fireside room (#104). Knowledge is good, but there is a vast difference between "knowledge" (having the facts) and "wisdom" (applying those facts to life). The wisest man who ever lived, Solomon, left us a legacy of written wisdom. Join Pastor Neal as he leads us in a fascinating look at this collection of wise statements and hundreds of practical examples of how to live according to godly wisdom. Grab a cup of coffee and join your friends around the table for a lively session each Sunday.

**SPRING - Think Flowers** - Thanks to Jerry Untiedt for his support as sweet corn supplier for the Thrivent Corn Feed. As members of Zion, we can show our appreciation by stopping by the Untiedt Outdoor Farmer's Market on the corner of Hwy 7 and Texas Ave. in St. Louis Park. They have lots of flowers for you to pick from to make your gardens beautiful. Check out the vegetables too. Thank you to the Untiedts for their many years and ears of support.

### Bethesda Shopping Bus Trip

Have you seen the new Bethesda Thrift Store in Minnetonka? Would you like to shop there but can't seem to get out there? Ride Zion's bus on Wednesday, May 26. We'll leave Zion at 12:30pm and return at 3:00pm. Cost for your round trip shopping excursion will be only \$2. We do need to have at least 6 people sign up by May 23 or we won't be able to go. Leave a message for Lisa Day with your name and phone number to sign up.



## Student Ministry News

**NYG Participant Meeting:** We will be holding a very important NYG Participant meeting on Wednesday, May 26 at 7:00pm. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at church. The meeting will last no later than 8:15pm

**Graduate Recognition Sunday:** Plan ahead for this annual event – Sunday, June 13. If you have a College or High School graduate in your home we need a picture to include in our pre-service slide show. We would also like to know any future plans they may have – career, college choice, etc. Email or bring a picture in along with any information to Lisa Day. If you aren't able turned your items by today, please talk to Lisa

**Lutheran Youth Fellowship Day at Valleyfair:** EARLYBIRD payment due today. Talk to Lisa for more information. Fill out an Event Registration Form found on Zion's website and turn it in with your payment: \$23 if paid on/before TODAY May 23; \$25 if paid on/before June 9; \$30 if paid after June 9.