

DECEMBER - 2016 ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER



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*Seniors of the Week

The Newsletter is available online. Find the Monthly calendar at www.zionlutheranwoodville.com. On the homepage "click" on "News / Calendar" Scroll down to Calendar, click on "Month" tab, Click "print" if you desire a page. The printed version of both are also available at church on the brochure rack by the library.

ZION ON T.V.

Worship services from Zion Lutheran Church are scheduled to regularly appear on Baldwin Telecom channel 16 on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. and Tuesday mornings at 9:00. We know many people watch and enjoy local church services and we thank Baldwin Telecom for providing this service to our community.

ZION ON COMPUTER - "YOUTUBE"

"Oh! No! I missed church this Sunday!"

Catch our worship services 24 hours a day on "YouTube". An EASY link to the services are on Zion's home page of our website zionlutheranwoodville.com If you have the internet click away and we would love to join you for worship.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Jeff Brewer
- 2 Julie Conrad, Robin Jensen, *Bud Mathison, Nancy Sell
- 3 *Elaine Jacobson, *Arlene Traynor
- 4 Craig Albrightson, Kelly Doke
- 5 Amy Peavey
- 6 Holly Anderson, Dan Slind, *Ron Zillmer
- 7 Amy Iverson, *Bob Keyes, Jason Sell
- 8 *Ruth Hard, *Billie Lorentson
- 9 Megan Jacobson, Jack Lavelle, Gerry Veenendall
- 10 Joseph Wynveen
- 11 Derek Boldt, Allan Eggen, Travis Timm

ZLCW BOARD MEETING

The ZLCW General Board meeting will be held on Monday, Dec.5th at 7 pm.

We will have our annual meeting and distribution of funds. This meeting is for all women.

QUILTERS

The Quilters got together on November 3rd and with only 3 workers they made 4 quilts and 4 layettes. Their next meeting is December 8th.

Dear Zion Family,

Thank you for the wonderful gifts and support throughout this religious adventure.
Logan Butler

TUESDAY COMMUNITY SUPPER ACTIVITIES

The supper on 11/1/2016 served 244 guests and was prepared and served by Gethsemane Lutheran Church.

Income: \$162 cash donations
Expenses: \$236.68
Checkbook Balance: \$3176.50

The December 6th supper will be chicken chowmein, peas, carrots, lettuce, buns and fortune cookies prepared by First Reformed Church. It will be served from 5 pm to 6:30 pm at Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Baldwin. Join us for a great meal and fellowship.

DECEMBER WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

December 4, 2016

Ushers— Gary & Sherry Boldt, Terry & Lyla Larson
Videographer— David Leon
Reader— Karen Swanson
Communion Prep— Kelli Lorentz
Communion Helpers— Dan & Cheryl Slind, Marilyn Hovde
Coffee servers— N/A
Acolytes— Tate Nyhus, Alex Novosad

December 11, 2016

Ushers—same as the 4th
Videographer—same as the 4th
Reader— Mary Anderson
Coffee servers— National Youth Gathering Kids
Acolytes— Abbie & Amber DeLong

December 18, 2016

Ushers— Darlene Olson, Sandy Olson, Dick Rademaker,
Rachel Terkelsen
Videographer— Dennis Russett
Reader— John Terkelsen
Communion Prep— Rachel Terkelsen
Communion Helpers— Wes & Karen Swanson, Rachel
Terkelsen
Coffee servers— N/A
Acolytes— Mason & Austin Hanson

CHRISTMAS EVE – December 24, 2016

SEE SIGN UP SHEET BY LIBRARY
3:00 pm Acolytes- Alanna Campbell, Montana Peterson
4:30 pm Acolytes-- John Jamieson, Jack Lavelle
10:30 pm Acolytes— Loren knegendorf, Griffin Almquist

CHRISTMAS DAY - December 25, 2016

SEE SIGN UP SHEET BY LIBRARY
9 am Acolytes—Grady McAbee & McKenna Miller

Altar Guild for December: Abby Margelofsky, Christy
Gregg

OFFERING ENVELOPES AVAILABLE

You may pick up your envelopes for 2017 on the table near the offices. If you have any questions feel free to ask. Your financial support of the many ministries at Zion is needed and appreciated. If you do not have envelopes and would like to offer regular support to the church's mission please call the church office.

CHRISTMAS AT ZION

Please take note of many worship opportunities during the next month.

ADVENT WORSHIP

Sundays from November 27th through December 18th at 9:00 a.m. and Connect Worship and Sunday School at 10:15 am.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM

Sunday, December 18th at the 9 a.m. service.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT & KAFFEE KALLAS

Sunday, December 11th at 4 p.m. featuring Zion's Senior Choir. A festival of lessons and carols followed by Norwegian refreshments in the candle lit Fellowship Hall. Please join us!

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Christmas Eve, Thursday, December 24
Family service at 3:00 p.m.
Candlelight service at 4:30 and 10:30 p.m.

Christmas Day, December 25
Service at 9 a.m.

BIBLE STUDY AT ZION

Study next Sunday's Bible readings. Led by Pastor Keith in the church Library from 9:00—10:30 a.m. Wednesdays.

MEN'S BREAKFAST AND BIBLE STUDY

Led by Ralph Bader at the Woodville Café from 6:30–7:30 a.m. the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays each month.

JOSEPH'S SQUARE

This unique men's ministry meets Saturday mornings and creates simple wood toys and gifts for children. Each session begins with a brief Bible Study and prayer. Contact Hugh Lockerby for details.

WOMEN'S "CIRCLE" STUDIES

Circles 1 & 3 –Thurs., Dec. 15th at 9 a.m.-library
Hostess: Lucille Lund
Leader: Elizabeth Leon
Circle 2- Weds. Dec. 14th at 9:30 am
Hostess: Karen Eicher
Leader: N/A
Circle 4- Thurs., Dec. at 1:30 -Park View
Hostess: Park View
Leader: Nancy Larson
Circles 5 & 6 – Thurs., Dec. 15th at 1:30 pm –Park Place
Hostess: Potluck
Leader: Joyce Knippenberg

FROM PASTOR KEITH

This is an exciting time of year. The Choir is practicing for the Christmas Concert, the Sunday School is working on Songs and lines for the Christmas Program. We can hear the jingle of the Salvation Army Red Kettle Bells and Christmas music fills the air.

This is, of course, in preparation for the celebration of the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus, who is the Christ.

One of the Bible readings we often hear at Christmas time is from Isaiah 9... a prophecy of the expected Messiah. "For unto us a child is born, a son is given and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

Those words, if not made famous by the prophet Isaiah, have been sung countless times as part of Handel's "Messiah."

And to lift our voices to honor Jesus as the Prince of Peace would be a MUCH GREATER thing than to offer our praise to any earthly leader.

The First Sunday of Advent speaks of "beating swords into plowshares" (Isaiah 2:4). This too will come from the hand of God as we celebrate the Prince of Peace in our lives and in our world. This prophecy announces that feeding people will do infinitely much more good in the world than killing people. Yet... we manage to find our security in swords and shake our heads at the prophetic words of Peace.

I puzzle over the question of why we might prefer weapons over prayer. I have no insight into that puzzle... but I still believe that God is telling us a profound truth... that God can create peace in our world... but that peace will need to come from our hands... WHEN... we lay hold of the sword and place it on the anvil and pound and shape and craft something wholly other than what it was... to become something new and useful in caring for the people of the world.

Perhaps we can lift up the challenge of crafting Peace this Advent as we work side by side with the Prince of Peace Himself.

When our children are baptized, we promise that we will work with the child's parents and sponsors, and that we will "care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace."

We know what to do! We know how to do it! The faith exercise is to give the moment to God. When we would be tempted to strike back let us "carry our own cross" (Luke 14:27), as Jesus carried his, thereby finding new life as we give that moment to God. In fact, it is through that cross that we find peace and "put to death... hostility" (Ephesians 2:14-17).

I am thinking that a good dose of PEACE in our world would be a very welcome thing today.

We can let the Prince of Peace work His Good News through us.

As we gather to worship this Thanksgiving / Advent / Christmas time of year, may we have a heart filled with God's love and joy and peace.

May we share those gifts with the people around us. May His Kingdom come to us... and through us.

MOST sincerely,
Pastor Keith

FROM PASTOR ANDY BOE

For our congregation here at Zion early December focuses on preparing to celebrate the birth of the Christ child. At the end of December we will once again tell the wonderful story of God's involvement in our human history in a very special way. We will remember the birth of Jesus who is the Christ, God's loving presence in human form for every person!

The Gospel lesson for Christmas Day is often from the Gospel of St. John the first chapter. "In the beginning was the Word (Jesus) ... in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." These words have always been a comfort to me in the brokenness of our lives (The darkness has not overcome the light).

Advent and Christmas are always a time to remember and celebrate God's love given in Jesus the Christ. It is also the time that we prepare to receive the forgiveness of God's love. It is also the time that we live forward in hope! St. Peter says that God's hope is a "living hope" in which we live each day. As I write this newsletter in November the month of Thanksgiving, I am thankful for the gift of God's loving and forgiving hope which is for now, and in the days ahead, and when I die.

I encourage you to join together at the Zion worship during early December and during our Christmas celebration. We will hear the story of God's love, forgiveness, and hope for each one of us. And we will be encouraged to be those who go forward as God's people who are blessed to be a blessing to those who are around us! Thank you! For once again sharing the Christmas story of God's eternal love.

Pastor Andy Boe

10TH ANNUAL MEATBALL DINNER Surpasses all previous records!!

I have had the pleasure for the past 10 years of spear heading an event that continues to warm my heart. November 10 was our 10th ANNUAL Norwegian Meatball Dinner and once again we at Zion continue to be blessed by the outcome of this event. We served a new record crowd of 575+ people and surpassed a new record of funds received to serve missions within our community \$4,500. Is this why we do the dinner? well no. We do the dinner to provide a quality meal to hundreds of people no matter what race, ethnic background, financial stability you are. We don't care who comes, we just INVITE people to come and share a meal in God's house, not my house... not the house of the many members of Zion Lutheran Church God's house. November 10 was just another reminder that there are many people **who** whole heartily will help out in ANY way they can to have a community event to provide for others. **November 10** was just another reminder that there were over 575 people that support the mission we do at Zion. But most of **November 10** was a reminder that even with all our differences in this world, we continue to join together to share a meal and share the communion of love that God has instilled in all of us. Because of November 10, my heart is FULL and for that I am truly blessed!

Thank you again – God Bless – Cheryl Slind

**Zion Lutheran Church Council Minutes
October 18, 2016
Minutes Approved
2016 Council Members**

Doug Jamieson – President, Kelly Doke – Vice President,
Annette Sabol – Secretary
Dick Rademaker – Treasurer, Pastor Keith Anderson,
Associate Pastor Andy Boe*
Darcy Almquist*, Mary Lou Glasser*, Tim Holldorf*, Brenda
Bergquist*, Randy Peterson*, Jody Lantz*, Dan Slind, Ken
Sortedahl *Denotes absent member

President Doug Jamieson opened the meeting at 7:05p.
Devotions were led by Pastor Keith.

Guest Comments: None

Correspondence: Sons of Norway thank you for the use of
Zion for concert in September.

Secretary's Report: Motion made by Kelly Doke and
seconded by Dan Slind to accept council minutes for
September. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion made by Annette Sabol and
Seconded by Dan Slind to approve September's Treasurer's
Report. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report: Your New Money Mindset

Presented for Confirmation to the council for the
Affirmation of their Faith on October 30, 2016: Anna
Albrightson, Logan Butler, Callie Johnson, Jared Lantz,
Koleton Lorentz, Kelsie Nawrocki, Nathan Omann, Faith
Smith, and Jenna Tollefson

Baptisms: None

Funerals: Jerry Wallesverd (October 12)

Transferred Out: None

New Member(s): None

Weddings: Lindsey Hovde and David Grothausen
(October 14)

Committees:

Resources: Meets Second Tuesday, 6:30p: Street
Assessment from the village of Woodville has not been
completed as of yet.

Fellowship Uniting Neighbors (FUN): Meets Second
Tuesday, 7p: Did not meet in October

Faith & Life: Meets Second Thursday, 7p: Choir
Director and accompanist are set at least through Christmas.
Elizabeth Leon is the new Choir Director. Faith & Life will be
meeting on November 3rd due to the meatball supper.

Old Business:

- Elizabeth Leon has accepted positions of both
custodian and choir director. Motion made by Kelly
Doke and seconded by Doug Jamieson to have
both custodians on the same pay scale as they are
working together throughout the entire building.
- Carpet: Moving forward on this project. Tearing up
the carpet on Saturday, November 12th. \$8,061.67
for Fellowship Hall and \$3,153.06 for
abatment/foyer on the south end of the Fellowship
Hall with the dumpster being \$350 for removal of
current carpet. Motion made by Doug Jamieson for
this estimate approval with addendum for removal of
tile. Seconded by Kelly Doke and motion carried.

New Business:

- Finding new people for committees. Pointed out
FUN committee hasn't met in two months and only
two people for Faith & Life committee. Inviting
others to join the committees.
- Request for use of Care fund dollars to be used to
purchase meatball mix and expenses for the

meatball supper up to \$1,000. Motion made by
Pastor Keith and seconded by Ken Sortedahl.
Motion carried.

Agenda for November:

- Devotions: Kelly Doke

Motion to adjourn: No more business to discuss: Motion
made by Annette Sabol to adjourn; Seconded by Dan Slind:
Motion carried and the meeting ended with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted in Christ,
Annette Sabol, Secretary

ZLCW Treasurer's Report July 31, 2016

Balance 1/1/2016
Checking \$6,078.96
Allocated \$3,338.00
Working Balance \$2,740.96

INCOME

Circles Offering \$1,317.00
World Hunger \$147.00
Funerals \$1,880.00
C-Room \$1,144.17 \$
Bakeless Bake Sale 1,945.00 \$
Garage Sale 4,194.87
Misc. \$58.50
TOTALS \$10,686.54 \$10,686.54

EXPENSES W/ELCA

Offerings \$120.00
W/ELCA World Hunger \$31.00
Conventions \$30.00
C-Room-Cards \$480.00
C-R-Coffee/Cocoa \$492.60
Funerals \$28.42
Gather/Northwester \$60.00
Thrift Sale Expenses \$330.00
Misc. \$67.62
Baptism Medallion \$168.00
From Allocated \$436.65 \$436.65
TOTALS \$2,244.29 \$2,244.29
CHECK BALANCE \$14,521.21
Zion Coffee Fund \$262.23
Kitchen needs \$185.61
Fellowship Hall \$215.51
Carpet Fund \$6,102.87
Allocated--left to spend \$6766.22
rolled over \$6,766.22
Working Balance \$7,754.99
Checking Balance \$14,521.21

Submitted by Carol Hajicek, ZLCW Treasurer

In Memory of.....

Mary Clark (Tim Holldorf's mom)

Carpet: Darlene Olson, Steve & Janet Aaby

Kitchen: Bob & Ruth Hard

Vernon Lund

Carpet: Darlene Olson, Steve & Janet Aaby, Dan & Mary Frey, Dick & LeAnn Rademaker, Walt & Dorene Jacobson, Al & Barb DeLander, Wally & Carolyn Nelson, Bob & Karen Eicher, Ralph & Darlene Bader

General: Dave & Wendy Sander, Craig & Kelly Albrightson, Nan Johnson, John & Rachel Terkelsen, John & Evelyn Wallesverd, Dale & Joann Nelson, Tom & Kathleen Vandeberg, Gloria Bunnell, Paul & Penny O'Connell, Ai & Joan Cronk, Mary Hanson, Don & Marianna Johnson, Mike & Amy Albrightson, Art & Elaine Jacobson, Marie Terkelsen, Paul Seeling, Gerry & Bonnie Veenendall, Tim & Benita Gregg, David & Christine Stene, Barb Lund, Christy Gregg & Marvin Looch, Greg & Joanne Larson, Dan & Lisa Hanson, Joel Passow, Brian & Yvette Passow, Family & Friends

Kitchen: Doug & Debbie Monicken

Parking Lot: Hugh & Diana Lockerby

Capstones: Wes & Karen Swanson, Elizabeth, Kari & David Leon

Scholarship: Lucille Lund, Margie Lund, Joyce Knippenberg

Cemetery: Shirley Erickson, Don & Mary Ann Iverson, Tom & Sandy Olson, Arlene Traynor, MD & BJ Skelton, Peggy & Mike Nyhus, Carole Larson, Neal & Penny Dittman

Lone Pine Cemetery: Ron & Marilyn Zillmer, Harvey Halderson

Debt: Sue Stene, Joan Lindquist, Janis Helgeson, Bob & Rosemary Donahoe

Building: George Helgeson

Courtyard Flowers: Ron & Barb Johnson

Jack Norton

Carpet: Mary Norton

Arlene Halverson

Carpet: Harold Halverson

Sunday School: Harold Halverson

General: Harold Halverson

Pete Martinson

You Tube Ministry: LoAnn Martinson

Celia Miller

General: Tom & Kathleen Vandeberg, Arlyss Butler & Girls

In Honor of.....

Our 2016 Confirmands

Scholarship: Hugh & Diana Lockerby

Andy Boe

General: Jane Schillinger

Gave to food pantry:

Woodville Card Club

People in Business Care

Woodville Lion's Club

McMillan Electric

Trient Technologies

ZION STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION

Keith Anderson – Pastor

Andy Boe - Part-time Associate Pastor

Jill Boston – Secretary

Elizabeth & David Leon – Custodians

Elizabeth Leon Sr. Choir Director

Officers of the Congregation

Doug Jamieson – President

Kelly Doke – Vice-President

Annette Sabol – Secretary Dick Rademaker – Treasurer

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Zion Carpet Project 2016 and... the next step!



The Fellowship Hall is completed! THANK YOU!

Please come enjoy the NEW CARPETING in Zion's Fellowship Hall!

After 26 years the old carpet needed replacement.

Thanks to Zion's Women's Group for hosting Annual Garage Sales for raising a major portion of funding for the Fellowship Hall Carpet .

Thanks also to MANY people who have given special gifts, Memorials, Honorariums and pledges to raise sufficient funds so it is PAID IN FULL upon completion.

Our next steps... will be the Hallways by the Sunday School rooms and past the offices toward the Church Sanctuary.

This NEXT project will need to involve Asbestos Abatement. We have had professionals come in to assess these needs. Currently all asbestos is safely enclosed under the sealed, waxed floors, but 100% removal will need to be safely taken care of by professionals.

We want to assure the safety of all our Church members and guests, so we are hoping to raise sufficient funds to pay for the Asbestos Abatement AND purchase / installation of carpet in the hallway areas.

BEFORE we do this we are hoping to make major progress for final payment on the Building Repair Loan.

This loan was taken out in March of 2010 when we needed to replace the roof on the entire church building as well as repair to the Belltower. At that time we insulated needed areas and put in energy efficient lighting and windows. With well over \$300,000 in Loan we are now down to just over \$40,000.

THANKS AGAIN to all who have donated toward the building repair loan. Those donations are above and beyond your regular giving to the life and ministry of this church.

With this pledge card we are hoping that everyone can make some kind of financial contribution beyond regular support of Zion's ministry.

If you are not able at this time, your participation in other ways is a blessing to us all.

Please join us regularly in worship, Sundays at 9:00 for our more traditional worship and 10:15 for our Family CONNECT worship.

Blessings to us all!

The following pledge card may be used as we each consider our support of all Zion Ministries and also as we share in the responsibility of caring for our wonderful facility. As you complete the Pledge Card, please consider it your personal commitment. No one will contact you about your Pledge. We will, however try to communicate with everyone regarding progress on projects and Zion's Ministry needs. Zion's monthly Newsletter is available on-line at www.zionlutheranwoodville.com. This is our Church web-site. Worship services via YouTube are also available on-line for those times you are not able to be here in person.

Blessings to us all as we join together in life and ministry.

----- Please remove this portion and bring to church -----

It is a blessing for me to support the work and ministry of Zion Lutheran Church.
I will do this by regular worship attendance, supporting my church in prayer
and financial contributions as I am able to help meet our needs.

I WILL PLEDGE:

General Fund Monthly giving: \$ _____ MY ENVELOPE # _____

Building Repair Loan gift: \$ _____

Hallway Carpet project and Asbestos Abatement gift: \$ _____

I understand that I may change my Pledge at any time by contacting the church office.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____