

JUNE/JULY ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER -2017



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ZION ON T.V.

Worship service 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!"

You can 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](http://www.zionlutheranwoodville.com) If you have the internet click away and we would love to join you for worship.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Deb Keefer, John Lavelle, Kathleen Vandenberg
- 2 June Frye, Nona Bugni, Nicole Sina, Tyler Smigla, Ryan Veenendall, Shanda Wilk
- 3 *Harvey Halderson, *Hap Litzell, Willow Timm
- 4 Sally Aho, Matt Frey, Trudy Helgeson, Virginia Miner
- 5 Tim Holldorf, Linda Solum
- 6 Briley Eggen, Garland Fregine, Tanner Weiss
- 7 Elling Hofland, Jody Lantz
- 9 Vickie Russett, *Tom Vandenberg

- 10 Landon Albrightson, Larry Anderson, Lindsay Johnson, Kaitlyn Roark, Mark Roycraft, Tracy Veenendall
- 11 Paul Larson, Faith Smith
- 12 Kevin Hovde, Jette Johnson, *Darlene Lien, Erin McMahon, Kaden Place, Scott Rykal
- 13 Samantha Bauernfeind, Carrie Dodge, Lola Peavey
- 14 Samantha Basques, Terry Benson, Pam Gedatus, Patrick Gedatus, *Carmen Peterson, Robert Peterson
- 15 Ava Bjornstad, Howard Johnson
- 16 Brody Eggen, Kailey Freeland, Levi Gregg, *Mike Hyland, Susan Lund
- 17 Milt Sell
- 18 DaNell Jamieson, Lisa Lovestrand
- 19 Allison Albrightson, Bailey Albrightson, Brooke Albrightson, Michelle Johnson, Trygve Norvold, Alexandra Stene
- 20 Cheryl Bauer, *Marlene Hurtgen
- 21 Nadine Bjornstad, Elizabeth Leon, Axel Peterson, Dane Veenendall
- 22 Mila Carlson, Brenda DeMotts, Leslie Fregine, Isaac Gedatus, Tyler Gedatus, Phoebe Vodnik
- 23 Melissa Beese, *Bev Larson
- 24 *Robert Hard, Desiree McKay, Jacob Tollefson
- 26 Caleb Carlson, Adam Dodge, Jessica Chlebecek, Logan Jacobson, TJ Lund, Emily Fristed, Kynslee Klatt
- 27 Warren Benson, Kelsey Wichelman, Kelsie Nawrocki
- 28 Mike Albrightson, Ashley Krager, Victoria Lee, Nolan Palmer, Jimmy Sturgul
- 29 Klara Balfany, Luke DeGross, Brianna Hanson
- 30 Bart Hoekstra

JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 *Janis Helgeson, Debbie Mathison
- 3 Jim Anderson, Lillian Balfany
- 4 Joel Benson, LeAnn Rademaker
- 5 Samuel Aho, Diane Gedatus, Michael Gedatus, Todd Halverson, *Evelyn McGee, Lora Palmer
- 6 Ethan Ash, Ken DeWitt, *Elizabeth Lee, *Alice Lund, Helen McKay, Patty Wilk
- 7 Sara Bowen, Jessica Johnson
- 8 Brevan Peavey
- 9 LaVon Johnson, *Judy Krause, Eric Roark
- 10 Greg Luecke, Mason Melland
- 11 Ron Freeland, Becky Luecke, Alina Veenendall
- 12 Terrie Vold
- 13 Kiana DeLong, Mary Kildahl
- 14 Amy Anderson, *Lucille Gedatus, Matt Koenning, Nathan Mandehr
- 15 Charlotte Sortedahl
- 16 Dylan Eggen, Duane Veenendaal
- 17 Adrianna Anderson, Ronda Jacobson, Henry Lien, Sue Stene
- 18 Amy Albrightson, Keith Anderson, Alexander Collins, Bill Danielson, Oaklie Holldorf, Suzette Hudson, Raegan Robelia, *Marilyn Zillmer
- 19 Abby Anderson, Kari Campbell, Ashley Gordon, Kayla Stone
- 20 Ty Margelofsky, Brad McGee, Jenna Tollefson
- 21 Amelia Holzman
- 22 Sawyer Cronk, Kevin Lund
- 23 *Margaret Ann Bossman, Gloria Bunnell, Andrew Stene, Judy Veenendaal
- 24 *Millie Anderson, Nathan Nelson, Dan Preston
- 25 Scott DeGross, Josh Lantz, Angela Mathison, Justin Peterson
- 26 *Leone Osborne
- 27 Jaxson Doomink, Haley Gedatus, Ariel Peterson, Brad Pulczynski
- 28 *Dave Freiberg, Jan Haller, Warren Helgeson
- 30 Ben Frey, Jase Hager, Tamara Iverson, Victoria Lovestrand
- 31 Sarah Haas, Klayton Lorentz, Connor Ohman, Jake Peterson, Tom Roark, Isabella Schaller

* Seniors of the Week

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.

WOMEN'S "CIRCLE" STUDIES

Circles 1 & 3 –Thurs., June 15th at 9:00 a.m.

Hostess: Elaine Jacobson

Leader: Elizabeth Leon

Circle 2- Weds. June 21st at 9:30 am

Hostess: Betty Norvold

Leader: NA

Circle 4- Thurs., June 15th at 1:30 pm - Park View

Leader: Nancy Larson

Circles 5 & 6 – Thurs., June 15th at 1:30 pm –Park Place

Hosting: Barb DeLander

Leader: Joyce Knippenberg

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.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

JUNE

June 4, 2017

Ushers— Gloria Bunnell, Darlene Olson, Elizabeth Leon, Sylvia Sandvig

Videographer— Dennis Russett

Reader— Mary Anderson

Communion Prep— Darlene Olson

Communion helpers— Brian & Brenda Bergquist, Doug Albrigtson

Acolytes— McKenna Miller, Grady McAbee

June 11, 2017

Ushers—same as June 4th

Videographer—same as June 4th

Reader— Bob Eicher

Acolytes— Alanna Campbell, Alex Novosad

June 18, 2017

Ushers— Sandy Olson, Doug & Jackie Mathison

Videographer— David Leon

Reader— Bonnie Haas

Communion Prep— Carol Hajicek

Communion helpers— Dave & Wendy Sander, Hugh Lockerby

Acolytes— Wyatt Rauschnot, Ty Margelofsky

June 25, 2017

Ushers—same as June 18th

Videographer—same as June 18th

Reader— Wendy Sander

Acolytes— Tate Nyhus, Isaiah Randall

Altar Guild for June: Rachel Terkelsen

JULY

July 2, 2017

Ushers— Dave Krause, Keith Albrightson, Doug Albrigtson, Chuck Bentley

Videographer— Greg Larson

Reader— John Terkelsen

Communion Prep— Cheryl Slind

Communion helpers— Carol Hajicek, Marilyn Hovde, Don Johnson

Acolytes— Griffin Almquist, Dylan Karau

July 9, 2017

Ushers—same as July 2nd

Videographer—same as July 2nd

Reader— Sue Stene

Acolytes— Axel Mahoney, Bode LaGrandier

July 16, 2017

Ushers— Dave & Wendy Sander, Brian & Brenda Bergquist

Videographer— Kyle Howard

Reader— Sandy Olson

Communion Prep— Nona Bugni

Communion helpers— Ruth Hard, Doug & Jackie Mathison

Acolytes— Thomas Albrightson, Caleb Carlson

July 23, 2017

Ushers—same as July 16th

Videographer—same as July 16th

Reader— Tammy Danielson

Acolytes— Abbie & Amber DeLong

July 30, 2017

Ushers—same as July 16th

Videographer—same as July 16th

Reader— Doug Jamieson

Acolytes— Montana Peterson, Logan Fedie

Altar Guild for July: Debbie Monicken

FROM PASTOR KEITH

Zion Lutheran Church is connected with 197 other congregations... together we are the Northwest Synod of Wisconsin. There are 64 other similar Synods that make up our greater church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Our Synod includes over 300 pastors and over 93,000 members, so when we get together it is quite a gathering. We recently gathered (April 29th) in Eau Claire for our Synod's Annual Assembly.

Many churches are recording attendance losses, but Zion is one of a few churches that have had worship growth over the past few years. I was asked to share some thoughts about why our worship attendance is up. Here is my presentation.

Our church has a gal who writes Sunday school curriculum for us... about 5 years ago she was called on a Sunday morning to substitute for one of our Sunday School teachers... in good humor she said, "I wrote the curriculum... I think I can handle it."

The curriculum that day included "The Apostles' Creed." When she asked how many of these 4th Graders knew The Apostles Creed... none of them did... she then thought to herself... they know the Creed, they just don't know that is what it is called... so she said, I will say it, then you can join in... she began... no one joined in...

The next week she told me that sad little story. So... we talked... we noted that there is no reason the kids could have known it... parents are good at bringing kids to Sunday School, but many are not part of a worshipping community. So... we tried to think outside the box... inside the box of Zion Lutheran Church.

So here we are... 2 morning worship services... and a variety of Sunday School openings throughout the building... some would say, "Same old... same old... this is the way we have always done it!", But as the old saying goes... "If it ain't broke... don't fix it."

We had adjusted that saying a bit... "If it is broke... just pretend it ain't broke... and keep driving that old wagon."

Our kids still didn't know the Creed or the Lord's Prayer and we could not pretend them into saying those precious words. We had to do something about that!

At that point, we vowed that if parents are not bringing kids to church, then we are going to bring church to the kids.

The next Sunday School year we would create a little liturgy for our Sunday School opening... and you know how kids age 3 – 16 just love little liturgies...

But we did it anyway... a Bible Camp kind of song, the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer, an offering and... what else???

We didn't know... but one thing we did know... those kids are going to learn that old Creed if it kills us...

That next year kids were dropped off for Sunday School... just like always before... but still... no parents... so we created some child and parent faith connections throughout the year and I started to tell the kids... invite your parents to join you... it is good when faith is shared within the family.

So... thank you children!

We began to call it "Family CONNECT worship."

The bold move came a couple years later, when we eliminated our latest worship service... and gave some more time to the Sunday School opening...

We took note that on some Sundays, what used to be a Sunday School opening for about 30 kids... was now a family worship service for 150 or more people.

We also realized that on some Sundays that was our largest gathering of people for worship, so we needed to put a lot more time into planning that service...

We needed to be very intentional about the atmosphere... the energy... the theology... and just a touch of crazy, weird stuff...

We are creating songs... and teaching a bit of classic rock along the way... who knew that the song, "House of the Rising Sun" could be re-worded to teach the 5th Commandment?

Who knew that a song about bar "Closing Time"... could be re-worded to be our song, "Offering Time"?

My heart jumped for joy when one of our family dad's told me that they were riding in the car one day and the song "Closing Time" came on the radio and their little girl said, "Hey Mom ... Dad... that's our church offering song!"

I believe families enjoy doing meaningful things together... including sharing their faith...

For many... sitting quietly for an hour in church is a painful experience... and just because we all survived it... doesn't mean that recipe for worship will work for everyone

We are finding that 20 minutes is time for us to have some fun, to hear God's Word enjoy some music and provide faith-food for thought.

Beside this... it is not just young families who enjoy "Family CONNECT"... some of our 80 and 90 year olds feel energized by being around children. They get a chance to meet children in our community and as we continue to connect... we provide other opportunities for our Sunday School classes to serve our fellowship time... everyone loves it. We are feeling more like a church family... and children are inviting their friends... parents are telling other parents...

And God welcomes us to worship...

We are finding that we can sing a new song in a new way and we believe that God loves the buzz of conversation during "Offering Time"... and during Holy Communion... it is the sweet sound of families in fellowship.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity of sharing.

It was fun to share at our Synod Assembly. I also want to thank THIS congregation for opening your hearts and minds to new ways of sharing the faith. You are getting to know more of these children and their families as they share in serving our Fellowship times. We are blessed to be a blessing. We are taking a summer hiatus from Family CONNECT worship, but in the fall, I invite EVERYONE to experience a Family CONNECT worship time. In some ways we are 2 distinct congregations now... but thank God that the Word is being shared and more and more people are hearing and sharing and teaching as we bring Christ into the lives of many people.

God bless us all!
Pastor Keith

FROM PASTOR ANDY BOE

PENTECOST IS COMING! Sunday, June 4, 2017!
Please wear red to help celebrate the coming of the Spirit of the Risen Christ to the early church! Join us for Worship at 9:00 am.

Pentecost is the 3rd major celebration of the Lutheran Church Year. Christmas celebrates the incarnation (Jesus, God's Son, is born in human form) a servant to all! Easter is the celebration of new life from the death and resurrection of Jesus, the Christ (God's Chosen One) Pentecost is God's gift of the Holy Spirit to individuals and the church (God's Called Out People)

Pentecost reminds us of God's renewing and creative presence in individuals and the whole world. In the Spirit we journey together in God's incarnate (God's presence in human form) risen, and always present life giving and affirming love and forgiveness!

Pentecost Day happened about 50 days after Easter (Read the Bible story in Acts 2) The Spirit gives new life and energy to Jesus' disciples. We participate each day in the gift of Pentecost through our Christian Baptism into Christ's church, hearing God's Word, worshipping together in Word and Sacrament, learning God's story, fellowship, and outreach in loving and serving others!

The Spirit of Pentecost is living hope today, tomorrow, and forever! Thanks for celebrating and living in the Spirit of Pentecost - God's Spirit in us and in our world!

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Pentecost Sunday is on June 4th. Please wear red and help celebrate the spirit of Pentecost. Children welcomed!

VOLUNTEER NEEDED FOR ZAP

Looking for a volunteer to run our ZAP program this summer. It runs for 6 weeks on Wednesdays from July 12 through August 16th. Hours are 8 am to noon. If interested please contact Pastor Keith or Annette Sabol.

THRIVENT ACTION TEAM IDEAS

Zion has been able to do some interesting projects over the past few years because of FREE funding through Thrivent Action Team dollars.

These funds have helped with our Norwegian Meatball Dinner, Mission Projects, Confirmation projects, Sunday School, Joseph's Square and more, with some other ideas in the works.

If YOU have a Thrivent policy or investment, you can help with a church project. Talk with Pastor Keith or call. He can show you how easy it is to fill out the application. You can do something for your group or for any group in the church. It is \$250 that can be used for advertizing or supplies, or prizes... let your imagination run wild. If you don't use it... you lose it!

ZAP SUMMER MINISTRY COORDINATOR

Z.A.P. (Zion At Play) is a Summer ministry for children. We meet on Wednesday mornings for devotions and music, story time, and other activities all in a faith-centered environment. We have the curriculum ready to roll, but are looking for someone to Coordinate the day. It will be the 6 Wednesdays AFTER the 4th of July. If you are interested or know someone who is, please call Pastor Keith (715-698-2707).

QUILTERS

The Zion Quilters met on Thursday, May 11th and with 8 workers they completed 7 quilts. Also 3 dozen diapers were made from t-shirts.

They meet next on June 8th.

Tuesday Community Supper June 6, 2017

The Tuesday Community Supper is served the first Tuesday of every month at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 1350 Florence Street, Baldwin, Wisconsin. This is a free meal open to anyone in the community, served from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. Area churches take turns preparing and serving good nutritious food every month.

Peace Lutheran Church will be preparing and serving the meal on June 6, 2017. The menu will be grilled brats, sauerkraut, baked beans, pickles and raw veggies.

Zion Lutheran Church Council Minutes
April 18, 2017
Approved Minutes

Randy Peterson – President*, Kelly Doke* – Vice President,
Annette Sabol – Secretary
Dick Rademaker – Treasurer, Pastor Keith Anderson,
Associate Pastor Andy Boe*

Brenda Bergquist, Doug Jamieson, Dan Slind*, Ken
Sortedahl, Tim Holldorf, Karl Karau, Hugh Lockerby, Dale
McKay* *Denotes absent member

Doug Jamieson opened the meeting at 7:00p. Devotions
were led by Keith Anderson from Christ in Our Home.

Guest Comments: None

Correspondence: None

Secretary's Report: Motion made by Hugh Lockerby and
seconded by Tim Holldorf to accept council minutes for
March 2017. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion made by Brenda Bergquist and
Seconded by Annette Sabol to approve March's Treasurer's
Report. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report: Reclaiming the L Word

Baptisms:
Funerals: Fred Rogers (April 5), George Helgeson
(April 10)
Transferred Out:
New Member(s):
Weddings:

Committees:

Resources: Meets Second Tuesday, 6:30p: See old
business

Fellowship Uniting Neighbors (FUN): Meets Second
Tuesday, 7p: Discussed ideas for the Reformation including
a float for the Syttendai Mai parade.

Faith & Life: Meets Second Thursday, 7p: Did not
meet this month due to Holy Week

Old Business:

- Asbestos Removal Bids: Direct Specialty Contracting – Approximately \$15,000 (\$5/sq. ft.); Air Tech - \$7,936; Asbestos Removal Services - \$8,800; Hugh Lockerby made a motion to go with Air Tech out of Eau Claire for the removal. Seconded by Tim Holldorf. Motion carried.
- Asbestos Removal will begin on Monday, April 24th. Pastor will ask the confirmation class to assist with moving things and we will ask people to put together a work crew for Sunday afternoon.
- Working on getting bids to work on the south wall/gutter of the sanctuary.

New Business:

- Donation to meal program at the Senior Center: money to help those who are transitioning to home after a medical/hospital stay. Motion made by Annette Sabol and seconded by Brenda Bergquist to donate \$1,000. Motion carried.

Agenda for May:

- Donate towards an AED for the Sr. Center.
- Discuss committee meeting nights
- Who could be on / invited to committees
- Carpet
- Devotions: Doug Jamieson

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

Respectfully submitted in Christ,
Annette Sabol, Secretary

ZION STAFF
CONTACT INFORMATION

Keith Anderson – Pastor
Andy Boe - Associate Pastor
Jill Boston – Administrative Assistant
David Leon, Elizabeth Leon – Custodial Staff
Elizabeth Leon — Sr. Choir Director

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