

DECEMBER - 2017

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.

ZLCW BOARD MEETING

The ZLCW Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 5th at 9 am.

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.

QUILTERS

The Quilters got together on November 2nd and with 4 workers they made 5 quilts, 4 health kits and 4 layettes.

They are in need of receiving blankets and infant undershirts from size 3-9 months as 2 of each item are in every layette that is made. They can no longer take onesies. Thank you!

Their next meeting is December 14th.

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.

Tuesday Community Supper December 5th, 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, businesses and organizations take turns preparing and serving good nutritious food every month.

Peace Lutheran Church will be preparing and serving the meal on December 5th, 2017. The menu is meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans, and Christmas cookies. Note: there will NOT be a Tuesday Community Supper Tuesday January 2, 2018 because it is so close to a holiday.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Jeff Brewer, Henry Karau
- 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

DECEMBER WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

December 3, 2017

Ushers— Gloria Bunnell, Darlene Olson, Ruth Hard, Janet Aaby

Videographer— David Leon

Reader— Sylvia Sandvig

Communion Prep— Nona Bugni

Communion Helpers— Ruth Hard, Brian & Brenda Bergquist

Coffee servers— N/A

Acolytes— Ty Margelofsky, Maddy Jensen

December 10, 2017

Ushers—same as the 3rd

Videographer—same as the 3rd

Reader— Tammy Danielson

Coffee servers— N/A

Acolytes— Isaiah Randall, Nick Hurd

December 17, 2017

Ushers— Duane Veenendaal, Carol Hajicek, Dan & Cheryl Slind

Videographer— Dennis Russett

Reader— Bonnie Haas

Communion Prep— Wendy Sander

Communion Helpers— Don Johnson, Doug Albrigton, Sandy Olson

Coffee servers— National Youth Gathering

Acolytes— Wyatt Rauschnot

CHRISTMAS EVE – December 24 , 2017

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9 am Acolytes - Griffin Almquist, Mya Stark

3:00 pm Acolytes- Allison Albrightson, Ariel Peterson

4:30 pm Acolytes—Josh Kuehl, Bella Schaller

10:30 pm Acolytes— Olivia Holzman, Tori Butler

CHRISTMAS DAY - December 25, 2017

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9 am Acolytes— Grady McAbee, McKenna Miller

December 31, 2017

Ushers— Same as the 17th

Videographer— same as the 17th

Reader— Sue Stene

Coffee servers— N/A

Acolytes— Logan Fedie, Dylan Karau

Altar Person for December: Benita Gregg

WE ARE IN NEED OF COFFEE SERVERS for Dec. 3rd, 10th, and 31st. If you could serve, it would be deeply appreciated by all! ☺

OFFERING ENVELOPES AVAILABLE

Your offering envelopes are now available in the back of the church. If you do not know your number, there is a sheet on same table that will tell you . You can start using them on January 1st, 2018.

CHRISTMAS AT ZION

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

ADVENT WORSHIP

Sundays from December 3rd through December 17th at 9:00 a.m. and Connect Worship and Sunday School at 10:15 am.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT & KAFFEE KALLAS

Sunday, December 10th 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!

SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM

Sunday, December 17th at 10:30 a.m.

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24
9 am Service

Family service at 3:00 p.m.

Candlelight service at 4:30 and 10:30 p.m.

Christmas Day, Monday, December 25
Service at 10 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. 14th at 9 a.m.-library
Hostess: Judy Krause

Leader: Elizabeth Leon

Circle 2- Weds. Dec.13th at 9:30 am

Hostess: Betty Norvold

Leader: N/A

Circle 4- Thurs., Dec. 21st at 1:30 pm -Park View

Hostess: Park View

Leader: Nancy Larson

Circles 5 & 6 – Thurs., Dec. 21st at 1:30 pm –Park Place

Hostess: Potluck

Leader: Joyce Knippenberg

FROM PASTOR KEITH

As I was putting together the Thanksgiving Eve worship service this year, I was completely taken in by the words of the Hymn "For the Beauty of the Earth."

I thought of how God said he wanted to reveal himself to all humankind through the creation. (Romans 1)

While preparing and looking for resources I found the Thanksgiving Proclamations of from the past (this year's one was not available at the time of putting the service together), but I thought, let's go back 100 years... I thought Woodrow Wilson did a FINE job with his proclamation.

In my other searching I came across this little Poem whose author is unknown. We used it as a benediction for our Thanksgiving Eve service.

For me, it had the feeling of some ancient blessing... something that might have been used by many people over the course of years. I don't know its origin or its use, but I encourage you to read it... slowly... think of all the different elements... the blessings of your life... and the crosses you carry...

Think of the gains you have had in life... and the losses...

Take time... it might be a painful exercise in some ways, but this little poem speaks of honestly reflecting on life as we live it.

I found it interesting that so many of the lines in this little poem speak of things we encounter; joys, friends, tears, fears, health and wealth... but the final thing to count on is that which goes well beyond... eternally beyond the occurrences of life... for even when this life is over... we count on God... not the length of years or the smiles or the foes we face...

We count on God... in the long run... for eternity... when all other things can not be counted on any more... we count on God.

I liked the spirit of this little poem and the final word that draws us toward our faith.

Now that we are some days past Thanksgiving, and our faith-minds are turning toward Christmas, I hope this little blessing of thoughts can carry us beyond any particular moment in life... as we count on God more than we count on our own lives... for the reason Christ came in the first place, was God's way of reaching out to us... gently, truthfully, humbly, proclaiming His love for us.

Claiming us in this life... and for all eternity to come.

BENEDICTION

How To Observe Thanksgiving

Count your blessings instead of your crosses;

Count your gains instead of your losses.

Count your joys instead of your woes;

Count your friends instead of your foes.

Count your smiles instead of your tears;

Count your courage instead of your fears.

Count your full years instead of your lean;

Count your kind deeds instead of your mean.

Count your health instead of your wealth;

Count on God instead of yourself.

- Anonymous

FROM PASTOR ANDY BOE

HAPPY NEW YEAR! The Last Sunday in November was Christ the King Sunday. The Last Sunday in the Church Year. The First Sunday in December is the First Sunday of Advent in the Church Year. For about half a year we have been in the Church Year Season of the Sundays after Pentecost. This has been a time where we concentrate our worship gatherings on the Biblical story of Jesus' words and acts of ministry. This is the "Green Season" of our growing and maturing as disciples of Jesus. We have concentrated on following his example and listening to his preaching, parables, and other teachings.

Now we begin the Church Year with the major "Events" of Jesus life and Ministry - Advent/Christmas, Lent/Easter, and Pentecost. We turn our worship, study, and contemplation to how God has acted through Jesus, God's own son, to change and transform our lives and world. In Advent we prepare to celebrate Jesus' birth as "Immanuel," God with us! God is not far off in some distant heaven, but rather chose to enter in physical form, Jesus born of Mary, to walk with us in the daily, weekly, monthly, and yearly activities of our life and times!

Thank you for being a participant in this exciting and challenging time of our Church year. Remembering and celebrating is good! We must also find ways to discover how the incarnate Christ (Jesus, the Christ, in physical form) lends meaning and action to our daily life.

Please share this important time and message here at Zion, in Baldwin-Woodville in your work and play, at home and at work life, and around the whole world. Together we can Reform and Transform our lives in good and positive ways! The Spirit of the Risen Christ walks with us each day!

Pastor Andy Boe

MOST sincerely,
Pastor Keith

ROOTED FAITH FITNESS

The fitness class that is accommodating to all success levels. This class is for YOU, all of you! Classes will offer a variety of styles with drumsticks, kickboxing, strength and other styles. Each week will be a new variety! We GET TO move our bodies for Jesus. We start each class with a devotion, workout to fun music and close in private or group prayer. You will experience fitness with a renewed view! Love God, Get Healthy, Get Whole and Love Others. Join us each Wednesday from 5:45-6:30 pm.

For unto us a Savior is born!!! Stay for the Christmas Celebration on December 20th after class with light refreshments and beverages and a special gift from me. There will be no class held on December 27 to allow families to embrace their time together. Classes will resume on January 3, 2018 at 5:45-6:30pm.

Melissa Heath

11TH ANNUAL MEATBALL DINNER

MANY, MANY THANKS to the many people who contributed in any way to the 11th Annual Norwegian Meatball dinner. Approximately \$4200 was made on the dinner, which will be distributed to our youth attending the National Youth Gathering in Houston next summer and our Zion Wall Repair Fund. You all continue to uphold my faith in why we do this dinner, to extend our open doors and express "All Are Welcome". It also continues to amaze me those that come for the meal, that either have never been here before or never heard about the dinner before. This church and the people in it are a blessed part of my life. God Bless! Cheryl Slind

ZION CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

The Zion Cemetery Association would like to thank the group of individuals who helped the Association do a fall cleanup of all three cemetery's – the saying "Many Hands Make Light Work" – was evident by our work being done by 9:30 a.m. Special thanks – to Kevin Tollefson and Total Excavating for the donation of time and truck to pick up all the brush that was cut and put into piles. Also thanks to Hugh Lockerby, Carol Hajicek, Tom & Julie Roark, Doug Hagen, David Leon, Scott DeGross, Gordon Grinley, for their willingness to show up on a really harsh weather day and lend a hand! Watch the newsletter and weekly bulletins for the Spring Clean-up date that will be set soon!

OUR FRIENDS AT ZION,

We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your generous donation of school supplies. Wow, how awesome! They will all be put to great use! Thank you for thinking of us!

Grateful Hearts,
Greenfield Elementary Staff

FROM CAPITOL DRIVE LUTHERAN CHURCH:

Thank you for your order of baptismal napkins from our Shop. Your patronage supports the ELCA mission through Lutheran World Relief and support women working in India.

Capitol Drive Lutheran Church and The World Handcraft Shop

FROM MAKE IT OK AMBASSADORS NEWSLETTER November 2017

Thank you for joining the effort to change hearts and minds about the stigma surrounding mental illness. There are currently 285 trained ambassadors in the St. Croix Valley. Your work as an Ambassador is so important in helping encourage people to talk more openly about mental illness, whether that means hosting your own presentation, display or simply starting the conversation!

We estimate that our outreach for Make It Ok presentations within a 15 mile radius of Baldwin alone is well over 1200 people thus far in 2017! Thank you to our fantastic ambassadors for making that happen!

Natasha Ward
Western Wisconsin Health

Note: Zion held a community wide event focusing on mental health on Wednesday, Nov 1st during the Confirmation time. There were approximately 100 people in attendance.

In Memory of.....

Gladys Iverson

Wall Repair: Darlene Olson, Lowell & Carol Gran, Dean & Mary Gagnor, Tony & Linda Minter, Elizabeth, Kari & David Leon, Duane & Judy Veenendaal

Repair: Evelyn Wallesverd, Walt & Dorene Jacobson, Wally & Carolyn Nelson, Virginia Helgeson

Kitchen: Steve & Janet Aaby, Larry Knegeendorf

General: Sue Stene, Art & Elaine Jacobson, Rosalee Wermus, Keith & Lori McConaughy, Les & Dorothy Holm, Ai & Joan Cronk, Wayne & Patrice Helgeson, Marie Terkelsen, Tammy Iverson, Judith Essen, Tim & Sylvia Sandvig, Family & Friends

Debt: Joyce Knippenberg, John & Rachel Terkelsen

Cemetery: Don & Mary Ann Iverson, Scott & Kelly DeGross, Shirley Erickson

National Youth Gathering: Jane & Gene Ruenger

Food Pantry: Dave & Elaine Albrightson

Scholarship: Lucille Lund

Mary Kildahl

Repair: Evelyn Wallesverd, Walt & Dorene Jacobson, Gloria Bunnell, Wally & Carolyn Nelson, Bonnie Haas

Kitchen: Steve & Janet Aaby

General: Sue Stene, H. Richard & Arlene Clark, Art & Elaine Jacobson, Garland & Sharon Fregine, Ron & Marilyn Zillmer, Marie Terkelsen, Janet Lund, Esther Johnson, Deanna Ryals, Jermond & Margie Ellefson, Lucille Lund, Les & Dorothy Holm, Don & Mary Ann Iverson

Wall Repair: Elizabeth, Kari, & David Leon

Debt: John & Rachel Terkelsen

Food Pantry: Bonnie Gunderson

Beulah Fredrick

General: Sue Stene

Tim Wood

Handicap Door: Mary Hanson

Burt McDonald

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Carmen Peterson

Cemetery: Scott & Kelly DeGross

Gordon Thompson

Wall Repair: Sandy Anderson

General: Paul & Bev Larson

Vernon & Marion Anderson

Wall Repair: Sandy Anderson

Lois Davis

General: Lucille Lund

Courtyard: Les & Dorothy Holm

Wally Shefland

Debt: Nancy Johnson, Joyce Knippenberg, John & Rachel Terkelsen, Ralph & Darlene Bader

Handicap Door: Bob & Rosemary Donahoe, Mary Hanson, Keith & Mary Anderson, Warren & Vicky Benson, Larry & Nancy Larson, Dan & Cheryl Slind, Dave & Glenda Anderson, Scott & Brenda DeMotts, Dennis & Deb Mathison, Tim & Benita Gregg, Evelyn Muffett, Chuck & Norma Jean

Bentley, Don & Marianna Johnson, Marie Terkelsen, Lucille Lund

General: Gloria Bunnell, Sue Stene, Christy Gregg, Ruth Anderson, Jill Boston, Craig & Kelly Albrightson, Ron & Jan Anderson, Paul & Bev Larson, Tim & Sylvia Sandvig, Evelyn Wallesverd, Dennis & Deb Benson, Arlyss Butler, Tracy & Trudy Helgeson, Art & Elaine Jacobson

Kitchen: Mary Frey, Kathy Hanson, Iris Nadeau, Pat Brenne, Larry Knegeendorf, Mike & Amy Albrightson, Wally & Carolyn Nelson

Wall Repair: Carole Larson, Bob & Ruth Hard, Duane & Judy Veenendaal, Glen & Suzette Hudson, Ron & Marilyn Zillmer, Steve & Janet Aaby, Bob & Mary Sell, Tom & Sandy Olson, Randy & Kelly Peterson,

Cemetery: Scott & Kelly DeGross

Scholarship: Barb & Al DeLander

Food Pantry: Dave & Elaine Albrightson, Dianne Ducklow, Bonnie Gunderson

Repair Fund: Walt & Dorene Jacobson

ZLCW: Pete & Margaret Ann Bossman

Gave to food pantry:

Immanuel Lutheran Church
Peace Lutheran Church
Woodville Legion Post 301
Woodville Lion's Den
Woodville Senior Center

When giving memorials or using the pew envelopes, please put your number on the envelope so that you can get credit. Sheets are available on the envelope table in back of church to provide that number for you in case you don't know it. Thank you!!

ZION STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION

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