



Zion Lutheran Church

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**A church of the Evangelical Lutheran
Church in America - ELCA**

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~ June/July 2018 ~

Saturday – Worship and Holy Communion – 5:00 PM

Sunday – Worship and Holy Communion – 10:30 AM

Office Hours – Monday-Thursday – 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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Custodian: Pat Toennesen

Congregation Council:

Linda Levin, President
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Kay MacGregor, Secretary
Marie Bellville, Treasurer
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Clyde Johnson
Frank Leitgeb
Jon Maline
Julie Malloy
Kathy McDonough
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A congregation of the Northern Great Lakes Synod
of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Every year in May, the Northern Great Lakes Synod holds its annual gathering. It's a time for uplifting worship, interesting speakers, workshops, interacting with colleagues, and taking care of church business. This year, those in



attendance were able to experience our new Bishop's approach to presiding over the assembly: Bishop Katherine Finegan did a wonderful job, sharing her delightful sense of humor as we moved smoothly through the events that began on May 17th and concluded the afternoon of May 19th.

Zion Lutheran participated in the 2018 Synod Assembly in three important ways. First, one of the resolutions voted on was an amendment to the Synod Constitution involving a boundary change. Primarily for geographic reasons, we had formally requested our congregation move from Three Lakes Conference 7 to Delta Conference 6, and the resolution was approved unanimously by voting members. This change will benefit us in the years ahead as we attend the Synod's newly-named "Walking Together" events.

Second, our 2017-2018 Confirmation Class was the recipient of the NGLS "Big Bear Award", which is "an award given to a congregation or group that shows creativity and goes above the norm in meeting the needs of local or global hunger." Devin Hicks, Maddy Maline, and Carley Schoenow were present to accept the award. Check out the "Big Bear" in our Fellowship Hall!

And finally, Pr. Ellie spoke persuasively to a resolution presented by the World Hunger Committee in "Support of a Robust Farm Bill". Please find more important information about the Farm Bill within this June/July issue of the Beacon.

Thank you to Shirley Leitgeb, Pr. Ellie Russey, and Jim Russey for attending Synod Assembly!

Yours in Christ, Pastor Terry

Congregational Meeting

There will be a special meeting of the congregation on **Saturday, June 9, 2018**, and **Sunday, June 10, 2018**. The purpose of the meeting is to act on a recommendation from the Congregation Council for improvements to Augustana Hall. Further, the Congregation Council is recommending 10% of the \$50,000 proceeds from the sale of the parsonage be given to the Northern Great Lakes Synod. The remaining money will be invested in the ELCA Endowment Fund Pooled Trust-Fund A.

During the past year, an Augustana Hall Ad Hoc Committee was established to study the best use for the available space in Augustana Hall. Their recommendations are as follows:

A.) A new business phone system with two lines (the church's phone number will remain the same) and phones in Pastor's office, the secretary's office, the proposed conference room, and the kitchen, plus a portable phone. The money for the phone system will come from the Ahlstrom Trust Fund and was approved at the Annual Meeting on February 11, 2018.

B.) The Pastor's office will be moved from its present location to room A-2. Costs for moving and furnishing the office are:

Desk	\$2,000
Compartment Sorter	400
Chairs	760 (covered by the Endowment Fund)
Flooring	800
Curtains	100
Painting	37
Computer Cable	163
TOTAL	\$3,500

WiFi \$465

C.) The room that currently houses the nursery will be turned into a Sunday School classroom. Costs include:

Storage Cabinets (4 units)	\$2,154
Twelve Student Chairs	414
TOTAL	\$2,568

D.) In the current library, the large conference table will be removed and additional furniture purchased. Costs include:

Three Chairs (\$375 each)	\$1,125
Coffee Table	250
TOTAL	\$1,375

E.) The secretary's office will remain where it is. Improvements will include:

Desk	\$880
Credenza	580
Center Drawer	145
Key Cabinet	50
TOTAL	\$1,655

F.) Pastor's current office will become a conference/classroom. The large table from the library will be moved to this room. Additions will include:

Television (42" to 50")	\$600
TOTAL	\$600

G.) The Counters' office will remain where it is with the following improvements:

2 Filing Cabinets (\$300 each)	\$600
2 Storage Cabinets (\$405 each)	910
TOTAL	\$1,510

The total cost of the project will be: \$11,673

In Support of a Robust Farm Bill

At the recent NGLS Assembly, the Farm Bill before the U.S. Congress was addressed by delegates and pastors. Dating back to the 1970s, the Farm Bill needs to be renewed every five years. This year, some legislators are proposing to cut substantial funding from assistance programs that support the most vulnerable. In the past, the Farm bill has been a bipartisan effort to see that millions of children, veterans, disabled and the unemployed receive nutrition through the SNAP program, formerly called food stamps. Although the Farm Bill covers many programs, 80% of the funding is allocated for nutrition. We know that when a paper mill shuts down, or a mine closes, many of our neighbors turn to social programs for help. As our own confirmands discovered, a high percentage of children at Emerald Elementary are on programs providing breakfast and lunch. Thanks to our generous community, we now supplement food on weekends, but we realize that many in Schoolcraft County rely on some public assistance for food.

The ELCA supports a farm bill that promotes a robust and resilient food supply chain and provides good nutrition through domestic and international programs.

A central question at the core of Christian identity is, “How do we love our neighbor?” Christ, when asked “What is the greatest commandment?” states: “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ And a second is like it: ‘you shall love your neighbor as yourself.” Advocacy for policies like the Farm Bill provides a means to express that love by shaping policy that will contribute to the well-being of God’s people and creation.

The assembly passed the resolution to advocate for a strong Farm Bill. If you would like more information on what is at stake and where the congregations of our synod stand on this issue, there will be information from the synod world hunger committee coming to congregations this summer, or you can check on line at www.elca.org/advocacy.

If you would like to offer your support you are encouraged to contact your legislators.

Pr. Ellie Russey

There will be a VBS organizational meeting on Wednesday, June 6th at 3:00 p.m. *Please contact Pr. Terry as soon as possible if you're interested in helping with music, snacks, games, story time, or crafts.* This is a great opportunity to share God's love with youngsters pre-school through 5th grade. Come and share some fun times with us!

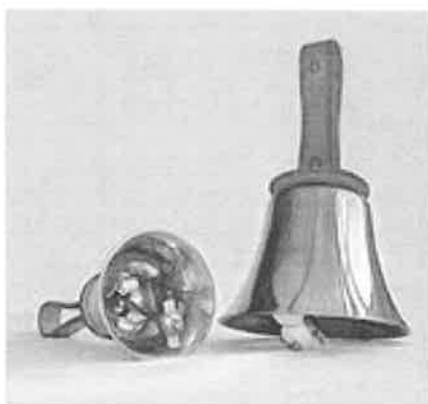


Vacation Bible School is scheduled for Monday, June 18th through Thursday, June 21st, from 9:30am-12:00pm. We will be working with First United Methodist Church, and the theme for this year is "God's Good Creation". Registration forms will be available in the church office.

Quilting News

Our **Zion Quilters** held their annual Cutting Bee on May 24th, with about ten ladies joining together for a work bee followed by pizza, salad, and dessert. Home sewing kits, including instructions, were assembled for anyone wishing to sew a quilt top at home. If you're interested in working on a quilt top, please contact Mary Ansell or Kaye Jarski.

The Quilters' last day for the summer will be on Monday, June 4th, and they will be enjoying a potluck lunch after quilting. Thank you to all who support this important ministry of Zion Lutheran Church!



STRIKEPOINT HANDBELL ENSEMBLE will be performing at Zion Lutheran Church on Friday, June 22nd, at 7:00pm. Strikepoint is an internationally known handbell ensemble from Duluth, Minnesota. The eleven-member director-less ensemble is unique among touring handbell groups as a combination church/community professional group with youth and adults.

Reviews of Strikepoint concerts have praised their "athleticism and showmanship," "rhythmic precision, musical nuance and technical confidence." The concert is free, and a free-will offering will be taken at the end of the concert. Invite your friends, and come enjoy an evening of music.



Dear Members of the Parish,

Simply put, if it wasn't for faithful supporters like you, DARE would not exist! So thank you for your donation to the program!!

Bless you,
Dianna Herlik
DARE Officer

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Thank you to everyone who purchased geraniums for Pentecost. Thank you, Carla Flodin & Mary Ansell for picking up the plants and decorating the Sanctuary and Narthex.

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Mother's Day Tea

The annual Mother's Day Tea was held on May 12th and over sixty ladies were in attendance. The theme was "*What's In Your Purse?*" There were readings by Karen Klaus and Lila Panek, and the speaker was Anne Troyer. Anne connected purses to how they go along with each phase of a woman's life. The group joined together in singing and enjoyed a wonderful dessert. Thank you to all who provided the dessert and to those who helped with setting up and cleaning up.

Congregation Council Highlights – May 2018

+The Adopt-A-Highway Program roadside clean-up was a success. Twenty-two people collected 52 bags of trash!

+The next God's Work, Our Hands event will be on September 8, 2018.

+The Property Committee presented bids to replace two exit doors in Augustana Hall.

+The Property Committee also presented bids for fixing the cracks and holes in the parking lot, repaving of the parking lot and painting lines. All bids were approved and the work completed.

+The Finance and Stewardship Committee is looking for new members! Please see Larry Peterson or Julie Malloy if you are interested.

+Vacation Bible School will be held June 18-21, 2018 from 9:30-12:00. It will be held at Zion in partnership with the First United Methodist Church.

+The council set a date of June 9/10 for a congregational meeting to approve recommendations from the Congregation Council concerning upgrades to Augustana Hall. The upgrades will be paid for with proceeds from the sale of the parsonage.

+Larry Peterson recently wrote a grant through the organization Sacred Places. Should the grant be approved, Zion would be eligible to receive up to \$15,000 to clean, repair and preserve the Altar painting and two other paintings and to refurbish the baptismal font.

+The confirmation students were recently presented the "Big Bear Award" by the Northern Great Lakes Synod for their work in establishing the Backpack Buddies program.

+Zion's website will be going through some updates and changes. It will also be made mobile-ready.

Adopt-a-Highway

We would like to thank the 22 people who participated in the clean-up on May 6th. Surprisingly, we collected 52 bags of trash! Our next clean-up will be on Monday, July 16th, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. We are thinking that traffic will be less on a Monday evening than on a Sunday afternoon, and having it in the evening, the temperature should be cooler. If it rains, we will be rescheduled for Thursday, July 19th, at the same time. We will gather at church at 5:00pm, watch the required video and then head out. Hope to see you there.

The Evangelism and Membership Committee,
Donna Mott
Larry Peterson
Ruth Jones
Mary Ansell

*Gifts to our congregation have been given in
memory of*

Lois Miller
Liz Macklem—Altar Guild

NOISY OFFERINGS

April 2018	DARE Program	\$ 84.90
May 2018	Answer the Call	\$126.75

Upcoming Scripture Readings

June 3 —Second Sunday after Pentecost

Deuteronomy 5:12-15, Psalm 81:1-10, 2 Corinthians 4:5-12,
Mark 2:23-28—3:1-6

June 10—Third Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 3:8-15, Psalm 130, 2 Corinthians 4:13-18—5:1,
Mark 3:20-25

June 17—Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Ezekiel 17:22-24, Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15, 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 [11-13]
14-17, Mark 4:26-34

June 24—John the Baptist Sunday

Malachi 3:1-4, Psalm 141, Acts 13:13-26, Luke 1:57-67 [68-80]

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July 1—Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Lamentations 3:22-33, Psalm 30, 2 Corinthians 8:7-15,
Mark 5:21-43

July 8—Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Ezekiel 2:1-5, Psalm 123, 2 Corinthians 12:2-10, Mark 6:1-13

July 15—Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Amos 7:7-15, Psalm 85:8-13, Ephesians 1:3-14, Mark 6:14-29

July 22—Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 23:1-6, Psalm 23, Ephesians 2:11-22, Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

July 29—Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

2 Kings 4:42-44, Psalm 145:10-18, Ephesians 3:14-21, John 6:1-21

**Serving Zion with Altar Flowers,
Bulletin, Bread & Wine, & Fellowship**

	Altar Flowers	Bulletin, Bread & Wine	Fellowship Hour
June 3	****open****	Anna, Karin, Else	Joy Circle
June 10	Harry & Verda Kreuzwieser	Harry & Verda Kreuzwieser	Ruth Circle
June 17	Carol Carlson & Donna Mott	Arliss Larson	****open****
June 24	John & Donna Gauthier	John & Donna Gauthier	****open****

	Altar Flowers	Bulletin, Bread & Wine	Fellowship Hour
July 1	Jon & Krista Maline	Carole Johnson	****open****
July 8	****open****	Linda Levin	****open****
July 15	****open****	****open****	****open****
July 22	Joanne Nelson	****open****	****open****
July 29	Frankenstein/ Markon Family	Frankenstein/ Markon Family	Frankenstein/ Markon Family

Those Who Serve in June 2018

Date	Readers	Communion Assistants	Ushers	Greeters
June 3	Sheila Clark	Pr Ingmar Levin	Frank & Shirley Leitgeb	****open****
June 10	Frank Leitgeb	Clyde Johnson	Frank & Shirley Leitgeb	****open****
June 17	Krista Maline	Frank Leitgeb	Frank & Shirley Leitgeb	Arliss Larson
June 24	Karen Klaus	Linda Mason	Frank & Shirley Leitgeb	****open****

Communion Ushers: Clyde Johnson & Cathy Knudson

Altar Guild: Linda Mason & Nancy Whaling

Tellers: Kaye Jarski & Arliss Larson

Those Who Serve in July 2018

Date	Readers	Communion Assistants	Ushers	Greeters
July 1	Larry Peterson	Pr Ingmar Levin	Ruth Jones	****open****
July 8	Linda Mason	Clyde Johnson	Ruth Jones	****open****
July 15	Bill Mott	Frank Leitgeb	Bill & Donna Mott	Arliss Larson
July 22	Rebecca Peterson	Linda Mason	Arliss Larson	****open****
July 29	Maddy Maline	John Frankenstein	**** open ****	Frankenstein/Markon Family

Communion Ushers: Cathy Knudson & Donna Mott

Altar Guild: Donna Mott & Jean Selling

Tellers: Arliss Larson & TBD



Summer is here, and it's often a time when people go on vacation and don't make it to church regularly.

God's work, though, doesn't stop during the summer, and it is through your stewardship of time, talents and gifts that God's work is accomplished.

We will continue reaching out to do God's work during all of June, July, and August, and we ask that you be faithful in sharing what God has given you. Consider:

- Volunteering for Vacation Bible School
- Volunteering to pack for Backpack Buddies
- Sending in your pledged amount if you're out of town on the weekend
- Attending Saturday night services if you're going to be out of town on Sunday
- Volunteering for Adopt-A-Highway