

THE MESSENGER

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“Gathering together, Growing in faith,
and Going into the world in
Jesus’ name.”

NOVEMBER 2023



*Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his love endures forever. Psalm 107:1*

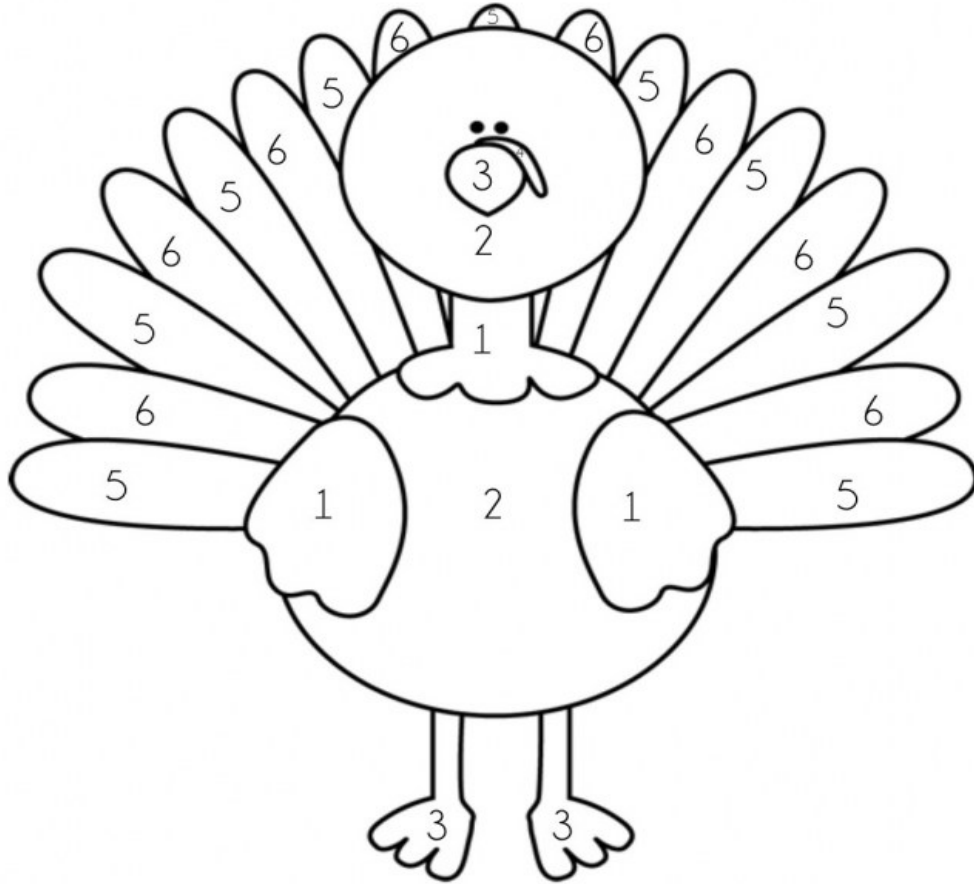
Office Hours Monday through Thursday 9:00 am—1:00 pm

Pastor Sarah will be in the office Tuesday through Friday

Children will be dismissed from the service at 9:45 to be part of the Sunday School Time.
 God loves our children and has wonderful things to teach them at Zion Sunday School.
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Turkey Color by Number

Color this picture ! Write your name on this picture.
 Give the picture to Pastor Sarah and we will put it on display for
 all to see.



Color Me

- 1 = Light Brown
- 2 = Dark Brown
- 3 = Orange

- 4 = Red
- 5 = Green
- 6 = Purple

Term Ends January 2023	Term Ends January 2024	Term Ends January 2025
Donald Anderson	Vicki Holm, President	Deanna Traynor
Tim Ingersoll	Lynn Rochon, Vice President	Christel Lewis, Secretary
Donna Meltz	Anthony Anderson	Aine Merrill, Treasurer
		Margaret Sundet
<u>Audit Committee-1 year</u> Bob Warner Tim Ingersoll Paul Freer	<u>Annual Synod Assembly- Representatives</u> April 21, 24, 25 Aine Merrill, Donna Meltz <u>Conference Assembly</u> Feb 17 Kay Warner & Polly Lohman	<u>Nominating Committee</u> Don Anderson Polly Lohman

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
<h1>November 2023</h1>							
		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; background-color: #f9c98c;"> 9:00 First Service (Lemonade and Treats between services) 10:45 Second Service Sunday School at 9:45 –10:30 </div>		1 1:00 Bible Study 5-7pm LOGOS <i>All Saints Day</i>	2 1pm Sew 'n Sew	3	4 
5 <i>Daylight Savings Time Ends Turn Clocks Back</i> 9:00 First Service 10:45 Second Service	6 4:30 Choir 5:30 Bell Choir	7 <u>ELECTION DAY</u>	8 <u>Pasty Bake</u> 5-7 pm LOGOS	9 <u>Pasty Bake</u>	10 <u>Pasty Bake</u>	11 Veterans Day <u>Pasty Bake</u>	
12 9:00 First Service 10:45 Second Service WELCA between services	13 4:30 Choir 5:30 Bell Choir	14 5:00 pm <i>Operations Mtg</i>	15 1:00 Bible Study 5-7 pm LOGOS	16 1pm Sew 'n Sew 6:00 pm Church Council	17	18	
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LOGOS—watch your email ! Every week you will receive a notification for what to expect. (And sometimes you will see the upcoming menu. It gets better every week!

LOGOS



Prayers of Protection: Nathan Anthony, Mathew Sherwood, Nick Luoma, Nathan Madsen, Keely Nelson, Andrew Hutton, Andrew Mattson, Joshua Seifert, and Michael Kuecher for all those who are in military service Keeley is stationed in Anchorage, Alaska. She is working as an EMT in the Women's Clinic.

Please let me know of an update for our Military men and women. Prayers for them on Sundays is not enough. An address would be appreciated for Birthday and Christmas greetings.

Thank you, Jan Arena

Sew n' Sews

Please call Janet Arena, 715-817-8567, if you know of someone in dire need, we do have a couple of quilts to provide warmth to needy people....

We do share blankets with police, fire, and other responders to emergency calls. We have mailed to various locations also, we are a busy group and enjoy sewing for our Lord.

Jan Arena



Tuesday Missions The Tuesday's Spiritual Growth and

Mission's Group is active with people cutting fleece or sewing from home. Checks can be written out to Zion Lutheran Church and put Tuesday's Missions Group in the memo. Thanks to those who knit and crochet and sew mittens at home and bring them to Zion. Many have been placed in the food shelf and taken immediately.

Thank you and God Bless!

Tanya



Many people come-and-go around the church each month. Lights are replaced, windows repaired, gardens cared for, dishes and laundry washed, odd repairs done, and grass cut. Then, there are those who do finance, make decisions, and preach sermons. And, we add to that those who plan activities for our youth and young at heart. Soon we will be shoveling snow and plowing driveways.

THANKS TO ALL OF YOU



Christmas is just around the corner.

Watch for information in the December bulletins.
May God Bless You.



November 22
Paul & Kay Freer

Lilah Conley	Nov 6	Heather Callery	Nov 23
John McKone	Nov 7	Shaye Toya	Nov 24
Tim Ingersoll	Nov 8	Bernice Tyler	Nov 24
Debbie Nephew	Nov 10	Joel Ross	Nov 26
Mitchell Pearson	Nov 10	Justin Ross	Nov 26
Tony Johnson	Nov 11	Wyatt McKone	Nov 30
Mason Maki	Nov 13	Paul Snider	Nov 30
Marilyn Starstead	Nov 19	Karen Spielman	Nov 30

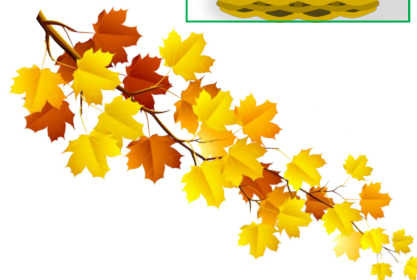
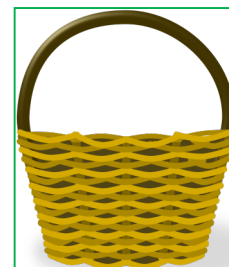


Care Basket Ministry Please take a Care Basket for those you know who have been ill, a death has occurred in the family, a person may need a smile to let them know we care about them.

We have baskets with soup, a book, small presents in them and a card that states we care. Baskets are in the closet in the fellowship hall.

Write on the clipboard the date, recipient of basket, **and who will deliver the basket.** Thank you for being the hands and feet to show others we care about them.

—Sunnie



Pie Sale for the ELCA Youth Gathering Trip

We will have pumpkin, apple, and blueberry pies available for your Thanksgiving table this year!

Pick up your pie on Sunday, November 19th!

There will be a few of Greg's chocolate pies also available and those will be auctioned off to the highest bidder.

Fill out an order form at church to reserve your pie, and to put in a bid on one of Greg's pies. Thanks for your support!

Church Council Meeting Minutes for Thursday, September 21st, 2023

The meeting was called to order by President Lynn Rochon at 6:03pm. Present were Lynn Rochon, Anthony Anderson, Pastor Sarah Gunderson, Christel Lewis, Aine Merrill and Donna Meltz.

Devotions were given by Aine. Next month will be Donna.

A motion was made by Anthony and seconded by Donna to accept last month's secretary's report with one change to the mortgage amount. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report: The checking balance is \$12,878.71, savings account is \$27,235.30, the Thrivent account is \$3,214.74 and the mortgage is \$44,677.02. The profit from the rummage sale is \$1,905.65.

The rummage sale was a big success with a lot of fellowship with the community happening at the lunch table.

Pastor Report: It has been a busy September as things are getting rolling again after summer break.

We are back to 2 services. This Sunday will be a Youth breakfast to raise money for the youth gathering next July in New Orleans. There is a new member request from a returning member, Joshua Christy. A motion was made by Aine and seconded by Lynn to approve Joshua Christy as a new member. Motion carried. October 22nd is New Member recognition. The nursery room has been cleared out and ready for young children during worship service. The quilter's material has been moved to the library. A Superior Ministerium is meeting once per month and made up of clergy from all denominations in the Superior area. The Superior Police has asked Pastor Sarah to be part of the Police Chaplaincy program. Next week, Monday and Tuesday, the 25th and 26th, Pastor Sarah will be at the Fall Theological Retreat at Heartwood.

Discipleship: LOGOS started last night. There was a good turnout of kids. Sunday School starts this week. There are 7 leaders rotating so no one gets burned out. The on line registration has been used to sign up for Sunday School.

Worship and Music: They have not met yet this fall.

Operations: The sump pump is still being worked on to get it to work correctly. The boiler needs a new boiler board. When that is replaced, they will clean it out and get it ready for winter.

Stewardship: The committee met on August 28th. They discussed having a stewardship emphasis month in October. New member Sunday, October 22nd, will also be a ministry celebration day. Tables will be setup of the current groups to talk about what that group does and get more recruits.

WELCA: They served at 2 funerals in the last month, which they received \$300 for. They continue to donate to the general fund and the mortgage reduction each month. The quilters received a large donation of material they are sorting through and could use more help. There will be a dinner at the Keyport Restaurant on Tuesday, September 26th at 5pm. All ladies are invited to attend. They have \$1,052.46 in their account.

A motion was made by Donna and seconded by Anthony to accept all reports as given. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business: The Superior plumbing inspector asked us to get 4 estimates on getting the sewer problem fixed. The city of Superior is opening grants for non-profits and the deadline is October 30th. We will write one for the sewer fix, installing an elevator and funding our food shelf, in that priority.

New Business: We reviewed the calendar for upcoming events. A personnel meeting was held to discuss the upcoming annual personnel reviews of Pearl and Darren. Lynn is asking for budget requests from committees to put the next budget together. We discussed the updates the Synod has made to the constitution model and we need to make to our constitution. We discussed the congregational committees. We need a clearer picture of the operations, finance and property areas and Lynn is writing up a change to our by-laws that will address this.

A motion was made at 7:25pm by Donna and seconded by Anthony to adjourn. Motion carried.

PASTOR'S PAGE

"For everything there is a season and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born and a time to die; a time to plant and a time to pluck up what is planted; a time to kill and a time to heal; a time to break down and a time to build up; a time to weep and a time to laugh; a time to mourn and a time to dance...." Ecclesiastes 3:1-4

November is a time of transition in our lives. It is a time when we can feel the movement of time differently as we pay attention to the changes happening in nature and in our faith life as well. November comes with special rituals and gives us the space to reflect, rejoice, and renew our connections to God and one another.

In my household, November has always been a busy one. Growing up, it was deer season and the Hunter's Supper at church that I always helped with that created a sense of ritual in the movement of time. My uncles would come to our house to hunt in our backyard, and I always looked forward to the special soups and goodies that filled the house when the hunters came to stay each year. Then after I was married, my two oldest children were both born in November. November meant birthday parties (scheduled around hunting schedules) and celebrating as a family. Then of course there was always Thanksgiving. A time of year that we intentionally tried to gather the family around the table in a special way, and my grandmother would pray her special prayer. What are your November rituals or memories that remind you of your connections to God, to church, and to your family?

This November will be full of special rituals and gatherings that can help us to navigate this time of year together as a church:

November 5: On the first Sunday of November, we will be celebrating All Saints Day in worship. As we do each year, we will read the names of those who have died since our last All Saints celebration. We will be invited to light candles in memory of all the saints we have lost who now wait in glory to welcome us into our heavenly home. You are invited to bring a picture or memento that reminds you of a special saint to worship as a part of this time of remembrance.

November 8-11: Pasty bake time! Church food projects are always good at connecting us!

November 13: Our beloved church office manager will be retiring! Pearl is making the transition into retirement, and we wish her many blessings in this next adventure. Please take time to stop in to the church office to wish her well. We are going to try to celebrate her this month!

November 19: This year we will be having an Ecumenical Thanksgiving Dinner Worship Service on Sunday, November 19th at 4pm at the United Presbyterian Church in Superior. Several Christian churches will be coming together to give thanks for the gifts of faith and community. We will have worship together around tables and the meal will be incorporated into our worship time. Hope you can come!

November 26: This is the last Sunday of our church year as we celebrate Christ the King Sunday. It is like the New Year's Eve of the liturgical calendar, as we remember the one who is Lord of all our days and who brought into existence and holds all time and space. Then the Advent season will begin our new church year. We will have evening worship services and dinner each week of Advent beginning on Wednesday, November 29th. Join us each week for dinner at 5:30 with worship at 6:15pm.

May this November be a blessed time of transition and renewal as Christ is present through your gatherings with family and friends, at church and in your homes, as you remember and give thanks for God's goodness in the midst of it all.

God's Peace be with you,
Pastor Sarah

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Sunday Worship Services

First Service at 9:00 am

Sunday School 9:45– 10:45 am

Second Service at 10:45 am

Coffee Hour between services

Worship Service is also on Web

Church Office Hours

Mo—Th 9-1

Pastoral Hours Tu-Fr 9-1