



Together In Christ



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Being Lutheran

July 2022

Dear Church Family and Friends of Christ and Zion congregations,

What does that mean? Being Lutheran! It is more than thinking Lutheran, it is more than acting Lutheran. BEING is the coming together of thinking and acting. It is more than going through the motions. It is more than simply considering and idea or pondering a subject. Being is thinking and acting.

We can think and never act. We can know all about s subject yet never do anything about it. Intellectually grasping God's desire for neighborly love can fail to get us off the front porch. Knowing that hungry people live just beyond our front porch can barely rouse our compassion. Understanding that entire communities are in despair without the Gospel can lead to nothing more that a shrug of the shoulders. It is possible to think as Lutherans, yet never act as Lutherans.

Or we can act without thinking. We could rise to action before a single synapse fires within our brain. Caring for others can be fueled by a misguided hope to earn salvation. Prayer can be as thoughtless as dropping a few coins in a slot machine. Worship can become nothing more than a spectacle. It is possible for us to act as Lutherans without ever thinking as Lutherans.

As Lutherans what should we expect? **Expect Jesus.** He makes all things new. He is victorious over death. He has the power to forgive sins. He is the Good Shepherd. A Lutherans primary identity is in Jesus , who has claimed you as his own, given you new life in Baptism, and invited you to come and follow Him. **Expect Honesty:** Lutheran theology is the fullest articulation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. **Expect Theology:** Most people assume that theology is as exciting as reading tax law or the phone book. They assume it is boring. But, theological reflection tries to make sense out of life and death, suffering and violence, love and marriage, work and rest. It is relevant today! **Expect History:** Theology often draws on history and much is shared from what has occurred. But God through the millennia has not changed and neither has sin or salvation. **Expect People—real people.** People matter to God. He fearfully and wonderfully made every person who has ever lived. God knows His people by name. He loves them so much that He willingly died for them.

We are Lutheran because it enables us to faithfully follow Jesus.
Being Lutheran is faithfully following Jesus!

Pastor Bill





ZION LWML—We will gather for our meeting on Thursday, July 7th at 9:00 am. We will be doing a Bible Study and our regular business meeting. Please come and join in the Fellowship.

CHRIST LWML will meet on Thursday, July 21st at 9:00 am. We will have Bible Study and share our love for God. Please join us if you are

FARMERS MARKET—Zion LWML will be serving the meal at the Hoffman City Park on Wednesday, July 20th from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. We will be serving Taco-In-A-Bag. Prep work will start at 3:30 pm at the church. Any and all help is appreciated!!

QUARTERLY VOTER’S MEETINGS



ZION meets Sunday, July 10, following the worship service with a pot-luck brunch following. If you have anything for the agenda contact Natalie Hanson, secretary.

CHRIST will meet Monday, July 11. Council will gather at 6:30 pm. Voters will meet at 7:00 pm. If you have anything for the agenda please contact Katie Koplin, secretary.



We look forward to seeing you in Church! It really is the place to be on SUNDAY!

LUTHERAN HOUR STATIONS & TIMES

WCCO—830 AM 6:05 AM
 KXRA—1490 AM 6:30 AM
 KXRA—100.3 FM 6:30 AM
 KFGO—790 AM 7:30 AM
 KBRF—1250 AM 10:35 AM

USED



GLASSES: The mission group “**MOST**” is collecting used glasses to be used in third world countries. Please bring your used glasses to the churches and Debi Anderson will see that they get to where they need to go. Even frames without lenses can be used as they now have the machines to cut lenses to fit frames. **All** glasses are now acceptable, **except** prescription Sunglasses. They are also taking **soft** cases.

CHRIST WORSHIP SERVICES

ON CABLE CHANNEL 6
SUNDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS

10:00 AM AND 7:00 PM.

Times may vary due to programming.

You can also tune into our **Church Website**

<http://www.christ-zion.org/>
 video

You can view the worship any-time online!

WE NEED YOUR PLASTIC BAGS:

Peggy Pasche and Kim Froemming are continuing with the project of making mats for Orphan Grain Train so save your bags, but **no Wal-Mart** bags. If you have questions contact Peggy Pasche at 218-731-7629. Those at Christ can leave them in the office.

SHOES FOR LIC:

Lutheran Island Camp is still collecting shoes. If you have shoes to donate drop them off at the church office or contact Debi Anderson and she will be sure they get to the camp. All shoes are acceptable no matter the condition. **No flip-flops please!**

RADIO STATIONS FOR CANCELLATIONS OF SERVICES

KIKV— 100.7 FM
 KXRA — 1490 AM & 100.3 FM
 KXRA — 105.1 FM
 KBRF — 1250 AM
 KZCR — 103.3 FM
 KJJK — 96.5 FM
 KMRS — 1230 AM

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Returning to the Value of Life!

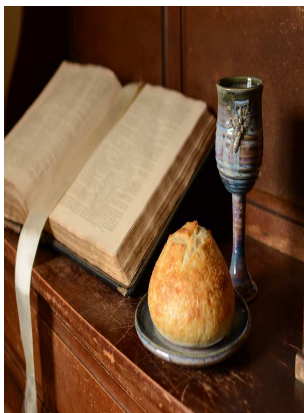
**ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH
 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
 AUGUST 15-19, 2022
 5:30 –8:00 pm**

For info call Cindy 320-304-1823

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH-HOFFMAN

REMEMBER HOLY COMMUNION

July 3rd
 July 24th
 July 31st



SOMEONE YOU KNOW

We continue to invite you to pray for someone you know who doesn't know Jesus as Savior, or for someone who has drifted away from the church. Their life eternally depends on it!

Recipe for Sharing the Good News of Jesus:

- Be a friend
 - Be hospitable
 - Show that you care
 - Love all people
- It is not too hard! Just do it !

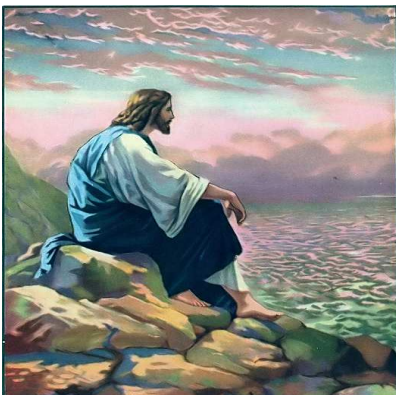


Serving the Lord

JULY BIRTHDAYS	
ZION:	
Rodney Meyer	1
Betty Werk	2
Roger Werk	3
Ryan Hausmann	4
Eian Pasche	16
Gene Klingberg	19
Estee Staples	19
Brandon Marts	20
Deborah Anderson	24
Jeff Hagen	25
Patti Olson	25
Sandy Lee	26
Gage Johnson	29
Duane Rau	29
Maverick Staples	31
CHRIST:	
Reuben Ostenson	6
Kade Haberer	10
Kitty Schneeberger	15
Carolyn Horst	17
Katie Koplín	24
Eliza Reimers	24
Julie Zimmerman	26
Jay Zimmerman	31

If we have forgotten or overlooked anyone, please let the church office know. We want to care for each of our Church family members!

<u>JULY 2022</u>	
<u>AT CHRIST</u>	
<u>Elder of the Month:</u> Kerry Zimmerman	
<u>Ushers:</u> Rodney & Carolyn Horst	
<u>AT ZION</u>	
<u>Elder of the Month:</u> Duane Rau	
<u>Usher:</u> Jim Prahl Gene Klingberg	
<u>Altar Guild:</u> Sandy Backman Denise Carlson	
<u>Acolyte:</u> Jeremy Blascyk	

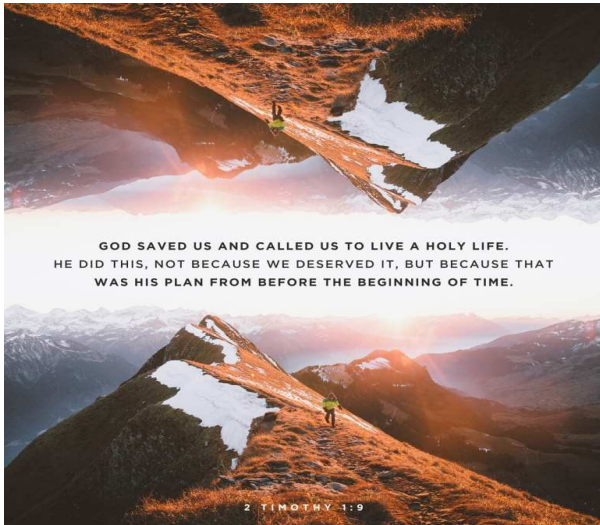


JULY ANNIVERSARIES:	
ZION:	
Joe & Cindy Blascyk	28
CHRIST:	
Tony & Renee Lien	1
Ryan & Jennifer Rupp	3
Shannon & Lynda Moerke	7

JULY WORSHIP 2022

Sunday, July 3, 2022
Pentecost 4
Zion 8:30 am
Christ 10:15 am
Holy Communion

"The Mission Before Us"
Luke 10: 1-20



Sunday, July 10, 2022
Pentecost 5
Zion 8:30 am
Christ 10:15 am

"Holy He Is, Holy We Are"
Leviticus 18/19

Sunday, July 17, 2022
Pentecost 6
Zion 8:30 am
Christ 10:15 am

*"Good News for You,
To be Shared By You!"*
Colossians 1:21-29



Sunday, July 24, 2022
Pentecost 7
Zion 8:30 am
Christ 10:15 am
Holy Communion

"Lord, Teach US to Pray"
Luke 11:1-13



Sunday, July 31, 2022
Pentecost 8
Zion 8:30 am
Christ 10:15 am
Holy Communion

"Remember Your Baptism!"
Colossians 3: 1-11

