



Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.

-Gospel of John 25: 25-26

May the peace of the Risen Christ be with you all! I hope all of you had a nice time celebrating Easter. It is always great to see everyone at church, and getting together with friends and family. When Jesus first rose from the dead, how did this change His disciples? Because before they had this knowledge, they were afraid, and had locked themselves out of sight and basically just hunkered down in the saddened state of their lives.

But after Easter, their fear gave way to a renewed sense of purpose, and a strength that could only be found in the risen Christ.

Now what we need to remember, is that the risen Christ that appeared to the disciples is the same with us today in the Holy Spirit. As I mentioned Easter Sunday, God is always with us and His love is like Jesus super glue; it doesn't come off!

So may we be emboldened like those first disciples were, to go out and to be Christ's physical presence in the world because His spirit rests in each of us. It's true! And I know there are days where that's harder to believe than other days, but that doesn't change how God feels, and it doesn't change the fact, that we are the church together. May we go out emboldened by the good news of Jesus' Easter resurrection, just as those first followers were emboldened by this Risen Holy One they vowed to follow.

Okay, so we want to boldly follow, but how? Maybe the fact that there are so many many ways, leaves us slightly befuddled, like when we go to the grocery store for bread, but we arrive at the bread isle and just stand there, staring at the 73 different choices. When it comes to boldly living out our faith, we can start by asking ourselves some questions. What am I good at doing? What gives me life? And what are the needs of those around me? Or what are the needs of the church? How could I further the ministry? Once we ask ourselves a few of those questions, we have some ideas to narrow down ways we can

intentionally and boldly live out this faith we have in Jesus. The older term for breaking down methods or possibilities based on what God has given us, was "Time, Talent and Treasures." And as people of faith, we don't pick just one or the other, but ask ourselves what we called to do with all three, from which God has given to us?

With Time, some people serve on leadership committees, make quilts, volunteer in church, help a neighbor, go to a bible study, lead a study, make food for others...amongst many other possibilities for serving with time.

Then there's Talents...some people are good with building things, others are good with kids, or crafts, cooking, hosting people in your home, playing music (maybe someday we'll break out those bells and have a choir again!) Some are good at thinking of service ideas and helping others. As you start to see, there's much overlap between the Time and the Talents.

And Then there's treasures; the part we like to skip because we don't like talking about money (this includes preachers.) But Jesus calls us to follow in this way as well. Your generosity makes it so we can have worship, and hold studies to help people learn about God's word. It makes sure we can teach the children, and reach out into the community, and helps us welcome new people to the faith. Our giving supports this historic building of Zion where we come together as the church. And through our synod, our offerings help God's people all around the world, from education efforts to disaster relief.

We are church together. We have a Risen Christ. We have a message that this world needs, and a God who has equipped us for the task.

May we be emboldened by the Risen Christ, who is with us now and always,

Your Brother in Christ ><>

Pastor Joe Iverson

April Reports

Attendance & Giving Reports

March 31	85 people — \$3,061
April 7	90 people — \$6,768
April 14	124 people — \$6,646
April 21	175 people — \$5,045
April 28	n/a

A Few April Highlights

- April; Lenten services
- April 1; Loose change challenge: 70 & under: \$95, 71 & over: \$190
- April 14; Elevator ground breaking
- April 21; Easter service
- April 27; 20th Annual Thrift Sale

Please include in your prayers those of our Zion family who reside in extended care facilities in the area.

Ina Baer	Vickie Muller
Norma Nichols	Kate Nelson
Bev Sacia	Bev Kohlmeyer
Ardell Hilt	Marian Nichols
Nona Nehring	

The "Buy-a-brick" fundraiser has finished! The total raised was \$6,790 - for the elevator fund. WOW! Thanks to all that participated.

Zions Financial picture after 1st quarter of 2019:

Funds needed - \$55,337 = 25% of annual budget of \$221,348

Funds received - \$39,299 = 17.75% of funds needed for the year

Behind Budget - \$16,038

Elevator Updates

Loose Change Challenge - First Month Results:

Seventy and Under group \$95.28

Seventy one + \$190.28

Next collection April 28th!

Elevate Your Style Fundraiser

May 4, 11 am to 3 pm Tickets \$20

Tickets available in Zion office, Treasure Chest, Coulee Boutique and Main Stream Boutique. Brunch, fashion and raffles. Join us for food, fashion and fun.

Call Lori Nastvold @ 608-865-0630 or email at nastvoldl@gmail.com

*Zion Lutheran Women of the ELCA invite you to the
ELCA North Conference Summer Event*

Invited to: North Conference Summer Event

When: Thursday, June 13th, 2019

Where: Zion Lutheran Church

Time: Registration & Coffee - 8:30 a.m., Devotions & Program - 9:00 a.m., Lunch - 11:30 a.m.

RSVP: Jackie Joanis - 608-797-4089, W21676 Red Fox Lane, Trempealeau, WI 54661
\$10.00 Registration Fee

Program: Bishop Jim Arends will share his recent trip to the La Crosse Area Synod's New Companion Synod Czech Republic.

Women ^{of the} ELCA 

May Bulletin Board

Youth News

- If you know a family with kids that would enjoy coming to Kids Club, please invite them to come. Kids Club is open to everyone, not just members of our church. Please help spread the word.
- Congratulations to our 2019 Graduates: BriAnn Bohn, Koltyn Fabian, Wyatt McCutchen, Skyla McGrane, Ben Stenberg, Ben Thompson. Graduates and their parents are invited to breakfast at 8:15 and special recognition during the 9am worship service on Sunday, May 19th. Bring your cap and gown and get pictures to Deb as soon as possible please.
- A sincere thank you to all who have provided meals for Faith in Action this year. We all appreciate your hard work and fantastic food!
- Sugar Creek counselors will be here to lead Vacation Bible School July 22nd thru July 25th. Students can come right after summer school for lunch. Programming will begin at noon to 5pm. Sign up sheet will be available in the narthex and on the website on June 1st. This will be a fun faith filled week for students. All are welcome! Be sure to invite someone to join us.



The following memorials were received during December, January, February, and March

IMO Alvina Deeren – Gordon Deeren, Wendell/Ruth Hovre, Jane Johnson, Randy/Lori Nastvold, Marc/Lori Meinking, Mike/Kelly Oslie, Ron/Lorraine Paulson, John/Shelbie Haug, Ronnie/Cindy Redsten, several Non Members

IMO Helene Johnson – David/Julie Malesytcki, Gary/Lois Halverson, Karen Benrud, Jane Johnson, Mike/Kelly Oslie, Marc/Lori Meinking, Eileen Trim, Ardelle Williamson, Dennis/Deb Householder, several Non Members

IMO Duane Hoff – Randy/Lori Nastvold, Jerry/Jackie Joanis, Karen Benrud, Ardelle Williamson, Lois Kaste, Mary Lou Poss, several Non Members

IMO Merlin Westlie – Jim/Marilyn Reedy, Ron/Pat Johnson, one Non Member

IMO Dan Smith – Ron/Lorraine Paulson, John/Shelbie Haug

IMO Don Foote – Karen Benrud

IMO Donnie McDougall – Ronnie/Cindy Redsten

IMO Margaret Ziegler – Karen Benrud

IMO John Simerson – Ronnie/Cindy Redsten

IMO Mike Dale – LaVerne/Linda Dale

IMO Mary Schilling Stirn – Ardelle Williamson

IMO Beverly Solberg – Ardelle Williamson

IHO Ardelle Williamson – several Non Members

IHO Jill Vosseteigs Birthday – Ardelle Williamson

IHO Ardelle Hilts Birthday – Ardelle Williamson

Elevator - \$2735.00

Boiler Project - \$620.00

Undesignated - \$90.00

Music for May / June

<u>May</u>		<u>June</u>	
May 5	Linda	June 2	Kathy
May 12	Hunter	June 9	Kathy
May 19	Hunter	June 16	Linda
May 26	Linda	June 23	Kathy
		June 30	Linda



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

To serve as a greeter, lector, liturgist, communion assistant, usher, or other worship service tasks, please sign up on the sheet found near the bulletin board in the Narthex. Questions? Please contact the church office: 582.2818

If you're wondering what to do with your unused sheets, pillowcases, and blankets, the quilting group will gladly accept and use them for mission quilts. Please either drop off at Zion or contact LaVonne (582.2239) or Eileen (539.4924).

May Birthdays & Anniversaries



Birthdays

May 1

Henderson, Sue

May 5

Stenberg, Hannah

May 7

Gunderson, Thomas

May 8

Fonstad, Barbara K.

May 9

Halderson, Tom

May 11

Arentz, Audri

May 12

Fabian, Kendall

May 13

Deml, Savannah
Paulus, Tammy

May 14

Dale, Linda
Meinking, Chelsey
Senn, Avery

May 15

Hess, Jacquelin E.

May 16

Deeren, Alvina

May 17

McCurdy, Tryn

May 18

Johnson, Stephanie C.

May 19

Goller, Nancy E.
Moll, Mariah

May 20

Nelson, John M.
Oedsma, John D.

May 21

Evanson, Julie
Voves, Brynlee
Weltzien, Ron

May 22

Engelien, Theodore
Moen, Eric

May 23

Braunreiter, Abigail
Giles, Colin
Longwell, Barbara L.
Trim, Mary

May 24

Gilbertson, Zach
Heine, Ruth
Kramer, Lori
Thompson, Ben

May 25

Cook, Sydney
Evanson, Arvid M.

May 26

Gamez, Jacqueline
Nelson, Sandy

May 27

Williams, James

May 28

Cook, Virginia
Franke, Kaitlin
Maynard, Taylor
Nichols, Hogan

May 29

Becker-Galewski, Deborah
Evanson, Joseph A.

May 30

Byom, Gabriel
Evenson, Hunter
Guse, Darby
Moen, Nicholas
Nash, Terry K.

May 31

Green, Larry



happy anniversary

Anniversaries

May 1

Raymond & Rebekah Moll

May 9

Jay & Stacy Burton
Tryn & Bethany McCurdy

May 11

Kevin & Stacy Hauge

May 13

James & Cheryl Nelson

May 16

Lee & Lesley Thompson

May 19

Vince & Sharon D. Howe

Did we forget someone?
If you do not see your birthday or
anniversary date in the Tidings,
please contact the church office so
we can update our records.

Zion Lutheran Council Minutes

March 19th, 2019

Council Members Present: Pastor Joe Iverson, President; Kathy Meunier, Vice-President; Eric Moen, Treasurer; Sheryl Arms, Finance & Stewardship; Joe Roehl, Property & Grounds; Dave Nuland, Worship & Music; Jackie Joanis, Youth Ministry; Allison Redsten, Social Concerns; Karen Weltzien, Director of Discipleship; Deb Householder, Secretary; Louise Janke.

Council Members Absent: Membership & Shepherding: Vacant, Outreach: Steve Putz.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Pastor Joe. Pastor opened the meeting with a devotion and prayer.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of February 19th, 2019 meeting were reviewed and discussed. A motion was made to accept the February Council minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was reviewed, and the budget year-to-date was discussed. A motion was made to approve February, 2019 report. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Joe shared that the Lenten Services were beginning and a breakfast being served after the Palm Sunday worship. Holy Week plans include one worship service on Maundy Thursday (6:30pm), Good Friday (6:30pm) and Easter Sunday (9:00am). He also indicated that a 'New Member' class was being scheduled, along with another Bible Study series on the Book of Romans. Finally, Pastor Joe stated the importance of Zion being present and visible in the community and the importance of this as we grow as a congregation.

Old Business:

Dave Nuland indicated that there is a leak in the roof above the sanctuary. He will investigate this week. He also shared the power to the parsonage garage will be repaired/restored this month. Dave also stated he will be posting a sign up sheet in the Narthex to request assistance with snow removal/snow blower as we approach December. He is hoping to establish a rotating schedule.

Deb Householder indicated four members donated for the purchase of new confirmation gowns. She will continue to request support for this purchase. In addition, she reminded the Council of the work being done on a new website www.ziongale.org.

Kathy Meunier reported that weather caused the cancellation of the 'Agile Church' planning meeting and that the event would be rescheduled for sometime in April, 2019.

Kathy Meunier indicated there were funds donated to the Improvement Fund in the past that no longer have a clear indication of their donor request/purpose. Joe Roehl will research these donations. Joe Roehl indicated there is still an outstanding balance on the 'Boiler Replacement' loan. Joe will plan to write an article for the Tidings reminding members of the balance, and also offer a monthly opportunity to purchase 'Boiler Stock' in support of repaying the loan.

Kathy Meunier asked for suggestions on a 'Notification System' should a Sunday Worship Service be cancelled due to weather. Eric Moen will research the possibility of announcements on WKBT/WXOW. It was also suggested that the church update the website, update the church telephone message and also use Facebook as a communication tool.

Kathy Meunier reminded the Council of the 'Membership and Shepherding Committee' chair vacancy. She offered the mission of this committee and encourage Council members to think of members of the congregation that would be a good fit for this Chair role.

New Business:

Kathy Meunier distributed a draft survey form that will be sent to all members requesting their preference on the method they wish to receive the Tidings. The survey will be sent via the Tidings and the Council will review the responses at the April, 2019 meeting.

President Kathy Meunier offered a brief update regarding the construction of the elevator (beginning mid-April) with plans for a ground breaking ceremony underway.

Kathy Meunier discussed the definition of a donation as it relates to active membership. The purpose of the discussion has implications on Zion's xx to the Synod. A committee will be formed to research this challenge.

The Council was reminded of the May 4th fundraiser in support of the elevator construction.

The Council was also reminded of the possible need for funds to support students attending Bible Camp this summer.

Next meeting date April 16th, 2019 at 6:30pm.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:35pm after closing with prayer by Pastor Joe.

Respectfully submitted,
Louise Janke, Council Secretary

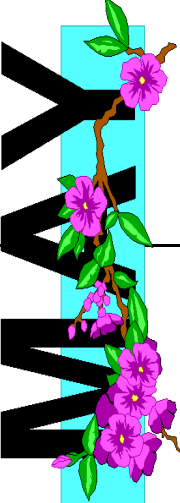
Those Serving Sundays in May

Date	Communion Assistants	Greeters	Ushers	Media	Acolyte
<u>May 5</u> 9:00 am	Barb Longwell, Dave & Carmen Nuland	The Schindler family	Mike & Kelly Oslie	Zach Gilbertson	Brady Seiling
<u>May 12</u> 9:00 am	Joe & Judy Roehl, T.B.D.	Nancy Hovell	Harry & Louise Janke	Hannah Trim	Brianna Senn
<u>May 19</u> 9:00 am	, Ruth Heine, Joan Burken, Lori Meinking	LaVonne Prudlick	Jim & Kathy Filkouski	Abby Braunreiter	Kathryn Craney
<u>May 26</u> 9:00 am	Chuck Forster, Arlene Severson, Jackie Joanis	LaVon Manchuk	Wayne Meunier, Steve Putz	Sarah Burken	Nolan Burken

Candle Care: Steve Putz

Communion Set-up: Marge Lakey

Date	Lectors	Coffee Servers	Offering Counters (Mondays or Tuesdays)	Name-Tag Table	Organist/Pianist
<u>May 5</u> 9:00 am	Marge Lakey	John & Shelbie Haug, LaVon Manchuk	John & Sue Breitung, Lois Kaste, Lois Hoff	Barb Longwell	Linda Gundacker
<u>May 12</u> 9:00 am	Brianna Iverson	T.B.D.	John & Sue Breitung, Lois Kaste, Lois Hoff	Joe & Judy Roehl	Kathy Meunier
<u>May 19</u> 9:00 am	Ruth Heine	Graduate cake	Marge Lakey, Arlene Severson, Jane Johnson	Mike & Carol Rasmussen	Hunter Evenson
<u>May 26</u> 9:00 am	Kelly Gardner	T.B.D.	Marge Lakey, Arlene Severson, Jane Johnson	T.B.D.	Linda Gundacker

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		2019	1 5:30 pm Faith in action	2	3 6am Men's Study Office closed	4 11am Elevator fund raiser at the Centerville curling club
5 9:00am Worship	6 10am Meeting in F.S. room	7 9am Quilting 9am Pastors meeting	8 3pm Kids Club 5:30 pm Faith in action	9	10 6am Men's Study 12pm Salad luncheon Office closed	11
12 9:00 am Worship	13 10am Meeting in F.S. room	14 9am Quilting 9am Pastors meeting	15 5:30 pm Faith in action 7pm Piano recital	16 1pm Women's bible study 5:15pm Girl scouts	17 6am Men's Study Office closed	18
19 8:15 am Graduate breakfast 9:00 am Worship	20 10am Meeting in F.S. room	21 9am Quilting 9am Pastors meeting 6:30 pm Council meeting	22 3pm Kids Club / end of year party 5:30 pm Faith in action	23 Tidings articles due	24 6am Men's Study Office closed	25
26 9:00 am Worship	27 Memorial Day holiday Office closed	28 9am Quilting 9am Pastors meeting	29	30 9:00am Tidings crew	31 6am Men's Study Office closed	

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:00a.m.

*Story time for kids—offered during part of
worship service*

Church Website: ziongale.com

Contact Information

Church office

Phone: 582-2818

Open 9am to 2pm, Mon.—Thur.

(office closed on Fridays)

e-mail: zziongale@gmail.com

Emergency contact:

Pastor Joe Iverson

Phone: (608) 865-0203

Join us for the “Blessing of the Bikes” on June 9th following the Sunday worship service. Motorcycles, bikes, and trikes are welcome.



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