

The Messenger



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Our Mission

The mission of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church and School is to preach and teach God's saving Word in all its truth and purity.

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Adopted!

***"In Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith."
Galatians 3:26***

In sports, we call them rivals. In the business world, we call them competitors. In politics, we call them opponents. Some rivalries promote friendly competition and mutual respect; other rivalries, however, aren't so friendly. They are full of animosity and resentment.

Competition in the business world is healthy and can be good for the consumer, but not when it is underhanded, dishonest, and ruthless. Political debate can be openminded, productive, and full of compromise; but bickering, mud-slinging, and personal attacks distort and frustrate anything productive.

Rivals, competitors, opponents: If only we were still talking sports and business and politics. But we're not. And the word that we need to consider is even more forceful than those. The word is *enemy*. "The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so" (Romans 8:7). There was nothing friendly about this rivalry, no mutual respect in the sales pitch, and nothing healthy or productive in the debate.

Simply put, we hated God. We resented him. We opposed him at every turn. We saw him as too demanding, unfair, and angry. Hostile toward him, that is what we were. Digging our heels into the ground, we demanded answers: "Who are you, God, to tell me what to do? What gives you the right to tell me how to live?" Once we understood his justice and realized

our death sentence, however, we quickly retreated in fear. There was no use debating the issue. There was no way we could justify our position. We simply could not live up to the just requirements of his holy law.

It's hard to call such a relationship a rivalry because the animosity was so one-sided. We viewed God as an enemy, but he saw us as friends. Our minds were hostile toward him, but his heart was full of love for us. We opposed him, but he came to our rescue. He came to our rescue in a few drops of water and his powerful Word. With each drop that landed on our defiant heads, he was putting his name on us—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. There at the font God the Father adopted us as his dearly loved children. There in those drops of water God the Son welcomed us as his brothers and sisters. There in Baptism God the Holy Spirit claimed us as his own. We now belong to God! We are members of his family. And we did nothing. He did it all. He adopted us into his family simply by grace and by grace alone.

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Greeter Schedule

February 7

8:00am — E5 Emily Henning & Sylvia Stadler	10:30am — L10 Rebecca Kramer & Joan Marks
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February 14

8:00am — E6 Jim & Jenny Greiling	10:30am — L11 Suzanne Lloyd & Sarah Brey
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February 21

8:00am — E4 Delmar & Carol Vick	10:30am — L12 Niils & Lara Johansson
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February 28

8:00am — E38 Wilma Lenz & Joan Herzberg	10:30am — L13 Aaron & Rachel Larson
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If you are interested in being added as a greeter or need to be removed from the schedule, please contact Melody Krakow at (920) 210-6323.

Video Team Schedule February 2016

7 Gary Schuhmacher
14 Mark Lindell
21 Phil Manteufel
28 Randy Koehn



December Church Attendance

Date	Total
3/6	357
9/13	301
16/20 (Children's Service)	834
24	484
25	203
27	268
31	106

Usher Schedule

February 7

8:00am Team E5 Harold Schaefer (C) Mike Vick (A) Dale Schilling Ron Yerges Bruce Hatzinger James Stadler	10:30am Team L7 Roger Weiland (C) Steve Weiland (A) Dan Weiland Brady Weiland Bryce Weiland Brett Weiland
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February 10, February 14 and February 17

7:00pm February 10 8:00am February 14 Team E6 Kim Schilling (C) Don Lamb (A) Ronald Knudson Tracy Busse John Zandler Brian Steffen	10:30am February 14 7:00pm February 17 Team L1 Tom Schultz (C) George Decker (A) Aaron Larson James Kopfer Dayne Kopfer Brandon Lee
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February 21, February 24 and February 28

8:00am February 21 7:00pm February 24 Team E7 Rick Gentz (C) James Greiling (A) Matt Greiling Nicholas Arndt Mark Hintz Tom Kitzerow	10:30am February 21 10:30am February 28 Team L2 Dale Schultz (C) George Peeper (A) Daniel Schultz Matt Ganser Dylan Schultz Michael Hallberg
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February 28, March 2 and March 6

8:00am February 28 8:00am March 6 Team E8 Troy Kehoe (C) Lee Evers (A) Austin Evers Logan Kehoe J Doyle	7:00pm March 2 10:30am March 6 Team L3 Jim Kluetzman (C) Matt Huber (A) Dave Harle Michael Uttech Rodney Cooley Gary Schuhmacher
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If you have any questions about the schedule, would like to be added as an usher or won't be able to serve any longer as an usher, please call Julie Doyle at (608) 846-5103.

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church Financial Statement

	Dec 15	Jul - Dec 15
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Building Fund Donation	0.00	288.00
Church Library Donation	0.00	57.59
General Fund Offerings	48,289.98	228,837.96
LLHS Building Income	169.00	1,544.00
LLHS Income	2,840.57	13,459.86
Other Donations	482.00	14,370.78
Other Reciepts	20.00	61.71
Sub teaching reimburse	459.00	504.00
Synod Missions Income	5,686.17	28,906.75
Transferred from Undesignated	0.00	36,600.00
WLCFS Income	113.00	3,585.00
WLIM Income	103.00	937.00
Total Income	58,162.72	329,152.65
Expense		
ACH fee	10.80	10.80
Building Fund Expense	0.00	288.00
Called Workers Salaries	21,371.30	126,648.44
Church Supplies	221.80	2,093.13
Convention/Cont' Education	0.00	88.40
Copier	945.33	1,623.48
Guest Pastor	0.00	450.00
Health Insurance	7,100.00	31,539.50
Housing	635.00	3,810.00
Janitors	319.79	3,405.27
Liability Insurance	-1,226.00	-901.00
LLHS Building Expense	169.00	1,544.00
LLHS Expense	2,839.59	13,458.88
Maintenance	1,962.97	18,471.18
Meditation/Forward in Christ	0.00	825.92
Mileage	416.25	2,680.45
Miscellaneous	0.00	55.00
Organists	371.51	1,417.13
Outreach Board	0.00	810.20
Payroll Expenses	206.80	1,345.28
Payroll Taxes	5,683.92	35,034.75
Pension Insurance	6,240.00	12,540.00
Postage and Delivery	121.28	796.26
Secretaries	1,569.28	9,854.11
Stewardship Board	380.63	2,658.98
Substitute Teaching	51.00	515.31
Sunday School/VBS	944.12	1,893.39
Synod Mission Expense	5,684.17	28,904.75
Telephone & Internet Expense	308.88	1,506.26
Utilities	4,439.68	23,667.28
WLCFS Expense	113.00	3,585.00
WLIM Expense	123.00	957.00
Worship	177.96	877.07
Total Expense	61,181.06	332,454.22



LUTHERAN MILITARY
SUPPORT GROUP
Shoulder to Shoulder in Service

2015 was LMSG's first year of existence- it was a year spent dealing with organizational issues and gearing up to be fully operational by January 2016.

January 1, 2016, I assumed the office of LMSG President. I accept this responsibility with a deep sense of obligation to the men and women in uniform, and veterans and their families that the LMSG mission is prepared to serve.

At our final 2015 Board meeting on Dec 19, the LMSG Board approved the following grants:

- \$1,500 to the National Chaplain's office, part of which was used to fly Pastor Gumn from Hawaii to Okinawa for Christmas services for our military families stationed there.
- \$1,000 to the new WELS congregation, Redemption Lutheran pastored by Aaron Goetzinger in Watertown, New York. This congregation just purchased an existing building and is located very close to Camp Drum, home of the 10th Mountain Division.
- \$5,000 to the WELS Military service committee to help sponsor the Military Contact Pastors working conference to be held in the fall of 2016 in San Antonio Texas.

A Look-Ahead. With our Lords help and Blessing, and your prayers and support, LMSG hopes to accomplish the following in 2016:

- Grow membership to 200+ congregations.
- Have an LMSG liaison attend each district conference to update the pastors about the LMSG mission.
- Plan and Organize a Veterans appreciation day throughout the WELS and ELS Synod's.
- Partner with the Blue Star Mothers "National Organization started in 1942" to provide care packages for all our WELS and ELS active duty military who are deployed on remote tours, or in combat zones.
- Complete a Synod-wide census as to the number of Active Duty personnel who are members of our congregations. We currently believe there are somewhere between 1500 to 4500. In other words, we have no idea!
- Oversee and plan our two main fundraising activities for Memorial Day and Veterans Day.

In Closing, please pray and support the LMSG cause so that we can all Stand "*Shoulder to Shoulder*" with the men and women who pay the price for our right to worship our Lord and Savior and enjoy the many blessings of this great country. In case you don't know, the liaison for Zion, Columbus WI is Jeff Krakow; please inform him of any active duty or veteran members.

Semper Fidelis
In his Service,

John Stedman
President, LMSG
Lutheran Military Support Group, Inc.

Zion Confirmation Lists

Zion Confirmation photos have recently been updated. There are nine (9) missing photo years which are: 1907, 1911, 1917, 1941, 1947, 1951, 1960, 1963 and 1995.

We will be including a list of names from these classes in The Messenger over the next few months. If you have a group photo from any of these missing years (or know of someone listed and might be able to help) we would like to borrow their photo to copy for our record book; please contact Michelle Wolf at (920) 623-0354. There were no photos for the early years of 1893-1903 except for 1899. These will be more difficult to find. A thank you goes out to Gen Setz for finding 1963 and her grandfather's 1899 photo. Also, thank you Allyn Kitzerow for 1948, Ray Grueneberg for 1950 and Judy Vick for 1956.



Zion Confirmation Class 1907

Else Schulz	Esther Gehke	Adelhel Mueller	Lydia Boelte
Elfrieda Koch	Olga Hinz	Erma Altschwager	Laura Mueller
Alma Tiedt	Elsa Tetzlaff	Esther Giese	Hulda Vuerus
Elfrieda Voight	Alma Nennemann	Elsa Peters	Hedwig Pagel
Helene Pagel	Clara Voight	Else Madaus	Emilie Pfaffenbach
Franziska Kurth	Adelina Sydow	Olga Gehrling	Lucinda Miller
Esther Berndt	Karl Wohlfeil	Ernst Schulz	Helene Vick
Clara Hemling	Alma Kanzenbach	Wilhelmine Borchert	Bertha Bock
Alma Kalkhorst	Leone Ladwig	Helene Wolter	Arthur Franz
Wilhelm Neumann	Albert Martens	Arthur Krakow	Heinrich Ketelhon
Harlow Heiden	Reinhold Gehrke	Arthur Pergande	Bernhard Kuebner
Otto Lenz	Albert Schwarz	Wilhelm Krueger	Otto John (Yohn)
Karl Ketelhon	Wilhelm Howe	Karl Thom	Friedrich Andler
Otto Lange	Adolf Fisch	Franz Boese	Franz Borchert
Karl Linke			

Zion Confirmation Class of 1947

Dale Yerges	Russell Salzwedel	Harold Schaefer	Reuben Christian
Ardyn Bartz	Delmar Berndt	James Heath	Richard Quentmeyer
Clyde Grossman	William Ninabuck	Junior Ray Stanley	Beverly Hansler
Charlotte Hewitt	Mary Stenberg	Margaret Madaus	Marion Sutton
Avis Thomas	Carol Howe	Marcella Lenz	Caroline Doering
Dorothy Siere	Jean Sutton	Merlin Schultz	

Zion Confirmation Class of 1963

Valerie Salzwedel	Penny Thom	Loraine Castleberry	Susan Lobeck
Marjorie Klausch	Mary Monthie	Dinah Zillmer	Darlene Halverson
Russell Rahn	Barbara Karow	Marvin Lenz	Frederick Raith
Kenneth Martens	Daniel Kurth	Victoria Salzwedel	Robert Hermanson
Karl Kindschi	William Firari	Dwight Curtis	James Durney
Herbert Miller	Melvin Yohn	Stuart Priem	John Hasenfuss
Dale Yuds	Rodney Hacht	Phyllis Hummel	Lee Sauer
Gerald Dykstra	Robert Lenz	Lois Rake	Robert Zapotocny
Alan Corlett	Donald Lange	Nancy Lange	Linda Parpart
Karen Lindert			

GOT FITNESS

If you've been thinking of trying GOT FITNESS, now is a great time! Just bring an exercise mat, a pair of hand weights, and energy for a great workout. Workout moves can be modified to fit a variety of fitness levels. All adults high school age and older are welcome. Schedules for February are available at the school office and are noted on the Zion calendar. Contact Becca Kramer with any questions. See you then!



Ministrations

Deaths

10. Rudolph Sennhenn. Born 4/15/1921, Died 12/1/2015.
11. Helen Petrich. Born 6/14/1941; Died 12/11/2015.

Ladies' Aid

Our Next Ladies' Society meeting will be Thursday, February 4th at 2:00 pm. Please check your calendar to see if you are available to help serve a Lenten meal on Wednesday, February 17th. We will need to make plans for the meal at our meeting.

John Marks will be there to tell us about Hillside Cemetary's past, present and future plans. Please bring any questions you may have to ask him. Any interested ladies in the congregation are invited.

Council Names and Numbers

- Rick Gentz, President - 623-2507
- Don Lamb, Vice President - 623-0556
- Nils Johansson, Secretary - 608-239-5123
- Brady Weiland, Treasurer - 920-285-7362
- Dan Retzlaff, Education - 623-2623
- Jeff Krakow, Elders - 920-210-2388
- Matt Vosberg, Outreach - 920-210-3817
- Kurt Zander, Property - 920-210-1107
- Dave Harle, Stewardship - 623-3819

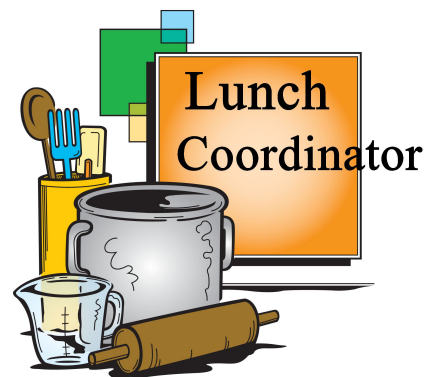
Thank You!

In December, Dave Schultz decided to step down from his Board of Education position. Mr. Schultz has been on the Board for a long time. His experience and advice will be missed. Zion is very thankful for his many years of service.



Job Opening

Zion's Board of Education is seeking a Hot Lunch Coordinator position in order to start up a Hot Lunch program again in time for the 2016-2017 school year. The position will require approximately 20-30 hours a week during the school year. The candidate must be a WELS member in good standing with their congregation. Please contact Dan Retzlaff at (920) 319-0018 or daniel_retzlaff@hotmail.com if you are interested, or would like to know more information about this position.



Messenger Deadline

Please submit your Messenger articles by **February 19th**. Contact Sue Henning at 920-623-2569 or suehenning25@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Elders Board by Jeff Krakow

We just finished the very joyous season of Christmas. Now we are entering the very joyous season of Lent. Wait! What?! *Joyous* season of lent? This is such a sad and somber time. We sing hymns such as "Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted" and "O Sacred Head Now Wounded".

It's true, this is a sorrowful time. The Pastor is reminding all of us that our sins are what nailed Him to the cross. It's tough to hear MY sins did this. Tears of sorrow flow down my cheeks as I sit and reflect on all the terrible things I have done and some of them just before I entered church! It hurts! It hurts more because I know it's true, there is no way around it, I did it.

Those tears of sorrow wash down my cheeks and Pastor keeps talking. He reminds us of the celebration of the birth of our Savior King just a few short weeks ago. Those tears of sorrow turn to tears of joy as we are reminded that our Savior left His heavenly home. He took on flesh, which He gave into death for you for the forgiveness of all of your sins, and blood, which He poured out for you for the forgiveness of all of your sins. Sometimes, you can hear sobbing. Sometimes, you can see the shoulders shake as you remember and repent and then actually sob knowing Jesus loves you so much that He gave up His life for you. He took on the pain and death that we were sentenced to though He was perfectly holy and absolutely righteous. Then, we are able to go in peace knowing His true body and blood strengthens and preserves us in the true faith unto life everlasting.

Let's enjoy this Lenten season and take every advantage of being able to worship together *twice* a week for these six weeks, followed by a week when we gather *three* times in Worship and love. Oh what joy there would be if gathering together more than once a week with all of our brothers and sisters in Christ would be our habit.

Father in Heaven,

You gave your one and only Son to save that which was lost. We were wanderers in this world and He found us and gathered all of our sins on Himself. Then He stretched out His arms and suffered the pain we deserve. He asked you to forgive us because we do not know what we are doing. We thank you so much and ask you to strengthen us through Your Word and Sacraments. Give us encouragement to show our love through the gifts we bring to you. All this we ask in the name of our Savior, Redeemer, and King, Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

Amen

"As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." Proverbs 27:17

Ironmen of God Wisconsin

Several hundred men from all over southern Wisconsin gather each year to hear God's Word aimed right at them!

Hear **Pastors Ben Berger and Bill Limmer** remind us of our God-given roles as "Ironmen of God".

NEW THIS YEAR: Hear Christian Contemporary Artist Mike Westendorf and a full band!

Enjoy a delicious catered lunch and fellowship with your brothers in Christ!

Ironmen of God is being held at St. Paul's Lutheran School in Ixonia, WI

9:00 am - 2:00 pm on March 19, 2016

Cost is \$30 on or before March 4th - \$35 after

Space is limited! Registration: www.ironmenofgodwi.org

kids page

FRIENDSHIP CARDS



This month, don't just *send* valentines; *be* a valentine! Create these Friendship Cards to express love through kind acts for your loved ones — all month long.




What you need:

- 29 index cards
- A small box or container
- Colored pens or glitter pens
- Stickers

What you do:

1. On each card, write something nice you can do for other people. Ideas include "Give someone a hug," "Clean someone's room," "Read to someone" and so on. You can use colored pens to draw a picture.
2. Decorate the box or container. Place the cards inside.
3. Each day in February, select a card and do that nice thing for someone!



True Friendship

What makes someone a good friend?
The Bible offers lots of advice about true friendship.

*Directions: Starting at the *, connect the dots clockwise and complete the words using the word bank. Then fill in Proverbs 27:9, NIV.*

WORD BANK:

heart prings ir verbs vice ness end

27:9, NIV pleasant_____

• pro_____ * The • of

• ad_____ • a

_____ felt • • fri_____

the__ • • s_____

from •

27:9, NIV

Answer: The pleasantness of a friend springs from their heartfelt advice. Proverbs 27:9, NIV

Zion Lutheran Church

February 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Items preceded by * take place at school.</i></p>	<p>1 6:15 pm *Got Fitness</p>	<p>2 3:45 pm 8th Grade Public School Confirmation Class</p>	<p>3 4:00 pm 6th-7th Grade Public School Confirmation Class 6:30 pm Bell Choir 7:30 pm Zion Choir</p>	<p>4 2:00 pm Ladies' Aid Meeting 6:15 pm *Got Fitness 6:30 pm Worship with Holy Communion 7:30 pm Stewardship Board</p>	<p>5 6:00 am Bible Breakfast 1:30 pm *Zion Spelling Bee 5:00 pm BB Games Away vs Our Redeemer at Westside Christian School</p>	<p>6 B-Girl's BB Tournament St. John's, Juneau</p>
<p>7 8:00 am Worship with Holy Communion 9:15 am *Sunday School 9:15 am Adult Bible Study 10:30 am Worship with Holy Communion</p>	<p>8 No School - Inservice No Got Fitness 6:30 pm *Board of Ed Meeting</p>	<p>9 3:45 pm 8th Grade Public School Confirmation Class</p>	<p>10 3:30 pm Ash Wednesday Lent Worship 4:15 pm 6th-7th Grade Public School Confirmation Class 6:30 pm Bell Choir 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Lent Worship 8:00 pm Zion Choir</p>	<p>11 6:15 pm *Got Fitness</p>	<p>12 A-Team BLAC BB Tournament 6:00 am Bible Breakfast</p>	<p>13 A-Team BLAC BB Tournament KMLHS Cheer Competition 4:30 pm Walk By Faith Grand Event for LLHS</p>
<p>14 A-Team BLAC BB Tournament 8:00 am Worship 9:15 am *Sunday School 9:15 am Adult Bible Study 10:30 am Worship</p>	<p>15 Kinderfest @ Lakeside 6:15 pm *Got Fitness</p>	<p>16 3:45 pm 8th Grade Public School Confirmation Class</p>	<p>17 3:30 pm Lent Worship 4:15 pm 6th-7th Grade Public School Confirmation Class 6:30 pm Bell Choir 7:00 pm Lent Worship 8:00 pm Zion Choir</p>	<p>18 6:15 pm *Got Fitness</p>	<p>19 A-Team LLHS BB Tournament MESSENGER DEADLINE 6:00 am Bible Breakfast</p>	<p>20 A-Team LLHS BB Tournament</p>
<p>21 A-Team LLHS BB Tournament 8:00 am Worship 9:15 am *Sunday School 9:15 am Adult Bible Study 10:30 am Worship</p>	<p>22 6:15 pm *Got Fitness</p>	<p>23 3:45 pm 8th Grade Public School Confirmation Class</p>	<p>24 3:30 pm Lent Worship 4:15 pm No Confirmation Class 6:30 pm Bell Choir 7:00 pm Lent Worship 8:00 pm Zion Choir</p>	<p>25 No School - Inservice</p>	<p>26 No School - Teacher Conference Boy's A-Team Ixonia BB Tournament 6:00 am Bible Breakfast</p>	<p>27 Boy's A-Team Ixonia BB Tournament</p>
<p>28 Boy's A-Team Ixonia BB Tournament 8:00 am Worship with Holy Communion 9:15 am *Sunday School 9:15 am Adult Bible Study 10:30 am Worship with Holy Communion</p>	<p>29 6:15 pm *Got Fitness</p>					



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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Wednesday Worship during Lent....3:30, 7:00pm
Friday Bible Breakfast.....6:00am
Sunday Worship at Church.....8:00, 10:30am
Sunday Adult Bible Study at Church....9:15am
Sunday School at Zion School.....9:15am

Church and School located at 822 Western Avenue

Upcoming Events

Fri., Feb. 5 - Zion Spelling Bee, 1:30pm
Mon., Feb. 8 - No School - Inservice
Mon., Feb. 8 -Board of Ed Meeting, 6:30pm
Wed., Feb. 24 - No Confirmation Class
Thurs., Feb. 25 - No School - Inservice
Fri., Feb. 26 - No School - Teacher Conference