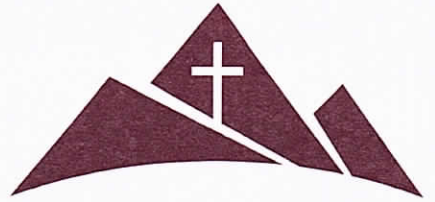


The Messenger

The Monthly Newsletter of Zion Lutheran Church, Columbus, WI



Worship Times:

Thursday Evening 6:30 PM

Sunday Morning 8:00 & 10:30 am

Sunday Bible Class and Sunday School 9:15 am

Sing for Joy to the Lord

Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. - Psalm 95:1-2

Many of us like to sing. Even if we are hesitant to sing publicly, when we are alone in the car or at home, often we sing along when we hear our favorite songs.

We love to sing for a lot of reasons—joy, love, sorrow, even fear sometimes.

Our best reason to sing is given in the Bible verse: "Let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation."



We live in changing times. Change means uncertainty. Culture, the future, security, economy, jobs, politics, family—these are life's experiences that bring us more change that we are sometimes comfortable with. In this sea of change, we can always depend on the unchanging Rock of our salvation.

Salvation is the Bible's word for God rescuing us from the consequences we should receive for all of our sins. We don't give God the respect he is worthy of. We second guess how God deals with us and this world. We don't give God the love he deserves. He comes in second or third or four hundred fortieth on our love list. Our actions and attitude pile up a boatload of trouble for us. God should reject and punish us.

But instead of dishing out what we deserve, the Rock of our salvation rescued us. In his great love, God chose to rescue us by sending his Son to suffer sin's consequences for us. God will never punish us for our sins because he already punished Jesus for them. God's choices and actions are unchangeable history. Our Rock of salvation will not shift his position or change his mind. He has rescued us from our sins. This fact will outlast the universe!

So we sing to the Rock of our salvation. We sing for joy because God has forgiven us. We sing songs about his sure promises to chase away our fears and heal our wounded hearts. We sing to express our love to God who will never stop loving us.

Go ahead and sing to the Rock of our salvation. If you aren't sure what to sing, or would like company singing to the Lord, come and worship with us. We have found real comfort and genuine joy in singing

together the praises of our Lord.

THANKSGIVING WORSHIP
NOVEMBER 22, 7:00 PM



MUSIC, PRAYER AND A MESSAGE TO MOVE US TO THANK GOD
WHO GIVES US ALL GOOD THINGS

Zion Lutheran Church November 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Items with * take place at school			1 4:00 pm Catechism	2 2:00 pm Ladies' Aid Meeting 6:30 pm Worship with Holy Communion	3 *No School- Parent Teacher Conferences LPS Grade School Forensics 6:00 am Bible Breakfast 1:00 pm Faculty Meeting	4 Boy's VB Tournament at St. Paul's, Ixonia
5 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	6 1st Day of Basketball and Cheerleading Practices 8:00 am *SonBEAMS 1:00 pm AD Meeting 6:00 pm Zion Parent/Athlete Sports' Meeting 6:30 pm Board of	7 7:00 am Faculty Bible Study 6:00 pm Bible Information Class	8 4:00 pm Catechism 6:30 pm Council Meeting	9 6:30 pm Worship	10 6:00 am Bible Breakfast 6:00 pm PATZ Progressive Dinner	11
12 8:00 am Worship 9:15 am *Sunday School 9:15 am Adult Bible Study 10:30 am Worship	13 9:30 am Pastors Circuit Meeting 6:30 pm *Board of Ed Meeting	14 7:00 am Faculty Bible Study 6:00 pm Bible Information Class 7:00 pm Stewardship Board	15 4:00 pm Catechism	16 6:30 pm Worship	17 6:00 am Bible Breakfast	18
19 Jr. Choir & Handchimes 8:00 am Worship 9:15 am *Sunday School 9:15 am Adult Bible Study	20	21 7:00 am Faculty Bible Study 6:00 pm Bible Information Class	22 12:30 pm *Early Release 4:00 pm No Catechism - Thanksgiving Break 7:00 pm Thanksgiving Eve Worship	23 *No School- Happy Thanksgiving	24 *No School- Happy Thanksgiving 6:00 am Bible Breakfast	25
26 8:00 am Worship with Holy Communion 9:15 am *Sunday School 9:15 am Adult Bible Study 10:30 am	27 3rd and 4th Warrior for Day	28 7:00 am Faculty Bible Study 6:00 pm Bible Information Class	29 4:00 pm Catechism	30 Pastor's Day at LLHS 6:30 pm Worship with Holy Communion		

9 Questions for Roger and Tammy Weiland

1. *Where did each of you grow up?* Tammy grew up on a beef farm between Waterloo and Columbus. I grew up on the dairy we now own and operate on the outskirts of Columbus.

2. *How did you meet and marry? What do you do to keep your marriage strong?* We met through mutual friends getting together at a local pub. Funny thing is that we grew up 6 miles from each other, went to different school districts and our parents had mutual friends, but we never knew each other. We became friends over the next 6 months and then went on our first date. We stay strong in God's word and are constantly reminded that a marriage takes 3; we can't make it by ourselves.

3. *What makes each of your boys different from each other?* When the boys were little they each received a plaque that said "you are a one-of-a-kind blessing from God". That pretty much sums it up. They have different God-given abilities that make them each special in their own way. It has always amazed us that God creates unique individuals out of the same parents. Brady is a quick learner and work-driven. After attending college he is now part owner of Weiland Dairy, LLC. Bryce can talk to anyone; everyone knows him and enjoys him and he will do whatever it takes to accomplish a task to the best of his ability.

After he received his John Deere Ag Technician degree, he currently works at Mid State Power and Equipment.

Brett is our quiet leader who leads by example and is diverse with many talents and abilities. He is in his 3rd year at UW-Madison majoring in Ag Economics and Ag Business.

4. *What is the best vacation you have taken together?*

The best vacation we had together was a trip out West with Tammy's parents. We were worried about taking three young boys on a long trip, with seven of us crammed into a small van, but to our surprise it was a great vacation! One fun memory was the boys rocking the van when we were atop Going-to-the-Sun Mountain in Glacier National Park. Tammy is not fond of heights and they wanted to freak mom out. They laughed so hard! We still talk about that trip.

5. *What is the most satisfying thing about your work? What's the most challenging?* One satisfying thing regarding our dairy farm is that we are proud to

produce top-quality milk from happy, healthy and comfortable cows. (Yes, the happiest cows really do come from Wisconsin!) And we get to work with some pretty awesome people as well- ranging from employees to peers, and consultants to vendors. A few of the many challenges we face (as an industry) is educating the public, finding people that are willing to work, and a volatile market.

6. *How did you come to be a part of Zion?* My parents, grandparents and great-grandparents were members of Zion. Tammy became a member when we married.

7. *What do you do to keep your faith strong?* Honestly, we attribute our strong faith to God, especially through Zion Lutheran School and Lakeside Lutheran High School. They are true blessings, as are all of our WELS schools. By having the boys attend them, we were active in their homework and memory work in grade school. And when they were in high school becoming friends with so many other WELS parents was inspiring. With the boys having had God's Word

everyday in their lives it kept us in it as well.

Now that they are out of school, we attend church services on a regular basis and try to attend Bible class as well.

8. *What are the greatest challenges you see facing our congregation? What is your favorite thing about Zion?* So many things in this world challenge the truth of the Bible and it continues to increase.

We are all at risk; but especially our young people. We need to keep them in God's Word as they deal with so many attacks on their faith. This is where our school is so important as well as strong faith-based parents. Our favorite part is that we are part of a church family that is dealing with many of the same challenges. We can help each other through difficult times and celebrate the good times. We have excellent pastors and staff that are dedicated to keeping us in the truth of God's Word. In the end we will all be part of a perfect family in Heaven celebrating our awesome God.

9. *Five years from now, what would you like to be different about Zion?* That as members we grow in our dedication to help those who have no faith or who struggle with it. And that each member is reminded daily of just exactly how important our church, school and congregation is. In a perfect world it would be incredible to see the volunteering, church and school offerings, and enrollment sky-rocket!



December 3, 2017

Advent by Candlelight

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT Advent by Candlelight will be held December 3rd for ladies and their guests (grades 7 and up) in the Zion Fellowship Hall. Please plan on joining us for an evening of the Word, fellowship, beautiful music, and delicious desserts.

Signup sheets are available in the church entryway for those who will be attending. Consider becoming a hostess or providing desserts. If you have any questions, contact one of the committee members: Joan Sennhenn, Mary Kluetzman, Colleen Winter, Ruth Becraft, or Carol Peeper or the church office.

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Craig Lathrop, Family Ministry	Unlisted

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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Thanks
be to God
for his
indescribable
gift!
2 Corinthians 9:15

Greeter Schedule



November 5

8:00am — E1	10:30am — L13
Jeff & Melody Krakow	Aaron & Rachel Larson

November 12

8:00am — E2	10:30am — L1
Dave & Kathy Harle	Nancy Huebner & Sara Hanna

November 19

8:00am — E4	10:30am — L2
Delmar & Carol Vick	Laurie Kirchberg & Pat Premo

November 26

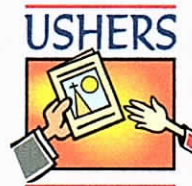
8:00am — E5	10:30am — L3
Emily Henning & Sylvia Stadler	Rick & Lisa Gentz

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.



September Church Attendance

Date	Total
31/3	314
7/10	415
15/17	383
21/24	373



November 5 & November 12

8:00am - <u>Team E3</u>	10:30am - <u>Team L5</u>
Randy Koehn (C)	Phil Manteufel (C)
Harold Schaefer	Peter Lewke
Jadon Schwartz	John Cares
Joe Grambsch	Paul Musser
Ben Grambsch	Brian Baney
Matt Yaroch	Andy Tratar
Nick Yaroch	

November 19, November 22 & November 26

8:00am - November 19	10:30am - November 19
8:00am - November 26	7:00pm - November 22
<u>Team E4</u>	<u>Team L6</u>
Dale Sennhenn (C)	Otto Mattke (C)
Mark Lindell (A)	Paul Kehl (A)
Brian Sennhenn	Dennis Winter
Andrew Bussian	Carl Wolf
Remington Lindell	William Mattke
Brett Schraufnagel	Nils Johansson

November 26

10:30am - Team L7
 Roger Weiland (C)
 Bryce Weiland
 Brett Weiland
 Peter Klokow
 Randy Koehn

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.

Video Team Schedule

November 2017

5 Matt Greiling
 12 Mark Lindell
 19 Gary Schuhmacher
 22 Randy Koehn



Membership



Membership Changes

Accept: Wayne & Barb Moungey; Sarah Meekma & daughter Arianna

Ministrations

Marriage:

2. Henry Tews & Dana Schultz, 9/9/2017.

Messenger Deadline

Please submit your Messenger articles by **November 24th**.

Contact Sue Henning at (608) 225-4853 or suehenning25@gmail.com if you have any questions



BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

Eleanor Schulze	5th	83 years
Rosie Zeidler	9th	87 years
Agnes Lindert	15th	92 years
Elaine Schultz	16th	84 years
Beatrice Selje	22nd	89 years
Sharon Salzwedel	23rd	84 years
Elaine Dykstra	28th	91 years

Zion Ladies Society

This Thursday, November 2nd will be our next Ladies Society Meeting. Kim Lang from the Senior Center will join us to tell us about the various activities that are available to us at the center.



Ladies Aid

We always look forward to seeing new faces at our 2pm meetings because all of Zion's ladies are welcome to attend.

Advent by Candlelight

Reservations are now being made in the entryway of church for this year's Advent by Candlelight which will be held on December 3.

The doors open at 6:00 for fellowship and to admire the tables. Program will start at 6:30 pm. All female Zion members and guests grades 7 and up are welcome to attend. Invite your female family members, friends, and neighbors for a Christ-centered program in preparation for the holiday season. There is no charge for this event. Space is limited and please make your reservations by November 19th. If you are willing to hostess a table or provide a dessert, indicate that on the sign-up sheet. Hostesses provide table settings, holiday decorations, and candles for a table of 6 to 8 ladies. Many partner with one or two others to hostess a table. If you want to host a table or need more information before committing, please call one of the committee members: Joan Sennhenn [920-623-5618](tel:920-623-5618); Mary Kluetzman [920-296-1240](tel:920-296-1240); Colleen Winter [920-296-8679](tel:920-296-8679); Ruth Becraft [920-350-0163](tel:920-350-0163); or Carol Peeper [920-992-3110](tel:920-992-3110).



LMSG AMMO Can Donations

(November 9th and 12th)

As Veterans Day approaches, our congregation's Lutheran Military Support Group (LMSG) is asking for donations in support of our military men, women and their families.

LMSG, a partnership of ELS and WELS veterans, is working to grow awareness of and bring Christian support to military members and their families in our congregations and beyond. By placing your gift in the AMMO can between the doors as you leave the sanctuary, you are supporting the work of local congregations that are ministering to nearby military families, the WELS European chaplain program and global broadcasts of Time of Grace to our military. Questions? See LMSG Congregational Liaison Jeff Krakow or visit www.lutheranmilitary.org. THANK YOU for standing shoulder to shoulder with those serving our nation!!



Workplace Giving Campaigns



Did you know you may be able to help
grow the ministries
of Wisconsin Lutheran Child & Family
Service **through your workplace?**

The 2017-2018 charitable workplace giving programs begin this month. Many communities and corporations have a donor choice program in which you may designate a qualified 501(c)(3) agency to receive your donation.

Last year Wisconsin Lutheran Child & Family Service (WLCFS) received gifts from dozens of workplace giving programs that allow a donor choice option. WLCFS qualified in these programs as a 501(c)(3) non-profit social service agency.

Every year, WLCFS heals & helps thousands of people in need through the ministry of Jesus Christ through their Christian counseling, in-home care, and senior services.

If you have questions about your participation in such a program, check your employer's guidelines, or call Jeff at WLCFS toll free at 888.685.9522 or e-mail info@wlcfs.org for more information.

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Tax ID: 39-1047224



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www.ChristianFamilySolutions.org

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
Financial Statement
September 2017

	September 17	Estimated Monthly Budget	Fiscal Year to Date Jul - Sep 17	Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
Church Picnic Income	310.00		310.00	
Extra Synod Missions Income	65.00		275.00	
General Fund Offerings	46,455.66		146,635.74	
LLHS Building Income	45.00		428.00	
Other Donations	1,687.98		3,681.99	
Other Receipts	15.00		51.35	
Substitute Teaching Reimbursement	-		-	
Transferred from Undesignated	7,000.00		7,000.00	
WLCFS Income	3.00		561.00	
WLIM Income	-		330.00	
Total Income	55,581.64		159,273.08	
Expense				
ACH fee	(42.70)		-	
Apartment Rent	635.00	635.00	1,905.00	7,620.00
Called Workers Salaries & Taxes	28,659.95	28,229.75	81,688.71	338,757.00
Church Supplies	277.66	208.33	646.37	2,500.00
Convention/Cont' Education	250.00	66.67	330.00	800.00
Copier	-	283.33	1,013.91	3,400.00
Elders Board	-	29.17	-	350.00
Family Ministry Board	213.75	358.33	432.85	4,300.00
Guest Pastor	-	58.33	-	700.00
Health Insurance	6,729.00	7,150.00	20,187.00	85,800.00
HRA Savings	2,023.00	2,016.67	6,069.00	24,200.00
Custodial	202.59	1,225.00	2,271.98	14,700.00
LLHS Building Expense	45.00		428.00	
LLHS Expense	2,322.77	2,250.00	7,331.76	27,000.00
Maintenance	1,755.83	2,204.17	5,574.24	26,450.00
Meditations	-	125.00	349.00	1,500.00
Mileage	200.00	358.33	774.51	4,300.00
Miscellaneous	-	16.67	-	200.00
Organists	209.27	282.67	838.50	3,392.00
Outreach Board	-	291.67	-	3,500.00
Payroll Expenses	247.87	241.67	710.86	2,900.00
Pension Insurance	7,446.00	2,445.00	7,446.00	29,340.00
Postage and Delivery	86.11	116.67	213.89	1,400.00
Secretaries	3,053.57	2,033.33	6,947.52	24,400.00
Stewardship Board	404.74	391.67	1,176.59	4,700.00
Substitute Teaching	-		-	
Sunday School/VBS	636.70	233.33	636.70	2,800.00
Synod Mission Expense	4,710.57	4,666.67	14,938.56	56,000.00
Telephone & Internet Expense	270.25	258.33	770.75	3,100.00
Utilities	3,377.99	3,093.75	9,890.36	37,125.00
WLCFS Expense	3.00		561.00	
WLIM Expense	-		330.00	
Worker Comp/Liability Insurance	-	1,066.67	-	12,800.00
Worship	153.95	316.67	573.30	3,800.00
Total Expense	63,871.87	60,652.83	174,036.36	727,834.00

Zion Lutheran Church - Estate Funds Report

Report for the Month of:

September 2017

Previous Month Assets	\$261,457.53
Total Transactions	-\$873.93
Total Current Assets	\$260,583.60

New Church/School Total
\$176,354.47
<i>checking/savings</i>

Accounts	----- Monthly Statements -----			
	Undesignated Checking	Undesignated Savings	NEW Church/School Fund Savings	NEW Church/School Checking
Previous Balance	\$1,094.34	\$64,756.84	\$169,414.12	\$717.77
Monthly Transactions *	(\$149.91)	(\$6,946.60)	\$6,222.58	\$0.00
Current Balance	\$944.43	\$57,810.24	\$175,636.70	\$717.77
Transactions	(\$150.00) loan Marks	(\$2,000.00) 9-14-17 Transfer to General Fund	(\$4,623.38) American National Bank church loan	
	\$0.09 Interest	\$53.40 Interest 9-29-17 Transfer to General Fund	\$50.00 Deposit 9-1-17	
			\$21,658.00 Deposit 9-5-17	
			\$21,488.00 Deposit 9-11-17	
			\$21,026.00 Deposit 9-18-17	
			\$4,658.00 Deposit 9-22-17	
			\$21,433.00 Deposit 9-25-17	
			\$380.00 Deposit 9-29-17	
			\$152.96 Interest	
Monthly Transactions TOTAL	(\$149.91)	(\$6,946.60)	\$6,222.58	\$0.00
TOTAL TRANSACTIONS	(\$873.93)			
Interest Received	\$206.45			

kids page

Holiday PLACE MATS

Add fall décor to your family's Thanksgiving table by making these festive place mats.

What you need:

- Large pieces of paper
- Several large leaves
- Crayons (fall colors)
- Fine-tip permanent marker

What you do:

1. Working on a flat surface, place the leaves underneath the paper.
2. Peel the wrappers off the crayons. Rub crayons sideways over the paper so the details of the leaves become visible.
3. Use other crayons to add additional details, if desired. With the marker, list what you're thankful for and add a Bible verse about thankfulness.
4. Optional: Laminate the place mats so they're reusable.

PUZZLE

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

God gives us many blessings every day. How can we thank him?

Directions: To complete the Bible verse below, follow the code and fill in the blanks.

A=1, B=2, C=3, D=4, E=5, F=6, G=7, H=8, I=9, J=10,
 K=11, L=12, M=13, N=14, O=15, P=16, Q=17, R=18,
 S=19, T=20, U=21, V=22, W=23, X=24, Y=25, Z=26.

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Answer: "I will praise God's name in song and glorify him with thanksgiving." Psalm 69:30, NIV

