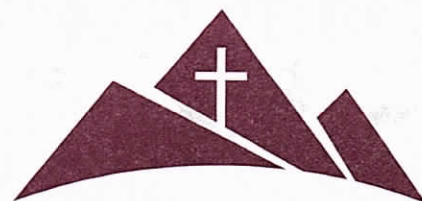


The Messenger

The Monthly Newsletter of Zion Lutheran Church, Columbus, WI



God's Encouraging Word...



WHEN I AM FRIGHTENED

August 2018

"Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand." - Isaiah 41:10

Soon, students and teachers will be headed back to the classroom. Some students will be getting on a bus for the first time, some will be away from Mom and Dad for the first time, or they are headed to a new school and a new classroom. Many of those children will be very anxious. The other side of that classroom door is completely unknown. The worst could possibly happen. They will wonder if they can even do it!

Likely, the same can be said every time we have an opportunity to talk about Jesus. We're afraid. More than that, terrified. What if the worst happens? We could look so foolish. We could stammer and trip over our words. We could say things all wrong, or run into a question to which we don't have an answer. We could lose a friend or come off as "weird." What if people find out that we believe Jesus with all

our heart but still sin against him? What if they call us hypocrites?

It is to such terror-stricken, spiritually terrified people that God speaks through the prophet Isaiah: "Do not fear, because I am with you."

Picture a new kindergartener walking onto the school grounds and confronted by a couple of students intent on taking his lunch? Just in time, the youngster's older brother in sixth grade walks up to ward off the bullies.

God is with us, just like the big brother was with his little brother. Except our God is infinitely more powerful, infinitely more wise, infinitely more caring. He is not just our big brother, he is our God. The creator-of-all-things has our back! The courage we need to speak up about our faith rests in the one in whom we believe—the one who came to be with us to rescue us from sin and death. In his great love for us, he strengthens and helps us, and keeps us safe.

So, do not be afraid. Don't be afraid this fall or at any time to talk about the Savior who has come to rescue all humanity. Do not be afraid. He is with you.

Sunday, August 19 11:30

everyone is welcome come and join us everyone is welcome come and join us

Church Picnic

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Backpack Drop-off Potluck/Pulled Pork

Bean Bags and Bingo!

Zion Lutheran Church and School

August 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Teacher Inservice	2 Teacher Inservice 2:00 pm Ladies' Aid Meeting 6:30 pm Worship with Holy Communion	3 Teacher Inservice 6:00 am Bible Breakfast	4
5 8:00 am Worship with Holy Communion 9:15 am Bible Study 10:30 am Worship with Holy Communion	6 8:00 am AD Meeting 6:30 pm Council Meeting	7 9:00 am *Registration Day 5:00 pm Registration Day	8 6:00 pm Parent Orientation Night	9 6:30 pm Worship 6:30 pm Zion Parent/Athlete Meeting	10 6:00 am Bible Breakfast	11 8:00 am New Parent Seminar
12 8:00 am Worship 9:15 am Bible Study 10:30 am Worship 11:45 am Zion Parent/Athlete Meeting	13	14 7:00 pm Stewardship Board	15	16 6:30 pm Worship	17 6:00 am Bible Breakfast	18
19 10:30 am Worship 11:30 am Church Picnic 1:30 pm Luther Prep Opening Service	20 10:00 am Lakeside Lutheran High School Opening Service	21 First day of school	22 6:00 pm Zion Parent/Athlete Meeting	23 6:30 pm Worship with Holy Communion	24 6:00 am Bible Breakfast	25
26 8:00 am Worship 8:00 am Worship with Holy Communion 9:15 am Bible Study 10:30 am Worship with Holy Communion	27	28 6:00 pm Zion Parent/Athlete Meeting	29	30 6:30 pm Fall Sports' Pictures Worship with Holy Communion	31 6:00 am Bible Breakfast	

Back to School



Questions for Leo and Audrey Fischer

1. *Where did each of you grow up and go to school?*

Leo grew up on his family farm and went to school in Pardeeville. Audrey grew up on her family farm and went to school in Columbus.

2. *How did you meet and marry?*

We met through Leo's cousin Lori at our high school graduations. We dated for a year and a half, enjoying going to Polka dances on the weekends. We were married at St. John's in Pardeeville and have been married for 35 years.

3. *What is one thing that you would like people to know about each of your kids?*

Andrew lives near Cambria with his wife Sadie and their three year old son Abel. They raise grass-fed beef, pigs, chickens and turkeys. Michael lives in Onalaska with his wife Marci and their two year old son, Lane. He works at a home improvement company and Marci is a physical education teacher at Onalaska Middle School.

4. *How did you come to be a part of Zion?*

We joined Zion church in 1997 after building a home in Danville.

5. *What do you personally do to keep your faith strong?*

We start and end every day with prayer, thanking God for everything he has given us and our family. His is part of our lives 24 hours a day.

6. *What are the greatest challenges you see facing our congregation? The best things about it?*

The biggest challenge to the congregation is the ongoing up-keep of our school and church. The best things are coming together as congregation to work through them. We see so many opportunities to be a part of our church and to learn and grow in our faith.

7. *Audrey, what do you like so much about the work you do in keeping our church decorated for the seasons?*

We all spend time preparing and decorating our homes for special occasions and holidays. I enjoy sharing time with friends decorating our church home and making it a



beautiful place for everyone to come and worship together.

8. *Leo, please talk about Sunday School – How long have you been teaching? Why is it so important to you? What do you hope parents will consider as Zion offers the opportunity to send their children to Sunday School this fall?*

I have been teaching Sunday School for 13 years. I enjoy teaching the upper grade classes, knowing at the age God's message is very important for them to learn. Along with going to church on Sundays, parents can give their children an opportunity to learn more about God's Word in Sunday School where they are able to ask questions they may have. They might even get homemade cookies now and then.

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

Greeter Schedule



August 5

8:00am — E5

Emily Henning &
Sylvia Stadler

10:30am — L5

Marcia Rewolinski &
Arlene Sennhenn

August 12

8:00am — E6

Jim & Jenny Greiling

10:30am — L7

Wayne & Darlene Powers

August 19

8:00am — E7

Dale & Joyce Gajdosik

10:30am — L8

Otto & Sheree Mattke

August 26

8:00am — E8

Wilma Lenz &
Joan Herzberg

10:30am — L9

Bev Herold &
Nicole Henning

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

August 2018

5 Phil Manteufel
12 Gary Schuhmacher
19 Randy Koehn
26 Matt Greiling



August 5 & August 12

8:00am - Team E3

Randy Koehn (C)

Harold Schaefer

Jadon Schwartz

Joe Grambsch

Ben Grambsch

Josiah Schwartz

Jim Stadler

10:30am - Team L1

Tom Schultz (C)

George Decker (A)

Aaron Larson

James Kopfer

Dayne Kopfer

Brandon Lee

Brian Vierck

August 19 & August 26

8:00am - Team E3

Mark Lindell (C)

Remington Lindell

Andy Tratar

Andrew Bussian

Matt Yaroch

Nick Yaroch

10:30am - Team L2

Dale Schultz (C)

Daniel Schultz

Matt Ganser

Dylan Schultz

Michael Hallberg

Nathan Hallberg

Henry Tews

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 Randy Koehn at (608) 296-4333.



Church Attendance

June 2018

Date	Total
7/10	334
14/17	356
21/24	315
28/July 1	346

Evangeline Berg	10th	86 years
Wilma Lenz	17th	92 years
Laverne Linde	19th	90 years
Beverly Adam	22nd	82 years
Barbara Owens	22nd	85 years

Membership



Membership Changes

Transferred: Matt and Jill Kanzenbach (St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Livonia, MI); Paul and Jennifer Manssen (St. Matthews, Oconomowoc, WI)

Messenger Deadline

Please submit your Messenger articles by **August 24th**. Contact Sue Henning at (608) 225-4853 or suehenning25@gmail.com if you have any questions.



Ministrations

Baptism:

7. Nina Litherland, daughter of Noah and Melissa Litherland. Born 4/5/2005, Baptized 6/17/2018.
8. Julia Litherland, daughter of Noah and Melissa Litherland. Born 6/29/2014, Baptized 6/17/2018.
9. Elana Litherland, daughter of Noah and Melissa Litherland. Born 9/21/2006, Baptized 6/27/2018.

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
Financial Statement
June 2018

	June 18	<i>Estimated</i> Monthly Budget	Fiscal Year to Date Jul 17 - Jun 18	Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
Church Picnic Income	-		310.00	
Extra Synod Missions Income	35.00		925.00	
General Fund Offerings	43,736.69		648,855.82	
LLHS Building Income	120.00		1,566.55	
Other Donations	47.00		6,655.37	
Other Receipts	50.00		343.45	
<i>Transferred from Undesignated</i>	<i>11,700.00</i>		<i>86,200.00</i>	
WLCFS Income	70.00		1,386.00	
WLIM Income	50.00		1,180.00	
Total Income	55,808.69		746,424.19	
Expense				
ACH fee	-		104.90	
Apartment Rent	655.00	635.00	7,820.00	7,620.00
Called Workers Salaries & Taxes	26,422.24	28,229.75	335,179.98	338,757.00
Church Supplies	367.91	208.33	3,230.57	2,500.00
Convention/Cont' Education	34.80	66.67	645.30	800.00
Copier	-	283.33	3,637.87	3,400.00
Elders Board	-	29.17	-	350.00
Family Ministry Board	158.07	358.33	1,838.45	4,300.00
Guest Pastor	-	58.33	368.20	700.00
Health Insurance	8,208.80	7,150.00	89,973.80	85,800.00
HRA Savings	2,023.00	2,016.67	24,276.00	24,200.00
Custodial	881.79	1,225.00	11,050.20	14,700.00
LLHS Building Expense	120.00		1,737.55	
LLHS Expense	2,186.83	2,250.00	32,310.09	27,000.00
Maintenance	2,205.05	2,204.17	17,438.96	26,450.00
Meditations	-	125.00	1,435.00	1,500.00
Mileage	288.25	358.33	4,365.94	4,300.00
Miscellaneous	-	16.67	130.06	200.00
Organists	221.56	282.67	3,476.93	3,392.00
Outreach Board	-	291.67	1,618.03	3,500.00
Payroll Expenses	284.45	241.67	3,611.10	2,900.00
Pension Insurance	8,262.00	2,445.00	32,232.00	29,340.00
Postage and Delivery	202.12	116.67	1,550.27	1,400.00
Secretaries	1,636.25	2,033.33	26,997.43	24,400.00
Stewardship Board	275.78	391.67	6,424.48	4,700.00
Substitute Teaching	(102.00)		(264.31)	
Sunday School/VBS	-	233.33	2,668.42	2,800.00
Synod Mission Expense	4,408.68	4,666.67	66,037.33	56,000.00
Telephone & Internet Expense	251.95	258.33	3,204.69	3,100.00
Utilities	(8,274.32)	3,093.75	39,974.66	37,125.00
WLCFS Expense	70.00		1,579.00	
WLIM Expense	50.00		1,353.00	
Worker Comp/Liability Insurance	-	1,066.67	13,174.00	12,800.00
Worship	73.95	316.67	5,824.38	3,800.00
Total Expense	50,912.16	60,652.83	745,004.28	727,834.00

Zion Lutheran Church - Estate Funds Report

Report for the Month of:

June 2018

Previous Month Assets	\$265,697.52
Total Transactions	-\$17,772.70
Total Current Assets	\$247,924.82

New Church/School Total	
	\$171,684.08
	checking/savings

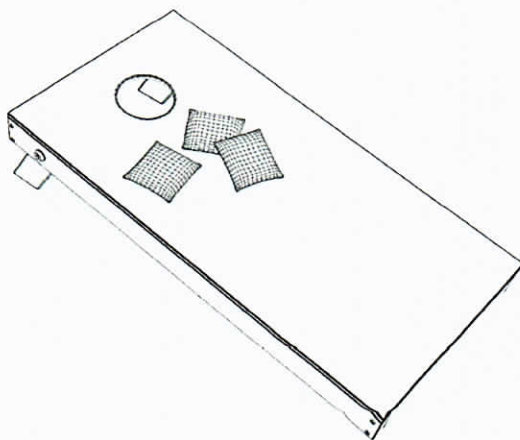
		----- Monthly Statements -----			
Accounts	Undesignated Checking	Undesignated Savings	NEW Church/School Fund Savings	NEW Church/School Checking	
Previous Balance	\$444.85	\$21,708.78	\$177,358.20	\$781.55	
Monthly Transactions *	(\$149.90)	(\$11,167.13)	(\$6,455.67)	\$0.00	
Current Balance	\$294.95	\$10,541.65	\$170,902.53	\$781.55	
Transactions	(\$150.00)	(\$3,200.00)	\$84.00	\$3,000.00	
	Joan Marks	General Fund	6-1 Deposit	6-11 deposit	Check 2129 Walsh & Associates
	\$0.10 7-3 Interest	6-13 transfer to General Fund	\$2,233.40 6-4 deposit	(\$3,000.00)	
		\$27.87 6-29 Interest	\$795.00 6-11 deposit		
		\$505.00 6-7 Deposit	6-11 transfer to NCS checking		
			6-12 Mortgage Payment		
			\$20.00 6-13 deposit		
			\$1,586.40 6-18 deposit		
			\$420.00 6-22 deposit		
			\$1,965.00 6-25 deposit		
			6-26 Mortgage Payment		
			(\$5,425.00)		
			\$20.00 6-27 Deposit		
			\$50.00 6-28 Deposit		
			\$220.53 Interest		
Monthly Transactions TOTAL	(\$149.90)	(\$11,167.13)	(\$6,455.67)	\$0.00	
TOTAL TRANSACTIONS	(\$17,772.70)				
Interest Received	\$725.63				

Notes:
Check to Walsh & Associates is the first payment for the Feasibility study.

ZION'S ANNUAL BACK-TO-SCHOOL PICNIC

Save the date, mark your calendar, and call your friends! August 19th is Zion's Annual Back-to-School Picnic! We are happy to be serving Don Lamb's fabulous pulled pork again this year, but the rest of the meal is a potluck. Clean out your garden, make your best salad or cut up a watermelon. There is a sign-up sheet in the entryway for buns, BBQ sauce, lemonade mix, and...a couple of BINGO callers. Yes, this years' entertainment includes an hour of BINGO for all ages. Back this year is the coveted, traveling golden bag trophy that will go to the winners of the bean bags tournament. We will also have volleyball, a bubble pool and sack races. (We are working on a few more fun surprises.)

All this fun begins at 11:30am. Students and parents can drop off backpacks at school from 11:30am - 12:00 noon and then go and enjoy the potluck. The meal will be served from 11:30am - 1:00pm. All games being at 1:00pm.



B I N G O

14	29	38	52	74
4	18	33	46	62
7	16	★	60	71
9	27	44	51	67
12	23	35	47	73

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Sunday Mornings 8: & 10:30 Thursday Evenings 6:30