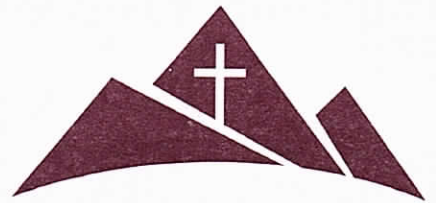


# The Messenger

The Monthly Newsletter of Zion Lutheran Church, Columbus, WI



## God's Encouraging Word...



## WHEN I AM SUFFERING

November, 2018

Are you familiar with tunnel vision? Someone experiencing tunnel vision can see an object directly ahead, but they often fail to notice what's around it. Maybe age or injury has robbed them of their peripheral vision. Maybe they grow fatigued during a long drive. Do you know what that's like?

We're also prone to tunnel vision when we're suffering. Face it, we've all been there. No one is immune from problems and pain. Everyone experiences hurts or hang-ups. But when we're hurting, is the bad all we can see? Do we focus on the problem so much that we ignore everything else? We can see no help. No hope. No good. No God. Do you know what that's like? It's not a happy place to be.

It can be especially tough as we prepare to enter the holiday season. How can we put on a smile for Thanksgiving and pretend that we are just fine?

No need to pretend. Listen to the psalmist: **"My comfort in suffering is this: your promise preserves my life"** (Psalm 119:50). Remember how God worked so wonderfully to solve our greatest problem. The burden of sin we could never carry. The consequence of guilt we could never dodge. The sentence of death we could not avoid. So Jesus

### WORSHIP TIMES:

THURSDAY 6:30

SUNDAY 8:00 & 10:30

SUNDAY SCHOOL/BIBLE STUDY 9:15

stepped in for us and shouldered them all. The cross and the tomb—both empty now—mark Jesus' great victory.

And his victory is your victory. So resist the urge to give in to those feelings of defeat. Don't shrink back in fear. Don't separate yourself from others. Don't become bitter. Don't give up. Otherwise you will miss the help God wants to give you.

All around the problem of suffering, God's help is ready and waiting. *Look up* and find confidence: **"My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth"** (Psalm 121). *Look in* to God's word where he promises, **"Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you"** (Hebrews 13:5). *Look back* and recall how God has helped you through past challenges. *Look around* and find Christian friends eager to give you a hand and fold hands for you in prayer. *Look ahead* and see the open heaven God has in store for you through Jesus.

God promises to bring you safely through the tunnel of trouble. Trust his goodness!

Thanksgiving Eve | November 21, 2018 7:00 pm



When You Harvest, Remember.....

# Zion Lutheran Church and School

# November 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> 2:00 pm Ladies' Aid Meeting 5:30 pm Foundation for Our Future meetings 6:30 pm Worship with Holy Communion	<b>2</b> No School- Parent-Teacher Conferences 6:00 am Bible Breakfast	<b>3</b> Zion Boy's Volleyball Tournament 9:00 am Campaign Meeting 12:00 pm Kitzerow baby shower
<b>4</b> <b>Daylight Saving</b> Time ends 8:00 am Adult Choir Sings 8:00 am Worship with Holy Communion 9:00 am "Foundation Four Our Future" Kick- Off Event 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship	<b>5</b> Basketball practice 8:00 am *SonBEAMS AD Meeting 1:00 pm Zion 6:00 pm Parent/Athlete Meeting 6:15 pm Get Fit 7:00 pm Campaign Meeting 7:00 pm Advent by Candlelight Meeting	<b>6</b> 7:00 pm *WELS Wind Ensemble 7:00 pm Bible Information Class	<b>7</b> 7:00 am Zion Staff Bible Study 8:10 am 5-6 Field Trip 4:00 pm Catechism Class 6:30 pm Hand bells 7:30 pm Adult Choir	<b>8</b> 6:15 pm Get Fit 6:30 pm Worship	<b>9</b> 6:00 am Bible Breakfast 6:00 pm Progressive Dinner	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> <b>Veterans Day</b> 8:00 am Worship 9:15 am Bible Study 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 10:00 Ehlers Baptism	<b>12</b> <b>Veterans Day</b> <b>observed</b> 8:00 am Retake Picture Day! 8:00 am *SonBEAMS Foundation for our Future 6:15 pm Get Fit 6:30 pm *Board of Ed	<b>13</b> 7:00 pm Pictures *WELS Wind Ensemble 7:00 pm Bible Information Class 7:00 pm Stewardship Board	<b>14</b> 7:00 am Zion Staff Bible Study 4:00 pm Catechism Class 6:30 pm Council Meeting 6:30 pm Hand bells 7:30 pm Adult Choir	<b>15</b> 1-4 Field Trip Space Place 7:30 am Organ tuning 6:15 pm Get Fit 6:30 pm Worship	<b>16</b> 6:00 am Bible Breakfast	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> 8:00 am Worship Junior Choir & Hand Chimes Sing 9:15 am Bible Study 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship 10:30 am Junior Choir & Hand Chimes (6-8)	<b>19</b> 8:00 am *SonBEAMS	<b>20</b> 6:00 pm PATZ Meeting 7:00 pm *WELS Wind Ensemble 7:00 pm Bible Information Class	<b>21</b> 7:00 am Zion Staff Bible Study 12:30 pm Early Release 4:00 pm No Catechism Class - Thanksgiving 7:00 pm Thanksgiving Eve Worship	<b>22</b> No School Thanksgiving Day	<b>23</b> No School Black Friday 6:00 am Bible Breakfast	<b>24</b> 11:00 am Kehl baby shower
<b>25</b> 8:00 am Worship with Holy Communion 9:15 am Bible Study 9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship	<b>26</b> 6:15 pm Get Fit	<b>27</b> 7:00 pm *WELS Wind Ensemble 7:00 pm Bible Information Class	<b>28</b> 3rd and 4th Grade Warrior for a Day 7:00 am Zion Staff Bible Study 4:00 pm Catechism Class 6:30 pm Hand bells 7:30 pm Adult Choir	<b>29</b> 6:15 pm Get Fit 6:30 pm Worship with Holy Communion 7:00 pm *WELS Wind Ensemble	<b>30</b> Midterm 6:00 am Bible Breakfast	

## Questions for Nick and Rosie

# Uebelacher



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

Nick grew up in Madison and Sun Prairie. I went to elementary school at Eastside Lutheran in Madison and then Sun Prairie High School. I got my degree in Criminal Justice from UW Platteville.

Rosie grew up on a small farm outside of Mineral Point. I went to Mineral Point Schools. Graduated from UW-Platteville with a bachelor's degree in Animal Science-Meat and Livestock emphasis.

2. **How did you meet and marry? How do you keep your marriage strong?**

We met at UW Platteville while in marching band. We got married in Mineral Point in 2008.

Our marriage remains strong because of our love for our children and the love of camping and doing things outdoors. We also share a love for music and enjoy singing together in church choir.

3. **What makes your kids different from each other?**

Aubrey is very strong willed and loves reading and school

Noah loves sports and playing different games.

4. **How are they doing with a new brother/sister on the way?**

They are excited. Noah wants to play cars and trucks with him. Aubrey is excited to have a baby in the house.

5. **What is the best vacation you have taken together and why?**

Camping trips are fun and relaxing. The best was our honeymoon to the Dominican Republic. Just being together and enjoying each other's company was the best part.

6. **What is the most satisfying thing about your work? What's the most challenging?**

Nick: It is never the same thing twice. I get to work with many different clients. The challenging part is that the hours can be difficult at times.

Rosie: Seeing clients from the beginning with new pets all the way to the end of their pets' lives is satisfying. The challenging part is dealing with difficult clients and it's hard when pets come to the end of their lives, comforting the owners can be difficult.

7. **How did you become part of Zion?**

We moved to Columbus in 2008 and transferred from Peace Lutheran in Sun Prairie

8. **You both love to sing. How did you get started? Any favorite memories of choir?**

Nick started singing in college and continued from there.

Rosie has been singing most of her life from elementary school to the present. My favorite memory is singing for Good Friday Service at the old church with my young daughter who didn't want to be with anyone else, she crawled to me and I picked her up while soloing without missing a beat.

9. **What do you do to keep your faith strong?**

As a family we attend church each week and take part in bible study and Sunday School. Nick is on church council as Secretary. We try to say Grace at meals with the kids.

10. **What are your hopes for the future of our congregation?**

Continue to grow as a congregation and hope to see a new school in the future and watch the congregation become stronger.

## ZION LUTHERAN SCHOOL



Are you looking for a school for your child? Zion Lutheran School has been a part of the Columbus Community, educating children since 1856. We offer an accredited education for k4 – 8th grade in a safe, Christian environment. We have experienced, caring teachers in small classrooms, and offer competitive academic, athletic and music programs. Tuition is affordable and we are willing to work with your family. To set up a family tour, ask questions or enroll, please call (920) 623-5180 or visit [www.zioncolumbus.org](http://www.zioncolumbus.org) !

## ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

Advent by Candlelight will be held December 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 and online November 11 for those who will be attending or would like to host a table.



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## Council Names and Numbers

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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 promise.

### Get in Touch

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Thanks  
be to God  
for his  
incredible  
gift!

2 Corinthians 9:15

## Greeter Schedule



### November 4

8:00am — E7

Jim & Jenny Greiling

10:30am — L8

Otto & Sheree Mattke

### November 11

8:00am — E8

Dale & Joyce  
Gajdosik

10:30am — L9

Bev Herold &  
Nicole Henning

### November 18

8:00am — E9

Wilma Lenz & Joan H

10:30am — L11

John & Sarah Brey

### November 25

8:00am — E10

Bill & Merle Nehmer

10:30am — L12

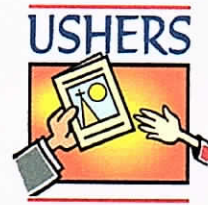
Nils & Lara Johansson

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 November 2018

4 Matt Greiling  
11 Phil Manteufel  
18 Gary Schuhmacher  
(Wed) 21 Randy Koehn



### November 4

8:00am - Team E2

Dale Schilling (C)

Dale Gajdosik

Randy Vick

Kenneth Schulz

Eric Turnquist

Eliot Turnquist

10:30am - Team L7

Roger Weiland (C)

Bryce Weiland

Brett Weiland

Norman Weiland

Peter Klokow

Tony Owens

### November 11 & November 18

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

### November 21 - Thanksgiving Eve

7:00am - Team E4

Mark Lindell (C)

Remington Lindell

Andy Tratar

Andrew Bussian

Matt Yaroch

Nick Yaroch

### November 25 & December 2

8:00am - Team E5

Kim Schilling (C)

Ronald Knudson

Tracy Busse

John Zandler

Scott Brenner

Matt Vosberg

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 September 2018

Date	Total
6/9	378
13/16	406
20/23	360
27/30	397

### Membership



#### Membership Changes

**Accept:** Chris & Emily Sonnenberg & children Luke, Sarah & Matthew; Josh & Andrea Meyer & children Landon & Leah.

**Removed:** Pat Boness, Sharon Good

**Transferred:** Mark Hintz

#### Ministrations

##### Baptism:

10. Rhett Derek Schultz, son of Dylan & Tasha Schultz.

Born 8/10/2018, Baptized 9/2/2018.

11. Bianca Morgan Nelson, daughter of Seth & Danielle

Nelson. Born 8/1/2018, Baptized 9/16/2018.

##### Deaths:

7. June Derr - Born 7/19/1930, Died 9/2/2018

8. Beverly Adam - Born 8/22/1936, Died 9/5/2018



Rosiland Zeidler 9th 88 years

#### Advent by

#### Candlelight

Reservations for this year's Advent by Candlelight will begin starting

November 11 in the

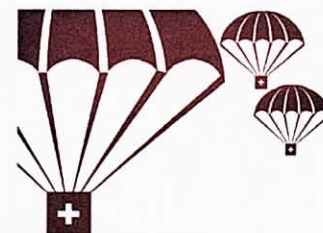
entryway to the church for the December 2nd event.

There also will be an online registration available through the Zion website. 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 25th. 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 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 920-918-3193; Mary Kluetzman 920-296-1240; Colleen Winter 920-296-8679; Ruth Becraft 920-350-0163; or Carol Peeper 920-992-3110



#### Zion Relief Committee

Zion Relief Committee is collecting non-perishable food items (such as canned fruit, canned vegetables, pasta, pasta sauce, cereal, etc.) and toiletries (such as toothpaste, shampoo, soap, toilet paper, etc.) for its food pantry during the month of November. Items can be placed in the cupboard marked Food Pantry located in the entryway. If making a cash donation, please make the check payable to the Zion Relief Committee and put it in the box provided on the counter above the cupboard. If at any time after the food drive you have items or money you'd like to donate to the food pantry, you can place the items in the same cupboard and/or the cash donation in the box. If there are any questions, you can contact Denise Schilling at 623-2865.



## Ladies Aid

Our meeting will be the first day of November. Be careful it doesn't sneak up on you. Zion students will present their forensic entries they are preparing for competition.



*Ladies Aid*

Please remember our project of helping our Relief Committee by donating money or items at each meeting.

## Messenger Deadline

Please submit your Messenger articles by November 23rd. Contact Sue Henning at (608) 225-4853 or [suehenning25@gmail.com](mailto:suehenning25@gmail.com) if you have any questions.





**Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Financial Statement  
September 2018**

	Sept 18	Estimated Monthly Budget	Fiscal Year to Date Jul 18 - Sep 18	Budget
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>				
<b>Income</b>				
Church Picnic Income	-		283.00	
Extra Synod Missions Income	455.00		790.00	
General Fund Offerings	56,711.12		159,835.88	
LLHS Building Income	220.00		485.00	
Other Donations	309.00		1,930.00	
Other Receipts	465.48		705.58	
<i>Transferred from Office Account</i>	<b>3,900.00</b>		<b>3,900.00</b>	
<i>Transferred from Undesignated</i>	<b>9,000.00</b>		<b>9,000.00</b>	
WLCFS Income	275.00		767.00	
WLIM Income	215.00		415.00	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>71,550.60</b>		<b>178,111.46</b>	
<b>Expense</b>				
Apartment Rent	655.00	655.00	1,965.00	7,860.00
Called Workers Salaries & Taxes	28,931.56	28,799.50	82,624.58	345,594.00
Church Supplies	396.31	250.00	1,070.14	3,000.00
Convention/Cont' Education	230.00	58.33	290.00	700.00
Copier	-	300.00	962.27	3,600.00
Elders Board	-	20.83	-	250.00
Family Ministry Board	133.64	358.33	406.70	4,300.00
Guest Pastor	-	58.33	-	700.00
Health Insurance	7,808.80	7,716.67	23,026.40	92,600.00
HRA Savings	-	2,023.00	-	24,276.00
Custodial	964.57	1,250.00	2,921.06	15,000.00
LLHS Building Expense	220.00	-	485.00	-
LLHS Expense	2,798.06	2,250.00	7,912.05	27,000.00
Maintenance	3,403.88	2,250.00	15,859.43	27,000.00
Meditations	-	125.00	362.00	1,500.00
Mileage	363.25	333.33	545.50	4,000.00
Miscellaneous	100.00	12.50	100.00	150.00
Organists	369.28	453.33	1,048.80	5,440.00
Outreach Board	54.66	250.00	887.41	3,000.00
Payroll Expenses	298.75	283.33	873.35	3,400.00
Pension Insurance	8,262.00	2,663.33	8,262.00	31,960.00
Postage and Delivery	44.70	104.17	132.61	1,250.00
Secretaries	2,245.23	2,033.33	6,078.46	24,400.00
Stewardship Board	120.76	525.00	1,562.98	6,300.00
Substitute Teaching	-	-	-	-
Sunday School/VBS	671.85	233.33	696.06	2,800.00
Synod Mission Expense	5,951.12	4,666.67	16,514.09	56,000.00
Telephone & Internet Expense	251.77	241.67	755.31	2,900.00
Utilities	3,909.98	3,531.25	11,042.92	42,375.00
WLCFS Expense	275.00	-	767.00	-
WLIM Expense	215.00	-	415.00	-
Worker Comp/Liability Insurance	-	1,166.67	-	14,000.00
Worship	100.00	500.00	244.00	6,000.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>68,775.19</b>	<b>63,112.92</b>	<b>187,810.12</b>	<b>757,355.00</b>

## Zion Lutheran Church - Estate Funds Report

Report for the Month of:

September 2018

Previous Month Assets	\$173,281.13
Total Transactions	-\$24,920.40
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$148,360.73</b>

New Church/School Total	\$145,585.26
checking/savings	

Accounts	Undesignated Checking		Undesignated Savings		NEW Church/School Fund Savings		NEW Church/School Checking		
	Balance	Change	Balance	Change	Balance	Change	Balance	Change	
Previous Balance	\$495.09		\$10,541.65		\$161,185.53		\$1,058.86		
Monthly Transactions*	(\$149.88)		(\$8,111.39)		(\$19,295.13)		\$2,636.00		
Current Balance	<b>\$345.21</b>		<b>\$2,430.26</b>		<b>\$141,890.40</b>		<b>\$3,694.86</b>		
----- Monthly Statements -----									
Transactions	(\$150.00)	Joan Marks	\$870.00	9-21 Deposit	\$1,324.00	9-4 deposit	\$4,500.00	9-4 transfer from NCS savings	
	\$0.12	Interest	(\$6,000.00)	9-27 Transfer to General Fund	(\$4,500.00)	9-4 Transfer to NCS checking	(\$4,500.00)	Check # 2233	
			(\$3,000.00)	9-28 Transfer to General Fund	\$20.00	9-5 deposit	\$10,000.00	9-12 transfer from NCS savings	
			\$18.61	Interest	\$100.00	9-7 deposit	(\$3,682.00)	Check #2234	
					\$1,777.00	9-10 deposit		Check #2235	
			(\$10,000.00)	9-12 Transfer to NCS checking	\$955.00	9-17 deposit			
			\$955.00	9-17 deposit	(\$5,425.00)	9-18 Mortgage Payment			
			\$20.00	9-19 deposit	\$1,527.00	9-24 deposit			
			\$50.00	9-28 deposit	\$50.00	9-28 deposit			
			\$281.87	Interest					
Monthly Transactions TOTAL	(\$149.88)		(\$8,111.39)		(\$19,295.13)		\$2,636.00		
<b>TOTAL TRANSACTIONS</b>	<b>(\$24,920.40)</b>								
Interest Received	\$300.60								

Notes:  
 Check # 2233 Walsh & Associates Capital Campaign  
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