

ZIONEWS

JUNE 2019

Zion Lutheran Church

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An active congregation of the Montana Synod of the ELCA

I am sitting in my easy chair in my living room. Twilight is all around me and the neighborhood is very quiet. The leaves on my Amur maple tree have leafed out in the past couple of days. My white lilac bush is about to bloom and the lawn will soon need another trim. Peace and quiet and Spring.

These end of season times are important. We are approaching Pentecost, the third great religious festival of the church year, and then we move into the Ordinaries, that long space between Pentecost and Christ the King Sunday in November when we finish out the church year.

This summer promises good days. Worship in the Park, a baptism, Vacation Bible School, activities for youth. Thursday mornings at 9 a.m. throughout the summer, I am hosting a Bible Study for those who can come. Actually it is a little selfish of me as I want to study some Scripture in a relaxed way and I want to share it with other people, so I am hoping a few folks show up each week as we look at various passages in the Old and New Testaments.

We are all hopeful a new pastor will be found before September, but if not we will carry on. The life of the church is never dependent on only one person. It is time to redefine who we are, what we want to do in our community and how we want to be known as God's people. A periodic assessment is always a good thing.

In the meantime there will be baseball and softball and swim team, and family vacations and weddings and family reunions and hikes and picnics and fishing on the River and all those wonderful things that mean summertime.

God bless your summer months. Don't forget if you are gone the church still needs your commitment to giving. Travel safely whenever you leave town. Have fun, and if you have the chance attend worship in other places and bring us back a bulletin from your travels.

Pastor Avis



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INSERTS:

Zion's Church Calendar
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Zion Lutheran High School Youth were recently on adventures in Bismarck, ND. They spent time volunteering at Heaven's Helpers Soup Café. They made snack bags, peeled and cut potatoes for soup and served soup and sandwiches. You can read more about the Café's mission at <https://www.soupcafe.org/>.



Zion's Mission Statement:

As a body of believers, created by God, redeemed by Christ, empowered by the Spirit, we are called to bear witness to God's love.

Church staff:

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2019 Zion Council Members:

Bill Miller, President
Kevin Miller, Vice President
Janna McCormick, Treasurer
Marie Meland, Secretary
Gail Ring
Tyler Gabbert
Paul Shearer
Kyle Voss
Vern Deaton
Leah Juneau
Danielle Wold
Larry Heimbuch
Izabell Siegle



Stewardship Corner

Here’s something to ponder as we approach the summer months. We at Zion don’t require members to pledge what they plan to give to the church. This is not meant to

“underplay” the importance of giving. In fact, regularity and dependability in giving is very important, whether we are talking about finances or time. Can you imagine what would happen if our members were not regular and dependable in giving of their time? What would happen without the dependability of the Chancel Guild members who faithfully change the altar and pulpit vestments ? What would happen if volunteers didn’t help with Vacation Bible School? What would happen if quilters wouldn’t quilt or if ZLCW members wouldn’t gather items for layettes? What would happen if no one would come forward to help people through our Loaves and Fishes ministry? What would happen if there were no people to cover the furniture room? What would happen if there were no people to see that our computers are running or that microphones work? What would happen if no one came forward to serve on Church Council or any one of our five church committees? What would happen if no one served as a deacon, sang in the choir, or read scripture lessons? What would happen if no one volunteered to mow grass or take care of the prayer garden? The list goes on, doesn’t it? You get the point! When we lack regularity and dependability in either time or finances, some specific aspect of our ministry suffers.

You may have heard the expression, “God will provide.” That is true, and He does this by inspiring us to act and to be generous. We are truly His hands and feet in this world.

1 Peter 4:10 “Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.”

SURPRISED BY GOD!

It is very easy to get stuck in a rut in our Christian life. To see God in ways that are dull and uninspired. How about meeting together for a time to be surprised by God — to be startled by God’s message to us and to be filled with a new joy as to this Christian message.

One day a week this summer, we will meet to look at some different pieces of Scripture in the Old Testament and New Testament. God may take us places we have not been before. Come when you can — studies will be of short pieces in the Bible. We will plan for meetings in June, July, August. How about Thursday mornings at 9 a.m. ? We will meet with rolls and coffee for about an hour.

Are any of us ready to be surprised by God? Who knows where God will take us.

Pastor Avis



Beginning June 2 . . .

Sunday, 8 am at Makoshika

Sunday, 10 am Worship

Thursday, 6 pm Worship

| <u>May Statistics</u> | <u>Att’d</u> | <u>Com</u> | <u>Offering</u> |
|-----------------------|--------------|------------|-------------------|
| May 2 Thurs | 10 | 10 | 170.00** |
| May 5 Sun | 89 | — | 4,450.00 |
| May 9 Thurs | 29 | 23 | 75.00** |
| May 12 Sun | 115 | 111 | 6,307.00 |
| May 16 Thurs | 9 | 9 | 150.00** |
| May 19 Sun | 96 | 92 | 2,917.00 |
| May 23 Thurs | 8 | 8 | 250.00** |
| May 26 Sun | 76 | 74 | 2,552.00** |
| May 30 Thurs | | | |

(This service offering included in Sunday Total amount)**

Pastoral Acts for May

| | | |
|--|---------------------------|------------|
| Funerals - 0 | | |
| Baptisms - 1 | Mason Jay Malarchick | 05/09/2019 |
| Weddings - 1 | Courtney Marie Donaghy | |
| | Brighton Guy Malarchick | 05/11/2019 |
| Member Transfer - 5 | Tom and Linda Eaton | |
| | Sheryll and Dorothy Price | |
| | Keith Huschka | |
| Private Communions - 7 | | |
| Communions - 14 | | |
| (includes - Grandview, GMC Nursing Home) | | |

May 8, 2019

Mission Statement: As a body of believers, created by God, redeemed by Christ, empowered by the Spirit, we are called to bear witness to God's love.

Call to Order: Council President, Bill Miller

Minutes of Last Meeting: Marie Meland submitted minutes for approval. Vern D moved to approve the minutes, and Danielle W seconded. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Janna McCormick submitted the printed Profits and Loss sheet for approval. Gail R moved to approve the treasurer's report, and Vern D seconded. The report was approved.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Avis was on vacation and no report was available.

Communications: Kelley M sent a note saying the Bible Study group he leads is doing well. He also thanks us for our continued prayers.

Committee Reports:

Property and Management – Bill M reported the Big Sky Elevator maintenance agreement is due for renewal and the cost is \$350.00. Kevin M moved the agreement be renewed and the cost paid, Izzy S seconded. The motion carried. Bill M noticed the lawn has been needing care. He will contact TruGreen to check on the schedule of fertilizing and weed control. He will monitor the situation.

Evangelism and Stewardship – Kevin M reported the potluck that was held on May 5th went well. It had to be held indoors due to weather, but the choir was celebrated for 112 years of music at Zion. He also reported the committee has filled the need for readers for the remainder of the year with the exception of November and December. The Council discussed who might be available and several members agreed to fill those months in as needed.

Social Ministry – The committee reports the search continues for Loaves and Fishes volunteers. Danielle also reports the need for a couple of extra sound people for worship services.

Worship – Summer worship at Makoshika has been arranged, and will begin on schedule. Leah Juneau and Kelley Miller will be going to Great Falls to be recognized for the completion of their LPA training. They, along with Pastor Avis, will serve as delegates representing Zion at the meetings from May 31st through June 2nd. Gail Ring will arrange for Pulpit Supply during their absence.

Youth and Education – Money budgeted for the Youth Group and Sunday School have not yet been transferred their accounts. Bill M will contact Janna M to see that \$4,000.00 be transferred to the Youth Group account.

Call Committee – The Call Committee's Profile Report was approved by the Bishop. The Congregational Profile will now be available to prospective candidates for Zion's pastor position, and it has been posted online.

Sanctuary Refresh Committee – Verna Carpenter has received a bid from Koch Furniture for the carpet needed. Janna M will report to the Council at the next meeting.

New Business: None

Unfinished Business: None

Summary of Upcoming Events:

May 9th: 6:00 p.m. Thursday night worship and Malarchek baptism

May 10th: Wedding rehearsal Malarchek/Donaghey

May 11th: Noon Bike Blessing

May 11th: 4:00 p.m. Wedding

May 12th: 9:15 a.m. Coffee for graduating seniors before worship. Quilts will be presented during worship.

May 12th: 11:30 a.m. Worship Service at Nursing Home

Adjourn:

There being no further items on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned by Bill M.

Closing:

Council prayed the Lord's prayer and recited the Council's mission statement.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Submitted by Marie Meland, Council Secretary

May Memorials

Radio broadcast May 5th in honor and thanks of the **Zion Choir & Directors 112 years of singing Praises to God**

from **Marian Chouinard**

Radio broadcast May 19th in honor and memory of **angels near and far**

from the Meland family

Radio broadcast May 26th in memory of **Joan Schmidt and departed love ones**

Radio broadcast June 2nd in honor of **Rod & Verna Carpenter's 50th Wedding Anniversary on May 31st**

In honor of our **May birthdays, Kourtney, Neal and Dad Ted**

from Bill & Rita Hanley for Loaves & Fishes

In memory of **Merle Aus**

from John & Andrine Haas for the Radio Fund

from Vern & Marlene Lindquist for the Radio Fund

from Theodore Clark for the Radio Fund

In memory of **Merle Aus & Bruce Smith**

from Gert & Gordon Kolberg for Undesignated

In memory of **Arnie Gietzen and Jean Carney**

from Gladys Weigum to Loaves & Fishes

from LeMar & Marlene Schock to Loaves & Fishes

In memory of **Jean Carney**

from Vance & Linda Vickers to Loaves & Fishes

Thanks to **Sheila Kennedy & Bonita Jenkins**

from Anonymous to Loaves & Fishes

*Be Welcome...
and Worship
with Us!*

FOR THE RECORD:

April 2019 Treasurer's Report

Income

| | |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| Loaves and Fishes offering | -5.44 |
| Misc Income | 3,000.00 |
| Tithes/Offerings | <u>22,585.00</u> |

Total Income **\$25,579.56**

Expense

| | |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Advertising and Promotion | 2.50 |
| Benevolence (ELCA) | 1,422.70 |
| Chancel Guild | 42.10 |
| Evangel, Stewardship, Spec Event | 60.00 |

Insurance Expense

| | |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| General Liability Insurance | 1,430.60 |
| Worker's Compensation | <u>232.11</u> |

Total Insurance Expense **1,662.71**

Janitorial Expense 19.98

MDU 1,403.85

Mileage Reimbursement 50.00

Ministry Expense 177.98

Miscellaneous Expense 172.00

Mortgage (window debt) 415.00

Office Supplies 284.31

Pastors Housing 450.00

Payroll Expenses 6,914.97

Postage and Delivery 46.88

Telephone/Internet Expense 25.00

Travel/Continuing Ed 430.00

Wage Tax 2,399.99

Water 105.82

Total Expense **\$16,085.79**

Net Ordinary Income 9,493.77

Net Income 9,493.77

Year to date Net Income 4,824.88

4/30/19 Statement Balance **\$43,404.01**

4/30/19 Savings Balance **\$112,808.23**

4/30/19 Mortgage (Windows Balance) **\$30,584.50**

Zion Youth and Family Ministry

Grades continue the same through the Summer as the 2018-19 school year. Transition begins at the beginning of the new school year.

June 4

7 pm High School Youth Group

June 12

4 pm 5th/6th Youth Group

June 17 – 20

VBS Day Camp

June 19

4 pm 7th/8th Youth Group

June 26

4 pm 5th/6th Youth Group

June 27

7 pm High School Youth Group

July 3

4 pm 7th/8th Youth Group

VBS/Day Camp 2019

June 17 - 20

Pre-registration is greatly appreciated.

Fee is \$10 and includes t-shirt

Zion Lutheran, United Methodist, and First Congregational Churches welcome all area youth to VBS Day Camp 2019! Day camp is scheduled for **Monday, June 17th - Thursday, June 20th** at Zion Lutheran Church, 401 Riverview Ave. For preschoolers (ages 3 - 5), our camp day will be from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, and K-5th (grade for 2018-19 school year) attend from 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM.

Badlands Ministries staff will lead this program for children in preschool (3 years of age) through 5th grade and their friends! Youth who have completed 6th grade and up are invited to serve as Staff in Training (SIT). Each day is action-packed with Bible stories, crafts, indoor and outdoor games, songs, and more! It will be a great week for all kids in the community!

Thanks to generous local fundraising, a week of Day Camp costs \$10.00 per youth and includes a camp T-shirt. You can register at Zion Lutheran Church, Monday – Friday 9:00 AM to noon and 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM or call Cami White at 377-3369. Pre-registration is appreciated.

Registration forms are also available for download at zionlutheran.us.

Special News and Events

Please help us review our Sunday morning faith formation opportunities by taking a quick survey via this web link or by filling out a paper version found on the Zion Youth and Family Ministry table in the Narthex.
<https://s.surveyplanet.com/YJkLdjzY4>

Our Sunday School GIFT ministry this year

- shared in Bible stories and discussion
 - prayed for and blessed one another
 - made crafts and played games
 - enjoyed music and videos
 - studied scripture and learned more about what it means to be a Christian and Lutheran
 - joined in food and fellowship together
 - encouraged living out our baptismal promises together
 - served our brothers and sisters in Christ
- September - LWR school kits
 October - gifts for GMC Extended Care
 November - collected food for the Food Bank
 December - made thank you gifts for volunteers
 January - Birthday-in-a-bag for the Food Bank
 February - Lent Sunshine-in-a-box for Zion college students
 March - Quilter Appreciation gifts
 April - Easter cards for shut-ins

Sunday School GIFT is for all ages and stages, helping each member grow in their faith together.

“Connecting the wisdom of the elder and the wonder of the child, Cross+Gen isn't a different way to do Sunday school. It's a different way to do life.”

~ Rich Melheim, Founder/CEO, RICH Learning Global, the RICH Learning International Foundation, the Preschool Incubators Project, Faith Inkubators, the Faith Inkubators Foundation, and curator of Cross+Gen Life.



Zion Lutheran
Church Women

Bible Study Circles and Groups:

Circle of Prayer meets: Wednesdays at 10 a.m.

Quilters: meet: will resume meeting in September

Bible Study Circles: will resume in September

Hannah/Dorcas Circle is looking for more ladies for bible study and fellowship. They meet at 10 a.m. on the second Tuesday of the month in the Fellowship room. Please call Nancy Korb, 939-3796, if you have questions or are interested.

The Flower Donation box is on the table in the narthex. Please contribute to our outside beauty. Help planting and/or watering is needed. Please call the church office, 377-3369.



Scholarships

Emma Gabbert received the Zion Lutheran Church Scholarship for \$500. Emma has been actively involved in the congregation including serving as a deacon; youth member on church council; active in youth group, Sunday school and choir.

ZLCW has awarded a \$250 scholarship to Andrew Senvold and a \$250 scholarship to Kane Knudson for the academic year 2019-2020. Both young men are members of Zion and seniors at DCHS and we have been blessed by their musical talent in this congregation.

We thank everyone who applied.

All are welcome to join us for Family Worship on Thursday, June 20th at 12:15 pm. Kids will be leading worship and singing camp songs.



ATTENTION KIDS:

The church needs bulletin covers every Sunday. Would you like to draw a picture of a Bible story or a picture of Jesus or some picture of God's creation, like flowers, animals, rivers, people and share it with the church? In August we will need 4 bulletin covers and we would like to have the picture you draw on the cover.

Draw your picture on an 8 1/2 x 11" paper, put your name and age on it and leave it in the church office. Please help us out.

Thank you.
Pastor Avis



Special Offering

Thank You for your generosity. \$500 was donated for the Montana Synod Fund for Leaders in Mission. The purpose of the fund is to support seminary students and new pastors with assistance as they enter the ministry. The need for ministers throughout the Montana Synod is huge and it is in our best interest to support this fund. This offering will be sent to Great Falls as Zion's contribution.



Remember when shopping at Reynolds Market to say "Shopper 7000" and a portion of your purchase will benefit Zion Youth Ministry.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Emergency Medical Technicians Honored: **Deana Allison** (13 years); **Deb Schwartz** (2 years)

DCC Graduation: **Shelby Pare** (Associate of Science); **Glynis Johnson** (Associate of Applied Science-Corrosion Technology with honors)

Hope White inducted into National Honor Society. Junior National Honor Society inductees: **Abby Barnick, Alexis Newton, Thain White**

Kane Knudson co-valedictorian and **Amber Sickler** top 10% of DCHS graduating class

Track and Field Top 10 Meet: **Izzy Siegle*** (*State qualifier)

Tennis team: **Amber Sickler, Addison Marx, Ayana Jones, Carson Staiger*** (*State qualifier)

Eastern Montana High School Music Festival: **Emma Gabbert, Kenna Gabbert, Kane Knudson, Austyn Nottestad, Paighton Nottestad, Amber Sickler, Carly Sickler, Izzy Siegle, Bryn Snideman, Andrew Senvold**

Year-end band awards: **Kane Knudsen**-Louis Armstrong, **Amber Sickler**-Patrick S. Gilmore, **Andrew Senvold**-Arion

Year-end choir awards: **Bryn Snideman, Izzy Siegle, Kenna Gabbert, Amber Sickler, Andrew Senvold, Kane Knudson, Emma Gabbert**

All State Choir: **Andrew Senvold**

All Northwest Choir: **Kane Knudson, Andrew Senvold**

National School Choral Award: **Kane Knudson**

Most Valuable: **Amber Sickler**

We want to celebrate with you. Please share your joys with us. Let us know if your children or grandchildren are graduating, new babies, weddings, and other accomplishments and we will celebrate together. Please call the office by the 20th of each month (377-3369) or email to cami@zionlutheran.us.