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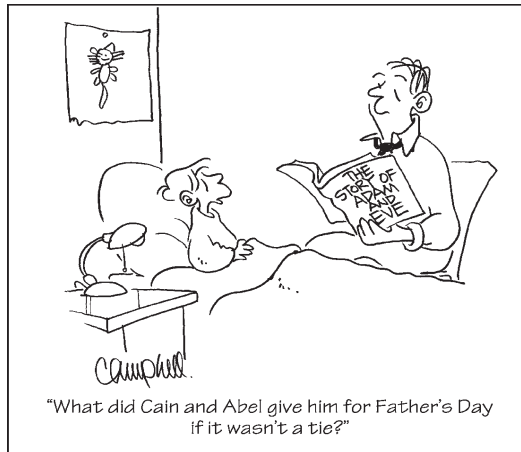
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Happy Father's Day! June 17



*God's LOVE has
been poured
into our
HEARTS*



*through
the
HOLY SPIRIT
that has been
given to us.*

Romans 5:5, NRSV

June 2018

FROM THE INTERIM PASTOR :

“But the angel said to the women, ‘Don’t be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said.’
Matthew 28:5-6a

It is easy to get lost in memory. To sit at the edge of it and romanticize how wonderful things were. To speak fondly and longingly of the good old days which probably were not as good as the memory you keep visiting. All life has imperfections. Our experiences can be joyous with hints of sorrow or vice versa. But usually when we look back at times from our past, we compare them to where we are now. We are often thankful for the things we have lived through or overcome. But when it is a positive memory it’s almost intuitive to desire to recreate it.

Churches are prone to do this—to compare today to yesterday. Churches tend to cling to memories when things were better no matter how good they are in the present.

Jesus’ followers longed for the days when he walked with them. Lived and loved among them. They wanted to grieve their loss and yet Jesus was still with them. They could not see him or feel his presence because they were too preoccupied with the past.

Let’s commit to not doing that here at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church. Let’s celebrate what God has done and excitedly expect God to do more now and in the future! Let’s be honest about the good old days—there were joys and sorrows, triumphs and defeats, growth and loss. But God was and is always with us.

God wants us to have a resurrection focus each and every day of our lives. We are not to be hauntingly staring in the tomb. But joyously professing and confessing the Risen Christ to all who will listen. So, I challenge you to tell Christ’s resurrection story and your resurrection story as often as life provides the opportunity. Some people are still standing at the tomb looking for something that is no longer there. By the power of the Holy Spirit God is using you to draw them into the resurrection life.

In the Love of the Risen Christ,

Pastor Chuck

News from Childcare

Lesla Brown, Director

We are looking forward to the summer as we prepare for our Latchkey Program. We have lots of fun activities planned this year.

We celebrated “graduation” with our pre-school and five-year old children on May 15. It was an exciting time for the children and their families and a bitter-sweet time for their teachers. We are very proud of the work we’ve done with our students and the growth we’ve witnessed, especially with those we’ve had in our program since they were toddlers.

We are currently taking applications for our summer program and also for the next school year. If you would like more information, please call our office at 419-224-7719 or stop by our office.



It's almost time for the triennial **National Youth Gathering in Houston**. Zion's delegation is preparing for the trip and nearly ready to go. They leave June 25 and return July 1. While in Houston, the group will participate in a service day where they will work in community service with the city of Houston in some capacity. The group will not know its service role or location until the day of service. The group will also participate in a day of learning and action through experiential activities such as Habitat for Humanity and Walk for Water in Houston's NRG Center. The final day will be spent with the delegates from the Northwestern Ohio Synod participating in Synod Day. Our delegates will serve as communion leaders for more than 700 delegates who are participating in synod day.

We are looking forward to this experience and our time in Houston. We eagerly anticipate our time of fellowship and interaction with the more than 30,000 other Lutheran youth from across the country who will also be there.

Thank you, Zion, for your support of this trip and our youth! We sincerely appreciate your monetary support from the Easter Breakfast and ask for your prayers as we learn and grow and serve together with the city of Houston. We will share our journey with you when we return!



“Zion’s mission is to serve all God’s creation in faith and love.”

Bedrock Beliefs of Zion:

(Principles that we cling to in times of stress)

- * *Christ Jesus is Lord.*
- * *We are saved by grace through faith.*
- * *Nothing can separate us from the love of God.*
- * *We trust our Lord to guide us on our journey through this life and into the next life’s wonders.*
- * *God hears our prayers.*

Core Values of Zion

(Positive, predictable behavior patterns that the people of Zion can reasonably be expected to model spontaneously and intentionally in life)

SPIRITUALITY

Prayer, Worshipping Together, Personal Devotions, Spiritual Growth and Sharing

SERVANTHOOD

Outreach, Think of Others First, Compassion, Love, Serving Others Anytime, Anywhere

JOY

Praise and Thanksgiving, Hope, Excitement, Enthusiasm, Sense of Humor

COMMUNITY

Acceptance, Flexibility, Trust, Respect, Communication, Diversity, Forgiveness

COMMITMENT

Eager Participation, Generous Giving, Integrity, Stewardship

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Recognizing, Encouraging, Developing, Supporting, and Training current and potential leaders for responsible service.

Church Council and Endowment Board Installation

The leadership year at Zion runs from July 1 thru June 30, so we’ll be installing the Church Council and Endowment Board members at worship on the last weekend in June in preparation for the start of their new terms. We’ll conduct the installation at all three services that weekend.

Thanksgiving for Their Faithful Service

Matt Young, Jackie Loescher and Lisa Chivington are concluding their terms on Zion’s Church Council at the end of June. Same goes for Dan Schulz and Jack Spratt for Zion’s Endowment Board. It’s been a great honor to work with these dedicated and faithful souls over the course of the last few years. Zion has benefited greatly from their wisdom and service which now simply continues in different ways. May God continue to bless them greatly!

First Communion

Congratulations to Gabrielle Patterson who received her first communion on Sunday, May 27. She completed her preparation with Pastor Chuck.

Graduate Recognition

As is our custom, we recognized Zion’s graduates again this year with a bulletin board display and a brief ceremony in worship services on June 2 & 3. Congratulations on your accomplishments: Chad Frey, Ryan Dickrede, Karis Wilson, Kim Manning, Adam Knott, Hannah Reichert, Callee Young, Luke Best, Ali Heffner, and Jonathan Lischak.

SUMMER MUSIC

Musicians are needed for the summer months while vocal and bell choirs are taking a rest. Both instrumental and vocal music are welcome and encouraged. You may provide music for both the 8:30 and 10:45 services, or you may choose to do one service. If you need accompaniment contact Mary Jane Eichelberger at 419-224-1507 and arrange a time to rehearse. Whatever your musical talent is, just please sign the schedule on the north hallway bulletin board under “News” so we know when you are available. We appreciate your willingness to share your talents and serve God through this music ministry.

SYNOD ASSEMBLY

Zion’s representatives to the Northwestern Ohio Synod Assembly will be Pam and Jim Raabe. The Assembly will be held on June 8 & 9 in Bowling Green. Thank you, Pam & Jim, for volunteering to serve us and the Synod in this way.



Lutheran Education Assistant Fund (LEAF)

The purpose of the fund is to give grants to assist college students, seminary students, and lay training for lay assistants.

Requirements:

The student must complete and submit application form no later than **August 1** to receive funding for the upcoming academic year.

Students may apply for each year they are in college up to four (4) years.

Applicant must be a voting member of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church.

All applicants must attend and pursue an accredited college degree program (private or public) or Lutheran Seminary.

Maximum grants for college students will be in the amount of \$750 per semester up to \$1500 per academic year. There is no maximum grant amount for seminary students, and amounts will be determined by the Finance Committee depending on applicants need for tuition and or living expenses.

Grant amounts will be determined on a case to case basis in regards to the applicant's service to the church, community, and the availability of funds.

Grant recipients must maintain a minimum of a C grade average (2.0 on a 4.0 scale). Documentation via unofficial transcripts is required.

Payments will be made to the school/college or loan agency on behalf of the student.

All grants must be approved by the Council of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church.

For more information or to receive an application, please go to the website (zionlima.org) and look for Forms & Policies. You may also call the church office to ask for an application.

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Worship Helpers

Position	June 2-3	June 9-10	June 16-17	June 23-24	June 30— July 1
Saturday Asst. 5:00 pm	Bud Linton	Diana Schneider	Mary Smith	Sue Fifer	Bud Linton
Asst. Minister 8:30	Diana Schneider	Matt Young	Chuck Eichelberger	Matt Young	Diana Schneider
Asst. Minister 10:45	Darrell Ball	Richard Schneider	Chuck Eichelberger	Cathy Lehman	Carol Gibson
Greeters Saturday	Garry and Rose Theis	Kim Williams	Cindy Linton	Dave and Ski Douglas	Dan and Sue Fifer
Saturday Offering Assistants	Garry and Rose Theis	Ted and Mary Smith	Cindy Linton Kim Manning	Dave and Ski Douglas	Dan and Sue Fifer
Projection Input	Diana Schneider	Dave Miller	Dave Miller	Cindy Linton	Cindy Linton
Outdoor Sign	Nan Maley	Nan Maley	Nan Maley	Nan Maley	Nan Maley
Head Usher 8:30	Dave Hieneman	Roger Fessler	Dan Schulz	Dave Hieneman	Roger Fessler
Ushers 10:45	Jim Maley Richard Schneider Curtis Young Joel Perrin Clay Wilson	Sam Bassitt Ed Baden Chase Dotson Stan Vandemark Luke Best	Jim Maley Sam Bassitt Curtis Young Joel Perrin Libbie Milks	Ed Baden Stan Vandemark Chase Dotson Darrell Ball Catie Lucente	Jim Maley Sam Bassitt Curtis Young Joel Perrin Richard Schneider
Bread Bakers	Sue Fifer	Sue Fifer	Marie Lawrence	Marie Lawrence	Diana Schneider
Altar Guild	Linda & Callee Young Diana Schneider Kim Manning (Sat)	Linda & Callee Young Diana Schneider Kim Manning (Sat)	Linda & Callee Young Diana Schneider Kim Manning (Sat)	Linda & Callee Young Diana Schneider Kim Manning (Sat)	Becky Scott Joyce Bowsher Sue Fifer (Sat)

Contact Information, Etc.

Scheduled Activity	Contact Person	Phone Number
Men's Breakfast	Stan Lawrence	419-890-2169
Out-to-Lunch Bunch	Marie Lawrence	419-225-7071

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Childcare phone number: 419-224-7719

Worship:
 Saturday - 5:00 pm
 Sunday - 8:30 & 10:45 am
 Sunday School - 9:35 am

Lead Interim Pastor: Charles Boomhower
Assisting Interim Pastors: Don Pletcher and Sam Payne
Administrative Coordinator: Diana Schneider: schneider.diana@rocketmail.com
Church Secretary: Norma Penn: churchoffice@zionlima.org
Church Treasurer: Diana Schneider: schneider.diana@rocketmail.com
Stephen Ministry Leaders: Carrie Schepman & Diana Schneider
Contacts: Carrie Schepman (419-233-9081)
Organist: Mary Jane Eichelberger
Adult Choir Director: Marilyn Basinger
Bell Choir Director: Jonathan Lischak
Saturday Night Music Leader: Open
Childcare Director: Lesa Brown

Church Council:

President – Matt Young **President-elect** – Cindy Linton **Secretary** – Kim Manning
Members-at-Large: Jackie Loescher, Lisa Chivington, Kurt Knott, Jim Raabe,
 Terry Boop, Pastor Chuck

SPRING-CLEANING COAT DRIVE - If you are doing some Spring cleaning this year and happen to find that you have extra winter coats, you may bring them to Zion. We will keep them for the Salvation Army's big giveaway next fall.

OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH - We will celebrate the first day of summer on June 20 at one of our favorite places Casa Lu Al Restaurant, 2323 N. West Street Road. Come join us for fun and fellowship with your Zion Family. Sign up at the large red bulletin board in the north entry hallway or call Stan or Marie Lawrence, 419-225-7071.

COMMUNITY DINNER: We are taking a break for the summer (June - August). Thanks to everyone who has served & supported this outreach. A special "Thank you!" to Robyn King who has chaired the committee and also provided most of the food each month and to all the dedicated volunteers.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY - Will not be meeting over the summer and will resume in September. Have fun days in the sun, click those needles whenever you can! If you need more yarn, just call us. See you in September!
 Blessings - Marie Lawrence and Sally Parker

CHIEF'S RECEIPTS The deadline for submitting your **Chief's grocery receipts** (those that have "Community Cash" printed on them) is June 17. The "rebate" we receive from Chief's is used to help support the mission work we do - usually through Lutheran World Relief - such as Health & School kits. Thank you for your ongoing support in this way. Many thanks to Linda Wensole who submits all the

Paint n' Snack Event On May 14, 16 Zion women attended a fun evening of fellowship, painting and eating delicious snacks. The SOAR Team was pleased to provide the evening's activities! Thanks to all those who attended!





June Celebrations

Wedding Anniversaries

Day		#
10	Kimberly and Carson Manning	23
12	Don and Janice Comeskey	64
13	Brandon & Kara Behnfeldt	9
13	Mike and Beth Milks	26
16	Sam and Barbara Bassitt	55
17	William and Karen Ream	30

Day		#
18	Aaron and Amanda Markley	13
22	Dick and Janice Schneider	49
23	Jim and Nan Maley	39
26	Donald and Alida Pletcher	47
30	Ed & Joan Baden	60

Birthdays



Day		Day		Day	
1	Cameron Linton	10	Tom Nolte	20	Robyn King
5	Chad Frey	12	Doug Steiner	22	Kathy Guy
6	James Brown	13	Chelsea Ball	24	Jeanne Scott
6	Kaitlin Hawk	13	Linda Lindstrom	25	Melissa Pelligrini
6	Faith White	14	Suzanne Young	25	Rev Sam Payne
6	Curtis Young	16	Kara Manning	28	Brent Schulz
7	Brandon Crawford	17	Heidi Calvelage	28	Daisy Shrider
8	Connie Glancy	18	Dick Schneider	28	Andrew Behnfeldt
8	Irene Schulz	19	Donald Pletcher	29	David Bridges

On Saturday, June 23, Pastor Chuck will celebrate the 45th Anniversary of his Ordination as a Lutheran Pastor. Congratulations !!

If we've missed your anniversary or birthday, or if we have the wrong date, please call the Office—419-224-9951.

JUNE

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28 <i>Memorial Day - Office Closed</i>	29	30	31	1	2 <u>Graduate Recognition</u> 8:30 am Men's Breakfast 3:30 pm Praise Team practice 5:00 pm Worship
3 <u>Graduate Recognition</u> 8:30 & 10:45 am Worship 9:35 am Adult Sunday School Noon Potluck	4	5 5:30 pm Finance 6:00 pm Property Meeting 7:00 pm Church Council	6	7	8 11:00 am Memorial Service for Wilbert Wolf	9 3:30 pm Praise Team practice 5:00 pm Worship
10 8:30 & 10:45 am Worship 9:35 am Adult Sunday School	11	12	13 7:00 pm Endowment Board	14	15	16 3:30 pm Praise Team practice 5:00 pm Worship
17 Fathers' Day 8:30 & 10:45 am Worship 9:35 am Adult Sunday School <i>Last Day for Chief Grocery Receipts</i>	18 <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>	19 6:30 pm Childcare Board	20 10:00 am Serve Team Noon Out-to-Lunch Bunch	21	22	23 Council & Endowment Installation 3:30 pm Praise Team Practice 5:00 pm Worship
24 Council & Endowment Installation 8:30 & 10:45 am Worship 9:35 am Adult Sunday School	25	26	27	28	29	30 8:30 am Men's Breakfast 3:30 pm Praise Team practice 5:00 pm Worship