

# ZION'S BRIEF TIDINGS

Sunday, May 3, 2009

## "God's Work, Our Hands" This Week at Zion

### Sunday, May 3rd, 2009

9:00 a.m. Rotational Sunday School Format (BLAST)  
10:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion (*Sanctuary*)

### Monday May 4th, 2009

7:00 p.m. Catechism

### Tuesday, May 5th, 2009

6:30 p.m. Church Council Potluck and Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Yoga (*Nursery*)  
7:00 p.m. MA (*Teen Room*)

### Wednesday, May 6th, 2009

9:00 a.m. Fill In The Blanks - Home school groups  
7:00 p.m. Bible Study  
7:00 p.m. Yoga (*Nursery*)

### Thursday, May 7th, 2009

6:15 p.m. Chancel Bell Choir (*Balcony*)  
7:30 p.m. Adult Chancel Choir (*Fellowship Hall*)

### Friday, May 8th, 2009

6:45 p.m. NA (*Fellowship Hall*)

### Saturday, May 9th, 2009

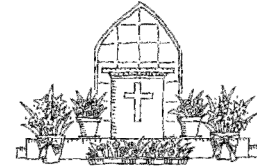
12:00 p.m. MA (*Teen Room*)

### Sunday, May 10th, 2009 Mother's Day

9:00 a.m. Rotational Sunday School Format (BLAST)  
10:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion (*Sanctuary*)

## Participants and Acknowledgements for Today's Worship

Presiding Minister	Pastor John Meulendyk
Preaching Minister	Pastor Paul F. Gateman
Assisting Minister	Ceil Mac Smith
Lector	Rob Montry
Organist, pianist	Scott Schroeder
Chancel Choir	Roger Smith
Adult Bell Choir	Megan Higle
Greeters	Rosie Draudt and Ruth Steinert



ALTAR FLOWERS

There are still plenty of dates available on the Flower Chart in the Narthex. Once you put your name on the chart—please leave a note in the office if you would like a dedication in the weekly Tidings and any flower preference. Envelopes are available in the Narthex for your convenience and ease.

New Address:

Lee Hetrick has moved—

His new address is:

Oak Manor

2316 John R.

Troy, MI 48084.



The Children's Choir & Bell Choir will have an end of the year party on May 18th at 6 p.m.



## Luther League Cake and Pie Sale!



Mother's Day May 10th  
In Fellowship Hall

Before and after Worship Service

Show Mom how much you care with a homemade cake or pie from the Luther League. Have a special request? Talk to Joan Wiedner or Stephanie Melnick to see if we can accommodate it.



## Zion's Mission Statement

Zion Lutheran's commitment is to glorify God by reaching out to our family and community to provide a Christian atmosphere through spiritual growth, learning and service.

As a community of the people of God, the members of Zion Lutheran Church are called to welcome all people regardless of age, economic status, ethnic background, gender, physical or mental ability, race or sexual orientation. We affirm that in Christ, "there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female" (*Galatians 3:28*). Christ has made us one.

## Lessons for Next Sunday 5/10/2009

Acts 8:26-40 (1st reading)  
Psa1m 22:25-31  
1 John 4:7-21(2nd reading)  
John 15:1-8 (Gospel)



## NOISY OFFERING

This month's noisy offering collected at the beginning of the service, will go towards our Utility Bills. Each month we will focus on a different part of the budget or ministry. Please save and bring your change on Sundays.



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*A Reconciling in Christ Community*



## Zion Staff

Pastor	Paul F. Gateman	ext. 101
Pastor	John Meulendyk	ext. 102
Secretary	Sonya Ferris	ext. 100
Organist	Scott Schroeder	
Adult Choir	Roger Smith	
Youth Choirs & Handbells	Megan Higle	
Nursery	Julie Baaki	
Custodian	Fred Reed	
Office Volunteer	Gail MacInnes	

### Prayer Requests

If you have a specific prayer request, please contact one of the following Prayer-Ring Members:



**Rosie Draudt** (248) 399-2147  
**Shirley Nesseth** (248) 435-6744  
or e-mail: fernzionoffice@earthlink.net

*\*Please note these are for specific requests. In order to be added to the printed prayer list, see prayer list below.*



If you would like to be added to the prayer list or know of someone, please submit their full name in writing and include your name and relationship. We will be updating the prayer list at the beginning of each month so someone you may have added to the list may disappear. However, just resubmit their name if prayers are still needed.

- Kenny Anderson - member
- Dorothy Caddell - member
- Robbie Cay - mother of Jerry Miles
- Julie Estigoy - daughter of Shirley Nesseth
- Alice Garlock - mother to Sandy Ayers
- Lee Hetrick - member
- Vernice Jackson - member
- Walter Jackson - member
- Betty Lepage - member
- Larry McBride Sr. - father of Larry McBride Jr.
- Irene Motson - mother of Sherry Fremont
- Elsie Niemi - member
- Marion Smith - mother of Roger Smith
- Helen Steinke - member

*\*\*Please note ~ Prayer requests may be turned into the office at anytime. When prayers are no longer needed, please let us know so that a prayer of thanksgiving may be offered, and then the name may be removed from the list.*



### COFFEE HOUR

We now have coffee hour every Sunday in the Fellowship Hall. We invite everyone to stop downstairs and get caught up with your fellow Zion family members and/or meet our visitors immediately following worship.

### **\*\*\* PLEASE SIGN UP \*\*\***

The sign up sheet is up in the fellowship hall - please take time to sign up your group or family to sponsor a coffee hour. This does not need to be anything elaborate.

### **ANNOUNCING A CHURCH BASEMENT RENOVATION**

Our Zion church basement tends to be a bit drab and dreary rather than the warm, inviting and exciting place we would like it to be.

Church council, along with some others, has decided to take on the project of doing some limited renovations in order to make it a more welcoming place.

Our first step will include some small construction projects, and we are seeking help!

If you or someone you know has some construction expertise, experience, or simply willingness to help, we would love to hear from you!

We would like to keep costs down, or in the event that hiring people is necessary, we would like to employ Zion members.

Please contact Carissa Gaden, Jeanine Ingram, Rick Jacobi, Karen Martens, or Bob McChesney if you can assist us.

We know you are wondering who is paying for this project in these tough economic times.

Council decided to move forward in faith recognizing that these changes are important in our outreach efforts and ministry to our members and community.

Happily, we have already received funding to hire an interior designer and have begun working with Caroline Smith of Caroline, Inc. in Royal Oak.

Memorial funds will be used for new furniture as well, and we have the start of a fund toward new chairs to replace the metal folding ones.

Of course, we will need some funds for other aspects of the project, including construction materials, some carpeted areas, paint, and replacement of all of the existing folding chairs.

We promise to be frugal with your money if you are moved to donate toward this project!

How much would you be willing to give toward a brighter environment or, more importantly, toward a more comfortable chair for those coffee hours?

Prayerfully consider and contact us, or place an offering marked "Basement Renovation" into the offering plate.



### EVERYONE

Please sign the red attendance book at the end of the pew and pass it down. Also remember to fill out a communion card when you receive communion.

### NEW MEMBER CLASS!

A class for those interested in becoming members of Zion and also for those who would like a Lutheran (Zion) refresher on **May 16th, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m.** Light refreshments will be served for coffee and "breakfast" and a luncheon will be offered. (What a deal— all for free!) If you are interested mark the date. If you know of someone be sure to tell them.

Celebration of Life for Gary Schwartz on May 9 at the Eldorado Golf Course from 1-4 p.m. Gary died in March and this will be his memorial service. A map and details are posted on the bulletin board by the back door.



**"Songs from the Heart" Benefit Concert** for the South Oakland Shelter (SOS) will be presented by the Langsford Men's Chorus and Mary Callaghan Lynch at 3 p.m. Today- May 3rd at Kirk in the Hills Church. Tickets are \$25 and are available at the door.

**Spirit of Hope Community Kitchen** will host a fundraiser cruise May 17th, 5-7 p.m. Tickets are \$22, or \$25 at the door and include dinner, raffles and more. Call 313-964-3113 or email [urluvd@sbcglobal.net](mailto:urluvd@sbcglobal.net)

### Members in the News!

#### Dr. Anton Anderssen

Was awarded the first place award in journalism by the Detroit Working Writers for his article "DIA's Monet to Dali is Magical" which can be found here: <http://www.pridesource.com/article.shtml?article=32848>

Watch for VBS coming in June- Further information to follow!