

ZION'S BRIEF TIDINGS

Sunday, January 10, 2010

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

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- 9:00 a.m. Rotational Sunday School Format (BLAST)
Adult Sunday School Class (*Lounge*)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion (*Sanctuary*)
- 11:45 a.m. RIC Service planning meeting (*Lounge*)
- 11:45 a.m. Worship Committee meeting

Monday, January 11, 2010

- 7:00 p.m. Catechism

Tuesday, January 12, 2010

- 9:00 a.m. Food Pantry Registration
- 7:00 p.m. Elijah Foundation (*Library*)
- 7:00 p.m. Good for Your Soul Gang (*Lounge*)
- 7:00 p.m. MA (*Teen Room*)

Wednesday, January 13, 2010

- 7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Class (*Lounge*)

Thursday, January 14, 2010

- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bell Choir (*Balcony*)
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir (*Fellowship Hall*)

Friday, January 15, 2010

- 6:45 p.m. NA (*Fellowship Hall*)
- 6:45 p.m. Al-anon (*Teen Room*)

Saturday, January 16, 2010

- 9-12:00 p.m. Adv. Preaching Class
- 11:30 a.m. MA (*Teen Room*)

Sunday, January 17, 2010

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

Today we celebrate the Baptism of Koltyn Michael Watters, with his parents Jeremy and Tammy Watters, and Godparents William Brundage and Timothy Konarski.



Reports are due! Attention Committees: Please be sure to submit your year end report to the office **this week** to be included in the annual report!
If possible email reports to zionoffice@earthlink.net



Please sign the red attendance book at the end of the pew and pass it down. Also remember to fill out a card when you receive communion.
Attendance on New Year's Eve was 47
January 3rd was 122

Adult Bible Class has Begun!

Join us on Wednesday nights beginning January 6th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Lounge for a new Adult Bible Class.

Participants and Acknowledgements for Today's Worship

Presiding Minister	Pastor John Meulendyk
Preaching Minister	Pastor Paul F. Gateman
Assisting Minister	Roger Smith
Lector	Ceil Smith
Organist, pianist	Scott Schroeder
Chancel Choir	Roger Smith
Adult Bell Choir	Megan Hagle
Greeters	Marge and Bill Minto



Altar Flowers
The flowers on the altar this week are from Rose Mischle in honor of friends Kenny and Alice Anderson
If you would like to sponsor flowers for that special date to honor or remember an important person or event sign up 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 in the Narthex.

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

Isaiah 62:1-5
Psalm 36:5-10
1 Corinthians 12:1-11
John 2:1-11



Special Brunch on January 17, 2010

Next Sunday, Jan. 17th, there will be a celebration of the decision by the Evangelical Lutheran Church Churchwide Assembly to welcome qualified gay and lesbian clergy into clergy and leadership positions in the ELCA. Zion Lutheran Church has been welcoming for over 15 years through it's Reconciling in Christ Program (RIC). There will be a special brunch after this service next Sunday and ALL are invited to attend.



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www.fernzion.org - Check it out!

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 Choir & Bells	Megan Hagle	
Nursery	Julie Baaki	
Custodian	Fred Reed	
Office Volunteer	Carol Wunderlich	

Prayer Requests

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

Rosie Draudt (248) 399-2147
Shirley Nesseseth (248) 435-6744
or e-mail: zionoffice@earthlink.net

**Please note these are for specific requests, not to be added to the printed list on the right..*



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.

Alice Anderson - member
Kenny Anderson - member
Anton Anderssen - member
Chris Binkowski - friend of Charles Sensman
Margaret Bukoski - mother of Ann Rogers
Dorothy Caddell - member
Shirley Cannon - aunt of Carol Wunderlich
Robbie Cay - mother of Jerry Miles
Julie Estigoy - daughter of Shirley Nesseseth
Edward Fitzpatrick - father of Susan Radzilowski
Jeanette Forton - friend of Carol & Dave Wunderlich



Alice Garlock - mother to Sandy Ayers
Lee Hetrick - member
Vernice Jackson - member
Walter Jackson - member

J.C. Leach - member/Barbara Leach
Betty LePage - member

Larry McBride Sr. - father of Larry McBride Jr.
Betty Mostellee - sister of Ann Rogers
Elsie Niemi - member

Perk Robins - brother-in-law of Nancy Doyle
Marion Smith - mother of Roger Smith
Helen Steinke - member

***Please note ~ Prayer requests may be turned into the office at any time. When prayers are no longer needed, please let us know so that a prayer of thanksgiving may be offered.*

Our Prayers

Prayers of peace and comfort are with Jeanine Ingram and family on the death of her Father this week.

Offering Envelopes

There are a few boxes of envelopes remaining in the Narthex, be sure you have yours!



Lift Every Voice and Sing!

And ring out the bells too! Choir Practices return this week! The Children's Choir and Bell Choir will both meet after service

every week for 1 hour or less. Adult Bell Choir returns this Thursday from 6-7:00 p.m. and the Chancel Choir returns

Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Hope to see everyone there!



Martin Luther King Day - Jan 18, 2010

On Monday, January, 18, people of all ages and backgrounds come together to improve lives, bridge social barriers, and move our nation closer to the "Beloved Community" that Dr. King envisioned. Dr. King's teachings are based in Scripture. He devoted his life's work to causes of equality and social justice. He taught that through nonviolence and service to one another, problems such as hunger and homelessness, prejudice and discrimination can be overcome. Please take time this week to reflect on our nation's most pressing needs—poverty, economic insecurity, job loss and education, and how Christ continues to speak to us today.

COFFEE HOUR

We have coffee hour every Sunday in the Fellowship Hall following worship. Please join us and get caught up with your fellow Zion family members and visitors.

***** PLEASE SIGN UP*****

A signup sheet is in the Fellowship Hall— please take time to sign up to sponsor a coffee hour. Check the kitchen refrigerator and cupboards to see what is

Zion Needs YOU!!

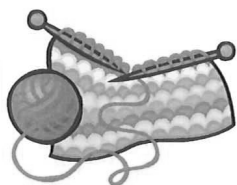
Many opportunities to serve your church—sign up—volunteer today !!

Shine some light on it

Would the person who borrowed the projector please return it to the church office this week? Other users are in need of it soon. Thank-you.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Reminder

This is a reminder to all of you knitters, crocheters and wanna bee crafters. The Prayer Shawl ministry is returning on Tuesday, **January 26th at 10:00 a.m.** in the church lounge. Please come and join us.



Reminder: Our Sanctuary continues to be a place of Worship for our God. To that end, please note that food and beverages are not allowed in the sanctuary at any time.

Ring in the New Year with financial resolutions

With the New Year comes the opportunity to improve your financial well-being. Here are four financial resolutions to help you get started:

Establish a budget based on what you spent last year, taking rising gas, heating and food prices into account.

Cut back on debt by paying off a credit card balance, foregoing unnecessary purchases or adding \$50 a month to your mortgage payment.

Prioritize major purchases you want to make and figure out how to pay for them out of your current income.

Review your will to ensure it reflects your current life situation.

For help achieving your 2010 financial plan, contact Catherine Gateman, CLU, FIC, Financial Consultant at 734-432-7777 or catherine.gateman@thrivent.com today or visit thrivent.com.

My Zion Family,

I am Emily Mattison, I know most of you, and or those of you that I do not, I hope to get to know you. Right now I have some important information to relay to you. I am a part of an amazing organization called **Bowling Green State University's Dance Marathon**. The Dance Marathon is a 32 hour event in April that raises money for children's miracle network. I am a very large contributor to this event, and last year I won the award for most money raised. Much of that is because of you all. This year is no different. I am hoping that all of you can donate a little something to this great cause. You can donate online at www.helpmakemiracles.org/participant/EmilyM or you can give cash (in envelopes please) or checks (made out to: BG Dance Marathon) to Elaina VanFossan or Nadine Corey, and they will get it to me. I really appreciate any kind of monetary contribution, as well as all your kind thoughts and prayers. Thank you! **FOR THE KIDS!** ~Emily M.

As winter continues to descend around us, we are increasingly aware of those in our communities without warm winter clothing. Our sister church, Spirit of Hope, continues to welcome donation of coats, gloves, socks, sweatshirts, blankets and other warm gear to their coat closet, or encourages you to join Pastor Bode in keeping extra warm clothing in the car to be able to offer someone you see huddled in Michigan's cold winter air.

Zion is **NOT** collecting warm clothing at the church, but if you wish to donate to Spirit of Hope's clothing closet please contact Pr. Matthew Bode at 313-964-3113.