

ZION'S BRIEF TIDINGS

Sunday, January 17, 2010

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

Sunday, January 17, 2010

- 9:00 a.m. Rotational Sunday School Format (BLAST)
- 10:30 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion (*Sanctuary*)
- 12:00 p.m. Children's Choirs

Monday, January 18, 2010

- 7:00 p.m. Catechism
- 7:00 p.m. Food Pantry Bag Packing

Tuesday, January 19, 2010

- 9:00 a.m. Food Pantry Distribution
- 6:30 p.m. Liturgical Arts Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. MA (*Teen Room*)

Wednesday, January 20, 2010

- 1:00 p.m. Dominoes
- 7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Class (*Lounge*)

Thursday, January 21, 2010

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

Friday, January 22, 2010

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

Saturday, January 23, 2010

- 9-12:00 p.m. Adv. Preaching Class
- 9-1:00 p.m. City Year (*Fellowship Hall*)
- 11:30 a.m. MA (*Teen Room*)

Sunday, January 24, 2010

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

The Liturgical Arts Committee is meeting Tuesday January 19th at 6:30 p.m. Please join us and help plan activities for 2010.

What do Mexican Train, Chickenfoot and Concentration have in common? You might just find them played in the Lounge at Zion for the monthly Dominoes game this Wednesday at 1 p.m. Come join the fun!

The worship committee needs your help to plan services for this spring. Contact Hope Hughes if you are able to help with ideas, music, or anything else.

It's Pantry Week Again!!

And that means we need helpers! We'll need folks to help unload the Gleaners truck Monday between about 12 and 2 (Wayne can call you when it arrives) and to pack bags Monday Night starting at 6 p.m. And finally to help with distribution Tuesday Morning by 9 a.m.



Participants and Acknowledgements for Today's Worship

<i>Presiding Minister</i>	Pastor Paul F. Gateman
<i>Preaching Minister</i>	Pastor John Meulendyk
<i>Assisting Minister</i>	Rick Aardal
<i>Lector</i>	Brian Drumm
<i>Sign Language</i>	Stacey Joudan
<i>Organist, pianist</i>	Scott Schroeder
<i>Chancel Choir</i>	Roger Smith
<i>Adult Bell Choir</i>	Megan Hagle
<i>Greeters</i>	Moose Flores and Jim Littrell



The flowers on the altar this week are from Roger, Ceil and Gordon Smith in honor of Gregory's 20th birthday and in memory of Gordon Smith.

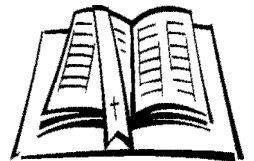
If you would like to sponsor flowers for that special date to honor or remember an important person or event sign up on the Flower Chart in the Narthex. Once you put your name on the chart please leave a note in the office if you would like a dedication in the weekly Tidings and any flower preference. Envelopes are available 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 01/24/2010

- Nehemiah 8:1-3,5-6,8-10
- Psalm 19
- 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a
- Luke 4:14-21



Special Brunch Today January 17, 2010

Today's service is celebrating the decision by the Evangelical Lutheran Church Churchwide Assembly to welcome qualified gay and lesbian clergy into clergy and leadership positions in the ELCA will be followed by brunch downstairs. Zion Lutheran Church has been welcoming for over 15 years through it's Reconciling in Christ Program (RIC).

Adult Bible Class!

Meets every Wednesday night, at 7:00 p.m. in the Lounge with Pastor Gateman. Come join us!

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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 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 Senseman
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
Theresa Fulgenzi - partner of Dawn Lyman
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



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.

Lift Every Voice and Sing!

And ring out the bells too!
Choir Practices are resuming now. The Children's Choir and Bell Choir will both meet after service every week for no



more than 1 hour starting on the 17th. The Adult Bell Choir rehears Thursdays from 6-7:00 p.m. and the Chancel Choir is at 7:30 p.m. Hope to see everyone there!

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.

Have you filled out a communion card yet this year? Take a moment to do so as you sign the attendance book this week, it will keep our records current. The attendance on January 10th was 153!

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.

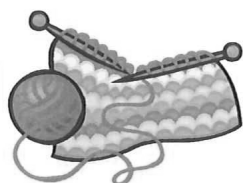
*** PLEASE SIGN UP ***

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 available. To be more eco-friendly, use mugs and stainless flatware.

NA Steward Sign Up Sheet is located in the church office. There are several open Friday night dates on the 2010 calendar. Please sign up for one!

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.



***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.*

All Zion members and friends. Please save the following dates on your calendar!

Saturday, March 6 -Cabaret Night and Friday, April 30 -Spaghetti Dinner & Silent Auction. These are two FUN fundraisings events for Luther League. We hope you can join us! More details to come!



Ring in the New Year with financial resolutions!

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

- Establish your 2010 financial goals**, including your retirement and overall savings goals. Post them where you'll see them often.
 - 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/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 or estate plan** 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 ext. 103 or catherine.gateman@thrivent.com today or visit thrivent.com.

A special thanks to those helping with the planning of today's worship service including the Good for Your Soul Gang, Person to Person, and the RIC planning Committee (Moose Flores, Brian Drumm, Nick, Charles Senseman, Sue Radzilowski, Rick Aardal, Stacy Jourdan, Jeanine Ingram, Walter Jackson, Jim Litrell, Shirley Nesseseth, Kevin Luedtke and Pr. John).

And a very special thanks for preparing brunch to Brad Schenk, Dennis German, and Chuck and to Charles Senseman for providing the musical ambiance during brunch today. Please take a moment to let them know you appreciate their efforts!



SOLICITING AUCTION ITEMS AND IDEAS

The Luther League is currently soliciting businesses for donations of items for the silent auction, to be held April 30th. We are approaching all of those who have donated in the past, but it's always good to have new items and ideas! Tickets, gift certificates and themed baskets are particularly good items. If you have any business contacts or suggestions of new ideas, please contact Katie Brisson at katie@brissong.com or 248-544-2343. Thank you!