Zion Connection

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Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church!

We're all about helping you get connected -

With one another, with your faith, with the greater church, and with opportunities to serve our community & beyond.

Zion's Prayer Request Ministry

Intercessory prayer is a meaningful way in which Zion community members support one other. We welcome prayer requests and offer two ways you can request prayer for yourself or for other(s).

Sunday Service Prayer List - You may request that your name or that of other(s) be added to our Sunday prayer list. This is a public list (names only) that is read aloud during our worship service. If you are seeking prayer for someone other than yourself, please ask that person's permission first. We also ask that you regularly follow up with updates. We try not to remove any name until we hear that the need has passed, but we also want to be sure our list reflects the current concerns accurately.

Prayer Request Email Tree - More detailed prayer requests can be shared with our Zion family via our email tree. These email prayer requests can include as little or as much information as you like. Again, when seeking prayer for others, please ask permission first.

To add a name(s) to either of the prayer request lists, please simply email the church office at prayers@zionlutheranfl.com. Please indicate whether your request is for the Sunday Service List, the Prayer Request Email Tree, or both. Either Joy Albrecht or Susan Skyzinski will handle your request asap. (Also, please feel free to email the **church office to unsubscribe** from the Zion Prayer Tree.)



Church Calendar

(For more info re: any of the following events, please email the church office.)

Weekly Worship Service -11:00am - In-person and via livestream (Link)

Men's Prayer Breakfast -Mondays - 8:30am @ Rainbow Restaurant

Pastor's Bible Study via **Zoom** - Thursdays @ 2:00pm

Mah Jongg Fellowship -Fridays - 1:00pm @ Zion

Sept. Church Council Mtg. -Sun., Sept. 11th @ 12:00pm

WELCA Monthly Meeting -Mon., Sept. 12th @ 10:00am

Oct. Church Council Mtg. -Sun., Oct. 9th @ 12:00pm

Sanctuary Flowers -

The sanctuary flowers in August are given by Paul & Diane Brown in loving memory of their parents.

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Summer Ministry Updates

Summer heat and vacation schedules are upon us, but several vital ministries continue at Zion. Check out the following updates!

- We rejoice in the baptism on July 31, 2022, of David Michael Sutherland, born Dec. 20, 2019, and Elizabeth Lynn Sutherland, born Mar. 26, 2022. Parents are Ross & Teri Sutherland; grandparents are Gary & Bridget Smith; and great-great aunt is Barbara Schroeder.
- An **updated Zion Directory** was recently sent to all friends and members. Thank you, Susan Skyzinski, for all your hard work!
- Our Zion facilities manager., John Renn, reports that a brand-new air conditioner was recently installed. Approx. 1/3 of the cost was covered by donations from our generous Zion family. Thank you to all who donated! To date, 3 of our 4 a/c units have been replaced in recent years. The 4th unit is almost 40 years old, but it is still functioning sufficiently at this time.
- Organizers Pat McCurdy and Joan Missell report that this coming Sunday, Aug. 14th, will be the final day to donate school supplies for local children in need. Pat & Joan will be delivering the supplies early next week. Thank you to all who so generously donated!

Lutheran Disaster Response - US Flooding

In late July, a line of severe storms dumped record amounts of rain on eastern Kentucky, overflowing rivers and creeks onto streets and neighborhoods. Though hundreds of people have been rescued, the number of people missing is still unknown. The flooding has destroyed hundreds of homes and left families with nothing. These severe floods are not limited to Kentucky; there has been flooding in Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, West Virginia and other states in the region.

As the waters recede and the full scope of the damage is assessed, LDR will work with the Indiana-Kentucky Synod and local communities to focus on long-term needs. We anticipate that the response will include rebuilding homes, replacing lost household items and providing emotional and spiritual care to survivors.

Gifts to LDR, designated for "U.S. Flooding," will be used entirely (100%) to assist storm survivors. If you would like to make a gift, please drop your donation in the Zion offering on Sunday or mail a check to Zion (PO Box 607). Please make checks payable to Zion Lutheran Church, but clearly note on the check that it is to be used for "U.S. Flooding". Our awesome treasurer, John Renn, will see that the funds are sent directly to LDR.

Sunday Scripture Readings

Sunday, August 14th (10th Sunday of Pentecost) Jeremiah 23:23-29 Psalm 82 Hebrews 11:29-12:2 Luke 12:49-56

Sunday, August 21st (11th Sunday of Pentecost) Isaiah 58:9b-14 Psalm 103:1-8 Hebrews 12:18-29 Luke 13:10-17

Sunday, August 28th (12th Sunday of Pentecost) Proverbs 25:6-7 Psalm 112 Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 Luke 14:1, 7-14

Sunday, September 4th (13th Sunday of Pentecost) Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Psalm 1 Philemon 1-21 Luke 14:25-33

August Birthdays -

1st - Wendy Simon

7th - Louise Willim

9th - Maryanne Lenning

16th - Gary Lenning 18th - Pat McCurdy

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26