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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.

WELCA - A New Year of Mission & Service

"What is WELCA? It's an easy way to say Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Our organization includes Lutheran women who gather in more than 4,500 locations in the U.S. and the Caribbean, for service, study, advocacy, fellowship and more! WELCA embraces all kinds of ministries that support our mission of mobilizing women to act boldly on their faith in Jesus Christ." (Excerpt from [ELCA WELCA Website](#))

WELCA at Zion -

Zion's WELCA unit, led by our faithful, hard-working president, Ruth Stoyer, meets on the 1st Monday of the month at 10:00am (2nd Monday if the 1st is a holiday). Together, we spend time in prayer, in spiritual growth, and in planning for our many mission activities.

Fall Kick-Off Meeting -

Our first meeting of the new program year will be held on Monday, Sept. 12th @10:00 am (9:30am for fellowship time), and will be conducted hybrid-style. Those who are able will gather in person at the church while those who prefer to attend via Zoom will be "with us" on the large t.v. screen in the fellowship room. We always have a great time together and would love to have as many women of Zion as possible join us! For those participating via Zoom, here is the link for the meeting: [WELCA Zoom Gathering](#) (Meeting ID: 844 0690 9390 and Passcode: 914993).

Church Calendar

(For more info re: any of these 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

**ELCA God's work. Our
hands. Day-** Sun., Sept. 11th

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

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

WELCA Monthly Meeting -
Mon., Oct. 3rd @ 10:00am

Sanctuary Flowers

Flowers in August are given by Paul & Diane Brown in loving memory of their parents.

Flowers in September are given by Joan Missell to the glory of God.

(WELCA - continued)

School Supply Project - Submitted by Pat McCurdy (Thanks, Pat!)

Many thanks to those who gave donations of money and supplies for the Groveland Elementary School students. We received notebooks, filler paper, crayons, colored pencils, pencils, tons of glue sticks, rulers, markers, and the list goes on and on. Even though last year we had an earlier start, we still managed to just about fill the back of my car with supplies. Joan Missell and I delivered them to Groveland Elementary.

2022 Synod WELCA Fall Gathering - Nov. 11th thru 13th

The Women of the ELCA Fall Gathering is to be held at Lake Yale Center in Leesburg, November 11-13. This year's theme is *Step by Step* based on Prov. 16:9 (NLT). The registration deadline is Sept. 15, 2022. If you are a voting member, the registration deadline is August 31, 2022. For more info, check with [Louise](#) or go to www.flwelca.com.

Flowers for Worship - It's That Time Again!

The beautiful flowers you see in our chancel area on Sunday mornings are provided by [Kim E's Flowers](#) in Groveland. Kim E's has not raised the price (\$25.00) to us for many years, and we are very grateful. The fresh flowers are delivered for the first Sunday of the month, and the arrangement is then refrigerated after each week's service. When watered properly, the flowers last for the entire month.

Beginning Sun., Sept. 4th, we will be accepting donations for 2023. Flowers may be given in honor of a special person or occasion. Please see the string board at church to choose the month(s) you prefer and then place the provided envelope with your donation into the offering plate. **Re: cost** - We are in the process of confirming the cost for 2023 and will have that info by Sept. 4th. We are hoping for no change, of course, but anticipate any potential increase would be less than \$5.00.

Recap of 2022 Churchwide Assembly

The 2022 ELCA Churchwide Assembly convened in Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 8-12th. Gathering under the theme, *Embody the Word*, voting members participated in plenaries and worship while acting on key legislative business and hearing reports on the work of the church. To learn more, click on the following links:

- [Daily summaries of assembly actions](#) from *Living Lutheran* magazine.
- [Media highlights and videos](#) of assembly gatherings, meetings and worship services from the ELCA's website.

Sunday Scripture Readings

Sunday, August 28th

(12th Sunday of Pentecost)

Proverbs 25:6-7

Psalms 112

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Luke 14:1, 7-14

Sunday, September 4th

(13th Sunday of Pentecost)

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Psalms 1

Philemon 1-21

Luke 14:25-33

Sunday, September 11th

(14th Sunday of Pentecost)

Exodus 32:7-14

Psalms 51:1-10

1 Timothy 1:12-17

Luke 15:1-10

Sept. Birthdays -

7th - Rae Starke

17th - Ruth Stoyer

22nd - Penny Slifer

For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. -Psalm 91:11

Prayer Request List

Intercessory prayer is a meaningful way we can support one another. **Your prayers are requested for:** Leif & Monika, Isabelle, Lou Anne, Roy, Malcolm, Dylan, Paul, Mike, Bob and Jim.

To add a name(s) to Zion's prayer list, please speak to Pastor, Susan S., or Joy, or simply [email the church office](#).