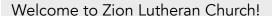
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With one another, with your faith, with the greater church, and with opportunities to serve our community & beyond.

News From Our Church Council

A Note from Newly-Elected President Mike Harrass

First, let me acknowledge the trust Zion has placed in me to serve as Council president. Thank you.

Second, I want to thank the Lennings for their service to Zion, pointing out especially Gary's role as Council President and Maryanne's leadership of the Call Committee. I know there are lots of other things for us to thank them for, and I'm sure we'll all share our individual appreciation with them.

Third, I want to acknowledge the loss of Linda Jacobsen, another member of Council as well as a leader in our congregation. We thank the Lord for her presence among us and pray that our Lord will be with the family.

As I mentioned on Sunday, we look forward to what is next in Zion's journey. I'll confess I'm not that much of a vision guy, so I look forward to all of you sharing ideas and "how-about-if-we" suggestions. I'll try to be a facilitator; my focus tends to be "so what do we do next?" Please share your ideas with me or another Council member. Recent experience seems to show ideas quickly turn into realities around Zion.



Church Calendar

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

Men's Prayer Breakfast -Mondays - 8:30am @ Rainbow Restaurant in Groveland (For info: John Renn)

Pastor's Bible Study via **Zoom -** Thursdays @ 2:00pm (For info, email church office.)

Mah Jongg Fellowship -Fridays - 1:00pm @ Zion (For info: Gail Huntley)

WELCA Meeting via Zoom -Mon., Mar. 7th @ 10:00am Link: WELCA Zoom Mtg.

Church Council Mtg. - Sun., Feb. 13th @ 12:00pm

Bold Women's Worship Service - Sun., Feb. 27th @ 11:00am

WELCA Spring Fling - Sat., Mar. 26th in Winter Park

February Flowers -

February's flowers are given by Joy Albrecht in memory of her husband, Gregory Albrecht.

(Note from Mike - cont.)

There are already three items on the "what's next" list. Lent begins early in March. Expect to see a Lenten calendar (Thanks, Diane Brown!) to help focus our Lenten journey and encourage our support of ELCA Hunger Appeal. Also, expect an invitation to share your reflections with others in our Central Florida ELCA group, as Pastor Hoven of Salem Lutheran in Orlando is organizing a video project to read the entire Gospel of Luke during Lent with individuals sharing their own thoughts about a part of this good-news message. Finally, I want to mention that the Council needs new members. Please consider helping us by preparing to say "yes." And if council membership isn't your thing, let others know what can excite you and engage you as you consider opportunities for service to our Zion family.

Looking forward to what God has in mind for us next. Prayers welcomed.

Mike Harrass (mcharra@gmail.com)

P.S. Click here if you would like a peek at the Lenten video project.

An Invitation to Zion from LSF

Thursday, February 24th @ 7:00pm (Virtual Banquet)

Dear President Lenning and Pastor Nielsen,

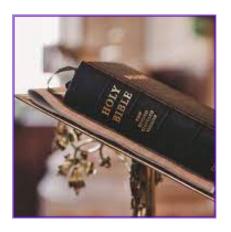
I want to personally thank you again for Zion Lutheran Church's participation in our *Good Samaritan Initiative*! It has been a joy to meet and honor so many wonderful Good Samaritans, such as **Joan Missell**, who reflect the love of Christ through their selfless service. The second phase of the *Good Samaritan Initiative* is the Virtual Banquet which will be held on February 24th from 7:00-8:00PM. We hope you will consider joining us as we celebrate your Good Samaritans one last time, and officially kick off LSF's 40th Anniversary of bringing God's healing, hope and help to people in need in the name of Jesus Christ. Ross Deitrich | Director of Development

Lutheran Services Florida

To request the flyer with full details, including how to receive the link, please email the Zion church office: info@zionlutheranfl.com.

Zion 's "Behind the Scenes" Outreach (Part 2)

The last edition of the *Zion Connection* included Part 1 of information on two of Zion's vital but lesser known outreach funds. Due to space limitations this week, however, the Part 2 article has not been included here as promised. You'll see it soon in an upcoming edition!



Sunday Scripture Readings

Sunday, Feb. 13, 2022

(Reader: Joan Missell) Jeremiah 17:5-10 Psalm 1

1 Corinthians 15:12-20 Luke 6:17-26

Sunday, Feb. 20, 2022

(Reader: Rich McCamant) Genesis 45:3-11, 15 Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50 Luke 6:27-38

Sunday, Feb. 27, 2022

(Bold Women's Sunday) Exodus 34:29-35 Psalm 99 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2 Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a]

Zion Family Birthdays in Feb. -

7th - Jim McGovern

15th - Dee Shields

18th - Etta Brown

26th - Keith Bell