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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.

## Editor's Note

From Joy Albrecht

I try to publish a new issue of our *Zion Connection* at least once every 2 weeks. Starting next week, however, I will be away for a little over a month, so I've had to tweak the schedule and the format of this issue to cover the longer time period. In the meantime, please continue to send ([ZCnews@zionlutheranfl.com](mailto:ZCnews@zionlutheranfl.com)) your suggestions and articles for upcoming issues so I can hit the ground running when I return. Even though I'll be away, this e-mailbox, as well as the e-mailbox for Prayer Requests ([prayers@zionlutheranfl.com](mailto:prayers@zionlutheranfl.com)), will be monitored and carefully handled. (Thank you, Susan Skyzinski 🙏!)

## When the Pentecostals Showed Up . . .

If you read Pastor's weekly "Sermon in a Nutshell" last weekend, your interest may have been piqued by his opening paragraph:

*Last weekend at the Florida Bahamas Synod Assembly in Orlando the delegates experienced more than what was on the program. In the hall adjacent the Lutherans was a group of Pentecostal women gathered from around the world for their annual meeting. Their loud music and singing could be heard through the folding dividing wall that separated them. When a synod staff member went over to speak with them..... Hold on.... I'd better tell you about what to expect tomorrow.*

## Church Calendar

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

**Men's Prayer Breakfast -**  
Mondays - 8:30am @ Rainbow  
Restaurant (Info: [John Renn](#))

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

**Mah Jongg Fellowship -**  
Fridays - 1:00pm @ Zion (Info:  
[Gail Huntley](#))

**July Church Council Mtg. -**  
Sunday, July 10th @ 12:00pm

**Women's Summer Fun**  
**Events (2) -** Friday, July 15th  
& Friday, August 5th (Details  
on page 3 of this newsletter)

## Sanctuary Flowers -

**Flowers in June** are given by  
Louise Willim in memory of our  
wedding anniversary (1965).

**Flowers in July** are given by  
Paul & Diane Brown to the  
Glory of God.

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## (Pentecostals - cont.)

As promised, on Sunday morning Pastor shared the full story with those blessed to be present, and the story is being widely shared throughout the FL-Bahamas Synod in witness to the presence, movement and power of the Holy Spirit at the recent Synod Assembly. [Click here to read the Synod blog post](#) (6/13/22) written by Rob Rose, an organizer of the Assembly, in which he shares his personal experience of this very special Pentecost blessing.

## Current 'Help Wanted' Needs at Zion

Our previous 'Help Wanted' article was a resounding success - **Thank you, Dona Olesen & Gail Huntley**, for volunteering to serve by organizing and maintaining our on-going visitor welcome ministry!

This week at Zion, volunteers are asked to prayerfully consider:

- Being part of a team to help plan and organize the upcoming "God's work. Our hands." Sunday (9/11/22) at Zion. Plenty of resources of all kinds are available to support those willing to serve. All you really need for the job is a heart for serving others. In need of a bit of inspiration? Check out this [beautiful hymn](#) written especially for GWOH Sunday. (Info: [Joy Albrecht](#))
- Reading the weekly scripture lessons from the lectern. The need for "new" lectors (readers) is especially acute as several long-time readers are now needed to serve in the tech booth. Faithful team leader, Pat McCurdy, trains all new volunteers and schedules readers on a flexible monthly schedule so no one person needs to serve every week. (Contact: [Pat McCurdy](#))

## New Large Print Hymnals

Several worshipers have asked about the red binders which are set out on the table in the narthex. These binders contain the week's hymns in large print for those requiring them. Zion now has 5 complete sets of the large-print edition of the entire red hymnal. What that means is no more cutting apart a regular-print hymnal, scanning, enlarging, and then photocopying the weekly hymns. Best of all, it means no more copyright infringements!

The system is not perfect, however. Each large-print copy of the entire hymnal is too bulky to be used on Sundays. So each week, we remove the selected hymns from the complete hymnal set and put them in the small red binders for use. Now our biggest challenge is to keep the sets intact. **Once the hymns have been used, they must be saved and returned for reuse as they are on special library-quality paper.**

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## Sunday Scripture Readings

### Sunday, June 26th

*(3rd Sunday of Pentecost)*

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

Psalms 16

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

Luke 9:51-62

### Sunday, July 3rd

*(4th Sunday of Pentecost)*

Isaiah 66:10-14

Psalms 66:1-9

Galatians 6:[1-6] 7-16

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

### Sunday, July 10th

*(5th Sunday of Pentecost)*

Deuteronomy 30:9-14

Psalms 25:1-10

Colossians 1:1-14

Luke 10:25-37

### Sunday, July 17th

*(6th Sunday of Pentecost)*

Genesis 18:1-10a

Psalms 15

Colossians 1:15-28

Luke 10:38-42

### Sunday, July 24th

*(7th Sunday of Pentecost)*

Genesis 18:20-32

Psalms 138

Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19]

Luke 11:1-13

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## June Birthdays -

8th - Leif Zetterlund

10th - Jim Stouffer

30th - Valerie Clarke Boyd

## July Birthdays -

9th - Becky Wehman

19th - Joy Albrecht

29th - Susan Skyzinski

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### WELCA Summer Fun & Fellowship

As many of you know, WELCA does not traditionally hold official meetings during the summer months. However, after waiting 2 years to finally be able to gather, share and laugh together in person, the women of Zion have absolutely no interest in saying good-bye for three long summer months. So, WELCA has planned two fellowship opportunities. ALL women of Zion are invited to join us and to bring a friend. These two events are all about "fun and games" - no duties, no business, no responsibilities.

#### **Friday, July 15th @ 10:00am - Brunch at Twisted Biscuit restaurant in Tavares (Carpool leaving Zion at 9:30am)**

WELCA members and friends are planning to "hit the road" to Tavares for a yummy brunch at Twisted Biscuit Diner. As the owner, Don Wilson, explains, "Our goal is to take a classic Southern diner and "twist" it a bit. We look forward to introducing you all to biscuits and Southern cuisine with a "twist" very soon!!"

Check out the [Twisted Biscuit Diner website](#), and plan to join us on July 15th. You are welcome to drive directly to the diner (4101 County Rd 561, Tavares, FL) and meet the group there. Or, those who would like to carpool will meet at Zion at 9:20am and drive over together. If you plan to carpool, please be on time; we will leave Zion promptly at 9:30am. Also, please rsvp to [Dona Olesen](#) so we will know how many to expect. We hope to see you there!

#### **Friday, Aug. 5th - 11:00am @ Zion**

ALL are invited to gather in the Zion social hall for a fun, casual, air-conditioned get-together featuring lunch & board games. WELCA member Dona Olesen is organizing a lunch of sliders, salad and sweets. Feel free to bring your favorite table game to teach. We'll also have several games you can choose from at the church. If you'd like to help Dona with the lunch, please let her know. Otherwise, just come as you are and relax with good friends. There may even be little prizes for the big winners! ([Rsvp's](#) would be helpful.)