

Our Christian Stewardship:

General: \$10,504.84

Operating Debt Balance: \$61,561.04

Attendance: 225

Mission: \$310.00

Glory to God Giving: \$370.00

Glory to God Match: \$90,891.59

SERVANTS at Zion, Today:

9:00am Traditional Worship Service

GREETERS Andy/ Tami White

ELDER Eric Retzlaff

USHERS

ACOLYTES

PASTOR Rev. Bernhard Huesmann

LAYREADER Sandra Vanness

SERVANTS (Next Week)-AUG. 16

9:00am PAX

GREETERS Greg/ Kathy Warneke

ELDER Tom Weinrich

USHERS Adrienne Riggert
Stella Riggert

ACOLYTES Megan Meier
Parker Suckstorf

PASTOR Rev. Bernhard Huesmann

LAYREADER Jolene Smith

Zion Lutheran School Pierce

2026-2027

Join us for Back-to-School
Night/ Open House Monday,
August 10th from 6:00 pm-
7:00 pm.

We will have a parent meeting
in the gym at 6 pm & 6:30 pm.
Use Activities Entrance.

All are welcome!



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August 9th, 2026

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Lutheran Church- Missouri Synod

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Shawn Dozy, Dawn Tucker, Dawn Flinn, Rayleen Wesemann, Pastor Birtell, Addie Voelker, Les Richmond, Natalie Retzlaff, Josie Richmond, Laurita Nitz

USHER AND ACOLYTE SIGN-UP: The Usher and Acolyte sign-ups are posted on the church Facebook page. Please take a moment to sign up for at least two service opportunity. If all positions are not filled, individuals will be assigned as needed to ensure each service is covered. Thank you for your willingness to serve and support our church ministry!

USHER TRAINING: We would really like for any of our previously confirmed youth students, and newly confirmed youth students, to assist during church services on Sunday mornings by serving as an usher and/or technology booth assistant. With that, although we already completed a formal training session, we would absolutely be willing to offer more training sessions for students who would like to assist but were unable to make it to our last training opportunity. If this sounds like you, please feel free to contact the church office (402-329-4313), so we can work to get another training scheduled. We are currently looking for both ushers and technology booth assistance, so whatever your ability, we would love to have you! Adult technology booth volunteers would also be welcomed and appreciated, as well.

ALTAR FLOWERS: The altar flowers are given in loving memory of **LaVonne Fleer**. We give thanks to God for her life, her faith, and the many blessings she shared with her family, friends, and our church/ school community. May these flowers remind us of God's promise of eternal life through Jesus Christ.

BIRTHRIGHT VOLUNTEER: Would you like to make a difference in the life of a young lady who may be experiencing an unplanned pregnancy? Birthright of Norfolk is hoping to expand its list of volunteers and we would love to have you join us. We ask that you volunteer in our office one day a month for about 3 hours. We will provide you with the training you need to be a well-informed volunteer. If this sounds like something you would like to try, please contact Cindy Dinkel at 402-841-1414 and we will be happy to visit with you about becoming a Birthright volunteer. We plan to hold the training sessions in September.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: If you have announcements or upcoming events you would like announced, please contact the church office **by noon on Wednesday.** Also, if anyone has updates to their address, phone number, email, or member status, please notify the church office of any changes.

SCRIP: Mrs. Anson is taking orders for scrip. They are due every Monday by midnight. If she doesn't have what you need on hand, orders may take up to one week before they are available.

HEARING IMPAIRED PARISHIONERS: Personal hearing receivers are available in the guest book podium. Please take the case with you and remember to put them back in their case and return them to the podium, or usher, when you are done. If you are having a problem with one of them, please turn it in to an Elder or Usher and let them know of the problem.

YOUTH CARWASH: Thank you to everyone who assisted with this endeavor, and thank you to everyone who came down to TLC to support our efforts! We also want to offer a big thank you to TLC Carwash for having us, managing the experience, and for their generosity in donating services, supplies, and a portion of the sales. We really could not have an active youth program of this type without the care shown by this congregation and our community partners!

ZION - FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL: Our first day of school is Wednesday, August 12th beginning at 8 a.m. You are invited to our opening chapel at 8:15 a.m. in the sanctuary. Please note it is a full day of school. Our 4 year old preschool class will begin on Wednesday, August 12th. Our three year old preschool classes will begin on Thursday, August 13th.

BOWL/ PAN PICK-UP: Thank you to everyone who brings salads and desserts to church, just know how much it is appreciated by the families. Don't forget to pick up your bowls/ cake pans. They are located in the narthex. One again thank you for all you do!

CONFIRMATION: Confirmation classes for public school 7th and 8th grade students will resume for this year beginning on Wednesday, August 19th, at 4PM, so please be aware of this earlier starting date for this year. The public school 7th grade students will be taught by Mr. J in the former Zion 7th/8th grade classroom, and the 8th grade students will be taught by Pastor Huesmann in the current youth room, former 5th/6th grade classroom.

FAITH WEAVERS: Our Faith Weavers leaders and teachers are planning to get together to continue to work on coordinating plans for offering this ministry once again this year on Tuesday, August 11th, beginning at 6PM, and if you would like to assist with this process, we invite you to meet us in the Zion fellowship hall at that time. We hope to see you soon!

BLOCK CLEAN-UP: Join us, today at 5:00pm as we work together to spruce up the church and school grounds and get everything ready for the new school year. Many hands make light work, and your time and help are greatly appreciated as we prepare to welcome students, families, and visitors for another wonderful school year.

YOUTH MEETINGS: Now that the summer is coming to a close, and we are quickly approaching a new school year, it is time to retire the Wednesday evening youth meetings for the year and return to our regular Sunday schedule for youth meetings for the school year. That being said, we are planning to try out a slightly different method for meetings this year, so please read carefully for changes. With that in mind, our next youth meeting will take place on Sunday, August 16th, from 4:30PM to 8PM in the Zion youth room/gym. Youth for 7th and 8th grade students will take place from 4:30PM to 6PM, a meal for all youth students will take place from 6PM to 6:30PM, and then youth for 9th-12th grade students will take place from 6:30PM to 8PM, all at the church. Due to other events for this month, this will be the only meeting for August, but we do plan to hold these types of meetings twice monthly in addition to our typical monthly youth events and occasional fundraisers. If you have any questions/concerns about this new plan, please contact Mr. J by email at your earliest opportunity.

FAMILY BIBLE STUDY: After a few weeks off, Mr. J is planning to resume his study over the movie "David" beginning this week, August 9th, at 10:30AM in the youth room. This study will continue over the next few weeks as the group works to complete the rest of the movie before the beginning of September. If you would still like to jump in, feel free to join us, and we would love to include you in some great conversations! All are welcome!

AWAKEN WORKSHOP: Gain confidence and creativity in sharing your faith story with others! Learn practical tools at the next Awaken workshop, Aug. 29-30, at Our Savior Lutheran Church, Norfolk. The workshop will be 5-7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 29, and 11:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 30. Meals and materials provided with \$20 registration fee. [Register now](#) or contact [Greg Schatz](#) to learn more.

COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE: Give the gift of life by donating blood at the **Pierce Community Blood Drive!**

Tuesday, August 11
12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Christ Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

To schedule your appointment, please contact **Lori Wragge** at **402-860-1441** or visit **Red-CrossBlood.org** and enter the sponsor code **Pierce**.

Every donation can help save lives. Thank you for considering this important opportunity to serve your neighbors and make a difference in our community!

God is good
ALL THE TIME