

**SERVANTS - Jan. 21**

**TIME** 8:00am PAX  
**GREETERS** Tyler & Mckayla Krueger  
**ELDER** Tom Weinrich  
**USHERS** Drayden Gossman  
 Bergin Gossman  
  
**ACOLYTES** Caybri Monroe  
 Easton Price

**TIME** 10:00am  
**GREETERS** All & Lee Homan  
**ELDER** Jerald Wachter  
**USHERS** Deon Watts  
 Zane Koehler  
**ACOLYTES** Kendyl Olson  
 Darcy Watts

Jan. 22  
**TIME** 7:00pm  
**ELDER** Eric Retzlaff  
**ACOLYTES** Brooke Podany  
 Ethan Claussen  
**ORGANIST** Celine Fehringer

**SERVANTS - Jan. 28**

**TIME** 8:00am PAX  
**GREETERS** Mike & Miriam Krueger  
**ELDER** Fred Marks  
**USHERS** Emily Endorf  
 Noah Fuerhoff  
**ACOLYTES** Brenna Benes  
 Natalie Endorf

**TIME** 10:00am  
**ELDER** Mike Krueger  
**USHERS** Hadleigh Collison  
 Boston Krueger  
**GREETERS** Rick & Vicki Sirek  
**ACOLYTES** Burkley Collison  
 Kaelyn Halsey

Jan. 29  
**TIME** 7:00pm  
**ELDER** Rick Sirek  
**ACOLYTES** Deacon Watts  
 Lucas Weber  
**ORGANIST** Celine Fehringer

**Rev. Gordon W. Bruce**  
*Senior Pastor*

**Vicar Wesley Johnson**

**Mr. Derek Jareske**  
*Director of Christian Ed*

**Ms. Amy Weber-Podany**  
*Church Secretary*

**Mrs. Jennifer Snodgrass**  
*Principal*

**Mrs. Stacy Johnson**  
*Academic Coordinator*

**Mrs. April Anson**  
*School Secretary*

**Ms. Sierra Hansen**  
*7th/8th Grade*

**Mrs. Lavonne Fleer**  
*5th/6th Grade*

**Mrs. Kelly Stonacek**  
*3rd/4th Grade*

**Ms. Elizabeth Harris**  
*2nd Grade*

**Mrs. Jennifer Rohrich**  
*1st Grade*

**Mrs. Kathy Test**  
*Kindergarten*

**Mrs. Misty Steffen**  
*Preschool*

**Mrs. Tara Oestreich**  
*Para-educator*

**Mrs. Carol Lutz**  
*Para-educator*

**Ms. Wanda Backus**  
*Para-educator*

*January 21, 2024*

# Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

## Lutheran Church- Missouri Synod

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**PAX Worship 8:00AM**

**Traditional Worship 10:00AM**

**Monday Vespers 7:00PM**

## Installation of Officers for 2024

**Chairman:** Tom Weinrich  
**Vice-Chairman:** Todd Stonacek  
**Secretary:** Sherri Krueger  
**Financial Secretary:** R. Voelker/M. Luebe  
**Mission Treasurer:** Mike Baumann  
**Board of Elders:** Rick Sirek, John Meier, Brian Blecher, Doug Cromwell,  
 Andy White, Blaine Bockelman  
**Board of Trustees:** Dennis Watts, Brady Bretschneider, Ruth Weinrich,  
 Tami White, Eric Vanness, Travis Podany  
**Board of Education:** Tyler Krueger, Ryan Babl, Jodi Beacom, Laura Benes,  
 Jeff Meier, Andrew Wolff

**SUNDAY- JAN 21** 5:00pm Fusion Youth Group  
**MONDAY- JAN 22** 6:00pm Trustees Meeting  
 7:00pm VESPERS  
 8:00pm Elders Meeting  
**WEDNESDAY-JAN 24** 7:00am Women's Bible Study  
 8:10am Chapel  
 4:00pm Confirmation  
 5:15pm Faith Weavers  
**THURSDAY- JAN 25** 6:30am Mens Bible Study  
 1:00pm Quilters  
**SUNDAY- JAN 28** 8:00am PAX/COMM  
 9:00am Bible classes  
 10:00am TRAD /COMM

**OUR CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP: Jan. 15: Vespers— 8**  
**Direct Deposit: \$1,200.00 General— \$850.00 Mission- \$50.00 Debt Drive- \$1,550.00**  
**Operating Debt Balance- \$38,915.57 Matching Funds Debt Drive- \$50,253.78**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR: Those continuing to battle various afflictions:** Rick Droescher, Colton Beacom, Brenda Roberts, Nate Bolling, Shawn Dozy & Dawn Tucker, Dawn Flinn, Rayleen Wesemann, Ivy Clausen, Jolene Buss

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR:** The Lutheran Hour—“Bringing Christ to the Nations and the Nations to the Church” on WJAG (780 AM & 105.9 FM) each Sunday at 7:30 A.M. and 12:30 P.M Today: January 21 **"The Battleground of Forgiveness"** Lutheran Hour Speaker: [Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler](#) God's forgiveness covers our sins-but it's not a coverup! (Psalm 32:1)

**CHRISTMAS PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING:** The Zion LLL—MC would like to thank those who supported the 2023 Christmas project. The four financial gifts to the Pierce Community Food Pantry totaled \$280.00. The food, health, and sanitary gifts would have been a similar amount. The Lord's blessings to all who supported this local Christmas gift opportunity. **To God Be the Glory!** If at anytime during the year you would like to make a gift to the Pierce Community Food Pantry, you are welcome to do so. Make your financial gift to the “Pierce Community Food Pantry”. Send it to Betty Leisner, 420 S. Pleasant St., Pierce, NE 68767-1460.

**TEACHER OPENINGS FOR 2024/2025 SCHOOL YEAR:** Do you have a love for teaching children and sharing the word of God? We have an opportunity for you! Zion Lutheran School is looking for a Preschool teacher and a teacher for Grades 5 & 6. Our beloved teachers Mrs. Kathy Test (Kindergarten) and Mrs. Lavonne Fleer (Grades 5 & 6) are retiring at the end of the school year. We thank them for their many years of faithful service to our students and school! Mrs. Misty Steffen, our current Preschool teacher will be moving to Kindergarten starting the 2024-2025 school year. Please submit your resume with references to Jennifer Snodgrass, Zion Lutheran School, 520 E. Main St. Pierce NE 68767.

**PART TIME AIDE POSITION:** Do you love sharing God's word and working with children? Zion Lutheran School has a part-time aide position opening just for you at the present time. The position would be approximately 29 hours a week. Please send your resume to Zion Lutheran School Attention: Jennifer Snodgrass. If you have any questions call 402-329-4658.

**FUSION YOUTH MEETING:** Due to inclement weather last weekend, our monthly Fusion Youth Group meeting for 7th through 12th grade students has been rescheduled to take place **today**, January 21st, from **5PM to 7PM in the Zion gym/fellowship hall**. If you are considering joining us for the fun, consider bringing a friend along, as well! A meal will be served, and no money is needed for this portion of the meeting.

**YOUTH TRIP:** Because Great Bear Ski Valley was closed on Monday, January 15th, our planned one day Fusion Youth Group ski trip for 7th through 12th grade students will be **rescheduled to take place on Friday, January 26th, 2024**. We will still plan to follow the same schedule on this new date, namely departing to Great Bear Ski Valley in Sioux Falls, SD at 8AM and returning to Pierce by about 9PM. Based on this new date, if any youth students, and any adult chaperones, would like to attend this trip, please use the registration form on the church website or send an email to [dcejareske@zionlutheranpierce.com](mailto:dcejareske@zionlutheranpierce.com) to let Mr. J know who will be attending this trip based on the new updated date by January 22nd. Participants will also need to fill out an updated rental agreement to rent equipment through the Great Bear Ski Valley website (ask Mr. J for more details) and fill out a Zion Transportation Permission form for this year. We are also asking youth participants to bring along \$30 to cover meals and provide \$20 to help cover trip expenses. Otherwise, please continue to check the church website for more details, especially as weather continues to be a factor and as trip details continue to settle. Also, if any parents, 21 and over, would be interested in serving as a chaperone and driving for this trip, please let Mr. J know as soon as possible.

**FAITH WEAVERS:** Parents/guardians can find information and register in the new year on our church website under “Educational Ministries” and “Faith Weavers.” If you would like to answer the call to serve in the new year by helping with Faith Weavers, please contact Kim Baumann, Suzie Wachter, or Mr. Jareske (402-329-4313) as soon as possible. To ensure the continued success of this ministry for the future, we are still looking for several volunteers to help in various areas. Barring inclement weather, Faith Weavers will resume on Wednesday evenings from 5:15PM to 6:45PM. As we continue through the month of January, though, please remember to check our website for program and weather related updates. Again, if the public school cancels due to weather, or other factors, on a particular Wednesday, Faith Weavers will be likewise canceled for that evening. **Please put donations in the kitchen with a note (from who, for who) and alert church staff about your donation. Frozen items should be placed in the freezer. Your support is greatly appreciated!**

**For January and February**

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| 1. Large bags of plain tortilla chips | 4. Large packages of frozen chicken nuggets |
| 2. Regular bottles of mild taco sauce | 5. Regular cans of corn                     |
| 3. Regular jars of mild salsa         |   |

**ZION LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL: Mark your calendars now for Preschool Enrollment for 2024-2025!**

**First day of Second Semester – January 31<sup>st</sup>:** Enrollment for currently enrolled preschool students ONLY. You will only need to complete the registration form AND include a deposit.

**February 1 – End of February:** Siblings of currently enrolled Zion students and/or members of Zion Lutheran Church may enroll during this time. **ALL PAPERWORK NEEDS TO BE TURNED IN – please see the enrollment form for required paperwork. You can also find the enrollment sheet on our school website at <http://www.zionlutheranpierce.com/school.html>.**

**March 1 and following:** Open enrollment. Open House date will be announced at a later date.

We strongly encourage you to register as soon as your registration window opens. This is on a first come, first serve basis. **All** paperwork will need to be completed and submitted in order to enroll your child in preschool for the next school year. Incomplete paperwork brought to school office will not be accepted. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Steffen at (402) 329-4658.

Prek3	Tuesday/Thursday	8:00-11:15 am	Your child must be the age of 3 years old by August 1 <sup>st</sup> and potty-trained to attend this class.
Prek4	Monday/Wednesday/Friday	8:00-11:15 am	Your child must be the age of 4 years old by August 1 <sup>st</sup> and potty-trained to attend this class.
Prek5	Monday/Wednesday/Friday	12:15-3:20 pm	Your child must be the age of 5 years old by October 1 <sup>st</sup> or have attended at least 1 year of preschool. Child needs to be potty-trained to attend this class.

**BLOOD DRIVE:** Give the gift of life! Give blood at the next Red Cross blood drive in Pierce. Tuesday, February 6: 12:00pm– 6:00pm @ Christ Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall. Contact Lori Wragge (402) 860-1441 to register or with questions.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES:** Please pick up your new 2024 offering envelopes in the Narthex. If you don't see yours or would like some envelopes, please contact the office.