

Our Christian Stewardship:

Attendance: 178

General: \$7,505.80

Mission: \$125.00

Glory to God Giving: \$1,330.00

Operating Debt Balance: \$44,113.63

Glory to God Match: \$64,339.00

SERVANTS at Zion, Today:

9:00am Traditional

WITHOUT the Lord's Supper

GREETERS Ryan/ Brooke Collison

ELDER Tom Weinrich

USHERS Makenna Blecher
Draydin Gossman

ACOLYTES Cutter Krueger
William Blank

ELDER SERVICE

LAYREADER Sandra Vanness

SERVANTS (Next Week) - May 31

9:00am PAX

GREETERS Jan Zierke/ Suzie Wachter

ELDER Rick Sirek

USHERS Bergin Gossman
Deacon Watts

ACOLYTES Carter Wachter
Shaylie Wachter

ELDER SERVICE

LAYREADER NEEDED

Zion Lutheran School Pierce

2026-2027

**Zion BPE Meeting is Sunday,
May 31st at 6 p.m.**

**First Day of School for 2026-27
is Wednesday, August 12th**

**Thank you for a great school
year; enjoy the summer break!**

David Beikmann at principal@zionlutheranpierce.com

School Office



SUNDAY- MAY 24th 9:00am Traditional Worship

MONDAY- MAY 25th Church Office Closed

TUESDAY- MAY 26th 2:00pm VBS Decorating

WEDNESDAY- MAY 27th 7:00am Women's Bible Study
2:00pm VBS Decorating

THURSDAY- MAY 28th 6:30AM Men's Bible Study
2:00pm VBS Decorating

SUNDAY- MAY 31st 9:00am PAX Worship
12:00pm VBS Mtg.



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May 24th, 2026

The Day of Pentecost

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Lutheran Church- Missouri Synod

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Shawn Dozy, Dawn Tucker, Lavonne Fler, Dawn Flinn, Rayleen Wesemann, Pastor Birtell, Addie Voelker, Les Richmond, Natalie Retzlaff, Josie Richmond, Laurita Nitz, Gerald Hixon (turned 90 on 4-23-26)

FORWARD IN FAITH UPDATE: Last Sunday at Zion, we held Commitment Sunday for our Forward In Faith Campaign. The total amount of pledges to the campaign is \$1,168,273. If you were not able to attend last Sunday, and are moved by the Holy Spirit to pledge to the campaign you can place your commitment card in the offering plate or leave it at the Church Office. Commitment cards are located in the back of the church or in the church office. Thank you to all those who were moved by the Holy Spirit to contribute to the campaign.

QUILTING: The Quilting Ladies have ended their weekly sessions in May and will resume again in Oct. We were able to construct 73 quilts this year. We donated 82 to Orphan Grain Train and 6 were donated to the Zion Wild Game Feed and locally. We would like to thank everyone who donated sheets, fabric, or batting. Your support is appreciated. We meet once a week on Thursday afternoons and welcome anyone who is interested to join us next fall.

CARE CREW TEAM: Will NOT be meeting the month of May.

ZION 101: is a new **ADULT MEMBERSHIP CLASS** that will begin on **Sunday June 14 at 10:30 a.m.** This class is open to anyone desiring to become a member of Zion Lutheran Church. It is also open to long-time members who want a "refresher" on what it is we believe. (In fact - current Zion members are *encouraged* to attend!) This will be a 4-5 week class. If interested, please let Pastor Huesmann know.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY: Please join Jerald and Suzie Wachter as they host the Adult Bible Study on May 31st at 6pm at their home (54434 853 Rd Pierce, NE 68767).

LWML AGAPE CIRCLE: THANK YOU! The LWML Agape circle would like to express our gratitude to all who have supported and continue to support us with mite offerings in church. With your offerings you are helping us to spread the word that Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior in our country and around the world. God's Blessings to all!

THANK YOU: A sincere thank you to Magdanz Hardware for generously donating the paint used in the church office update. Their kindness and support is greatly appreciated and have helped brighten and refresh our space.

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.

VBS: Vacation Bible School is just over a week away! The theme for this year will be a winter games themed VBS called "Snowball Mountain Challenge" by Cokesbury Kids, and **REGISTRATION IS OPEN!!!** If students and families would like to participate, or assist, with this amazing summer event, please complete and return a paper registration, which can be found in the church office or narthex, or complete the online registration form using our church website, under "Educational Ministries" and "Vacation Bible School," for either participants and/or volunteers. Again VBS will be taking place during the first full week in the month of June, June 1st through June 5th, 2026. As always, this event takes a lot of planning and preparation, and so we greatly appreciate your continued time, attention, and support in the lead up to this endeavor. Get excited for a radical trip up the snow covered slopes this summer!

VBS VOLUNTEERS: : Ready or not, VBS is almost here! As in previous years, we would like to invite all volunteers, including group leaders, assistants, and stations leaders, to plan to attend our major VBS training and decorating day on Sunday, May 31st, beginning at 12PM on this date. We will plan to meet in the church fellowship hall to eat lunch, which will be provided, and discuss relevant information pertaining to VBS for this year. After the meeting concludes, we will then plan to move around the church and finish with any decorating that remains at that time. If you are a volunteer this year, especially if you have not attended our planning meets up to this point, please plan to attend this meeting on this date. As always, we appreciate any help that anyone is able to offer. We will look forward to seeing everyone soon!

Also, if you are still interested in helping at this point and have not yet had a chance to register, please feel free to let Mr. J know at your earliest opportunity. We still have several roles that need to be filled, so any help would be appreciated.

VBS COOKIE HELP: Also, to help with the Snack Station, a signup sheet for cookie and snack donations is currently featured in the church narthex and online using our church website/Facebook page. You can also call the church phone number (402-329-4313) to signup throughout the week, Tuesday through Thursday. For those interested in making cookies, we would like to offer a reminder that peanut products (including peanuts and peanut butter) are strictly prohibited.

VBS STATION NEEDED: Speaking to our Science, Games, and Craft Station leaders for this year, we have put together a list of a few items that can be claimed, purchased, and donated by anyone who might like to assist VBS by donating items this year, as we know this congregation loves to be able to support VBS even if they cannot donate their time during the week. If you are one of those people, and you would like to donate to help with the purchasing of needed items, claiming and donating one of the suggested items from the board in the narthex would be a huge help. The list of needed items can also be found and claimed, online, using our church website and church Facebook page.

If you would be willing to do so, please either plan to take and return one of the cards from the narthex bulletin board with the suggested donation, contact the church office (402-329-4313) to let us know which card you would like to claim, or sign up online using our website/Facebook page. The cards and donations can be returned to the basket sitting by the VBS display table in the church narthex Tuesday through Thursday during regular business hours and on Sunday mornings. Donations can also be dropped off at the church office. For monetary donations, checks can be made payable to Zion Lutheran Church, and they can be sent to Zion Lutheran Church (520 E. Main Street, Pierce, NE 68767).

VBS SUPPORT: Donations for the Snack Station should be brought to the church on, or before, the requested date included. Supplies for the Craft, Games, and/or Science Station should be brought to the church by, or before, Monday, June 1st. Please continue to keep our students and volunteers in your prayers, and as always, we appreciate any and all help. We sincerely thank everyone for their generosity and support!

LAWN HELP: To care for the needs of this congregation and provide new opportunities to serve, we are looking for individuals who might be able to help with our church lawn care needs. If you would like to serve in this way, please scan the QR code featured on our flyers in the church narthex to be directed to a website where you can learn more about this process and sign up to mow and trim on a particular week, or several, during the next six months. Feel free to also reach out to a member of our Board of Trustees for more information. **Please keep in mind that the parsonage will also need to be mowed as part of the weekly mowing along with the church. Thank you for all your help!**

SUMMER YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE: During the summer months Fusion Youth Group meetings at Zion Lutheran Church will be held on Wednesday evenings! A Bible Study will take place from 7PM - 8PM, and our bonfire and fellowship time will take place from 8PM - 9PM, both here at Zion. We'll gather around the Solo Stove Fire Pit, weather permitting, after Bible Study for fellowship, s'mores, fun, and faith-filled conversations! Bring your Bible and a lawn chair! All Zion youth in grades 7th-12th and their friends are invited and encouraged to attend. Bring a friend and join us for a great night of faith, friendship, and fun!

CHRISTIAN CROSS FEST: The Christian Cross Festival will be taking place from 2PM to 11PM on Saturday, June 6th, at Skyview Lake in Norfolk, NE. This is a free public event featuring Christian music, various activities, and other types of entertainment, but please be advised, although admission is free, many activities, shops, and vendors will require payment.