

<b>SERVANTS - Sept. 21</b>	
<b>TIME</b>	<b>9:00am PAX</b>
<b>GREETERS</b>	Ryan & Brooke Collison
<b>ELDER</b>	Tom Weinrich
<b>USHERS</b>	Emily & Natalie Endorf
<b>ACOLYTES</b>	Sadie Hamilton Makenna Watts
<b>PASTOR</b>	Pastor Leon Rosenthal
<b>LAYREADER</b>	Jacque Collison
<b>NO VESPER</b> s on Sept. 22	

<b>SUNDAY– SEPT. 21</b>	9:00am	PAX Worship
	10:00am	Sunday School
	10:00am	Bible Class
	1:00pm	Youth Event
<b>WEDNESDAY– SEPT. 24</b>	7:00am	Women’s Bible Study
	<b>NO FAITH WEAVERS</b>	
	<b>NO CONFIRMATION FOR 7TH GRADE</b> (Confirmation still being held for 8th Grade)	
	7:30pm	Special Voter’s Meeting
<b>THURSDAY– SEPT. 25</b>	6:30am	Men’s Bible Study
<b>SUNDAY– SEPT. 28</b>	9:00am	Trad. Worship (Comm.)
	9:00am	<b>Camp Luther Presentation</b>
	10:00am	Sunday School
	10:00am	Bible Class

<b>SERVANTS - Sept. 28</b>	
<b>TIME</b>	<b>9:00am TRAD. (Comm.)</b>
<b>GREETERS</b>	Jan Zierke Jacque Falter
<b>ELDER</b>	Rick Sirek
<b>USHERS</b>	Trevor & Payton Montgomery
<b>ACOLYTES</b>	Miranda Schunk Cutter Krueger
<b>PASTOR</b>	Pastor Leon Rosenthal
<b>LAYREADER</b>	Jerald Wachter
<b>NO VESPER</b> s on Sept. 29	

**Pastor Leon Rosenthal**  
*Guest Pastor for September*

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

**Mr. David Beikmann**  
*School Principal*

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

**Mrs. Sierra Fleer**  
*7th/ 8th Grade*

**Mrs. Susan Harstad**  
*5th/ 6th Grade*

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

**Mrs. Elizabeth Gleason**  
*2nd Grade*

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

**Mrs. Misty Steffen**  
*Kindergarten*

**Miss Sydney Slater**  
*Preschool*

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

**Mrs. Brooke Kilcoin**  
*Para-educator*

# September 21, 2025

## Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

### Lutheran Church- Missouri Synod

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**THE LUTHERAN HOUR:** September 21. **""Someone Worth Having"**. Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. We lost God's name along the way, but God found us and gave us the Name by which we can know Him: Jesus--"God saves." (Numbers 6:27)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Mari Ortmeier, Nate Bolling, Shawn Dozy, Dawn Tucker, Lavonne Fleer, Dawn Flinn, Rayleen Wesemann, Pastor Birtell, Addie Voelker, Les Richmond, 50th Anniversary of Tom & Ruth Weinrich, Family of Sheryl Kruger

**LAY READERS:** If you would like to be added to our list of Lay Readers, please reach out to the church, or talk to a member of our Zion Board of Elders. We have lay readers scheduled for the whole month of September! Thank you to everyone who has helped so far! The whole month of October is almost filled as well, except for **October 26**. If you are available to help with that service, please let us know.

**CONFIRMATION:** Confirmation classes for public school 7th and 8th grade students will be once again taking place on Wednesday afternoons, from 4:00PM to 5:30PM. These classes will continue at that time on most Wednesday afternoons into the spring, unless otherwise announced. Despite the public school canceling school this Wednesday, September 24th, for parent-teacher conferences, we will still plan to have confirmation classes for public school 8th graders at our usual time. Otherwise, 7th and 8th grade students will need a copy of Luther's Small Catechism for class each week, so if students have not yet received a copy of this resource, it can be purchased from the church for \$20 a copy. Families should also work to complete a registration sheet and pick up a few information sheets at their earliest possible opportunity. For more information, please contact the church office.

**CALLING PRAYER CHAIN:** They are looking to add more members to the calling prayer chain group. If you are interested, please contact Jacque Collison at (402)750-7785 or Sandy Buckendahl at (402) 329-6647

**SPECIAL VOTERS’ MEETING:** There will be a Special Voters’ meeting on Wednesday, September 24, at 7:30pm.

**PIERCE SENIOR CENTER:** The Pierce Senior Center is turning 40! It's time to celebrate! They are having a birthday party on **Monday, September 22nd**. Social hour will be from 4:30-5:30pm and a meal (free will donation) at 5:30pm. There will be entertainment, a silent auction, and prizes.

**THANK YOU:** A big “thank you” for the people who watered the church flowers! You are so appreciated! Kayla Hoffman, Aften Tietgen, Sandra Vanness, Willie Wesemann, and LeAnn Beltz. –Lee & Karen

**ANNIVERSARY:** Happy 50th Anniversary to Tom & Ruth Weinrich! God’s Blessings to you!

**QUILTERS:** Our Zion quilting group will resume meeting at 1pm every Thursday in the Zion Lutheran Church narthex beginning on Thursday, October 2nd, 2025.

**Our Christian Stewardship: SEPT.14– PAX: 185**  
**General: \$6996.25 Mission: \$55.00 Debt: \$2528.00**  
**Matching Debt Funds (to be matched): \$35,845.59 Operating Debt Balance: \$92,074.74**

**SCRIP:** Mrs. Anson is still 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.

**TUITION ASSISTANCE:** If you would like to donate to the tuition assistance account at Zion Lutheran School, please send donations to the school marked for tuition assistance. Any questions contact the school office at 402-329-4658. Thank you for helping students have a Christian education!

**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 lawn care needs. If you would like to serve in this way, please scan the provided QR code 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!**

The next open sign up date for mowing is **September 25**



**YOUTH EVENT:** All 7th through 12th grade youth students and parents are invited to help paint and decorate the new youth room, formally the old Zion Lutheran School 5th/6th grade classroom, today, September 21st, beginning at 1PM. A pizza lunch will be provided, and anyone planning to help should plan to wear clothes that could get paint splattered and/or messy. In addition, if anyone has anything they think might be good in the new youth room and would like to make a donation, please let Mr. Jareske know in the near future.

**YOUTH FUNDRAISER:** The Zion Lutheran Church youth students will be once again selling discount cards to fundraise for their various events, activities, and initiatives **beginning today, September 21st**. Just like last year, these cards are full of discount offers with the generous support from many local businesses from around this area. If you would like to purchase one of these cards to support both our youth students and our local area businesses, please speak with a youth student, Mr. J, or call the church office, Monday through Thursday, to inquire soon. **The cost of each card is \$15, they are only valid for one calendar year, and limitations and exclusions do apply. See card for details.** At this time, we can only accept cash or checks, and checks can be made out to "Zion Lutheran Youth." In addition, we are only planning to print a limited amount, so if you would like a discount card, please don’t hesitate to inquire.

**FAITH WEAVERS HELP:** As this weekly event is dependent on the teamwork of volunteers and supporters, we are once again putting out the call for assistance. If you feel called to help this year by serving in some capacity, week to week, please contact Kim Baumann, Suzie Wachter, or Mr. Jareske (402-329-4313) in the near future. Volunteers can be 7th grade and older. We are still looking for individuals to assist with our various stations, but our greatest need, at this time, would be in terms of cooking meals and helping with serving the meals, without cooking. Due to various circumstances, we have lost several of our previous meal preparation volunteers, and if we are not able to find new volunteers in the very near future, we might have to consider no longer being able to provide meals as part of this program. As such, if you believe that you might be able to help in this way, please let us know as soon as possible.

**CAMP LUTHER:** There will be an opening presentation from Camp Luther, “Director of Ministry Engagement,” next Sunday, September 28, at 9am.

**FAITH WEAVERS:** Faith Weavers has begun and will take place every Wednesday evening at Zion Lutheran Church from 5:15PM-6:45PM as long as school is in session, or otherwise announced. Just a reminder, if the public school cancels for any reason on a particular Wednesday, Faith Weavers will be likewise canceled for that evening. As such, there will be no Faith Weavers classes this Wednesday, September 24th, as school is cancelled for parent-teacher conferences. Otherwise, if your child is between Kindergarten and 6th grade, please consider having them join us for another year of faith building, fun, and fellowship! Parents can find more information and register on our church website under “Educational Ministries” and “Faith Weavers.” For families planning to take part, students should typically plan to enter through the church narthex each week, wait to be dismissed for the meal at, or quickly around, 5:15PM, and then head into the gym for the opening meal. Students will then progress through their typical stations, and Faith Weavers classes will conclude at 6:45PM. It is our preference that all parents/ guardians pick up their children inside the church each week, so that way we know they are going home with the correct individuals. Thank you, and we hope to see you soon! Also, if you would be interested in donating to support this program, besides monetary donations, included below is a list of some requested food items. As always, your support and encouragement is greatly appreciated as we look forward to seeing as many students as possible at Faith Weavers this year!

Please put non-perishable donations in the marked bin in the kitchen with a note (from who, for who) and alert church staff about your donation. Cold items should be put in the refrigerator, and frozen items should be placed in the freezer. For more information, contact Mr. Jareske.

**For September and October:**

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| 1. Regular jars of pizza sauce        | 7. Bags of shredded mozzarella cheese  |
| 2. Regular cans of peaches            | 8. Rolls of 85/15 or 80/20 ground beef |
| 3. Regular packages of hotdog buns    | 9. Regular bottles of ketchup          |
| 4. Regular bottles of mustard         | 5. Regular cans of mandarin oranges    |
| 6. Regular packages of hamburger buns | 10. Regular cans of corn               |

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Sunday School classes for all ages will continue every Sunday morning at 10:00AM to 10:50AM throughout the school year, unless otherwise announced. If families are considering Sunday School classes for their students for this year, please take some time to fill out a registration sheet, found in the church office and narthex, and then return them to Mr. J, or the church office, at your earliest opportunity. Each week students should start in the Zion Lutheran gym and wait for their teacher to take them to their classroom. This year, Kathy Tinker will be teaching the Pre-School through Kindergarten class, Kathy Test will be teaching the 1st through 3rd grade class, Adrienne Riggert will be teaching the 4th through 6th grade class, and Mr. J will be teaching the 7th through 12th grade class. With that in mind, though, we are still currently looking for several substitute teachers to assist in the event of teacher absences. If you are interested in helping with Sunday School during this year, or you would just like to inquire at this point, please let Mr. J know, as soon as possible, by phone (402-329-4313) or email ([dcejareske@zionlutheranpierce.com](mailto:dcejareske@zionlutheranpierce.com)). Going into this new school year, please consider making Sunday morning classes part of your weekly routine.

**LCEF PICNIC IN THE PARK:** The event is on Saturday, October 11, from 11am-1pm. Please join us for food, fellowship and fun at the Wild Turkey Shelter at Eugene T. Mahoney State Park. Registration ends on October 1, 2025. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact LCEF DVP Nate Meier at (402)-642-2961.



**MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GATHERING:** The Nebraska District of the LCMS will be once again hosting their annual youth gathering for middle school students, 6th through 8th grades, on November 8th-9th, 2025 at the Younes Conference Center in Kearney, Nebraska. The theme for this conference is SHOW based on Romans 5:8. If any middle school students would like to attend, please take some time to complete the pre-registration form included through the linked on our church website, under “Youth Ministries.” For students attending, families will also need to complete and return an emergency information form for each student attending, pay the \$50 registration fee for each student, and complete and return the talent show entry form, if hoping to participate in the talent show portion of the event, by, or before, September 28th, 2025. For more information, please contact Mr. J by phone (402-329-4313) or email([dcejareske@zionlutheranpierce.com](mailto:dcejareske@zionlutheranpierce.com)) at your earliest convenience.