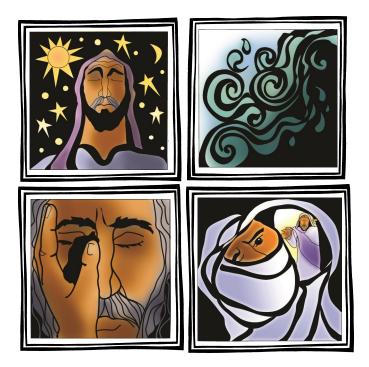
## THE HERALD MARCH 2023



Zion Lutheran Church zionyork.org (717) 767-4673



Zion's Mission Statement "Reaching up, Reaching out, Reaching in, with faith and love."

## Services

- Saturday 5:30 PM
- Sunday 8:00 AM
- Sunday 10:00 AM
- Sunday 10:00 AM Online (YouTube and Facebook)
  - Monday 7:30 PM Online Prayer Service

## Zion Lutheran Church

### Reaching Up, Reaching Out, Reaching In, with Faith and Love

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#### Office Hours

Monday through Thursday: 9:00 a.m. — 3:00 p.m.

**Closed Friday** 



Let us build a house Where love can dwell And all can safely live A place where Saints and children tell How hearts learn to forgive

Built of hopes and dreams and visions Rock of faith and vault of grace Here the love of Christ shall end divisions

All are welcome, all are welcome All are welcome in this place

"All are Welcome" Marty Haugen

Dear Siblings in Christ,

I greet you as we enter the holy season of Lent. I pray that this will be, for you, a time of reflection on the sacrificial love of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Here at Zion, we will continue to gather for worship on Saturdays and Sundays (of course- that's what we do!) and will also gather midweek on Wednesdays in March for worship, meal, and reflection on the theme, "All are Welcome in this Place". Joining us will be members of five local service organizations who will share the ways they serve our community, and what we can do to help. Here is the schedule of presenting organizations: March 1- York Habitat for Humanity; March 8- The Well (Food Pantry); March 15-Katalasso Family Health Center; March 22- Bell Socialization Services; March 29- Harvest of Blessings (Food Distribution). Please join us beginning at 6:00 pm for singing, a meal, worship, and presentation, all to take place in Zion's fellowship hall, ending at 7:30 pm. Find out how we can help our community be a place of welcome, sustenance, and joyous living for all. There are sign-ups at the church for the help we need, or please call the church office to volunteer as a soup-maker, bread-bringer, or to set-up/clean-up.

I look forward to sharing this time with you. God's peace to you,

Pastor Janyce



In January Pastor Janyce challenged the congregation to increase their giving by three dollas per day. This invitation and response will serve to support our shared ministry throughout this year, as we live into how God is calling us to serve today. Lent is the perfect time to get started on the \$3 a day challenge!



thank

to all those who sent birthday cards and extended birthday wishes. It made for a very special 90th birthday! ~Louise Chenoweth



## March 5, 2023

This coming Sunday, we set off along with Abraham, as he journeyed to the Promised Land, and with Nicodemus, when he visited Jesus in the night, for we are heading through Lent to arrive at Easter. Come: join the people of God in prayer and praise, word and meal.

## **Readings and Psalm**

Genesis 12:1-4a Psalm 121 *I lift up my eyes to the hills; my help comes from the Lord. (Ps. 121:1, 2)* Romans 4:1-5, 13-17 John 3:1-17

## March 12, 2023

During Lent we accompany Jesus to his cross and resurrection, and this coming Sunday we stop at a well to receive a drink of water. The water turns out to be Christ himself. Come to worship, and join all of us thirsty people, made alive in Christ.

## **Readings and Psalm**

Exodus 17:1-7 Psalm 95 Let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation. (Ps. 95:1) Romans 5:1-11 John 4:5-42

## March 19, 2023

Last week the salvation that Christ offers the world was likened to water, and this coming week God's mercy is likened to light. What is the "darkness" in your life? Come to worship to celebrate the light that is Christ in you.

## **Readings and Psalm**

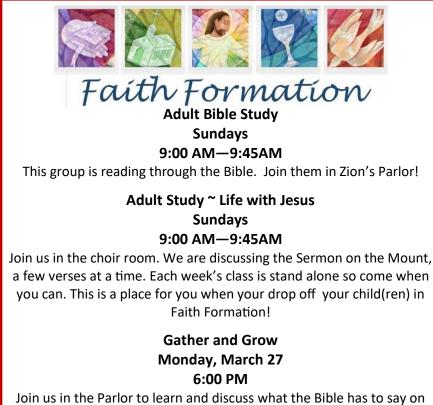
1 Samuel 16:1-13 Psalm 23 *You anoint my head with oil. (Ps. 23:5)* Ephesians 5:8-14 John 9:1-41

## March 26, 2023

The Bible readings this coming Sunday are for everyone who feels half dead, for everyone who sees death everywhere, as well as for everyone who is afraid to even think about death. Come to worship, to receive the breath of the Spirit, to hear the voice of Christ, to be fed at the table, and to celebrate the life God gives.

### **Readings and Psalm**

Ezekiel 37:1-14 Psalm 130 *I wait for you, O Lord; in your word is my hope. (Ps. 130:5)* Romans 8:6-11 John 11:1-45



Join us in the Parlor to learn and discuss what the Bible has to say on Christian Fellowship. This month we will focus on "Put Each Other First". Sign up on the bulletin board in the Narthex, verses used for discussion will be emailed ahead of time.



Hello everyone and happy March to you all. As I am writing this, we are on the verge of beginning another Lenten season. I am getting ready to meet with our youth the Sunday before Ash Wednesday. We will be talking about the differences in how we prepare for the coming of Jesus versus how we prepare for the coming sacrifice of His life for our sins. My Catholic upbringing focused heavily on this time of the year. I remember going to services completely around the "Stations of the Cross" and reflecting on the different portions of "the Passion".

I bring this up because I think about what the youth of Zion truly understand about what Jesus went through as he fulfilled the will of His Father. Don't tell your kids but we will spend some time with this over the next couple of months in youth group and during our Good Friday lock-in. The goal is to help them understand what the Lenten season is all about and possibly give them a better understanding of what Jesus' death and resurrection truly did for all of us.

Our Confirmation youth will gather for their first retreat of the year on February 25th. We will explore parts of the small catechism and enjoy breakfast and lunch together as a confirmation family. This is a great opportunity for them to bond beyond youth group and explore their faith deeper.

Another piece regarding Confirmation is the Camp that we participate in as an add on to the Confirmation classes that we provide at Zion. Harrisburg Area Confirmation Camp (or Con Camp as we lovingly call it) has added a track exclusively for graduated sixth grade students. This new track will focus on the 10 commandments as the learning piece while they begin to build those camp relationships with their peers a year earlier. While we don't currently begin our confirmation learning until 7th grade this is a great opportunity to jump start that learning as they enter 7th grade. The families will soon have more detailed information in their inboxes.

The road to VBS also begins in March as I will be reaching out to those that volunteered last year and the search begins for additional volunteers as I fully expect our numbers to double from last year. The theme for this year's VBS is "Stellar – Shine Jesus' Light". If you wish to volunteer please contact me ASAP. My contact information is in the bulletins and inside the Herald. Have a great month!

Peace and Blessings, Chuck



## **ZYG 2023 EVENT CALENDAR**

Club 456 is for youth in 4-6 grades Jr High Youth Group for youth in 7-8 grades Sr High Youth Group is for youth in 9-12 grades

## MARCH

- 12 Jr/Sr High Youth Group 6:00 8:30pm
- 19 Club 456 3:00 4:30pm

## APRIL

- 7 Jr/Sr High Lock—In 6:00pm
- 8 Zion LC Egg Hunt—10am (youth to assist with event)
- 16 Club 456 3:00 4:30pm
- 16 Jr/Sr High Youth Group 6:00 8:30pm
- 17 Confirmation Camp forms and money due to Chuck

## MAY

- 21 Club 456 1:00 2:30pm
- 21 Jr/Sr High Youth Group 4:00 7:30pm

## JUNE

18-24 Confirmation Camp

## JULY

- 10-13 Vacation Bible School Stellar-Shine Jesus' Light
- 15-23 Lutheran Hands Mission Trip-NOLA



Saturday April 6 10:00 AM



Join us for worship and a meal around the theme "All are Welcome in this Place". Each week we will focus on a local community group, how they are helping in the community, what the Bible has to say about it and how can we become part of the solution.

- March 1 York Habitat for Humanity
- March 8 The Well (Food Pantry)
- March 15 Katallasso Family Health Center
- March 22 Bell Socialization Services
- March 29 Harvest of Blessings (Food Distribution)



## Join us for Worship

Palm Sunday Saturday April 1 at 5:30PM Sunday April 2 at 8 & 10 AM

Maundy Thursday April 6 at 11AM & 6:30PM

Good Friday April 7 at 6:30PM

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Spring Meeting

Saturday, March 4 9:00 AM Village at Kelly Drive's Fellowship Room Friends and advocates for the Auxiliary are welcome to attend

Auxiliary Sandwich Sale March 11—April 16

Delivery April 26th Order form will be available at the church March 11 or contact Lee Wagner at (717) 764-4605



Saturday April 8 5:30 PM

Sunday April 9 6:30 AM Sunrise Service 8:00 AM 10:00 AM

## EASTER FLOWERS

## Orders due by March 19, 2023

Payment must accompany order.

Make checks payable to **Zion Lutheran Church** Place order in white box at Information Desk or drop off in office

Lilies (white single plant)	\$12.00
Tulips 6" pot	\$11.00

**Assorted colors:** To guarantee a beautiful array of colors only an assortment will be supplied by our supplier. You may select your colors after the 10:00 am worship service on Easter Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>.

I am ordering:

Lilies @ \$12.00 Tulips @ \$11.00	\$ \$	
Total	\$	
Name of Donor		
Phone Number		

I () Do () Do Not want the plant.

Payment must be included with order

Any questions please call the church office at 767-4673

# March 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue
<ul> <li>5 2 Lent</li> <li>Worship Times In-person: 8 am and 10 am</li> <li>Faith Formation-9am</li> <li>Worship Times Online Livestream *Facebook/YouTube-10:00 am</li> </ul>	6 • LOF Rehearsal – 6:30pm	7
Daylight Saving Time Begins123 Lent• Worship Times In-person: 8 am and 10 am• Faith Formation-9am• Worship Times Online Livestream *Facebook/YouTube-10:00 am• Jr/Sr Youth Group – 6 to 8:30pm	13 • LOF Rehearsal – 6:30pm	14 • Girl Scout Troop 2001 6-8pm
<ul> <li>19 4 Lent Girl Scout Sunday</li> <li>Worship Times In-person: 8 am and 10 am</li> <li>Faith Formation-9am</li> <li>Worship Times Online Livestream *Facebook/YouTube-10:00 am</li> <li>Club 456 Youth Group - 3 to 4:30pm</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>20 First Day of Spring!</li> <li>LOF Rehearsal – 6:30pm</li> </ul>	21 • Council Meeting-7pm
<ul> <li>26 5 Lent</li> <li>Worship Times In-person: 8 am and 10 am</li> <li>Faith Formation-9am</li> <li>Worship Times Online Livestream *Facebook/YouTube-10:00 am</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>27</li> <li>Gather &amp; Grow-6pm</li> <li>LOF Rehearsal – 6:30pm</li> </ul>	28 • Girl Scout Troop 2001 6-8pm

	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 • Lent Dinner Church 6 to 7:30pm	2	3 • Girl Scouts Troop 20455- 5 to 8pm	<ul> <li>4</li> <li>Blood Drive 8am to 1:30pm</li> <li>Worship- 5:30pm</li> </ul>
	8 • Lent Dinner Church 6 to 7:30pm	9	10	11 • Worship- 5:30pm
8-	<ul> <li>15</li> <li>Lunch Bunch—Lyndon Diner –12noon</li> <li>Lent Dinner Church 6 to 7:30pm</li> </ul>	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18 • Worship- 5:30pm
	22 • Lent Dinner Church 6 to 7:30pm	23	24	25 • Worship- 5:30pm
8-	29 • Lent Dinner Church 6 to 7:30pm	30	31	Deadline to submit items for the April Herald is March 14.



- Megan Ripley 1
- 2 Shad Altland
- 3 Andrew Strittmatter John Villarose IV Beverly Wagner
- 5 Rebecca Luckenbaugh Kaleigh Sauers
- 6 Kelly Kessler Colin Owings Jennifer Ports
- Carter Arnold 8 Colin Arnold
- 9 Darlene Bahn Cameron Dickerson
- 10 Karen Chronister Cody Wise
- 11 Erik Eisenhart Scott Nadzom Christine Reutter
- 12 Lori Brown
- 13 Clayton Brandstedter Jessica Rader
- 14 Suzie Hipkiss Lisa Lam Don Pickel Michael Rader

- 15 Zephyr Mueller
- 16 Haley Glezer Tammy Holtzapple
- 18 Regina Peckmann
- 21 Emma Eisenhart Annette Fisher Linda Plass Mechelle Shaffer
- 22 Aubrey Graham Travis Peters
- 23 Wesley Graver Justin Riese
- 24 Anmarie Hazelton Athene M. Steinke
- 26 Melissa Doerr Trevor Ketrick Diana Mohn Irwin Rhode
- 27 Taylor Speicher
- 28 Mackenzie Spickler
- 29 Eric Anderson Carol Davis Simon Koons Lydia Reichard-Groller Nichole Smyser Herb Snook
- 30 Jennifer Grove
- 31 Eric Isaminger

- Kristine and Brad Cox 4
- 7 Charlie and Ruth Fishel
- 10 Lance and Annette Fisher
- 13 Don and Jeri Pickel
- 20 David and Stephanie Miller
- 25 Don and Rita Ware

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## DAFFODIL DAYS 2023

If you ordered daffodils they will be available for pick-up March 25/26

## PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

American Cancer Society

## ZION HAS HEART

In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. Matthew 5:16

Zion has Heart continues! During Lent February 22—April 2, we ask that you prayerfully consider making a monetary donation to replenish this fund. Donate to help provide support to those in immediate need and people who fall through the system's cracks. You can donate online at www.zionyork.org by selecting give online button. When you give, just select Zion Has Heart fund and mark it Zion has Heart. Or select a heart from the Narthex and put it with the donation in a marked Zion has Hear Love Envelope. Our goal this year is to raise \$3,500 for Zion has Heart. Thank you for having a heart of compassion toward those in need in our midst.



Karen is part of the working poor. She works for the Welfare office and has an adult son that lives with her who is an alcoholic. She is an only child and lost her parents about a year or so ago. She lives pay check to pay check and medical problems are usually what sets her back. When she has a medical issue she needs to take time off and she ends up not having enough to cover the bills. She doesn't qualify for any assistance as she is just above the thresholds. Zion helps her with gift cards for food and an occasional utility bill.

## **Joyful Noise News**

We had an amazing time during Lutheran Education Week! Thank you to all of the Zion Members that came to read to us! We hope you had as much fun as we did!



March is our "Safety Month". We are looking forward to having visits from the local Fire Department, Police Department, and an age appropriate lesson on being safe at home!

We will also hold our annual "Daddy's Night' this month. This year's theme is a Talent Show"

Wishing you many Blessings as we enter the Season of Lent.

## March's Joyful Noise Events

- March 2nd & 3rd Be a Fire Safe Kid: Fire Fighters
- March 9th Daddy's Night.
- March 9th & 10th
   No School. In Service Days
- March 13th Graduation Cap & Gown Pictures
- March 15th & 16th
   Pet Safety Lesson with Mrs. Roberts
- March 22nd & 23rd Home Safety Lesson
- March 30th & 31st
   6th Annual Dance-A-Thon!



## **Consider percentage-basis giving**

No matter how or what amount you give to your congregation, thank you! Your offerings sustain important ministries, and there is no such thing as an inappropriate or inadequate offering.

But if you are among the many who give regularly on a "lump sum" basis, consider giving on a percentage basis instead.

The "lump sum" basis is when donors give a fixed amount – say, \$50 a week – to the church, regardless of what percentage it represents in their annual income. The advantage of lump sum giving is that it's simple to calculate and keep track of. But lump sum giving reveals little about the generosity behind the gift. For a poorer family, \$50 a week may be significant, whereas it could be a pittance for a wealthy family.

Since the Bible lifts up the principles of sacrificial giving as well as tithing, giving by percentage provides a better measure for giving. Once a family has calculated their gift as a percentage of income, it's easier to track it and, over time, build up to a tithe. Here's how to get started with percentage giving:

- Calculate your regular offering over the course of the year.
- Divide the total yearly offering by your total annual income. This will give you a figure.
- Multiply that figure by 100 to determine your percentage giving.

When planning your offering, consider increasing it by 1 percent a year. If you do, in less than 10 years you will be tithing. However you give, thank you for supporting God's ministries.

#### -Rob Blezard

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#### Zion Lutheran Council Meeting January 17, 2023

**Attendance:** Al Abruzzese, Kim Alloway, Christy Buck, Andrew Doerr, Trevor Hoffman, Pastor Janyce Jorgensen, Jill Lordan, Wade Markel, Tricia McMackin, Denise Moyer, Regina Peckmann, Amy Schanbacher, Tim Smith & Krista Zellers:

#### Absent: Ryan Engleman

**Thank You Cards**—Hayshire Choir for joining on Christmas Eve at 10 PM service (and ours did the same). Pastor Janyce has thank you cards from various organizations that she will share with us.

**Minutes from December 2022** (James Rowlands) - Jill was not present. Al Abruzzese made a motion to approve the minutes with the change that Jill Lordan was not present. Motion seconded by Wade Markel. Motion carried and minutes approved.

**Treasurer's Report** (Wade Markel) - The year is 100% complete. Income is \$38,913.76 and 100% of the December budget and expenses are \$43,351.34, which is 101% of the 2022 budget. For the end of the year, the deficit was \$77,005.19. The deficit is slightly smaller than expected. Anticipating a similar deficit in 2023. Motion to approve Treasurer's Report by Al Abruzzese. and seconded by Trevor Hoffman. Motion carried and report accepted.

**Membership Report** (Pastor Janyce) Written Report accepted as written with no discussion. No action items.

**Pastor Janyce's Report**. Report accepted as written with no discussion. No action items.

**Parish Administrator's Report**.—Noted that Quality can no longer handle tech support or our website as they changed pricing structure and Zion can no longer afford. We switched to Go Daddy and less expensive for a 5 year contract (as one lump sum). Denise is looking for another company to handle our technology needs. Report accepted as written. No action items.

**Investment Treasurer's Report.** Next month, Trevor Hoffman will have figures on council benevolence to be considered for later in 2023.

## Old Business.

**Performance Reviews** – Al Abruzzese is going to spearhead a Ministry Review for Pastor Janyce. Will we be soliciting input from parishioners for review on Pastor Janyce. Jill Lordan to help with this review along with one other person from the Congregation. Chuck, Shawn, Lainie, Denise, Andrew, Katrina – Performance Reviews to be scheduled. (Denise Moyer already did one for Katrina). Time frame to be finished by end of May. Everyone but Chuck and Elaine reports to Denise. For everyone that reports to Denise, they will be handled in-house. For Denise and Chuck, someone from Council (or other third party can sit in).

**Constitutional Revisions**. To be addressed in February to bring Zion Congregation Constitution in compliance with new recommended Constitution from Synod.

### New Business.

**Call Committee.**—Katie Strittmatter agreed to head the Call Committee but five (5) additional people are needed. Names to be discussed. Hoping Committee reflects all age demographics. Any suggestions for committee members, email Kim Alloway. They will begin to ask people on Sunday, January 22, 2023.

Jill Lordan to continue working on Zion Ministry Site Profile. Jill to start with current profile and update with current information. Survey to go out to Congregations – to be done at least two (2) weeks in a row to get necessary information. Profile should be disseminated with instructions on how to complete. Jen Lau available for consultation on how to complete. Jill Lordan to look at pieces and then she can recruit others to help. Trish McMackin volunteered to help with the profile. Katie is also available to help. Anticipating Zion Ministry Site Profile to be completed within 60 days to keep this process moving – must ultimately be approved by Zion Council – looking to have that done by end of March 2023.

**Stewardship.**- Participating in second cohort when it begins. Pastor Richard knows we are waiting in the wings and to let us know when the second cohort is to begin. The program addresses "living generously". No present timeframe as to when the second cohort will begin. Note: Council felt it was time to return to the concept of stewardship as we avoided all stewardship campaigns during the pandemic.

The 13th Gift that was introduced during the holidays was received well and we raised approximately \$4,000.00. Pastor Janyce will be writing about stewardship in her next newsletter. She will be raising the \$3.00/Day Challenge.

**Committees.**—The work we did tonight with consultant Kris Albert will play into this discussion. Remaining discussion tabled for now.

**Joyful Noise Donation.** - Joyful Noise is donating \$22,752.41 back to the church from profits in 2022 (surplus divided in thirds and addressing tax credit) but listed four (4) items to be addressed by church. The first three (3) appear to be building maintenance (ceiling tile, wall lifting off, steps/door at Pre-School entrance), which we agree should be addressed by the church. The last item is updating the bathrooms in the classrooms. Should this be a shared expense with Joyful Noise? Denise Moyer to obtain quote on security door and threshold. Denise Moyer – suggests funds should offset part of 2022 deficit. Christy Bucks – we should get quotes on fixing door. Funds to sit until we ascertain how much these items cost (ceiling tile, wall, door/ threshold). Bathroom will require further discussion to determine what is needed.

**Next Meeting with Kris Albert.** Looking to have Kris Albert back for March meeting. This means finishing homework at February meeting.

**Lenten Services Survey.** Discussion as to using a QR code to generate more responses on Lenten Services Survey in addition to paper ones to be handed out at services the weekend of January 21st.

Next meeting: February 21, 2023 at 7:00 PM

Motion to Adjourn

Respectfully submitted by Amy Schanbacher

## THE WELCOME TABLE

This is a segment we include in our monthly newsletter and weekly emails to recognize our new members, baptism, marriage, births and deaths. Notify us of any of these at info@zionyork.org.

Then people will come from east and west, from north and south, and will eat in the kingdom of God.

Luke 13:29

All are welcome, friend and stranger at the banquet of the Savior All are welcome, all are welcome here *"All are Welcome" by Dakota Road* 



Imagine a long, expansive, banquet table, with a place for

everyone at the table. No one is turned away; everyone will enjoy the feast. This is a powerful image of life as people of God. All are welcome- there is always room at the table.

Guiding Principle #1 for our congregation is: As the Body of Christ, we welcome, accept and embrace everyone. With that in mind, we rejoice to be together at the table of our Lord.

We rejoice this month that: *Evelyn Rose Stein, daughter of Nick and Taryn Stein* were received into membership through the sacrament of Holy Baptism

We also give thanks to God that the expanse of God's table is without end. We trust in the promise of eternal life for those who have died:

Bill Shroyer as we pray for his daughter Lisa Drawbaugh Betty Ruppert as we pray for her daughter and family Dan & Diana, Austin & Brandon Mohn



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