

# THE HERALD

## MARCH 2024



**Zion Lutheran Church**  
**zionyork.org**  
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# **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**

## **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

An open book lies flat on a wooden surface. The pages are slightly aged and the lighting is warm, creating a soft glow. Overlaid on the top half of the image is the title 'A Message from our Pastor' in a large, elegant, black serif font.

# *A Message from our Pastor*

Dear Saints of ZION:

ZION is in the season of saying Goodbye and Hello. Just like the Beatles song, 'Hello, Goodbye' were "You say, Goodbye and I say, Hello, Hello, Hello." We are in the middle of saying a lot of goodbyes and hellos. John Hughes, Psychologist states, "I contend that saying 'Hello' and saying 'Good-bye' are the two major learning tasks all humans need to accomplish." He continues, "I would venture to say that 98% of all the people that have emotional problems, have them because they fouled up at either saying 'Hello' or saying 'Good-bye'".

We need to continually work on saying Hello & Goodbye. We should look at how we say Hello and Goodbye in this process we can learn a lot about ourselves. Remember Hello & Goodbye are your transitions with people, things, and emotions but especially people we love. I'm looking at how I say Hello to all of you, and you're looking, at how to say Hello to me, Pastor Kevin and family. We are also looking at how to say Goodbye to Pastor Janyce and family, who we love dearly, as she retires. It is not easy, but it is necessary as we leave and begin new seasons in our lives.

Dr. John Fletcher of the Alban Institute states there are five major tasks to perform when you are saying goodbye

1. **Taking Control of the Situation:** One needs to take control of what is happening, as opposed to passively letting others dictate the way the goodbye will happen. Who are the people you need to give special attention to because the relationship has been difficult or troubled? Who are the special people with whom you want to visit personally to say goodbye? Who are the people you want to at least call? Which groups in your life or church do you want to drop in on before leaving?

2. **Getting Your Affairs in Order:** Make a will, take care of loans, debts, obligations, start giving away your things that you have accumulated and clean up. It is important to list things you need to do before you leave. If someone is leaving, you make sure you go out of your way to help the person get their affairs in order. It can be as simple as carrying boxes to the car or helping the person get organized.
3. **Letting Go of Old Grudges:** Life is too short to hold grudges, make time to clean the slate- forgiveness and reconciliation. We do not want to carry all the old grudges with us to a new place. Whether you are the one leaving or the one that is staying put, it is so crucial that you say goodbye on good terms, forgiveness, and love. Don't be too proud to ask for forgiveness or to give forgiveness.
4. **Saying "Thank You":** We need to say thank you to appropriate people. More than that, tell people what they meant to you, yes it might be emotional with lots of crying but you will feel so much better to show your appreciation. This can include the sharing of our disappointments and frustrations as well as the positive feelings of love, affection, caring, etc..
5. **Reason for Leaving:** Be straight and clear about reasons for leaving. People normally carry a lot of sadness and guilt when a person or pastor leaves their life.

We need to be intentional about saying Hello and Goodbye- especially when we are arriving or leaving! In the New Testament we see the importance, life giving importance, of saying hello to Jesus Christ in our life; to know him in your life and make him known: preparing his way so others accept him. We also see the importance, life ending and world ending importance of saying goodbye. The end of our life or the end of time is coming, and we need to be ready for it, be prepared to say goodbye. Martin Luther puts it this way, "Live as if Jesus was crucified yesterday, Live as if Jesus rose from the dead today and Live as if Jesus is returning tomorrow."

Jesus' Peace,  
Pastor Kevin





Thank  
You

*Your generosity  
made a difference*

- Thank you to everyone who donated supplies, time and money to our blessing bag collection. Because of your generosity and support, we were able to put together over 100 bags and purchase 400 single ride bus passes. That is over 100 people in need that will be served as a result of your kindness. Approximately, 50 members of our congregation, from ages 3 and up, came together for fellowship and to work together to bring this project to a close. The Life with Jesus Faith Formation class extends our sincere thanks and love to all who participated and prayed for our cause.
- The WELL will be restocked with over 70 lbs of cereal, with Cheerios being Zion's favorite. You also picked (correctly) for the Chiefs to win \$142 to \$49. All donation will go to The WELL. Due to your generosity families will be fed.
- We received an abundance of blankets to benefit the YMCA New American Welcome Center, who provides welcoming support and assists newcomers to York from countries including Haiti, Ukraine, Cuba, Guatemala, Congo, Ghana, and Egypt with many services.
- Making Thank you to all who participated in the Chili Cook-off. Not only did we have great food and fellowship but the youth attending the National Gathering this year raised \$500 towards their trip!

***Making Jesus Known in Our Community!***

### **Stuff the Bus March 16 & 17**

This month we will be collecting items for Summit Search and Rescue, a non-profit agency providing mantrailing bloodhounds to assist local agencies in the locating of missing individuals. Hound/

handler teams are available to locate the lost child, the wandering Alzheimer's patient, the missing hiker, etc. The mantrailing bloodhound is also available to assist law enforcement in criminal investigation. Summit Search and Rescue is looking for **balls/tennis balls (can be used), dog treats, scented baby wipes, triple size cotton balls, used comforters, Amazon or gas cards.** Please bring these donations on the 3rd weekend, March 16/17, and the bus will be available for your donations.



# Children, Youth & Family Ministry



Happy March everyone! Before I get into this month's piece, I want to take a couple of minutes and pick up on the balance message from last month and share a story about Pastor Janyce at the same time. Before I came to Zion I was in a position where I wasn't very happy at my job. It was becoming more and more difficult to go to work each day. I shared my burden with a friend that told me he might be able to help. There was an opening at a different church that was much closer to home. He felt it would be a good fit for me. I applied and met with Pastor Janyce. She and I had a conversation that brought back the excitement and joy that was missing in my job. The opportunities that were waiting for me at Zion renewed everything in me. I will be forever grateful for the time spent in that first meeting and every meeting that came after the initial one that brought me here to Zion. Thank you, Pastor Janyce, for your guidance, leadership, and listening ear for the last four years!! I wish you peace, rest, excitement and laughs as you explore what life looks like after Zion LC.

Now, on the topic at hand... Vacation Bible School (VBS). First and foremost, the theme for VBS 2024 is SCUBA – Diving into Friendship with God. Your volunteer staff has already gathered once to discuss the various stations and crew leaders needed as we begin the work that goes into VBS. Over the next few months, you will see various things pop up such as a "materials wish list". This is where we will be looking for quantities of items to help with the week's worth of adventures in which our guests will take part.

March youth events include Youth Group Sunday on March 10th. We all had a blast in February talking about the parable of the two builders and building spaghetti towers. I can't wait to see what March youth groups bring our way. We will also have our annual Good Friday lock-in that will begin with a meal for the jr/sr high youth that will be attending the event. We will attend/participate in the Good Friday service and then commence with the lock-in. Of course, the youth will be staying through the morning to help with the Egg Hunt on Saturday at 10am. The bags full

of empty eggs will be out for filling beginning March 2/3 if you want to take a bag or two and fill the eggs with candy. Please be sure to follow the instructions in the bag. They will need to be returned by the 24th of March. If you are interested in having your children participate, please see the information in this copy of The Herald. As always, if you have any questions, comments or concerns do not hesitate to contact me. Have a great March!

Chuck

## EASTER EGGS

Take a bag of plastic eggs to fill with candy for our Easter Egg Hunt & re-turn them filled by March 24th



- Mar 10**  
**Mar** 11:30 Kidz Konnection  
3:00 456  
6:00 ZLCY
- Mar 29-30**  
**Mar** 6pm-11am Jr/Sr  
High Lock-in begins
- Mar 30**  
**Mar** 10 am Zion LC  
Annual Easter Egg
- Apr 14**  
**Apr** 11:30 Kidz Konnection  
3:00 456  
6:00 ZLCY



Saturday  
March 30  
10:00 AM

We would love for you to join us for our Annual Easter Egg Hunt. This is for children 0-10 years of age. Be sure to bring your own basket/bag to collect eggs. Register for the egg hunt at <https://forms.gle/EQ74VVWphYnhSVeq7> or call the office at (717) 767-4673





**Lenten Book Study  
Wednesdays  
Feb 21 - March 27  
12 NOON**

**Lenten Book Study & Soup Meal  
Wednesdays  
Feb 21 - March 27  
6:00 - 7:30 PM**

During the 40-day journey, come to Zion to share in a soup meal and a book study, “Witness at the Cross” by Amy-Jill Levine. With her wit, wisdom, and vast knowledge of the scriptures in their historical context, Amy-Jill Levine has brought to life the characters who the Gospels tell us were witnesses to the Crucifixion. Each week there will be a video and discussion. Books will be available each week at the table (1 per table) or you can purchase on Amazon or your favorite bookstore.

**Sign Up to Assist with Lenten Dinners**

We need soup, bread and help setting up and cleaning up for each week. Sign up on the Narthex Bulletin Board to assist.

**Worship Assistants Needed**

Sign up in the Narthex to assist with Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Sunrise Service.



# EASTER FLOWERS

Orders due by **March 10, 2024**

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) \$12.50

**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, March 31<sup>st</sup>.

I am ordering:

_____ Lilies @ \$12.50	\$ _____
_____ Tulips @ \$11.00	\$ _____
Total	\$ _____

**Name of Donor** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_

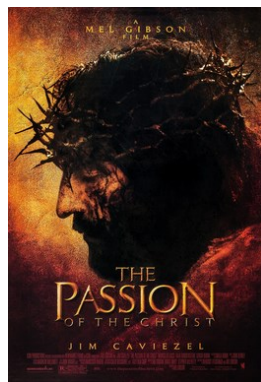
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**Payment must be included with order**

Any questions please call the church office at 767-4673

**Movie Night**  
**March 24**  
**6PM**

Join us for a viewing of *The Passion of the Christ*, a 2004 epic biblical drama film. It depicts the Passion of Jesus largely according to the gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. It begins with the Agony in the Garden of Gethsemane, continues with the betrayal of Judas Iscariot, the brutal Scourging at the Pillar, the suffering of Mary, the crucifixion and death of Jesus, and ends with a brief depiction of his resurrection.



*\*This film is rated R and contains graphic content.*

## *Holy Week 2024*

### **Palm-Passion Weekend**

Saturday, March 23 - 5:30 pm Gathering, Come As You Are  
Sunday, March 24 - 8:00 am Traditional: Words, Hymns, Liturgy  
- 9:00 a.m. Faith Formation  
- 10:00 a.m. Community Service

### **Maundy Thursday Services with Holy Communion**

Thursday, March 28 - 11:00 am  
- 7:00 pm

### **Good Friday Services**

Friday, March 29 - 12 Noon Jesus on the Cross  
- 7:00 pm Tenebrae Service

### **Easter Weekend**

Saturday, March 30 - 5:30 pm Gathering, Come As You Are  
Sunday, March 31 - 6:30 am Sunrise Service  
- 7:00 am Easter Breakfast  
- 8:00 am Traditional: Words, Hymns, Liturgy  
- 10:00 am Community Service



# ZION HAS HEART

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*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! Donate to help provide support to those in immediate need and people who fall through the system's cracks. Zion receives calls every year from people who need money for a bill immediately. They may be in the process of filling out forms, or in the waiting period to receive certain benefits, but they need the funds immediately. There are also the working poor-- people living pay check to pay check who don't qualify for any benefits but one minor incident and they can't pay a bill. Where do these people turn? They often call the church, and if it is reasonable, feasible and funds are available, we love to help!

During Lent February 14—March 31, we ask that you prayerfully consider making a monetary donation to replenish this fund. You can donate online at [www.zionyork.org](http://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 Heart Love Envelope. **Since the fund has been used up completely, we have set our goal high this year, at \$5,000 for Zion has Heart!**

Thank you for having a heart of compassion toward those in need in our midst.

*And as for you, brothers and sisters, never tire of doing what is good.*

2 Thessalonians 3:13



## *Lectionary Scriptures for March*



### **March 3, 2024**

This Sunday's Lenten readings—the ten commandments, Paul's discussion of the foolishness of the cross, and the story of Jesus cleansing the temple—provide an occasion to think about the relationship between Judaism and Christianity. For Christians, Christ is always in the center of the conversation. Our baptism calls us to assemble in Christ, who is our temple.

#### **Readings and Psalm**

Exodus 20:1-17

Psalm 19

*The commandment of the Lord gives light to the eyes. (Ps. 19:8)*

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

John 2:13-22

### **March 10, 2024**

This Sunday's readings include what is perhaps the Bible's most famous sentence—John 3:16—as well as the ancient and odd story about faith-healing from snake bite. Join us to see how John uses the Old Testament story to proclaim Christ.

#### **Readings and Psalm**

Numbers 21:4-9

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

*You deliver your people from their distress. (Ps. 107:19)*

Ephesians 2:1-10

John 3:14-21

### **March 17, 2024**

We are nearing the conclusion of Lent. In this Sunday's gospel, Jesus is likened to a grain of wheat that once buried in the earth comes alive to bear much fruit. We hear the word and receive the meal and so renew God's covenant among us.

### **Readings and Psalm**

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm 51:1-12

*Create in me a clean heart, O God. (Ps. 51:10)*

Hebrews 5:5-10

John 12:20-33

### **March 24, 2024**

Oftentimes, to grasp the fullness of something significant, we have to look at both sides. So it is that to approach the meaning of Christ, we have to say two things: Jesus and Christ; human and divine; dead and alive; bread and body. This Sunday celebrates these two sides: we begin by praising Christ with “Hosanna,” and we go on to shout “Crucify him!” Come to join us as we fit both truths into one service.

### **Readings and Psalm**

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm 31:9-16

Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit. (Ps. 31:5)

Philippians 2:5-11

Mark 14:1--15:47

### **March 31, 2024**

What does it mean to be Christian? Christians are those who share their faith in the power of the resurrection of Jesus Christ to transform themselves and the world. Each Sunday we gather to praise the resurrection, but Easter is our annual blow-out celebration. This year we hear the gospel from Mark, and we sing, and we sing, and we sing.

### **Readings and Psalm**

Acts 10:34-43

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

*This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. (Ps. 118:24)*

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Mark 16:1-8

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# March 2024

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Deadline to submit items for the April Herald is March 14.		
<b>3</b> <b>3 Lent</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worship Times In-person: 8 am and 10 am</li> <li>• Faith Formation-9am</li> <li>• Worship Times Online                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Facebook/YouTube-10:00 am</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Gathering Group Meeting—11:15am</li> </ul>	<b>4</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LOF Rehearsal – 6:30pm</li> </ul>	<b>5</b>
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<b>24</b> <b>Passion/Palm Sunday</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worship Times In-person: 8 am and 10 am</li> <li>• Faith Formation-9am</li> <li>• Worship Times Online                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Facebook/YouTube-10:00 am</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Faith Interview Lunch-11:30am to 2pm</li> </ul>	<b>25</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LOF Rehearsal – 6:30pm</li> </ul>	<b>26</b>
<b>31</b> <b>Easter</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worship Times In-person: 6:30 am, 8 am and 10 am</li> <li>• Worship Times Online                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Facebook/YouTube-10:00 am</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

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# 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 “Building Time Together.” Each student will build a workshop kit with their Dads/Grandpas!

# March's Joyful Noise Events

- **March 6th & 12th:**  
Be a Fire Safe Kid: Fire Fighters
- **March 7th**  
Daddy's Night.
- **March 7th & 9th**  
**No School.** In Service Days
- **March 11th**  
Graduation Cap & Gown Pictures
- **March 14th & 15th**  
Police Visit
- **March 19th & 20th**  
Music with Miss Laine
- **March 22nd & 25th**  
4 year old Egg Citing Days
- **March 26th & 27th**  
Chapel
- **March 28th through April 1st**  
EASTER BREAK





# Faith Formation

## Adult Bible Studies

Sundays

9:00 AM—9:45AM

## Devotion & Dialogue

Each week we read a passage from the Upper Room devotional, followed by discussion points for further dialogue and a review of the corresponding scripture. Join us in Zion's Parlor!

## Life with Jesus

Are you looking to grow your faith? Participate in , "Life with Jesus" each Sunday in the choir room (first door to the left past the bathrooms, across from the nursery). Currently the study and discussion is on the book of James. Pop in any Sunday and check it out. All adults are welcome!

## Lunch Bunch

March 20

12:00 Noon

Join the Pastor at Friendly's on Loucks Rd for food & faithful discussion.

## Gather & Grow

March

We will be joining the Lenten study on Wednesday's at 6:00PM. Starting April 8th we will be gathering every other week to study some of the smaller books of the bible. Stay tuned for more details.



**March 10**

DAYLIGHT  
SAVING  
TIME

*Spring*

FORWARD

**1 hour**





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|----|----------------------|----|------------------------|
| 1  | Megan Ripley         | 16 | Haley Glezer           |
| 2  | Shad Altland         |    | Tammy Holtzapple       |
| 3  | Andrew Strittmatter  |    | Eric Johnston          |
|    | John Villarose IV    | 17 | Bruce Brown            |
|    | Beverly Wagner       | 18 | Regina Peckmann        |
| 5  | Rebecca Luckenbaugh  |    | Curry Smith            |
|    | Kaleigh Sauers       | 21 | Emma Eisenhart         |
| 6  | Kelly Kessler        |    | Annette Fisher         |
|    | Colin Owings         |    | Linda Plass            |
|    | Jennifer Ports       |    | Mechelle Shaffer       |
| 8  | Carter Arnold        | 22 | Aubrey Graham          |
|    | Colin Arnold         |    | Travis Peters          |
| 9  | Darlene Bahn         | 23 | Wesley Graver          |
|    | Cameron Dickerson    |    | Justin Riese           |
|    | Lindsey Otterson     | 24 | Anmarie Hazelton       |
| 10 | Karen Chronister     |    | Athene M. Steinke      |
|    | Cody Wise            |    | Kylie Walker           |
| 11 | Erik Eisenhart       | 26 | Melissa Doerr          |
|    | Scott Nadzom         |    | Diana Mohn             |
|    | Christine Reutter    |    | Irwin Rhode            |
| 12 | Lori Brown           |    | C J Stout              |
| 13 | Clayton Brandstedter | 27 | Kassidy Sauers         |
|    | Jessica Rader        |    | T J Santos             |
| 14 | Suzie Hipkiss        |    | Taylor Speicher        |
|    | Lisa Lam             | 28 | Mackenzie Spickler     |
|    | Don Pickel           | 29 | Eric Anderson          |
|    | Michael Rader        |    | Carol Davis            |
|    |                      |    | Simon Koons            |
|    |                      |    | Lydia Reichard-Groller |
|    |                      |    | Nichole Smyser         |
|    |                      |    | Herb Snook             |
|    |                      | 30 | Jennifer Grove         |
|    |                      | 31 | Eric Isaminger         |

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| 4  | Kristine and Brad Cox      |
| 7  | Charlie and Ruth Fishel    |
| 10 | Lance and Annette Fisher   |
| 13 | Don and Jeri Pickel        |
| 15 | Tom and Karen Kauffman     |
| 20 | David and Stephanie Miller |
| 25 | Don and Rita Ware          |





HOPE – a little word full of big promises! What gives you hope? What diminishes your hope? What can we learn about hope from God's word? These are questions that will be discussed in order to encourage one another at the spring Women's Retreat. **Details:**

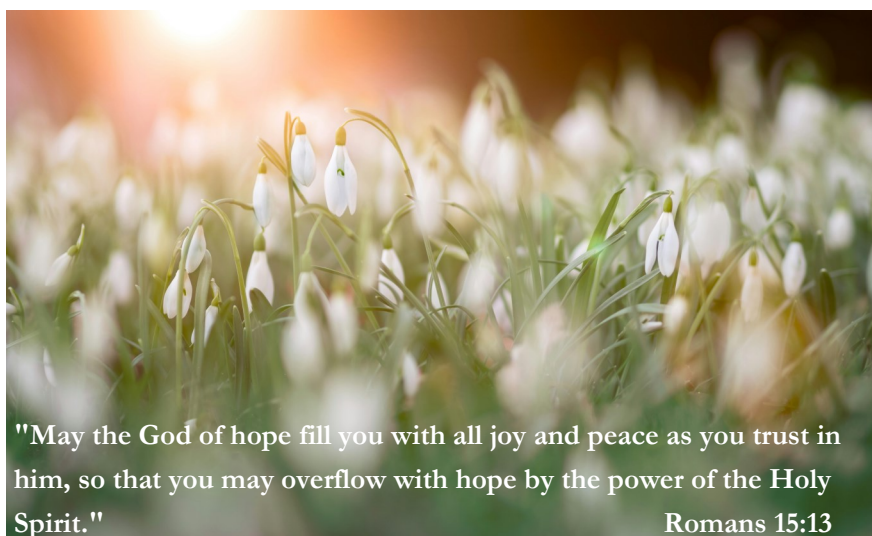
**When:** April 18-21; choose your attendance days; main event Sat., April 20, 9:00am-3:00 (You are welcome to stay for dinner at 5:30pm, and into the evening.)

**Where:** Zinn-Tozer Lodge, Camp Nawakwa

**Cost:** 3 nights -\$140; 2 nights - \$100; 1 night - \$60; day - \$20

**Sign-up:** in the narthex; or email [dba456@live.com](mailto:dba456@live.com); or text 717-891-8433

**Questions:** contact Deb Anderson, at the above info



"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."  
Romans 15:13





**March 17**



Troop 20455 will be joining us again this year and bringing their yummy cookies to sell! They will also catch us up on all their adventures. As they are graduating seniors this will be the last time they will be joining us. So bring your cash to support this troop one last time.



Zion is looking for assistance in purchasing the below item(s). If you would like to donate any of these items or provide funding, either in part or in full, for their purchase, please contact Denise Moyer, Administrator, at the church office (767-4673) or via e-mail [dmoyer@zionyork.org](mailto:dmoyer@zionyork.org).

Item	Amount
Clavanova dolly (to be able to move around the church for events)	\$500.00



MINUTES: ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: JANUARY 21,2024

IN ATTENDANCE :

Member	Attendance	Member	Attendance
Pastor Janyce Jorgenson	Present	Dave Schneider, Parliamentarian	Absent
Pastor Kevin Stout	Present	Ryan Engleman, Youth Representative	Absent
Denise Moyer, Administrator	Present	Kim Alloway, Member	Present
Christy Bucks, President	Present	Andrew Doerr, Member	Present
Al Abruzzese, Vice President	Absent	Anmarie Hazelton, Member	Present
Wade Markel, Treasurer	Present	Jill Lordan, Member	Present
Regina Peckmann, Secretary	Present	Mary Jane McCluskey, Member	Present
Sara Strayer, Assistant Secretary	Absent	Krista Zellers, Member	Present

1. OPENING DEVOTION

Devotions by Krista Zellers. Krista shared an update on Hannah in college and graduate school. Hannah will be moving to Guatemala in May to work with Hope Academy in the girls’ school. She will be teaching English. Krista is experiencing a wide range of emotions from joy to fear with Hannah’s travel. Krista shared 1 Timothy 7, Psalm 46, Hebrews 13 as ways for us to reflect and deal with times when we experience fear and/or uncertainty.

Devotion will be led by Regina Peckmann at the February meeting.

2. THANK YOU CARDS

Choir and Bell choir and others helping at the Christmas Eve Services. Mary Jane will write the thank you cards.

3. MEETING MINUTES AND REPORTS

Report	Comments
3.1 Meeting Minutes	<p>The Meeting Minutes from December 2023 were submitted by Amy Schanbacher.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Motion to approve the December 2023 minutes was made by Andrew Doer, seconded by Kim Alloway. Motion carried.</li></ul>



	<p>Report submitted by Pastor Kevin</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• After Ash Wednesday service, there will be 6 Wednesday evening soup/bread devotions based on the book, <u>Witness at the Cross</u>, by Amy-Jill Levine.</li> <li>• Pastor Kevin is preparing a “White Paper” for the church based on the Guiding Principles and Priorities.</li> <li>• Pastor Kevin talked to the finance committee, and he would like to include monthly giving (Current) and expenses in the bulletin.</li> <li>• Pastor Kevin will be joining SpiriTrust board in February.</li> <li>• Report accepted as written.</li> </ul>
3.6 Parish Administrator's Report	<p>Report submitted by Denise Moyer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Action items discussed below:</li> <li>• The pole light out front is fixed.</li> <li>• Denise is training a custodian tonight. She is on a probationary period of 4 months. She will work 5 days/week and a cleaning service will work 1 day/week. We can also use her for special events, on an as needed basis. Denise will also work with her on special cleaning projects in the summer.</li> <li>• The thermostat of the furnace in the back of Fellowship Hall is not working properly. Denise will make a call to look at it.</li> <li>• Report accepted as written.</li> </ul>
3.7 Children, Youth and Family Ministry (CYFM)	<p>Report submitted by Chuck Bissell</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report accepted as written.</li> <li>• February 25: Paint Night - BYOB was previously approved for this event and all garbage will need to be removed that night.</li> </ul>
3.8 Youth Rep	No report

#### 4. OLD BUSINESS

4.1. Housing Allowance: Andrew Doerr made a motion to approve the housing allowances for Pastor Janyce (\$20,400) and Pastor Kevin (\$20,000). Jill Jordan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

##### 4.2. Council Member Installation/Blessing

- An installation/blessing of all council members will be held at the January 27/28 services during the Welcome portion of the services.

##### 4.3. “Stuff the Bus”

- Panther Pantry collecting personal care and laundry detergent
- Blessing Bags: due February 4, 2024. Mary Jane suggested a collection basket during lent for bus passes for the blessing bags.
- Next Recipient: Possibilities discussed for February: Life Path; New American Welcome Center (blankets); Summit Search and Rescue (gas cards, dog food). Council decided to collect blankets for New American Welcome Center February 17th and 18th.
- Denise suggested to plan “Stuff the Bus” for the year through a committee on a schedule.

3.2 Treasurer's Report	<p>Report submitted by Wade Markel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The report for the December 2023 Financials was disseminated prior to the meeting.</li> <li>• December 2023 total income is \$46, 062.21, which is 110% of the December budget. The total expenses for December 2023 was \$48, 510. 00 which is 101% of the December budget.</li> <li>• December 2023 deficit is (\$474.12) against a budget of (\$6,027.19) deficit.</li> <li>• Current surplus/deficit for 2023 is (\$94,727.56) deficit. Budget deficit is (\$71,499.00).</li> <li>• Motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Jill Lordan, seconded by Andrew Doerr. Motion carried.</li> </ul>
3.3 Investment Treasurer Report	<p>Report submitted by Trevor Hoffman</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Investment Treasurer's Report was disseminated prior to the meeting.</li> <li>• Jill Jordan made a motion to transfer to current the John C. Rupert Sunday School Bequest 2023 Net Income (\$160.07) to go to Sunday School. Mary Jane McCluskey seconded the motion. Motion carried.</li> <li>• Krista Zellers made a motion to transfer the John C. Rupert Mission Bequest 2023 Net Income (\$174.71) to Guatemala Fruits and Vegetables Designated Fund. Mary Jane McCluskey seconded the motion. Motion carried.</li> <li>• J. Fred Sultzbach Bequest 2023 Net Income: \$602.24. \$301.12 will be transferred to Council Benevolence and Mary Jane McCluskey made a motion to transfer the remaining (\$301.12) to current for snow removal. Kim Alloway seconded the motion. Motion carried.</li> <li>• Jill Jordan made a motion to release the Lucy J. Shnyder Trust to Spirit Lutheran for the full amount. Kim Alloway seconded the motion. Following a discussion, Andrew Doer amended the motion to specify that the funds are to be used for benevolence care at Spirit Lutheran. Jill Jordan seconded the motion. Motion carried.</li> <li>• Denise will notify Adam Strayer about the above uses of Restricted Funds.</li> </ul>
3.4 Membership Report	<p>Report submitted by Pastor Janyce Jorgenson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There were 4 baptisms in January. No one joined in December.</li> <li>• Pastor Janyce made a motion to remove Mike Tymowcyak from the roll, per his request. Mary Jane seconded the motion. Motion carried.</li> <li>• Report accepted as written.</li> </ul>
3.5 Pastors' Reports	<p>Report submitted by Pastor Janyce</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pastor Janyce shared a draft of a retirement letter and asked for questions/comments. Pastor Janyce's last day at Zion will be February 29, 2024 with a retirement date of March 31, 2024. Pastor Janyce will be using vacation and other contractual days that total 31 days for the month of March. Council members shared thankful sentiments and thoughts of appreciation for Pastor Janyce. Pastor Janyce spoke about the timing of her retirement and the need for us to be thankful for the way things have played out in the time Pastor Janyce has been with us (23 years!).</li> <li>• Jill Lordan made a motion to accept Pastor Janyce's retirement and Mary Jane seconded the motion. Motion carried.</li> </ul>

#### 4.4. Paster Kevin Installation: tabled

### 5. NEW BUSINESS

#### 5.1. Signatory for Checks - Trevor Hoffman let us know that we need new signers. Signers listed as follows:

- Current Checking: Christy Bucks, Kim Alloway, Wade Markel, and Andrew Doerr
- M&T savings: Wade Markel and Christy Bucks
- Janney: Wade Markel and Christy Bucks
- CD: Wade Markel and Christy Bucks

#### 5.2. Pastor Janyce Celebration & Thank You Event - February 25, 2024

- Pastor Kevin and Denise have expressed interest in planning the event. A committee/team will be formed with council members (Jill, Krista, Christy, Regina), Denise, Pastor Kevin, and members of the congregation to plan the event.

#### 5.3. Revisit General Welcome Activities

- Pastor Kevin would like to discontinue the sign in sheets and bring back the cards in the bulletins. Pastor Janyce also discussed bringing back greeters and training them. Logistics of these changes will be discussed at staff meeting this week.

### 6. ADJOURN

Andrew Doerr made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Kim Alloway. Meeting adjourned and closed in prayer.

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 20, 2024 AT 7PM.**

## THE WELCOME TABLE

*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:

Madelyn Jane Jorgensen, daughter of Mark Jorgensen and Rachel Liegey was received into membership through the sacrament of Holy Baptism

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

Pauline Brillhart as we pray for comfort for her family.

## **CONGREGATION COUNCIL**

Pastor Janyce C. Jorgensen

Pastor Kevin C. Stout

**Christy Bucks - President\***

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**Wade Markel - Treasurer\***

**Adam Strayer - Investment Treasurer**

*(non-council member)*

Kim Alloway

Andrew Doerr

Jill Lordan

Mary Jane McCluskey

Krista Zellers

Ryan Engleman - Youth Representative

\*Executive Team

### **Zion's Mission Statement**

**“Reaching up, Reaching out, Reaching in,  
with faith and love.”**



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