

# THE HERALD

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

Closed Friday

## Services

- Saturday 5:30 PM ~ Gathering, Come As You Are
- Sunday 8:00 AM ~ Traditional: Words, Hymns, Liturgy
  - Sunday 10:00 AM ~ Community Service
- Sunday 10:00 AM - Online (YouTube and Facebook)
  - Monday 7:30 PM - Online Prayer Service

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# *A Message from our Pastor*

As Christians, we are called to persevere in prayer. I encourage you to pray daily for the world, the USA, your local community, and individuals. Colossians 4:2-4 offers guidance on how to do this:

"Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving. At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word, to declare the mystery of Christ, on account of which I am in prison—that I may make it clear, which is how I ought to speak." - Colossians 4:2-4

This passage provides five guidelines for our prayer life:

- 1. Continue Steadfastly in Prayer:** Persevering in prayer is powerful. It is a test of genuineness in the Christian life. Let us be a praying people, saturating the month of June with prayers to the Lord of all power and goodness.
- 2. Be Watchful in Your Prayers:** Stay alert and mentally awake. Be vigilant against wandering minds, trite expressions, and selfish desires. Be especially attentive to God's guidance in Scripture and look around you and in the world for what you should be praying for. God works in us the will to pray.
- 3. Be Thankful in All Your Prayers:** Reflect on the stories of what God has done in many lives, including your own, through renewed prayer. Let these stories inspire you to continue in prayer with thanksgiving. Share these good things with others.
- 4. Pray for an Open Door for the Word in Your Life:** Pray for open and receptive hearts in your church and for your family and neighbors to be open to the gospel as you share it. Share the gospel and invite people to church.
- 5. Pray for the Preachers of Our Land:** Pray that they make the mystery of Christ clear. Preachers, including myself, need prayer to understand the mystery of Christ, choose the right texts, preach in the power of the Holy Spirit, and speak the truth in love. Without Christ, we can do nothing.

## Prayer for Zion:

Merciful Father, thank You for being a prayer-hearing God. Help us cherish the gift of prayer. It is overwhelming to think that the Creator and Sustainer of all things gives heed to our prayers and meets our needs. Make us persistent, watchful, thankful, and ready for every open door. Fill our mouths with prayers to You and the gospel to others. Increase our faith in the truth that by prayer, we have an influence in the world far beyond our smallness. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Jesus Peace ~ Pastor Kevin

# Zion Lutheran Church

2215 Brandywine Lane

York, PA 17404

## *Annual Church Picnic*

June 9, 2024

3 PM

We will be providing subs, drinks, and ice cream floats.

If you're able, please bring a side to share.

### **Featuring...**

*The Emigsville Band*

*Magician Erick Hershey. Gospel Magic*

*Games. Bubbles. Playground*

**Please bring your lawn chair. See you there!**

If you'd like to sign up to bring food, please use (copy and paste) the following link...

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050D49AAAAA23A13-49758629-church#/>



## Zion's Free Little Library

Did you notice what looks like a big, white birdhouse as you come up the church driveway? It is a 'Little Free Library,' sponsored by the 'Life with Jesus' adult faith formation class, Thrivent Financial, and you!

How are you a part of this? If you have gently used books for adults and children with which you are willing to part, please place them in the bin in the narthex labeled "**Little Free Library.**" The class will then stamp the inside cover of each book with 'Zion Lutheran Church, Sat. 5:30 service, Sun. 8:00 and 10:00' as a way of outreach to the community. (Of course, you are welcome to browse the library as well.)

Our intent is to allow anyone who wants, to take a book and keep it; pass the book on to someone else; or, return it to our library box. (No need to replace it with another book.) Adult books about faith, questions about faith, God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, prayer, books of the Bible, Bibles, devotionals, spiritual struggles, encouragement, etc., (you get the idea) will be most appreciated! All sorts of children's books, too!

A thank you goes out to MaryJane McCluskey for the idea and registering the Little Free Library, to Lee Hipkiss and Barry Anderson for building and installing it, and to you for donating books!

# Children, Youth & Family Ministry



As I begin to write this, I am reflecting on what is coming up this summer. There is prep work happening for Confirmation Camp, Chicken BBQ fundraisers, vacation bible school, the ELCA Youth Gathering and let us not forget the prep for the 2024-25 youth group season. I am always very excited for this time of the year.

The youth going to NOLA in July just finished up their first of two chicken bbq fundraisers the weekend of May 18th. We greatly appreciate everyone that continues to support the youth and the various things we are doing as we prepare to go to New Orleans in the middle of July. This trip would not be possible without your support. We have one more chicken BBQ sale happening on June 29th. I will announce when the presales will be happening so you can guarantee your meals.

Confirmation Camp is next on the list with the following youth attending. Mady Doerr, Brock Fogle, Avery Hoffman and Jack Lambert will be in the "Saints" track. Connor Bucks, Alex Engleman, Kameron Holtzapple and Daniel Hazelton will be attending the "GGP" track. Ryan Engleman will be a part of the "LT" Track. We will also have JoAnna Hanley and Kailey Holtzapple participating as counselors while Pastor Kevin and I will be serving on the GGP and Saints tracks respectively. The Harrisburg Area Confirmation Camp has been a part of Zion's confirmation program since I arrived and there are so many positives that come out of this camp for the kids as well as Zion. Please pray for these youth as well as Pastor Kevin and me that we have a phenomenal week and all will be moved by the Holy Spirit.

Vacation Bible School registration is going well. The numbers are coming in and we will have a successful week when we kick everything off July 8th through the 11th. Volunteers are always needed. If you would love to help during VBS in the evening or even help with the decorating beforehand, you can grab a volunteer form off the white marble table right outside of the church office. When you have filled it out, you can leave the form in my mailbox, and I will get you added. Adults and youth entering the 6th grade in 2024 are welcome to help. With the volunteer needs

there are also some supply needs. Those can be found on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall right by the kitchen door. Grab a bubble and bring the items back into us so we can track each thing that we need. Your generosity is greatly appreciated and guarantees that our attending youth will have a great time.

Once VBS and the Gathering trip passes, I will be jumping head first into the prep for the new season of Youth Group beginning in September. I can tell you right now that we will have our first youth group Sunday on the 15th. We will stick with the same times of 11:30 – 1:30 for Kidz Konnection; 3:00 – 4:30 for Club 456 and 6:00 – 8:30 for ZEAL (Jr/Sr High). The themes will be worked on with my fellow youth directors in the area. I am excited to see what the Holy Spirit guides us to create. One notable date/event to talk about right now... all youth that will be entering 6th through 8th grade are able to attend Alive! 2024. This event will take place at Camp Nawakwa from September 27th – 29th. More details will be sent to the eligible families but I wanted to get that news out there now.

Have a blessed summer and I will see you on Sunday.

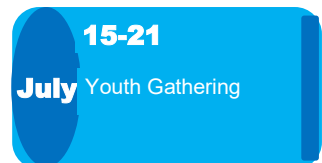
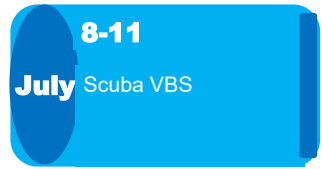
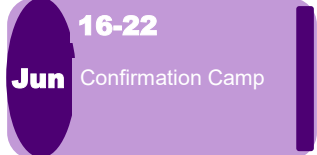
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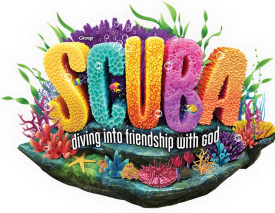
**Vacation Bible School**  
**July 8—11, 2024**  
**6:00—8:00 PM**

Register your child for Scuba VBS! Where kids dive deep into an amazing undersea adventure where they'll experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. At Scuba VBS, kids will be immersed in the Word and discover what living water is really all about!

[www.vbspro.events/p/zion2215](http://www.vbspro.events/p/zion2215)







# Vacation Bible School Volunteers

Monday, July 8 – Thursday, July 11  
Time: 6:00-8:00 PM

I would like to help in one or more of the following areas:  
(Please "X" one or more areas. It helps us to have a 2<sup>nd</sup> choice)

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to help get ready for VBS

<input type="checkbox"/>	Registration	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Decorate for VBS	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	No preference	<input type="checkbox"/>

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to help during VBS

<input type="checkbox"/>	Crowd Control	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Registration / check in
<input type="checkbox"/>	Station Assistant	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Crew Guide – PreK/K
<input type="checkbox"/>	No Preference	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Crew Guide – Elem.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt size \_\_\_\_\_ (cost \$7.00)

Volunteers 18 or older will need child abuse clearances and state criminal clearances.

If you have any questions, contact  
Chuck Bissell (717-767-4673) or [cbissell@zionyork.org](mailto:cbissell@zionyork.org)

**Please return completed form to office**

## VBS Donation Needs

Posted on the youth board in the fellowship hall. Items to be dropped off at Zion by June 23.





# Faith Formation

## **Adult Bible Studies**

**Sundays**

**9:10 AM—9:45AM**

## **Prayer with Byam**

Join Byam in the Parlor to pray for our church, the community and the world.

## **Meet with the Pastor: Open Q&A**

**Sundays 9:00AM**

Join Pastor Kevin in the choir room for a time to ask him questions. It could be what's your favorite pizza or what is your vision for Zion in the next 5 years?

## **Lunch Bunch**

**July 17**

Join Pastor Kevin at Friendly's located at 423 Loucks Rd, to connect with like-minded individuals, share your thoughts, and deepen your understanding in a welcoming and supportive environment.

## **Gather & Grow**

**June 3 & 17**

**6:00 PM**

BYOB (Bring Your Own Bible) and join us in the fellowship hall at Zion for our study of the Minor Prophets. Tiny books with big life lessons! Bring a friend as we gather for a fun multimedia discussion every other Monday through June 17th. Each session stands on its own so feel free to join us anytime.

## **Men's Huddle**

**June 20**

**7PM**

Men, join us every third Thursday of the month for a gathering near the fire pit at ZION. It's a time for fellowship, food, and faith as iron sharpens iron. Remember to bring your own beverage and meat; the grill will be ready. Pastor Kevin will be discussing Martin Luther's leadership, making it an insightful and enriching evening. Questions contact Matt Engleman or Walt Marriot.

# Lectionary Scriptures for June



## June 2, 2024

From this coming Sunday until mid-November, we celebrate standard Sundays, on which we gather, hear the word from the Bible, share the meal, and are sent out to be Christ's people in the world. Even without special festivals, these Sundays are gifts to us that support and strengthen our spirituality. Every Sunday is our greatest feast, with its gathering of the baptized around the risen Christ for word and meal. This Sunday's gospel reading considers what Christians mean by "sabbath."

### Readings and Psalm

Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Psalm 81:1-10

*Raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob. (Ps. 81:1)*

2 Corinthians 4:5-12

Mark 2:23—3:6

## June 9, 2024

This Sunday's readings deal with the power of evil, which is pictured as a snake in paradise and as a demon who opposes the will of God. Mark also gives us a startling picture of Jesus' relationship with his natural family. Come to worship: we are now Jesus' mother and brothers.

### Readings and Psalm

Genesis 3:8-15

Psalm 130

*Wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is steadfast love. (Ps. 130:7)*

2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1

Mark 3:20-35

## June 16, 2024

This coming Sunday we hear a reference to the cosmic tree of life in which all the birds of the air are nesting. Yet what we gather around is the cross of Christ. Come be a bird on this tree.

### Readings and Psalm

Ezekiel 17:22-24

Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15

*The righteous shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon. (Ps. 92:12)*

2 Corinthians 5:6-10 [11-13] 14-17

Mark 4:26-34

## June 23, 2024

This coming Sunday we hear of Jesus stilling the storm. We join with the disciples in the boat of the church—we call our church space a “nave”: think “navy”—and pray for Jesus’ presence and power in our midst through all life’s storms.

### Readings and Psalm

Job 38:1-11

Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

*You stilled the storm and silenced the waves of the sea. (Ps. 107:29)*

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Mark 4:35-41

## June 30, 2024

This coming Sunday we will hear about Jesus healing a bleeding woman and Jesus raising a dead girl to life. Many first-century people would have found aspects of these stories shocking. Come to worship and see what your reaction is.

### Readings and Psalm

Lamentations 3:22-33

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24 (alternate)

Psalm 30

*I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up. (Ps. 30:1)*

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Mark 5:21-43



Happy 6th birthday to my sweet grandson  
Aidan !!



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# June 2024

	Mon	Tue
<p>Deadline to submit items for the July Herald is June 14.</p>		
<p>2 <b>Pentecost 2</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worship Times In-person: 8 am and 10 am</li> <li>• Worship Times Online *Facebook/YouTube-10:00 am</li> <li>• 2024 Gathering Group Mtg—11:15 am</li> </ul>	<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LOF Rehearsal – 6:30pm</li> <li>• Gather &amp; Grow –6pm</li> </ul>	<p>4</p>
<p>9 <b>Pentecost 3</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worship Times In-person: 8 am and 10 am</li> <li>• Worship Times Online *Facebook/YouTube-10:00 am</li> <li>• Church Picnic—3 to 7 pm</li> </ul>	<p>10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LOF Rehearsal – 6:30pm</li> </ul>	<p>11</p>
<p>16 <b>Pentecost 4</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worship Times In-person: 8 am and 10 am</li> <li>• Worship Times Online *Facebook/YouTube-10:00 am</li> </ul>	<p>17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LOF Rehearsal – 6:30pm</li> <li>• Gather &amp; Grow –6pm</li> </ul>	<p>18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council Meeting-6:30pm</li> </ul>
<p>23 <b>Pentecost 5</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worship Times In-person: 8 am and 10 am</li> <li>• Worship Times Online *Facebook/YouTube-10:00 am</li> </ul>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>30 <b>Pentecost 6</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worship Times In-person: 8 am and 10 am</li> <li>• Worship Times Online *Facebook/YouTube-10:00 am</li> </ul>		

← Confirmation

	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 • Worship- 5:30pm
	5	6	7	8 • Worship- 5:30pm
	12	13	14	15 • Worship- 5:30pm
m	19 • Lunch Bunch Friendly's-12noon	20 • Men's Huddle 7 pm	21	22 • Worship- 5:30pm
	Camp			
	26	27	28	29 • Red Cross Blood Drive 8:30 am to 1:30 pm • Chicken BBQ -10:15 am to 2:45 pm • Worship- 5:30pm

# Joyful Noise News

In May the students of JNP always have a special day to celebrate their Mommies.



The children are busy weeks before the event, making presents, cards, and special hats!



A favorite JNP Mother's Day surprise is the video they record wishing their mommies a Happy Mother's Day. This is always a treasured time spent with our students and their Mothers!

Our three year old classes took a field trip to Lake Tobias to see the animals. They had a great time!



# It's Time To Say Goodbye To All Our Friends

As we conclude our year at Joyful Noise, we need to say good-bye to 40 friends that will be leaving Joyful Noise to enter into Kindergarten. We want to thank you for the privilege of trusting us with your most precious gift from God. It has been our honor to be a part of their lives!

*To our Graduates: Keep dreaming big and reaching for the stars. We will miss you so very much!*

Amayah

Carter

Eli

Sophie

Torin

Bryce

Chloe

Micah

Sullivan

Gabriella

Camilla

Henry

Nathan

Adeline

Levi

Colin

Graham

Harper

Declan

Bria

Ember

Julia

Anna

Claire

Zoey

Liam

Reese

Lucy K.

Leona

Lucy L.

Noela

Eliza

Nuri

Isabelle

Rhys

Gianna

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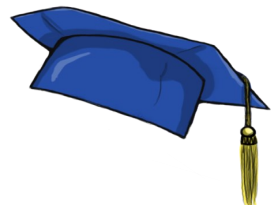
Charlotte

Madelyn

MY WISH FOR YOU IS THAT THIS LIFE BECOMES ALL THAT YOU WANT IT TO. YOUR DREAMS STAY BIG AND YOUR WORRIES STAY SMALL. YOU NEVER NEED TO CARRY MORE THAN YOU CAN HOLD. AND WHILE YOU'RE OUT THERE GETTING WHERE YOU'RE GETTING TO, I HOPE YOU KNOW SOMEBODY LOVES YOU AND WANTS THE SAME THINGS TOO...

*This is my wish for you.*

*Rascal Flatts*

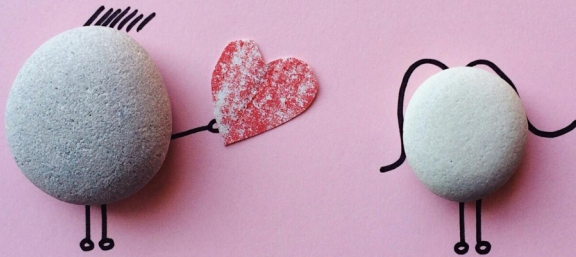






- 1 Jill Bohannon  
Craig Bricker  
Jonathan Chu
- 2 Zoey Dreisbach
- 3 Ricardo Aguilar  
Charles Dye  
Dori Schneider
- 4 Mark Henry  
Jennifer Morris  
Mason Steward
- 5 Nathan Bucks  
Emily Reutter  
Noah Strayer
- 6 Deb Anderson  
Paige Katz  
Michael Lutz
- 7 Jennifer Eisenhart  
Austin Gruver  
Maurya Matylewicz  
Kyle Morrison
- 8 Carson Glusco  
Jeri Pickel Jr.
- 9 Marlin Kindig  
Donald Lloyd  
Douglas Schriver
- 10 Paul Hemmann  
Paul Hoover  
Joyce Mays  
Tricia Ann McMackin
- 11 Claire Bohannon  
Brianna Bricker  
Kyle Cox  
Nathan Mohr  
Nicholas Stein
- 12 Chad Bohannon

- Cindy Spickler  
Luke Steward
- 13 Trevor Fidler  
Jill Kern
- 14 Thomas Detwiler  
Nathan Hoffman  
Michael Spickler, Jr.
- 15 Dora Chu  
Jennifer Morrison
- 16 Michael Glezer  
Wesley Hemmann  
T.J. Shaffer, Jr.
- 18 Kathryn Glass  
Scott Ierley  
Michael Lordan  
Melissa Moore  
Alec Peckmann  
Brandon Riese  
Faye Schriver  
Scott Swaltek
- 19 Connor Mohr
- 20 Michael Glezer
- 22 Monica Bush  
Bill Cannon  
Phoenix Gruver  
Kaelyn Henry  
Jeff Oberdorf
- 23 Luke Anderson  
Kyla Leib
- 24 Dallas Barclift, Jr  
Chase Brosend  
Rachel Steward
- 25 Alex Engleman  
Corinthia Kessler  
Natalie Kessler  
David Lambert
- 26 Jeff Alloway  
Kevin Holtzapple
- 27 Holly Rishel  
Sherry Sarver
- 28 Robert Geiser  
Sydney Strine
- 29 Christine Fidler



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 7 Robert and Cynthia Geiser
- 9 Steve and Kate Anderson
- 10 Mario and Heather Saullo  
Garry and Susan Smith
- 14 Matthew Groeller and  
Karen Reichard
- 17 Michael and Joyce Gingerich
- 18 Lee and Suzie Hipkiss  
Ron and Stephanie Kin  
Pastor Kevin and Byam Stout
- 21 Michael and Paige Katz
- 24 Brent and Jennifer Kessler
- 25 Steve and Michelle Lundy
- 26 Irvin and Penny Rhode  
James and Sherry Sarver
- 27 Jeremy and Kara Hetrick
- 28 Terry and Laura Turko
- 29 Bob and Marty Kline
- 30 Nick and Lauren Dreisbach  
Doug and Faye Schriver



## MINUTES: ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

**DATE:** April 16, 2024

### IN ATTENDANCE:

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

### 1. OPENING DEVOTION

Devotion shared by Dave Schneider, which focused on Romans 8:28, 31-39 and Phillipines 1:6. God is always working for our good, has a plan for us, is always with us, and nothing can separate us from Him.

Devotion will be led by Wade Markel at the May meeting.

### 2. THANK YOU CARDS

- Thank you to Andrew Doerr for helping facilitate the Easter breakfast.
- Thank you to all who decorated the church for Easter.
- Krista to send thank you card to Dan Wise for clean-up of memorial garden, firepit, and herb garden to prepare for Easter service

### 3. MEETING MINUTES AND REPORTS

Report	Comments
3.1 Meeting Minutes	The Meeting Minutes from March 2024 were submitted by Sara Strayer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motion to approve by Anmarie Hazelton, seconded by Andrew Doerr. Motion carried.</li> </ul>
3.2 Treasurer's Report	Report submitted by Wade Markel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The treasurer's report does not include transactions for Designated Income and Expenses, Youth Fund Income and Expenses, and Joyful Noise Preschool.</li> <li>• We are in the 3<sup>rd</sup> month of the year. This would equal 25% of the year complete.</li> <li>• March 2024 total income is \$37,149.03 which is 103% of the March budget.</li> <li>• March 2024 total expenses are \$54,205.28 which is 121% of the March budget.</li> <li>• Current surplus/deficit for 2024 is at (\$58,282.14) deficit and we are budgeted to have a (\$89,013.85) deficit at the end of the year.</li> <li>• March 2024 surplus/deficit (\$17,056.25) against a budget of (\$8,612.46).</li> <li>• Budget includes Pastor's Janyce's salary, but this item should go down by about \$6,000-7,000 next month.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Curriculum &amp; Supplies March expense is large due to upcoming confirmation camp.</li> <li>• Denise will ask Wade to include table report from bulletin in Treasurer’s Report for future months, which includes Designated Income and Expenses, Youth Fund Income and Expenses, and Joyful Noise Preschool. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ March 2024 Church Financial Report (includes Preschool): Receipts (Giving) 58,324.87, Expenses \$78,692.95, Surplus/Deficit -\$20,368.08.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Denise to email April 2024 Treasurer’s Report to Council.</li> <li>• Moving forward, Wade to send Denise approval of report each month. Upon Wade’s approval, Denise will run the report for Council each month.</li> <li>• Motion to approve by Jill Lordan, seconded by Al Abruzzese. Motion carried.</li> </ul>
3.3 Investment Treasurer Report	<p>Report submitted by Adam Strayer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There was a new designated fund created in March 2024 from donations for refugees of \$307.18.</li> <li>• The investment portfolio performed well again in March with a \$9,000 performance increase from Gains &amp; Net Income.</li> <li>• Checking account was low, so \$20,000 was moved from investments to current/checking in April 2024 to cover expenses. Transfer will show in next month’s report.</li> </ul>
3.4 Membership Report	<p>Report submitted by Pastor Kevin Stout</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approval of transfer request for Pastors Richard and Janyce Jorgensen.</li> <li>• Motion to approve by Dave Schneider, seconded by Jill Lordan. Motion carried.</li> </ul>
3.5 Pastors’ Reports	<p>Report submitted by Pastor Kevin Stout</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thank you to Chuck Bissell for filling in for Paster Kevin during April 6/7, 2024 services.</li> <li>• April 28 at 2pm Installation of Pastor Kevin.</li> <li>• Pastor Kevin will be off May 4/5. Will Robinson will lead Saturday and Sunday 8am services. Andrew Strittmatter to lead 10am service.</li> <li>• Distributed White Paper for vision of church, 2025-2030.</li> <li>• Will be at confirmation camp as leader with Chuck, June 16-21.</li> <li>• Review of Easter services and events, which were wonderful.</li> </ul>
3.6 Parish Administrator’s Report	<p>Report submitted by Denise Moyer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spring cleanup and mulching have been completed. Broken picnic bench repaired. Will be reaching out for volunteers to assist with maintaining the flower beds throughout the summer.</li> <li>• New mini fridge in sacristy was donated and installed.</li> <li>• HVAC system underwent Spring maintenance. No repaired required.</li> <li>• Men’s huddle on Thursday. Requested BYOB approval from Council, which was granted. Items brought to huddle must be taken home/removed afterward.</li> <li>• Social media presence is being revitalized.</li> <li>• Website to be updated. Andy Parr has offered to help.</li> <li>• Met with Pastor Janyce to collect her keys and credit card (account has been closed). Final remaining tasks to retrieve her documents from the Zion cloud and then discontinue her Microsoft account, which will be completed in the next few weeks.</li> <li>• Music Sunday, June 1 &amp; 2. Three \$250 JEMs scholarship to be distributed to Blaze Fogle, Samantha Wingerd, and Kai Hetrick.</li> </ul>

3.7 Children, Youth and Family Ministry (CYFM)	<p>Report submitted by Chuck Bissell</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Will need another teacher to share 1-2 class with Diane Lutz next Fall.</li> <li>• Chris Fidler is retiring from teaching Faith Formation. Plans are in the works to recognize her time with FF.</li> <li>• Chuck has been named a guide for the ELCA’s Formation Co-op Project, which involves visiting two congregations to help develop their youth groups. Will meet with them in person once per year and meet monthly via Zoom. Also to attend training June 21-23 in Minneapolis. Additional trainings at the 2025 and 2026 Extravaganzas.</li> <li>• Chuck will provide budget for National Youth Gathering to Pastor Kevin.</li> <li>• Soup sales concluded on March 24. Thank you to those who made and sold soup.</li> </ul>
3.8 Youth Rep	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Youth lock in, service, and egg hunt went well.</li> <li>• National Youth Gathering meeting held to finalize plans.</li> <li>• Youth group was held this month.</li> </ul>
3.9 Joyful Noise Preschool Board Report	<p>Joyful Noise Preschool Board Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No meeting held this month.</li> </ul>

#### 4. OLD BUSINESS

##### 4.1 “Stuff the Bus”

- Crystal’s Place is April recipient and will speak during Zest for Zion during Sunday service.
- May 2024 recipient: The Well
  - Denise will email Elaine Mann to inquire about needs
- June 2024 recipient: LifePath

##### 4.2 Easter Debrief

- Keep events consistent each year
- 50-70 people attended Easter breakfast
  - Hot food was beneficial
  - Leftovers were sat out to enjoy after 10:00 service
  - Breakfast time was successful
  - Food should be labeled to identify what is to be used for
  - Coffee was not cleaned up
- 8:00am service to have traditional Easter songs
- 10:00am service used choir loft for extra seating
- Early service shared online and was well attended in person
- Memorial garden, firepit, and herb garden cleaned by professional service and Dan Wise prior to services

##### 4.3 Pastor Kevin Installation

- April 28, 2024, at 2:00 pm (Ice cream social)
- Preparation:
  - Setup: Saturday, April 27 at 10:00am-12:00pm; Need 4-5 volunteers (including ice cream scoopers)
    - Sara Strayer, Anmarie Hazelton, Christy Bucks volunteered

- Tear down after event on April 28
  - Andrew Doerr volunteered
- Christy to send out information to volunteers this week

#### 4.4 Community Band Festival

- Sunday, July 28, 2:00-5:00 pm; rain date August 11, 2:00-5:00 pm
- Laine Knaub securing food trucks, craft vendor tables, and shuttle bus from Stillmeadow Church for parking. Food trucks and vendors to provide percentage of sales/tables to church.
- Band festival representatives to be responsible for securing port-a-potties
- Pastor Kevin and Denise to confirm numbers and share form of expectations regarding organization and cleanup with Jim Rowlands as the festival representative

#### 4.5 Constitution updates

- Denise to confirm connections with Constitution Task Force

### 5. NEW BUSINESS

#### 5.1 Visioning

- White Paper presented by Pastor Kevin to focus on Zion 30 Grow.
  - Aligned with Zion's mission of knowing Jesus and making Jesus known to foster inclusivity, embrace transformation, and extend Christ's love beyond our walls.
- To be focused on during each Council meeting to facilitate roll out

#### 5.2 Building/Re-building Congregation Teams

- May Council meeting to focus on reestablishing/establishing teams

### 6. ADJOURN

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 6:30 pm.**

Motion to close by Al Abruzzese, seconded by Andrew Doerr. Meeting adjourned in prayer.

## 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:

*Kathryn Wiley was received into church membership*





Thank  
You  
Your generosity  
Made a difference

- The WELL is deeply grateful for Zion's unwavering support of our mission. Thanks to your generosity, many families will now have access to the essential personal items they need.
- We extend our heartfelt gratitude to MaryJane McCluskey and Elaine Mann for generously providing the funds for one of our items on the Above & Beyond list. Thanks to their generosity, Zion now possesses the flexibility to move their Clavinova around the church for musical performances.

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

### Stuff the Bus June 15 & 16

Zion will be creating Blessing Bags for summer to hand out to the homeless in the community. This month's Stuff the Bus will focus on this mission. Below are the items needed:

- Bottled Water
- Flavoring packets
- Poncho
- Deodorant
- Socks
- Chapstick
- Travel sunscreen
- Travel Tooth brush/paste
- Tuna/chicken & crackers
- Apple sauce pouches
- Body wipes/disposable wash cloths
- Feminine Products
- Travel Tissue packs
- Cheese & crackers



Let's stuff that bus!!!



## CONGREGATION COUNCIL

Pastor Kevin C. Stout

**Christy Bucks - President\***  
**Al Abruzzese - Vice President\***  
**Sara Strayer - Secretary\***  
**Anmarie Hazelton - Assistant Secretary**  
**Dave Schneider - Parliamentarian**  
**Wade Markel - Treasurer\***  
**Adam Strayer - Investment Treasurer**  
*(non-council member)*

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



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