# life together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF MAY 26 - JUNE 1, 2024



# today - Holy Trinity Sunday

CHURCH BUILDING CLOSED MONDAY, MAY 27

FOR THE MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND - We remember and honor our veterans.

CHRIST CARE PRAYERS...We pray for the families of Jean LaFave and Darla Parkin who mourn their deaths.

**COMMUNION**...Please let an usher know if you would prefer communion to be served to you in the pew.

#### SUPPORT OUR RADIO BROADCAST SUNDAY MORNINGS ON BOB-FM

Special gifts to support Zion's Radio Broadcast Fund are welcome. Thank you to recent supporters of the Radio Broadcast Fund:

If you are in need of emergency pastoral care, please call Zion's main number,

Looking for something new to read this summer? The Zion Library received a large

donation of books from popular authors Max Lucado and Dr. David Jeremiah.

• Dianne Carlson

• Ron & Marty Gray

763-421-4656 and the messaging service will reach the pastor on call.

#### **WORSHIP LEADERS**

#### PREACHING:

Pastor Mike Pancoast

#### **ASSISTING:**

Pastor Connie Tiede

#### **READERS**:

5 PM Greg Bergeron 8 AM Deb Oas Koepsell 9 AM Ken Johnson

11 AM Carol Loyd

AM Deb Oas Koepsell HELP CRAFT OUR ADULT ED EXPERIENCES FOR THE FALL

ZION LIBRARY - NEW BOOKS!

Pastor Mike has hit the ground running and is gearing up for a variety of Adult Ed opportunities for this fall and beyond. Opportunities include a variety of topics—Bible;

Luther & BEING a Follower of Jesus in the Lutheran Way; Discipleship; Prayer; My Neighbors' Faith; and more! Please take a brief moment to take the survey linked to this QR code. Hardcopies of the survey are also available at the Welcome Desk! Thank you.



For safety reasons we kindly ask that parents and guardians attend to their children at all times in our church building.

Please silence your cell phone.
Thank you.

#### Welcome Guests!

Thank you for worshipping with us today. To learn more about Zion please fill out the information below and give to an usher or pastor as you leave or place in the offering plate. Or use this QR code.→ Information bags are available at the Welcome Center on the lower level.



Name:	E-mail:	
Address:	Phone:	
☐ I'm looking for a church home ☐ I wish	to join Zion 🔲 Please have a pastor call me 🔲 Invite me to the New Member Orio	entation

## this week

#### **PASTORS**

Pastor Connie Tiede Interim Lead Pastor

Pastor Sue Wallager Pastor for Spiritual Care

Pastor Mike Pancoast Interim Associate Pastor

Ken Johnson Visitation Minister

Michael Busbey ELCA Missionary in Central America

Steve & Kim Blewett
Missionaries in
Papua, New Guinea

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# We welcome you exactly as God created you.

We worship God with everyone who chooses to participate, including the youngest of God's children who make noise to praise God in their own way. We find strength in our diversity, and strive to be united by our common humanity, while celebrating our differences.

We welcome people of all: races, ethnicities, back-grounds, generations, socio-economic status, political affiliations, physical and mental abilities; sexual orientations, gender identities, and their families.

All are welcome and encouraged to be involved in all aspects of our life together.

"Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love."

1 John 4:7-8

Welcome Statement adopted by Zion's Church Council, October 2022

#### MONDAY, MAY 27

MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY
BUILDING CLOSED

TUESDAY, MAY 28 **Open Pickleball** 9:00 am | CLC

**Grief Support Group** 

6:30 PM | LEGACY ROOM

Zion Addiction Awareness Ministry

6:30 PM | LIBRARY

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29

THURSDAY, MAY 30 **Open Pickleball** 2:00 pm | CLC

FRIDAY, MAY 31

SATURDAY, JUNE 1
Traditional Worship Service
5:00 pm | Sanctuary

# SUNDAY, JUNE 2 **Traditional Worship Service**

8 am | Sanctuary

9 am | Sanctuary & Livestream

**Bishop Meets with Congregation** 

10 am | Sanctuary

#### **Blended Worship Service**

11 am | Sanctuary & Livestream

Prayer Team 3

11:00 ам | Снарег

**Super Sale Donation Drop Off** 

Noon-7 PM | Door 2

Worship at Farmstead

1:30 PM | OFFSITE

# THANK YOU FARE FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to all those who helped last Thursday. Our next *Fare for All* is Thursday, June 27.

#### SUMMER CAMPS ARE FILLING UP!

- Family "Blessing Bus" VBS -Families with kids age 0-5 plus siblings; JUNE 9, 16 & 23 (SUNDAYS) 10-10:50 AM
- KidSing Jr. Kids age 3-7 JUNE 12, 19 & 26 (W) 9:30-10 AM AND JULY 17, 24 & 31 (W) 9:30-10 AM
- Zion Sports Camp Kids grades K-5; JUNE 24-27 (M-TH) 9 AM-NOON
- Pre-K "Blessing Bus" VBS Kids age 3-5; JULY 9-11 (T-TH) 9-11 AM
- K-5 "Blessing Bus" VBS Kids grades K-5; JULY 15-18 (M-TH) 9 AM-NOON
- Camp Create It Kids grades K-5; JULY 29-AUG 1 (M-TH) 9 AM-NOON Family Program (TH) 11:30 AM-NOON To volunteer for any of these camps, contact Lee Neitge <u>Ineitge@zionanoka.org</u> or Ann Campbell <u>acampbell@zionanoka.org</u>.

#### **GIFT CARDS NEEDED**

Anoka Middle School is in need of gift cards (Aldi, Cub, Walmart, etc.) for families in need. Denominations up to \$25 are requested. Please drop gifts cards off at the front desk no later than June 2. Thank you for your support.

#### PRAYERS FOR MISSION TRIP

As our high school youth gear up for their mission trip to Tacoma, Washington, we invite you to join us in keeping them in your thoughts and prayers. This journey is not just about serving others, but also about the spiritual growth of our youth and fostering connections within our community and beyond. This trip would not have been possible without the generous support of the congregation – on behalf of the mission trippers, thank you!

#### **IEST KIDDING**

The minister saw little Bobby looking at a scroll honoring their war dead. Bobby asked why all the names were there. The minister said, "They are the names of all who died in the service." Bobby asked "Which service - the 9 o'clock or the 11 o'clock service?"

# coming up

#### **BISHOP SVENNUNGSEN AT ZION**

Sun, June 2 | 10-10:45 am | Sanctuary As we search for our new Lead Pastor, ELCA Bishop Ann Svennungsen will come to Zion to have a conversational meeting with the congregation about self-perceptions and perceived needs of the church. The purpose of this visit is to gain additional knowledge about Zion to assist the Call Committee in determining the best match for our congregation. All members of Zion are welcome to attend this meeting!

#### ZION'S ANNUAL SUPER SALE

Thursday, June 6 & Friday, June 7

- Donation Drop Off June 2 4
- Volunteers Needed
  - Set up days: June 2-5 PM
  - Perk sale workers: June 5 | 5-6:30 pm
  - Sale days: June 6 | 9 Am-6 PM June 7 | 9 Am-12 PM
  - Clean up:

JUNE 7 | NOON TO COMPLETION Contact Bob or Pat Stearns (612-418-0618 or 612-418-0617) or for more info or sign up to help at the Welcome Desk.

# MINNESOTA RENAISSANCE CHOIR PRESENTS "A RENAISSANCE MUSICALE"

Fri, June 7 | Social Time 5-7:30 pm; Concert 7-8 pm | 480 Arts, St. Paul

This will be a fun, informal Renaissance-themed social time and concert, fit for music lovers or the curious. Directed by Zion's own Jonathan Campbell, enjoy songs from the Middle Ages, performed by the musicians of the Minnesota Renaissance Choir featuring the Sospiri early music ensemble. Tickets at www.mnrenchoir.org.

#### IOIN SUMMER CHOIR

We sing on July 7, and August 11. Meet at 8:15 AM in the Choir Room, sing at 9 AM service. We'll sing fun, easy songs. Give it a try! Adults welcome! Questions? Contact Jon at <a href="mailto:jcampbell@zionanoka.org">jcampbell@zionanoka.org</a>.

#### FREE JOYA CONCERT

Sun, June 9 | 3 PM | Sanctuary Joya welcomes Uptown Brass for the season's final concert. The Uptown Brass are musicians in the Minnesota Orchestra who have played together for 17 years. They present an eclectic, entertaining, and virtuosic program featuring songs of joy from around the world. Program will also include an arrangement of Gershwin's *Rhapsody in Blue* where they will be joined by pianist Mary Jo Gothmann. This concert is free of charge—donations will be gratefully

#### SUMMER SMALL GROUP STUDY

accepted. Hope to see you there!

Weds, Jun 12, 26, Jul 17, 24, Aug 7, 14 | 10 -11 am or 7-8:30 pm

Join Pastor Mike Pancoast for a 6-week study on "Crazy Book: A Not-So Stuffy Dictionary of Biblical Terms". This book seeks to make the Bible even more accessible, and funny. Join us as we get to know the Bible and each other better. Sign up early (so we know how many books to order) at the Welcome Desk. Books will be \$20, available for purchase at the front desk before June 12.

#### YOUTH VOLUNTEERS -TRAINING FOR THE Z-TEAM!

THU, JUNE 13 | 10-11:30 AM

If you're in Grades 6-12, you're perfect for the Z-TEAM, a specially trained crew of young people serving kids at Zion! You'll learn simple but effective skills to lead younger kids and keep them safe. Then, we'll deploy you to the summer day camps of your choice! This training also applies to youth serving with Sunday School and Whirl Wednesdays. Enlist now. Contact Ann Campbell for more info at <a href="mailto:acampbell@zionanoka.org">acampbell@zionanoka.org</a>.

#### **LIVE STREAM**

Sunday 9 & 11 am

www.zionanoka.org (click "Worship Online") or www.facebook.com/ ZionLutheranChurch AnokaMn

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(Available anytime)

#### **CABLE TV**

Metro Cable Network Channel 6 SUNDAY | 10 AM & 5 PM

# RADIO BROADCAST

106.1 BOB FM SUNDAYS | 9:10 AM

> HEARING ASSISTANCE

Hearing assistance units are available at the sound booth at the back of the Sanctuary.

# HOME VISITS

If you would like a visit from one of our pastors or lay visitors, please call the office at 763-421-4656 and we will be happy to visit you.

### TEXT TO GIVE

With Vanco's GivePlus, you can quickly and easily give to Zion using your smartphone. For more info call the church office between 9 AM & 5 PM.

# ELECTRONIC GIVING

Go to:

https://cutt.ly/ziongivetoday
or Scan this QR code



# growing in faith together

# UPCOMING GOSPEL READINGS

JUNE 1/2 Mark 2:23-3:6

JUNE 8/9 Mark 3:20-35

JUNE 15/16 Mark 4:26-34

#### encouraging words

Start each day with encouraging words from Zion! Dial 763-506-8191 to hear a daily message of encouragement and hope.

#### prayer corner

Holy God, the earth is full of the glory of your love. May we your children, born of the Spirit, so bear witness to your Son Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, that all the world may believe and have eternal life through the One who saves, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

#### prayer request

If you have a celebration or concern you would like the prayer team to include in their prayers, email it to <a href="mailto:swallager@zionanoka.org">swallager@zionanoka.org</a>.

**Lesson:** Romans 8:12-17

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with Christ so that we may also be glorified with Christ.

#### Gospel: John 3:1-17

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jewish people. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the dominion of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to Jesus, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the dominion of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to Jesus, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son-of-Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son-of-Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God loved the world in this way, that God gave the Son, the only begotten one, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

#### SUMMER STRETCH

Zion is partnering with Grace Lutheran in Andover for Summer Stretch! Students who have completed grades 4-8 are invited to join us on Thursdays during the summer for service projects (Feed my Starving Children, Global Health Ministries...etc.) and recreational activities (Urban Air, Bunker Beach...etc.) around the area. Register for all six Thursdays or just drop in - the choice is yours. High School students can also participate as a Junior Leader for a discounted price! Email <a href="mailto:kweiland@zionanoka.org">kweiland@zionanoka.org</a> for more information.

#### WELCOME

God is here for you, in the word and sacraments, in the love of this community.

#### CONTACT

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Mon - Thu: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Fri: 9:00 am - 12:00 noon

