

# life together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF JUNE 9-15, 2024



**ZION**  
LUTHERAN | ANOKA

## today -

**CHRIST CARE PRAYERS...**We pray for the family of Delores Jones who mourns her death.

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

**ALTAR FLOWERS...**Given in memory of Tom Pearson by his family.

**THANK YOU RECENT RADIO BROADCAST FUND SUPPORTERS**

- Liz Jensen
- Judy Bendiske, in memory of Shirley Lemke

### WORSHIP LEADERS

#### PREACHING:

Pastor Mike Pancoast

#### ASSISTING:

8 & 9 AM Pr Connie Tiede  
11 AM Pr Sue Wallager

#### READERS:

5 PM Kathy Johnson  
8 AM Marlene Gray  
9 AM Steve Dussl  
11 AM Sylvia Goldman

**FAMILY "BLESSING BUS" VBS**

TODAY | 10:00 AM | SPARK PARK

**FREE JOYA CONCERT** **Rescheduled**

SUNDAY | JULY 14 | 3 PM | SANCTUARY

JOYA welcomes Uptown Brass musicians from the Minnesota Orchestra. Program includes an arrangement of Gershwin's *Rhapsody in Blue* where they will be joined by Mary Jo Gothmann. This concert is free of charge - donations will be gratefully accepted.

#### HELP CRAFT OUR ADULT ED EXPERIENCES FOR THE FALL

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 Orientation

# this week

## PASTORS

Pastor Connie Tiede  
*Interim Lead Pastor*

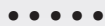
Pastor Sue Wallager  
*Pastor for Spiritual Care*

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*



**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, backgrounds, 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, JUNE 10

**Open Pickleball**

2:30 PM | CLC

**TOPS**

5:30 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

**Divorce Care Group**

6:30 PM | LEGACY ROOM

**Self-Defense Class**

8:15 PM | CLC

TUESDAY, JUNE 11

**Open Pickleball**

9:00 AM | CLC

**Summer Study - "Crazy Book..."**

9:00 AM | LEGACY ROOM

**N.E.T. Meeting**

6:00 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12

**KidSing Jr - Summer!**

9:30 AM | CLASSROOM 11

**Summer Study - "Crazy Book..."**

10:00 AM | LEGACY ROOM

**Funeral for Gordon Wilkinson**

VISITATION | 10 AM | UPPER COMMONS

SERVICE | 11 AM | CHAPEL

**Summer Study - "Crazy Book..."**

7:00 PM | OFFSITE

THURSDAY, JUNE 13

**The Gathering**

9:30 AM | YOUTH ROOM

**Caregivers Support Group**

10:00 | FIRESIDE ROOM

**Z Team Training**

10:00 AM | ART ROOM

**Open Pickleball**

2:00 PM | CLC

FRIDAY, JUNE 14

SATURDAY, JUNE 15

**Funeral for Delores Jones**

VISITATION | 10 AM | UPPER COMMONS

SERVICE | 11 AM | SANCTUARY

SATURDAY, JUNE 15 - Cont'd

**Traditional Worship Service**

5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

SUNDAY, JUNE 16

**Traditional Worship Service**

8 AM | SANCTUARY

9 AM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM

**Family "Blessing Bus" VBS**

10:00 AM | SPARK PARK

**Blended Worship Service**

11 AM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM

**Prayer Team 5**

11:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

SUMMER CAMPS ARE FILLING UP!

- KidSing Jr - Summer! – 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

SUMMER STRETCH

THURSDAYS, JUN 27, JUL 11, 18, 25, AUG 1, 8 |  
9 AM-5 PM | GRACE LUTHERAN, ANDOVER  
Zion is partnering with Grace Lutheran 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.) & recreational activities (Urban Air, Bunker Beach...etc.). Register for all six Thursdays or just drop in - the choice is yours. Cost is \$50/day to be paid in full at time of registration. Students are to bring their own bag lunch. Register on Realm, click on Events. High School students can also participate as a Junior Leader for a discounted price! More info? email Katie at [kweiland@zionanoka.org](mailto:kweiland@zionanoka.org).

# coming up

## SUMMER STUDY LITE

TUES, JUNE 11, 25, JUL 16, 23, AUG 6, 13 | 9-10 AM | LEGACY ROOM OR

WEDS, JUN 12, 26, JUL 17, 24, AUG 7, 14 | 10-11 AM | LEGACY ROOM OR

7-8:30 PM | ALLOY BREWING CO.

AT: 2700 COON RAPIDS BLVD, N.W.,  
COON RAPIDS

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 at the Welcome Desk. Books are \$20, available at the front desk.

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

THU, JUN 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 [acampbell@zionanoka.org](mailto:acampbell@zionanoka.org).

## MEN OF ZION EVENT

MON, JUN 24 | 10 AM | OFFSITE

We will be playing Corn Hole or Bags at George Green Park, Anoka. Bring your Corn Hole game if you have one we can use. We will have lunch together at a local restaurant after the activity. If rained out we can still meet at the park and go out to eat together. Bring a friend. Questions, call Mike Kelly, 651-233-3363 or Doug Boxeth, 763-222-3936.

## ICE CREAM SOCIAL - JUNE 24

MON, JUNE 24 | 6:30-8 PM | ZION'S PATIO

Join us for an unforgettable ice cream social! Bring your friends, family, and neighbors for an evening of laughter, community, and, of course, plenty of frozen delights. Don't miss out on this opportunity to connect with your fellow church members and enjoy a tasty treat together. All are welcome!

## JOIN 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 [jcampbell@zionanoka.org](mailto:jcampbell@zionanoka.org).

## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

After many years of steadfast leadership Bill Norquist, with the assistance of Sylvan Flaten, is stepping down as Zion's lead for Habitat for Humanity. Anders Lindberg will be taking over this role. **Zion's build week is MON, JULY 8 - FRI, JULY 12. (MON, TUE, WED, FRI: 8:30 AM-3:30 PM. Thur: 8:30 AM-2:30 PM.)** We will be doing a rehab on an existing house in Columbia Heights at 4824 5th St NE. Volunteers must be 16 years of age or older, no experience needed. Lunches provided, prepared and served by volunteers from Zion. (Please sign up to help prepare and serve.) Information and signup sheets available at the front desk. All are welcome. Sign up for one or all of the days. Questions? Contact Anders at [guywhogrows@gmail.com](mailto:guywhogrows@gmail.com) or 952.463.6266. All construction volunteers will also need to sign-up online and sign a waiver with Habitat before you arrive. Information can be found at <http://anoka-zionlutheran.tchabitat.volunteerhub.com/>.

## MISS A SERMON?

Zion's sermons are available each week in audio form. Find us on Spotify - search Zion Lutheran Church - Anoka MN.

## LIVE STREAM

SUNDAY 9 & 11 AM

[www.zionanoka.org](http://www.zionanoka.org)  
(click "Worship Online")

or

[www.facebook.com/  
ZionLutheranChurch  
AnokaMn](http://www.facebook.com/ZionLutheranChurchAnokaMn)

(Available anytime)

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## CABLE TV

Metro Cable Network  
Channel 6

SUNDAY | 10 AM & 5 PM

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## RADIO BROADCAST

106.1 BOB FM

SUNDAYS | 9:10 AM

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## HEARING ASSISTANCE

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

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## 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.

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## 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.

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## ELECTRONIC GIVING

Go to:

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



# growing in faith together

## UPCOMING GOSPEL READINGS

JUNE 15/16  
Mark 4:26-34

JUNE 22/23  
Mark 4:35-41

JUNE 29/30  
Mark 5:21-43

## 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

God of judgment and mercy, when we hide ourselves in shame, you seek us out in love. Grant us the fullness of your forgiveness, that as one people, united by your grace, we may stand with Christ against the powers of evil. Amen.

## prayer request

If you have a celebration or concern you would like the prayer team to include in their prayers, email it to [swallager@zionanoka.org](mailto:swallager@zionanoka.org).

**Lesson:** Psalm 130

**Gospel:** Mark 3:20-35

[Jesus went home;] and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And Jesus called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a dominion is divided against itself, that dominion cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against Satan and is divided, Satan cannot stand, but is coming to an end. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit." Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And Jesus replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

## FREE BASIC SELF-DEFENSE CLASS

JULY 11, 18, 25; AUG 1, 22, 29 | 7:30 - 9 PM | CLC

Come learn basic moves to release & escape from choke holds and other grabs/holds. There will be demonstrations on how to break down, defend yourself and participate in class. The instructor is Marvin A. Schnickels, with a 6th Degree Black Belt and Teaching Degree in Martial Arts, in both the USA, Minnesota and Okinawan style of Shuri-Te Karate with over 20 years teaching experience and over 34 years training in this style of Martial Arts. For questions or sign up, please contact Marvin at [marvinas@q.com](mailto:marvinas@q.com).

## A MESSAGE FROM THE ZION LEAD PASTOR CALL COMMITTEE:

On June 2 the congregation met with Bishop Ann Svennungsen. The meeting started with reviewing the top five ministry tasks of what we are looking for in a pastor. They are; administration, evangelism, preaching, teaching and stewardship. The congregation then had an open mic discussion about what they love about our Zion congregation and the challenges that we also have within our church. It was a very productive conversation and the call committee will take into consideration the ideas and thoughts that were presented by the congregation. Our next step in our calling process is the church council's recommendation on how to start the process of determining candidates for the position. We ask for your prayers during this time of transition.

## 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

