

# life together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF JUNE 16-22, 2024



**ZION**  
LUTHERAN † ANOKA

## WORSHIP LEADERS

### PREACHING:

Pastor Connie Tiede

### ASSISTING:

8 AM Pr Sue Wallager

9 AM Pr Mike Pancoast

11 AM Pr Sue Wallager

### READERS:

5 PM Greg Bergeron

8 AM Deb Oas Koepsell

9 AM Caroline Baker

11 AM Steve Dussl

## today - Father's Day

**CHRIST CARE PRAYERS...**We rejoice with Brody Michael Prozinski who receives the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. We give thanks for Janet & Gary DeGuise as they celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. We pray for the families of Claribel Berghorst and Delores Steinbrecher who mourn their deaths.

**ALTAR FLOWERS...**Given in celebration of Gary & Janet DeGuise's 50th wedding anniversary.

### THANK YOU RECENT RADIO BROADCAST FUND SUPPORTERS

- Dianne Carlson

### FAMILY "BLESSING BUS" VBS

TODAY | 10:00 AM | SPARK PARK

### PRAYER TEAM 5

TODAY | 11:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

### CHURCH BUILDING CLOSED WED, JUNE 19 IN OBSERVANCE OF JUNETEENTH

If you need to contact the pastor on call with an emergency, please call the main Zion phone number, 763-421-4656 and the answering service will connect you

### KIDS CAMP/VBS VOLUNTEERS: and then God provided...YOU!

YOU may be just the right adult or youth volunteer we need for our Zion Kids Camps this summer: Sports Camp (9-noon, June 24-27), The Blessing Bus VBS (9-noon July 15-18) and Camp Create It (9-noon July 29-Aug. 1). We always worry up to the last minute that we won't have enough help, and then...God provides! If you would like to provide your time and talent before the last minute, contact Ann Campbell (763-506-8119 or [acampbell@zionanoka.org](mailto:acampbell@zionanoka.org)). Thank you!

### JOIN SUMMER CHOIR

We sing on July 7 & August 11. Meet at 8:15 AM in the Choir Room, sing at the 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).

**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*

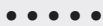
Pastor Sue Wallager  
*Pastor for Spiritual Care*

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 17

### Open Pickleball

2:30 PM | CLC

### Pre-K Board Meeting

2:30 PM | LEGACY ROOM

### TOPS

5:30 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

### Divorce Care Group

6:30 PM | LEGACY ROOM

### Scouts - Pack 233

6:30 PM | VARIOUS ROOMS

### Self-Defense Class

8:15 PM | CLC

TUESDAY, JUNE 18

### Open Pickleball

9:00 AM | CLC

### Quilters

9:00 AM | ART ROOM

### Church Council Meeting

6:30 PM | LIBRARY

### Italy Trip Choir Rehearsal

7:00 PM | CHOIR ROOM

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19

### Building Closed

Observance of Juneteenth

THURSDAY, JUNE 20

### The Gathering

9:30 AM | YOUTH ROOM

### Caregivers Support Group

10:00 | FIRESIDE ROOM

### Funeral for Delores Steinbrecher

VISITATION | 10 AM | UPPER COMMONS

SERVICE | 11 AM | SANCTUARY

### Open Pickleball

2:00 PM | CLC

FRIDAY, JUNE 21

SATURDAY, JUNE 22

### Traditional Worship Service

5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

SUNDAY, JUNE 23

### Traditional Worship Service

8 AM | SANCTUARY

9 & 11 AM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM

### Family "Blessing Bus" VBS

10:00 AM | SPARK PARK

### Prayer Team 6

11:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

## THANK YOU

### SUPER SALE VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make the Super Sale a success. From getting the church ready on Saturday to the cleanup Friday afternoon. We had 167 volunteers who worked 3676 hours. Gross sales totaled \$26,018. Amazing!!

### ANOKA MIDDLE SCHOOL GIFTS

Thank you for your recent generosity of giving over \$600 in gift cards for food and necessities for needy families of students at Anoka Middle School. It is greatly appreciated by the staff that work directly with those families. Also, special funds were used to gift nearly 100 single day passes for the Anoka Aquatics Center, which were distributed by counselors and social workers to students who might not have funds to have fun in the water this summer.

### CYF VOLUNTEERS

Now that the CYF school year program is over and we are moving into summer, it's time to say thank you to our wonderful children's ministry volunteers: Linn, Kendra, Teagan, Emma, Ethan, Jen, Beth, Barb, Michelle, Josh, Lori, Cindy, Todd, Fherlish, Jack, Ainsley, Glen, Gavin, Nova, Pamela, Ryan and Christine! Thank you for all that you do to enhance our Children, Youth and Family ministry. You are loved!

# coming up

## 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. 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!

## SUMMER STRETCH

THURS, 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 for service projects & fun activities (Urban Air, Bunker Beach...etc.). Register for all six Thursdays or just drop in - the choice is yours. Cost is \$50/day 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! For more info email Katie at [kweiland@zionanoka.org](mailto:kweiland@zionanoka.org).

## "FARE FOR ALL" AT ZION

THUR, JUNE 27 | 4 - 6 PM | LOWER COMMONS

*Fare for All* is a program that allows people in the community to come and shop for deeply discounted nutritious food. It is open to everyone and accepts CASH, CREDIT, DEBIT and EBT cards.

## UPCOMING ADULT FORUM: The War in Ukraine - A Daughter's Perspective

SUN, JULY 7 | 10 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Join us as Diane Baima, Zion member Florence Shebetka's daughter, shares her experiences living in Russia during the 1990s and most recently in Ukraine with her husband and extended family.

## FREE BASIC SELF-DEFENSE CLASS

THURS | 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 the 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 to sign up, contact Marvin at [marvinas@q.com](mailto:marvinas@q.com).

## FREE JOYA CONCERT - NEW DATE AND TIME!

SUNDAY | JULY 14 | 7 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 accepted.

## SUMMER CAMPS ARE FILLING UP!

- Pre-K "Blessing Bus" VBS - Age 3-5; JULY 9-11 (T-TH) 9-11 AM
- K-5 "Blessing Bus" VBS - 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

## 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

### **Lesson:** Ezekiel 17:22-24

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out. I will break off a tender one from the topmost of its young twigs; I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it, in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind. All the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord. I bring low the high tree, I make high the low tree; I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I the Lord have spoken; I will accomplish it.

### **Gospel:** Mark 4:26-34

Jesus said, "The dominion of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, the sower does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once the sower goes in with a sickle, because the harvest has come." Jesus also said, "With what can we compare the dominion of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables Jesus spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

## 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

Creating God, your reign of love makes all things new. Plant seeds of confidence and gladness in our hearts, so that, trusting your word, we may live no longer for ourselves but for him who died and was raised for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. 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).

## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

After many years of steadfast leadership Bill Norquist and Sylvan Flaten are 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, THU, FRI: 8:30 AM-3:30 PM. Wed: 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 sign-up 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 arriving on site. Information can be found at <http://anokazionlutheran.tchabitat.volunteerhub.com/>.

## JEST KIDDING

The pastor giving a children's sermon on vestments asked "Why do you think I wear this collar?" One kid answered: "Because it kills ticks and fleas up to 30 day?"

## 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

