

# life together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF JULY 7-13, 2024



**ZION**  
LUTHERAN | ANOKA

## WORSHIP LEADERS

### PREACHING:

Pastor Sue Wallager

### ASSISTING:

SAT Deb Oas Koepsell  
SUN Pr Mike Pancoast

### READERS:

5 PM Greg Bergeron  
8 AM Deb Oas Koepsell  
9 AM Sandy Benson  
11 AM Jim Bauer

## today -

**CHRIST CARE PRAYERS...**We give thanks for Bonnie & Don Timm as they celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary and David & Tanya Prahll who celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary.

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

**ALTAR FLOWERS...**In memory of Char Montei given by her family and in celebration of Bonnie & Don Timm's 50th wedding anniversary given by their children: Andy, Liz & Katie.

### THANK YOU RECENT RADIO BROADCAST FUND SUPPORTERS

- Dianne Carlson

### SUMMER CHOIR REHEARSAL

TODAY | 8:15 AM | CHOIR ROOM

Choir will be singing at the 9 AM service today.

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

TODAY | 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.

### SUMMER CAMPS - Registration for VBS (Gr K-5) closes this Monday July 8!

"Camp Create It" - Grades K-5 completed (JULY 29 - AUG. 1 9 AM-NOON) still has openings. Class choices are: origami, cooking, creative challenges, or hand sewing; plus theater, rock painting, knitting, or recycled art! Kids choose two. Register at <https://www.zionanoka.org/zion-kids-camps-registration/>. **Registration for "Camp Create It" closes July 15, or when all the spots are full!** Volunteers are still needed for camps. If you can help contact Ann Campbell (763-506-8119 or [acampbell@zionanoka.org](mailto:acampbell@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*

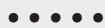
Pastor Sue Wallager  
*Pastor for Spiritual Care*

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, JULY 8

**Worship at Walker**

10:30 AM | OFFSITE

**Open Pickleball**

2:00 PM | CLC

**TOPS**

5:30 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

TUESDAY, JULY 9

**Open Pickleball**

9:00 AM | CLC

**Quilters**

9:00 AM | ART ROOM

**VBS for Pre-K Kids**

9:00 AM | SPARK PARK

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10

**VBS for Pre-K Kids**

9:00 AM | SPARK PARK

THURSDAY, JULY 11

**Summer Stretch**

9:00 AM | OFFSITE

**VBS for Pre-K Kids**

9:00 AM | SPARK PARK

**The Gathering**

9:30 | YOUTH ROOM

**Caregivers Support Group**

10:00 | FIRESIDE ROOM

**Open Pickleball**

2:00 PM | CLC

**Self-Defense Class**

7:30 PM | CLC

FRIDAY, JULY 12

SATURDAY, JULY 13

**Riverfest**

8 AM - 5 PM | OFFSITE

**Traditional Worship Service**

5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

SUNDAY, JULY 14

**Traditional Worship Service**

8 AM | SANCTUARY

9 & 11 AM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM

SUNDAY, JULY 14 - cont'd

**Prayer Team 8**

11:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

**Baptism Class**

12:00 PM | LIBRARY

**JOYA Concert**

2:00 PM | SANCTUARY

SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED

Zion is once again partnering with Anoka United Methodist Church in gathering school supplies for their "United for the Community: Back to School Event" on August 15. The main requests this year are Crayola colored pencils (12 count box), Crayola watercolor paint sets (8 color) and glue sticks. Also requested are two-pocket folders (red, yellow, blue and green), spiral or composition notebooks (wide and college rule) in the same colors, #2 pencils, pens (blue or black ink) and highlighters. As in the past, we will also be collecting gift cards to Cub, Walmart, Aldi and Target that will be given to Anoka Middle School for the Arts. Denominations up to \$25 are requested. **Please drop off the supplies at the Welcome Desk by Aug 2.** Questions? Contact Pastor Connie or Glen Semanko.

HOPE4Youth NEEDS YOUR HELP!

HOPE4Youth food shelves are almost empty! This spring has seen a record number of youth coming through the doors and summer is historically our busiest time of year. Help Support HOPE 4 Youth this summer through the Summer Kick-off Challenge! The goal is to raise \$15,000 and collect 15,000 lbs. of food! For more info go to <https://give.hope4youthmn.org> and click on Summer Kick-Off Challenge.

MATTHEW BAG MINISTRY

**We are currently collecting donations of adult-size ankle socks.** They can be dropped in the *Matthew Bag* donation bins at the Welcome Desk. Thank you.

# coming up

## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

MON, JULY 8 - FRI, JULY 12 | TIMES ARE:  
MON, TUE, THUR, FRI | 8:30 AM-3:30 PM &  
WED | 8:30 AM-2:30 PM | OFFSITE AT:  
4824 5TH ST NE. COLUMBIA HEIGHTS  
We will be doing a rehab on an existing house. 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 & sign-up sheets available at the front desk. All are welcome. Questions? Contact Anders at 952-463-6266 or [guywhogrows@gmail.com](mailto:guywhogrows@gmail.com). All construction volunteers need to sign up online and sign a waiver with Habitat before arriving on site. Info can be found at <http://anokazionlutheran.tchabitat.volunteerhub.com/>.

## FREE BASIC SELF-DEFENSE CLASS

THURS, JULY 11, 18, 25, AUG 1, 22, 29 |  
7:30-9 PM | CLC  
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. Instructor Marvin A. Schnickels, has a 6th Degree Black Belt and Teaching Degree in Martial Arts 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).

## ZION AT ANOKA RIVERFEST

SAT, JULY 13 | 9AM - 5PM |  
2ND & JACKSON ST  
Zion's booth hosted by the NET team, council members, Zion pastors and staff. Our booth will offer information about Zion along with a number of promotional items. Stop by and say "hi". If you know someone who might be interested in learning more about Zion, encourage them to do the same.

## KATIE WEILAND TO SHARE YOUTH SUMMER CAMP & TRIP EXPERIENCES

The weekend of July 13 & 14, Katie Weiland, Zion's Director of Middle and High School Ministries will be preaching and sharing about Zion youth summer camp and mission trip experiences. You've supported them through financial means and prayer. Now it's time for you to hear about the impact these opportunities have had on our youth.

## BAPTISM CLASS

SUN, JULY 14 | NOON | LIBRARY  
If you are expecting, have had a baby or adopting and would like to know more about baptism this class is for you. Contact Kristine at [kjohnson@zionnoka.org](mailto:kjohnson@zionnoka.org) for more info or to sign up for this class.

## FREE JOYA CONCERT - NEW TIME

SUN, JULY 14 | 2 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. Concert is free - donations will be gratefully accepted.

## SUMMER STRETCH

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 and fun activities. Cost is \$50/day paid in full at time of registration. You must register a minimum of 2 weeks in advance of the day(s) you are attending. Register on Realm, click on Events. Email Katie at [kweiland@zionanoka.org](mailto:kweiland@zionanoka.org) for more info.

## REGISTER FOR ZION PRE-K!

We are taking registrations for the 2024-25 school year. All 3-5 year olds welcome. Use QR code for more info.



## 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

JULY 13/14

1 Thessalonians 5:12-28

JULY 20/21

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

JULY 27/28

John 6:1-21

### **Lesson:** Ezekiel 2:1-5

A voice said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when the Lord spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard the Lord speaking to me, saying, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord God." Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

### **Gospel:** Mark 6:1-13

Jesus came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And Jesus could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then Jesus went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. Jesus said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

## 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 grace and powerful weakness, at times your prophets were ignored, rejected, belittled, and unwelcome. Trusting that we, too, are called to be prophets, fill us with your Spirit, and support us by your gentle hands, that we may persevere in speaking your word and living our faith. 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).

## ONLINE GIVING

As your summer travels take you away from weekly worship, remember that it is easy to sign up for Vanco Online. If you're a new online giver to Zion, visit our website at [www.zionanoka.org](http://www.zionanoka.org) and click on "give today" to create a Vanco online account. If you already have a Vanco account, log in by clicking on the "Log In" button on the top right of your screen. Thank you for your faithful stewardship and support!

## JEST KIDDING

A pastor visited a Sunday school class one morning and asked, "What would you like me to talk about?" Young Bill spoke up boldly and said, "About 3 minutes!"

## WELCOME

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

## CONTACT

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[www.zionanoka.org](http://www.zionanoka.org)

## OFFICE HOURS

MON - THU: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
FRI: 9:00 AM - 12:00 NOON

