# life together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF JULY 21-27, 2024



# **WORSHIP LEADERS**

# PREACHING:

Pastor Mike Pancoast

# ASSISTING:

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

# **READERS**:

5 PM Greg Bergeron 8 AM Deb Oas Koepsell 9 AM Bob Fischer 11 AM Steve Dussl

# today -

CHRIST CARE PRAYERS...We pray for the families of Alton Moe and Joanne Nelson 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 ON BOB-FM

Every Sunday morning at 9:10 AM, Zion's traditional worship service is broadcast on BOB-FM (106.1). Our radio broadcast covers a good portion of Minnesota and reaches several hundred listeners each Sunday, including many who do not have internet capability. Special gifts to support Zion's Radio Broadcast Fund are welcome. Gifts may be given in memory of a loved one or in honor of a special occasion such as a wedding anniversary. Thank you to recent supporters of the Radio Broadcast Fund.

- Cara Fish
- Elaine Isaacson
- Donna Fiske-Iseminger

- Al & Margaret Steinbring
- Lyle & Marlene Willock

Today | 11 am | Fireside Room

### **ONLINE GIVING**

PRAYER TEAM 1

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 <a href="https://www.zionanoka.org">www.zionanoka.org</a> 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!

GREEN PRAYER CARDS are available in the pew holders for you to write a prayer request. Place them in the wooden prayer collection boxes located in the Sanctuary, Chapel or at the Welcome Desk. All prayer concerns or thanksgivings are confidential and are shared only with the Prayer Team.

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.



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# 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, JULY 22

# **OWLS Committee Meeting**

10:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

# **Funeral for Alton Moe**

Visitation | 10 am | Upper Commons Service | 11 am | Sanctuary

# **Open Pickleball**

2:00 PM | CLC

### **TOPS**

5:30 pm | Fireside Room

Scouts - Pack 233

6:30 pm | Various Rooms

TUESDAY, JULY 23

# **Open Pickleball**

9:00 AM | CLC

### **Quilters**

9:00 am | Art Room

# **Summer Study Lite**

9:00 AM | LEGACY ROOM

# **Zion Addiction Awareness Ministry**

6:30 PM | LIBRARY

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24

KidSing Jr (Ages 3-7)

9:30 AM | CLASSROOM 11

# **Summer Study Lite**

10:00 AM | LEGACY ROOM 7:00 PM | OFFSITE

THURSDAY, JULY 25

### **Summer Stretch**

9:00 am | Offsite

### The Gathering

9:30 | Youth Room

# **Open Pickleball**

2:00 PM | CLC

### **Self-Defense Class**

7:30 PM | CLC

FRIDAY, JULY 26

SATURDAY, JULY 27

**Traditional Worship Service** 

5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

SUNDAY, JULY 28

# **Traditional Worship Service**

8 AM | SANCTUARY

9 & 11am | Sanctuary & Livestream

**Prayer Team 2** 

11:00 am | Fireside Room

#### SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED

Less than 2 weeks remain in our school supplies drive. The goal and need has been doubled for this year. Last year the goal was to load 250 backpacks. This year the goal is 500! 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 HOPE4Youth this summer through the Summer Kick-off Challenge! The goal is to raise \$15,000 and collect 15,000 lbs. of food! For more information go to <a href="https://give.hope4youthmn.org">https://give.hope4youthmn.org</a> and click on *Summer Kick-Off Challenge*. Donations should be dropped off directly at HOPE4Youth.

#### MISS A SERMON?

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

# coming up

# CELEBRATING NANCY NORDIN AND LEAANN BARNETT

Sun, July 28 | Cornerstone Cafe Join us on as we celebrate the retirement of Nancy Nordin and LeaAnn Barnett from our Worship Team. After each service we will have cake and coffee and during the 10 AM fellowship time Nancy and LeaAnn will be available so we can share our gratitude for their many years of ministry. Because of their retirement, there will be some transitioning of new keyboardists as we continue to make the modifications to the 11 AM service.

### **NOISY OFFERING**

We are taking a special noisy offering July 27/28 to help raise funds for a new shed in the green space for Pre-K equipment. A tree fell on top of the old one and a new shed costs \$1000. The Pre-K uses the green space most of the year for outdoor activities and the shed keeps our toys and equipment safe.

# **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**

Monday, July 29 | 1-6 pm | CLC To sign-up, please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood. org enter Sponsor Code: Zion.

# MEN OF ZION & FRIENDS ACTIVITY

Wed, Aug 7 | 11 am | offsite

Our next activity for the Men of Zion and Friends will be breakfast at Baker's Square in Coon Rapids. After breakfast and free pie, we will journey to Lilli Putt at 1349 Coon Rapids Blvd for a round of mini golf. Hope to see you there. Questions call Doug Boxeth 763-222-3936 or Mike Kelly 651-233-3363.

# REGISTER FOR ZION PRE-K!

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



### JOIN SUMMER CHOIR

We sing on 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 icampbell@zionanoka.org.

#### SCAM ALERT

If you should receive an email from a Zion pastor or staff member requesting that you donate gift cards for someone in need, please delete the email. It is a scam. Zion congregation, pastors or staff will not send emails requesting gift cards or money. Please be on alert for such email scams. A good practice with any email is to check the sender's address. If the address does not end with @zionanoka.org, then the email is not coming from a Zion staff member. There are no signs of a breach of Zion's systems or data. Thank you.

#### COMMUNION SERVERS NEEDED!

We are in need of communion servers. If you are interested in helping with this important ministry, there is a notebook in the Sacristy where you can sign up for the weekend and worship service time that is convenient for you. Thank you!

### **IEST KIDDING**

A father is in church with three of his young children, including his five-yearold daughter. As was customary, he sat in the very front row so that the children could properly witness the service. During this particular service, the minister was performing the baptism of a tiny infant. The five-year-old was taken by this, observing that he was saying something and pouring water over the infant's head. With a guizzical look on her face, the little girl turned to her father and asked: "Daddy, why is he brainwashing that baby?"

### LIVE STREAM

Sunday 9 & 11 am

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

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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 vou.

# . . . . . **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

JULY 27/28 John 6:1-21

AUGUST 3/4 Luke 11:1-3

AUGUST 10/11 Luke 1:46-55

# 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

Shepherd God, you call us into a rhythm of work and rest that our lives may be the better for it. So shape our leisure and our labor, that the world will recognize us as Jesus' disciples and our ministry as what you would have us do. 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:** Ephesians 2:11-22

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, whose men were called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For Christ is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So Christ came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

**Gospel:** Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As Jesus went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When Jesus and the disciples had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

### CYF CONTINUES SUPPORT OF DINESH AND SRIMATHI

Last year, Zion's children and youth began sponsoring two children through Lutheran Partners in Global Ministry, Dinesh (age 10) and Srimathi (age 8). The program called Project Education India works with Dalit-led Arcot Lutheran Church in India and provides boarding home schools for thousands of children. We provide \$40.00 per month per child. To participate, donate to Zion Lutheran Church and indicate LPGM/Project Education India on your envelope or go to <a href="https://www.zionanoka.org">www.zionanoka.org</a> and click the GIVE TODAY button on the home page. A display of emails exchanged between Dinesh, Srimathi and our Zion kiddos is located outside the CYF office, lower level!

# 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

