# life together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF JULY 28-AUG 3, 2024



WORSHIP LEADERS

# today -

CHRIST CARE PRAYERS...We give thanks for all who spread God's love and mercy by sharing their gifts.

**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 all our past supporters.

## 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 11AM service.

# ASSISTING:

Pastor Connie Tiede

8 AM Pr Mike Pancoast 9 AM Pr Sue Wallager 11 AM Pr Mike Pancoast

## **READERS**:

PREACHING:

5 PM Kathy Johnson 8 AM Marlene Gray 9 AM David Nelson 11 AM Carol Loyd

## NOISY OFFERING RETURNS TODAY

Today | 9 & 11 am services | Sanctuary

The Noisy Offering buckets are out this weekend. This special Noisy Offering is 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 our green space most of the year for outdoor activities and the shed keeps their toys and equipment safe. Kids & Youth will be invited to help gather the Noisy Offering during the closing hymn.

## PRAYER TEAM 2

TODAY | 11 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

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 29

Camp Create It

9:00 am | Fellowship Hall

**Blood Drive** 

1:00 PM | CLC

**TOPS** 

5:30 pm | Fireside Room

TUESDAY, JULY 30

**Camp Create It** 

9:00 am | Fellowship Hall

**Open Pickleball** 

9:00 AM | CLC

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31

**Camp Create It** 

9:00 am | Fellowship Hall

Knit One, Purl Two

1:00 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

THURSDAY, AUG 1

**Camp Create It** 

9:00 am | Fellowship Hall

**Summer Stretch** 

9:00 am | Offsite

The Gathering

9:30 | Youth Room

**Caregivers Support Group** 

10:00 | Library

**Communion Service - Homestead** 

10:30 AM | OFFSITE

**Open Pickleball** 

2:00 PM | CLC

**Self-Defense Class** 

7:30 PM | CLC

FRIDAY, AUG 2

SATURDAY, AUG 3

**Traditional Worship Service** 

5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

SUNDAY, AUG 4

**Traditional Worship Service** 

8 AM | SANCTUARY

9 & 11am | Sanctuary & Livestream

SUNDAY, AUG 4 - cont'd

**Prayer Team 3** 

11:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

Worship at Farmstead

1:30 PM | OFFSITE

## SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED

Less than 1 week remains in our school supplies drive. 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.

# **HOPE 4 Youth NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

HOPE 4 Youth 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 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 HOPE 4 Youth.

## 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

## **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.

# NOISY OFFERING FOR CAMP MINISTRIES

Sun, Aug 4 | 9 & 11 AM SERVICES | SANCTUARY

We will be resuming our Noisy Offerings for Camp Ministries. This year we are excited to be hosting our 6-7th grade confirmation retreat at Camp Wapo in the fall. Thank you for your continued support so we can make opportunities like this possible.

## **CREATION CARE TEAM -**

Learn How to Make a Dryer Wool Ball Mon, Aug 5 | 6 pm | Zion Patio

Join us and have a "ball" making a ball with the Zion Creation Care Team! (If inclement weather, we will meet in the Cornerstone.) Supplies will be provided, including wool roving, warm water and soap. If interested, sign up at the front desk. Limited to 10 people max.

# 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 Bakers 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.

## **IOIN 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 jcampbell@zionanoka.org.

# END OF SUMMER LOCK-IN FOR STUDENTS ENTERING GRADES 6-12

Aug 16 - 17 | 8 PM - 6 AM | VARIOUS ROOMS Join Katie for our annual Lock-in! Pizza, snacks, and flavored beverages provided - bring water bottles for water from fountains. There is no cost for this event, but **you must register** – please use the link below. Friends welcome! https://cutt.ly/endofsummer

## FREE ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Mon, Aug 12 | 6:30-8 PM | Zion's Patio Craving something sweet? We have just the scoop for you! Join us for a neighborhood ice cream social. Bring your friends, family, and neighbors for an evening of laughter, community, and plenty of frozen delights (Dilly Bars and Popsicles). Don't miss out on this opportunity to connect with your fellow friends and neighbors and enjoy a tasty treat together. Whether you're a regular attendee, new to our congregation, or neighbor, all are welcome! We look forward to seeing you there!

# SUMMER STUDY LITE - Date Change The last session originally scheduled for August 13/14 has changed to August 20/21.

# GREETERS NEEDED -SAT 5 PM & SUN 11 AM SERVICES

We need you to help us be a welcoming church! Come share a smile and a warm greeting with all who come to worship. Please contact Linn Hauck at linn.hauck@gmail.com or Suzanne at sgaboury@zionanoka.org if you are interested or have questions.

## **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 (click "Worship Online") or 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.

# 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

AUGUST 3/4 Luke 11:1-3

AUGUST 10/11 Luke 1:46-55

AUGUST 17/18 Luke 4:16-21

# 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

Sustainer of the hungry, like a mother you long to feed your children until each is satisfied. Turn our eyes to you alone, that, aware of our own deepest longings, we will reach out with Christ to feed others with the miracle of your love. 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:** 2 Kings 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to Elisha, the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

Gospel: John 6:1-21

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jewish people, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" Jesus said this to test Philip, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a child here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that Jesus had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

## **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 <a href="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!

## **IEST KIDDING**

The boy listened closely as the minister read the Bible. "May I ask a question?" he asked. "Sure. Go ahead. Ask your question," replied the minister. "Well, the Bible says that the children of Israel crossed the Red Sea, the children of Israel built the temple and the children of Israel did this and the children of Israel did that. Didn't the grownups ever do anything?"

## 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

