

# life together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 1-7, 2024



**ZION**  
LUTHERAN | ANOKA

## WORSHIP LEADERS

### PREACHING:

Pastor Connie Tiede

### ASSISTING:

SUN Pr Mike Pancoast

### READERS:

5 PM Greg Bergeron

8 AM Marlene Gray

9 AM Kathy Quade

11 AM Steve Dussl

## today -

**CHRIST CARE PRAYERS...**We pray for the families of Myron Haugen, George Rabehl and Sandra Houle (Vendy Houle's daughter) who mourns 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 SUNDAY MORNINGS ON BOB-FM

Special gifts to support Zion's Radio Broadcast Fund are welcome. Thank you to recent supporters of the Radio Broadcast Fund:

- Shirlie Johnston • Marilyn Herbold in memory of Paul Stone and Marge Anderson
- Bev Fraser in memory of Marge Anderson

## CHURCH BUILDING CLOSED MONDAY SEPTEMBER 2 FOR THE LABOR DAY HOLIDAY

If you are in need of emergency pastoral care, please call Zion's main number, 763-421-4656 and the messaging service will reach the pastor on call.

## BUILDING SECURITY UPDATE

Zion has recently begun having a visitor sign-in sheet at the front desk. All visitors working or volunteering on the second floor or going between first and second floor, need to sign in and get a visitor name badge (Monday-Friday not including evenings or weekends.) Others attending Bible studies and meetings on the main floor will not be required to sign in. Thank you for your help in making this a smooth transition.

## SMALL GROUP STUDY BEGINS THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 9

The first study of this fall will be season one of *The Chosen*, a dramatic video miniseries based on the Gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. Study guides can be ordered at the front desk for \$15. Sign up for a class at the Welcome Desk.

**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  
*Lead Pastor*

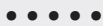
Pastor Sue Wallager  
*Pastor for Spiritual Care*

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, SEPT 2

*Labor Day*

**Building Closed**

TUESDAY, SEPT 3

**Open Pickleball**

9:00 AM | CLC

**First Tuesdays**

1:30 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

**Grief and Loss Support Group**

6:30 PM | LEGACY ROOM

**Creation Care Team Meeting**

6:30 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 4

**Worship at Homestead**

1:30 PM | OFFSITE

**Worship Team Rehearsal**

6:00 PM | SANCTUARY

**Adult Choir**

7:00 PM | CHOIR ROOM

THURSDAY, SEPT 5

**The Gathering**

9:30 | YOUTH ROOM

**Caregivers Support Group**

10:00 | FIRESIDE ROOM

**Sons of Norway Book Club**

10:00 AM | LIBRARY

**Communion Service - Homestead**

10:30 AM | OFFSITE

**Open Pickleball**

2:00 PM | CLC

**Pre K Meet the Teachers Day**

12 PM | PRE-K CLASSROOMS

FRIDAY, SEPT 6

SATURDAY, SEPT 7

**Traditional Worship Service**

5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

SUNDAY, SEPT 8

*Rally Day*

**Traditional Worship Service**

8 AM | SANCTUARY

SUNDAY, SEPT 8 - Cont'd

**Special Bluegrass Worship Service**

9 & 11 AM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM

**Prayer Team 7**

11:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

**Baptism Class**

12:00 PM | LIBRARY

CYF REGISTRATION IS OPEN

Registration for our Children, Youth and Family 2024-2025 program year is open!

This includes

- Holy Shenanigans (ministry for families with children ages 0-5)
- Kid City (Sunday School, K-5th grade)
- Preschool Dance (ages 2-5 w/adult)
- KidSing (ages 3-8)
- Whirl (grades K-2)
- Joiz-N-Noiz (grades 3-5)
- Confirmation (grades 6-8)
- High School Youth Group (grades 9-12)

For more info visit our website at [www.zionanoka.org/registration-events/](http://www.zionanoka.org/registration-events/).

Join us for Rally Sunday on September 8 as we kick off our programming year.

ADULT EDUCATION BROCHURES NOW AVAILABLE

Pick up a copy of the Adult Education Brochure for this year. It provides information on upcoming small group studies, the Adult Forum schedule, support groups and the list of books for the Zion Pages Book Group. Brochures are available on the tables outside the Sanctuary.

MEN OF ZION AND FRIENDS EVENT

SEPT 10 | 10 AM | GEORGE GREEN PARK  
Frisbee Golf first with lunch at Culver's afterwards. No cost except lunch.

THANKS FARE FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to all those who helped with *Fare for All* last Thursday. Our next *Fare for All* is Thursday, September 26.

# coming up

## GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

TUES, SEPT 3, 10, 17 & 24 | 6:30-7:30 PM  
| LEGACY ROOM

All are welcome to attend a grief support group Tuesdays in September from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Legacy Room. Contact Pastor Sue for more information or questions at [swallager@zionanoka.org](mailto:swallager@zionanoka.org).

## JOIN ZION'S MUSIC GROUPS

Choir and Worship Team Rehearsals begin Wednesday evenings:

- Adult Choir:  
WED, SEP 4 | 7:00-8:30 PM |  
CHOIR ROOM
- Worship Team:  
WED, SEP 4 | 6:00-7:00 PM |  
SANCTUARY
- Ringmasters:  
WED, SEP 11 | 6:00-6:45 PM |  
HANDBELL ROOM

If you'd like to join, or have questions don't hesitate to email Music Director Jonathan Campbell at [jcampbell@zionanoka.org](mailto:jcampbell@zionanoka.org).

## NOISY OFFERING

The Noisy Offering buckets will be out again next weekend, Sept 7/8. All proceeds go to our 6th & 7th Grade retreat to Camp Wapothis fall. Thank you for supporting our children and youth.

## BAPTISM CLASS

SUN, SEPT 8 | 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 information or to sign up for this class.

## RALLY SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 8

### • Worship Services

TRADITIONAL | SAT 5 PM & SUN 8 AM

BLENDED | 9 AM & 11 AM

Blended services will include the Adult Choir and Bluegrass-style music and a blessing for the new school year.

### • Rally Day Ice Cream Floats are Back!

Families and friends are invited to join us on Rally Sunday from 10-10:50 AM in Fellowship Hall for treats and activities! Learn about our Children, Youth and Family programs, complete registration and health forms, meet and catch up with friends!

### • Back-To-School Blessing Tags

Available on Rally Sunday as part of our Rally Day celebration. Look for them in the Fellowship Hall during the 10 a.m. education hour and in the upper lobby following each service. Everyone is invited to decorate their own tag, and they're perfect for backpacks, lunch boxes, laptop bags or even diaper bags!

## FAMILY PROMISE

### COMMITMENT WEEK - SEPT 15-21

You can support Family Promise by donating snacks (for detailed list contact Pat Stearns at [pat.stearns@comcast.net](mailto:pat.stearns@comcast.net) by Sept 6) or with a monetary donation for purchase of products, make check payable to Zion Lutheran and put "Family Promise" along with your envelope number on the memo line. Please contact Pat by Sept 6. You can also provide a meal during commitment week. Contact Pat for more information. Meals can be ingredients to make a meal with instructions, a prepared meal, gift card to a common restaurant or frozen meals. Delivery is made to the families directly on the day of your choice.

## LIVE STREAM

SUNDAY 9 & 11 AM

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

or

[www.facebook.com/  
ZionLutheranChurch  
AnokaMn](https://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

SEPT 7/8  
Rally Sunday  
Mark 7:31-37

SEPT 14/15  
Mark 8:27-38

SEPT 21/22  
Mark 8:27-38

## 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

○ Father of lights, from whose word of truth we have been born as first-fruits of your creatures: make us quick to listen and slow to speak, that the word implanted in us may take root to nourish all our living, and that we may be blessed in our doing and fruitful in action. 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: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you. You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" For what other great nation has a deity so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we cry out? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

## Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jewish people, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked Jesus, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, 'This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.' You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition." Then Jesus called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile." For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

The Minneapolis Area Synod invites you  
to a Festive Service of Holy Communion and the Installation of  
The Reverend Jen Nagel  
as Bishop of the Minneapolis Area Synod  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
Saturday, September 21, 10:30 a.m.  
Central Lutheran Church 333 South 12th Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

## 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

