life together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 22-28, 2024



today -

CHRIST CARE PRAYERS...We rejoice with Walker Sean Johnson who receives the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. We give thanks for Arlene Rose as she celebrates her 90th birthday. We pray for the families of Valerie Mabera and Wayne Pieske who mourn their deaths.

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

ADULT FAITH FORUM

Today | 10 am | Fellowship Hall

Join Jonathan Campbell and other choir participants as they share their experiences during their Italy Trip.

WORSHIP LEADERS

PREACHING:

Pastor Mike Pancoast

ASSISTING:

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

READERS:

5 PM Greg Bergeron 8 AM Marcia Wilson 9 AM Bob Fischer 11 AM Sylvia Goldman HOLY SHENANIGANS SUNDAY SCHOOL

Today | 10:00 am | Chapel

PRAYER TEAM 1

Today | 11 am | Fireside Room

KID CITY SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY | 10:00 AM | THEATER

EXCITING ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE ZION CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL!

We are thrilled to share that the Zion Congregational Council has unanimously voted to put Pastor Mike Pancoast's name forward for a congregational vote to serve as our Associate Pastor. Pastor Mike, who has been serving as our Interim Pastor, has demonstrated exceptional leadership and dedication to our community. We believe he will continue to be a tremendous asset to our congregation in this new role. The vote will occur on Sunday, September 29 at 10 am in the Sanctuary. We encourage all members to attend and participate in this important decision for the future of our church. (The Adult Forum presentation will be rescheduled.)

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.

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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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☐ I'm looking for a church home ☐ I wish to join Zion	n 🔲 Please have a pastor call me 🔲 Invite me to the New Member Orientatio	חכ

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

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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, backgrounds, generations, socioeconomic 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 23

"The Chosen" Small Group Study

1:00 PM | LEGACY ROOM

Open Pickleball

2:00 PM | CLC

TOPS

5:30 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

Scouts - Pack 233

6:30 pm | Various Rooms

Zion Pages Book Group

6:30 PM | LIBRARY

TUESDAY, SEPT 24

"The Chosen" Small Group Study

8:45 am | Fellowship Hall

Open Pickleball

9:00 AM | CLC

Preschool Dance

9:15 AM | THEATER

Women of Zion Ministry Team

1:00 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

Grief & Loss Support Group

6:30 PM | LEGACY ROOM

Zion Addiction Awareness Ministry

6:30 PM | LIBRARY

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 25

"The Chosen" Small Group Study

10:00 am | Fellowship Hall 6:00 pm | Legacy Room

Knit One, Purl Two

1:00 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

KidSing (Ages 3-8)

4:00 pm | Theater

Pizza Dinner

5:00 PM | CORNERSTONE

Whirl Wednesday

5:30 pm | Various Rooms

Confirmation

6:00 pm | Various Rooms

Ringmasters

6:00 pm | Handbell Room

Worship Team Rehearsal

6:00 pm | Sanctuary

Adult Choir

7:00 PM | CHOIR ROOM

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 25 - cont'd Common Ground Youth Group

7:00 рм | Youth Room

THURSDAY, SEPT 26

The Gathering

9:30 | Youth Room

Funeral for Valerie Mabera

VISITATION | 12 PM | UPPER COMMONS

SERVICE | 1 PM | SANCTUARY

Open Pickleball

2:00 PM | CLC

Fare for All

4:00 PM | LOWER COMMONS

FRIDAY, SEPT 27

SATURDAY, SEPT 28

Traditional Worship Service

5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

SUNDAY, SEPT 29

Traditional Worship Service

8 AM | SANCTUARY

9 & 11am | Sanctuary & Livestream

Cinnamon Roll Sunday

8:30 am - 12:30 pm | Cornerstone Cafe

Congregational Meeting

10:00 AM | SANCTUARY

Holy Shenanigans Sunday School

10:00 AM | CHAPEL

Kid City Sunday School

10:00 AM | THEATER

Prayer Team 2

11:00 am | Fireside Room

STEWARDSHIP DEVOTIONAL

The Stewardship Devotional for 2024, written by Zion members and staff, is now available at the front desk or near each Sanctuary entrance. Pick one up today. It will also be emailed out daily to our contact list.

THANK YOU

WOZ Circles: Anna, Hannah, Lydia & Ruth thank you for helping at the Matthew Bag bagging events on Mon & Tues Sept 9/10.

coming up

ZION PAGES BOOK DISCUSSION

MON, SEPT 23 | 6:30 PM | LIBRARY We will discuss "The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell" a novel by Robert Dugoni. All are welcome.

FARE FOR ALL AT ZION

Thur, Sept 26 | 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 CREDIT, DEBIT and EBT cards.

CINNAMON ROLL SUNDAY

Sun, Sept 29 | 8:30 am-12:30 pm | Cornerstone

Zion high school youth will be serving cinnamon rolls in the Cornerstone to help raise money for their Mission Trip. A free will offering will be taken.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Mon, Sept 30 | 1:00 - 6:00 pm | CLC. To sign-up, please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org enter Sponsor Code: Zion.

VISITATION & HOME COMMUNION MINISTRY

Tues, Oct 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | 6:30 pm | Legacy Room

There will a training for all those who are interested in our visitation and home communion ministry. For more info contact Pastor Sue at swallager@zionanoka.org.

LAKE WOBEGON® BRASS BAND CONCERT COMING SOON

SAT, OCT 5 | 7:30 PM | SANCTUARY
Zion welcomes the Lake Wobegon® Brass
Band for a delightful concert. The LWBB
is a British-style brass band founded and
based in Anoka. Celebrating its 33rd season.
Tickets available at the front desk. Adults \$10, Students - Free. Make checks payable to
Lake Wobegon Brass Band.

STEWARDSHIP BREAKFAST - FREE

Sun, Oct 6 | 10 am | Fellowship Hall Please join us, no reservations needed. Menu includes: Egg bakes, fruit, muffins, orange juice and coffee.

BIBLE INSTRUCTION CLASS

Sun, Oct. 6 | 10:15 am | Theater
(Bible will presented at the 9 & 11 am
worship services on Oct 13) or
Wed, Oct. 9 | 5 pm | Classroom 4
(Bible will be presented immediately
following the class)

This class is a brief introduction and instructions for children (2nd graders and new 3rd-5th graders) and parents. Children will receive a Contemporary English Version (CEV) Bible, children's edition. Bible presentations are part of our new "Walking Wet" ministry, connecting kids to the promises they received in their baptism. Questions? Contact Ann Campbell at 763-506-8119 (work) or acampbell@zionanoka.org.

MEN OF ZION EVENT

Mon, Oct 14 | 10 am | Offsite
All men of Zion are welcomed to our
next event of Bocce Ball. We will play
at George Green Park in Anoka. In case
of rain, we will meet at Zion. Following
the event, we will have lunch at
Greenhaven Golf Course in Anoka.

NEXTREX RECYCLING CHALLENGE

Help Zion win a garden bench constructed of recycled plastic! Just collect your clean and dry plastic bag/film items (see bins for illustrations of acceptable items). Drop them in the bin of the team that you support, and watch our progress! *Please, NO molded plastic items ie: water bottles; milk jugs; clamshell, deli, butter, or coolwhip type containers.*

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

SEPT 28/29 Mark 9:38-50

OCT 5/6 Mark 10:2-16

OCT 12/13 Mark 10:17-31

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

O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside our envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your peace. 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.

Lesson: 1 Corinthians 1:10-25

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.

HOPEFEST HOSTED BY ALEXANDRA HOUSE

Sat, Sep 28 | 9 am-1 pm | Anoka City Hall Plaza

There will be many activities. Zion Rachel Circle will have a table in the exhibitor area. Lunch can be purchased. This event is a lead-in to October, Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Admission is for adults & kids ages 14+ is \$35; kids ages 3-13 is \$15; Children 0-2 free. Purchase tickets online at alexandrahouse.org and click on events then HopeFest.

WELCOME

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

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon - Thu: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Fri: 9:00 am - 12:00 noon

