life together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 29 - OCTOBER 5, 2024



today -

CHRIST CARE PRAYERS...We give thanks for Richard & Vera Brown who celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary on October 1. We pray for the families of Dolores Bies, Darlene Holmes, Carol Holten (mother of Leslee Curtis), Dean Janckila and Al Steinbring who mourn their deaths.

ALTAR FLOWERS...Given in honor of Shirley Dussl's 96th Birthday.

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CINNAMON ROLL SUNDAY

Today | 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 to the Boundary Waters. A free will offering will be taken.

WORSHIP LEADERS

PREACHING:

Pastor Connie Tiede

ASSISTING:

SUN Pr Sue Wallager

READERS:

5 PM Judy Bendiske 8 AM Marlene Gray 9 AM David Nelson 11 AM Carol Loyd

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Today | 10 am | Sanctuary

This meeting is the vote to have Pastor Mike Pancoast serve as our Associate Pastor. He has been serving as our Interim Pastor. We encourage all members to attend and participate in this important decision for the future of our church.

HOLY SHENANIGANS &
KID CITY SUNDAY SCHOOL
TODAY | 10:00 AM | VARIOUS ROOMS

Today | 11 /

PRAYER TEAM 2

Today | 11 am | Fireside Room

PLEASE WELCOME ZION'S NEW CHILDREN'S CHOIR DIRECTOR

Callie Pendergrass has a degree in Elementary Education and teaches 4th Grade at Princeton Intermediate School. She has been involved in Zion's Music early on as a member of the Children's choir and now currently part of the Worship Team. She has a love of teaching and music with a goal to guide and nurture young hearts through their faith journey using the joy of music. First rehearsal is Wednesday, Oct 2, 5:30-6:00 pm in the Theater. All kids K-5th grade are encouraged to come and sing with joy!

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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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 30

"The Chosen" Small Group Study

1:00 PM | LEGACY ROOM

Red Cross Blood Drive

1:00-6:00 PM | CLC

TOPS

5:30 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

Scouts - Pack 233

6:30 pm | Various Rooms

TUESDAY, OCT 1

"The Chosen" Small Group Study

8:45 am | Fellowship Hall

Open Pickleball

9:00 AM | CLC

Preschool Dance

9:15 AM | THEATER

First Tuesdays

1:30 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

Creation Care (EcoFaith) Team Mtg

6:30 pm | Fireside Room

Home Communion & Visitation Training

6:30 PM | LEGACY ROOM

Esther Circle

7:00 pm | Library

Feed My Starving Children Service Event

7:00 PM | OFFSITE

WEDNESDAY, OCT 2

"The Chosen" Small Group Study

10:00 am | Fellowship Hall

6:00 pm | Legacy Room

Worship at Homestead

1:30 PM | OFFSITE

KidSing (Ages 3-8)

4:00 PM | THEATER

Pizza Dinner

5:00 PM | CORNERSTONE

Children's Choir

5:30 PM | THEATER

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

Common Ground Youth Group

7:00 рм | Youth Room

THURSDAY, OCT 3

The Gathering

9:30 | Youth Room

Bible Study on Disability

10:00 AM | LEGACY 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

Foundation Meeting

4:00 PM | LIBRARY

FRIDAY, OCT 4

SATURDAY, OCT 5

Traditional Worship Service

5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

Lake Wobegon® Brass Band Concert

7:30 pm | Sanctuary

SUNDAY, OCT 6

Traditional Worship Service

8 AM | SANCTUARY

9 AM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM

Holy Shenanigans Sunday School

10:00 AM | CHAPEL

Kid City Sunday School

10:00 AM | THEATER

Stewardship Breakfast

10:00 am | Fellowship Hall

Blended Worship Service

11:00 am | Sanctuary & Livestream

Prayer Team 3

11:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

Worship at Farmstead

1:30 PM | OFFSITE

coming up

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.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

TUES, OCT 1 | 7-8:30 PM | OFFSITE Confirmation students and families are invited to join Katie for this community service event at Feed my Starving Children in Coon Rapids. Register in the confirmation google folder or email kweiland@zionanoka.org.

VISITATION & HOME COMMUNION MINISTRY

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

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

BIBLE STUDY ON DISABILITY

Thur, Oct 3, 10, 17, 24 | 10 am | Legacy Room

October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month. We will study disability and otherness in the Bible and how we might be able to advocate with persons with disabilities as valued and full participants in our society and, more importantly, in the Body of Christ. Led by Linda J. Peterson, M.A.T., former contract staff for the Committee on Disability of the NCCC. USA. She will share with us what she has experienced in her faith journey and how the church has helped. Sign up at the Welcome Desk.

HOTDISH WITH HEART

Thur, Oct 3 | Lord of Life in Ramsey Registration is open for Family Promise in Anoka County's event "Hotdish with Heart". Tickets are \$50 per person or purchase a table of 6 for \$250. This annual fall fundraiser event will feature a delicious Minnesota hotdish dinner, entertainment with Daren Streblow, and stories of families experiencing housing insecurity building a foundation of lasting independence. Register at familypromise-anoka.org/events or contact 763-568-7349 or events@familypromiseanoka.org with questions.

LAKE WOBEGON® BRASS BAND CONCERT

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.

NOISY OFFERING

The Noisy Offering buckets will be out again next weekend, October 5/6. All proceeds go to our camp ministries. Thank you for supporting our children and youth.

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.

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.

LIVE STREAM

Sunday 9 & 11 am

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

(Available anytime)

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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



coming up

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 or acampbell@zionanoka.org.

MEN OF ZION EVENT

Mon, Oct 14 | 10 am | Offsite

The 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.

NEW MEMBER COFFEE/ORIENTATION

Sun, Oct 27 | 10 am | Legacy Room

Please join us in a New Member Orientation led by Pastor Connie. To sign up for the class, email Pastor Connie at ctiede@zionanoka.org or call the church office, 763-421-4656. Walk-ins welcome! Coffee and treats.

SAVING A LIFE - SPONSERED BY ZION'S "ZAAM"

Tues, Oct 22 | 6:30 pm | Fellowship Hall

A guest speaker through the Steve Rummier HOPE organization will present an opioid drug educational program. How these drugs act within the body as well as the noted behavior and symptoms of use will be discussed. Naloxone, (narcan) an antidote to prevent overdose death, will be demonstrated. All participants who are registered by October 10 will receive a free Naloxone kit. Please sign up at the Welcome Desk. There is no charge for this program, however donations to the organization are gratefully accepted.

IT'S A MARTY PARTY!

Sun, Oct 27 | 10-10:50 am | Fellowship Hall

You know all those strange words you hear in church, like: Lutheran? Reformation? Diet of Worms? Come and find out what they mean at this year's MARTY PARTY! We'll have games, crafts, snacks, prizes and surprises! And you can meet Martin Luther! This is offered in lieu of Sunday School.

ZION PAGES BOOK DISCUSSION

Mon, Oct 28 | 6:30 pm | Theater

We will discuss "The Frozen River" a novel by Ariel Lawhon. All are welcome.

FIRST COMMUNION INSTRUCTION

Sun, Nov 10 | 11 am | Theater

At Zion, we practice open age communion, meaning parents can determine when their child is ready to participate in this sacrament of the church. Preparation classes are provided in advance and vary by age. First Communion Classes for kids in Grades K-5 and their parents will be offered in November. Register at zionanoka.org/registration-events. Families will be able to schedule their child's First Communion individually. If you have questions or for more information, contact Ann Campbell at acampbell@zionanoka.org.

WOMEN IN THE MINNEAPOLIS ELCA:

Sat, Nov 2, 2024 | 8:30 am-4 pm | Diamond Lake Lutheran Church

You are invited to join us at our Fall Gathering Conference. Dr. Jacqueline Bussie an award-winning author, professor, theologian, student of life in all its messy beauty will be the keynote speaker! For more info or to register go to https://mplswomenofelca.org.

JOIN ZION'S MUSIC GROUPS

The Zion Adult Choir, Ringmasters Bell Choir and Worship Team rehearse on Wednesday evenings:

- Kids Choir: 5:30-6 PM | THEATER
- Adult Choir: 7-8:30 рм | Choir Room
- Worship Team: 6-7 PM | SANCTUARY
- Bell Choir: 6-6:45 PM | HANDBELL ROOM

If you'd like to join a group or have questions, email Music Director Jonathan Campbell at jcampbell@zionanoka.org.

more information

THANK YOU MARK BRAATEN

After years of dedicated service, our beloved sound technician, Mark Braaten, will be retiring. For 16 years, Mark has played a vital role in enhancing our worship experience through his expertise and passion for music and worship. His last service will be October 6 and we will be recognizing Mark at each of the morning services and sharing our gratitude for his work and devotion. He will be greatly missed!

THANK YOU FARE FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to all those who helped with Fare for All last Thursday. Our next Fare for All is Thursday, October 24.

SERVICE RECOGNITION

We are excited to recognize Ken Johnson, David Frank and Denise Lewandowski who have dedicated 5 years of service to Zion. We also recognized Samantha Sigafoos who has dedicated 15 years to Zion. We are incredibly grateful for their commitment and passion. Thank you for all you do!"

OCTOBER IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

To honor and remember victims of domestic violence, many businesses, churches and private homes in the Anoka County participate by lighting their premises in purple at night. If you wish to participate this year, Rachel Circle has a limited number purple porchlight bulbs, string lights, yard signs and window signs to give away for free. They are available at the Zion front desk.

COMMON GROUND YOUTH GROUP

Our high school ministry is back! Join us Wednesdays from 7-8 pm in the youth room for Common Ground Youth Group. Each week we check in using "Junk, Joy, Jesus" then play games and share a snack. Hope you can make it – friends welcome.

EVERY MEAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Zion is again partnering with Every Meal at Lincoln Elementary. We need volunteers to help put bags of food in backpacks of students on Fridays or on the last day before a break. Through our partnership with Every Meal and Lincoln Elementary, we can fight child hunger! For more information about this great ministry and how you can help, please contact Pastor Connie at ctiede@zionanoka.org.

MATTHEW BAG MINISTRY

We are currently collecting donations of adult-size crew socks for our fall bagging events. They can be dropped in the *Matthew Bag* donation bins at the Welcome Desk. Thank you to all who have generously donated to the Matthew Bag Ministry.

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.*

JUST A REMINDER

New registrations for Zion Kids ministries (Sundays and Wednesdays) are welcome throughout the school year. For more information go to our Children's Ministry page at zionanoka.org/registration-events/.

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UPCOMING GOSPEL READINGS

OCT 5/6 Mark 10:2-16

OCT 12/13 Mark 10:17-31

OCT 19/20 Jeremiah 29:4-7, 11-14

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

Raise us up, O Lord, for it is you alone who restores life and health to the suffering and to those who wander from the truth. By your grace, may we offer powerful and effective prayers for one another and the world, in the name of Jesus Christ. 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: Numbers 11:16, 24-29

So the Lord said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you." So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to Moses, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a youth ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen ones, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord's spirit be given to them all!"

Gospel: Mark 9:38-50

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the dominion of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

SUPPORT OUR RADIO BROADCAST ON BOB-FM

Every Sunday morning at 9:10 a.m., 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.

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

