

life together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF OCTOBER 20-26, 2024



ZION
LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WORSHIP LEADERS

PREACHING:

Pastor Sue Wallager

ASSISTING:

SAT Deb Oas Koepsell

SUN Pr Mike Pancoast

READERS:

5 PM Greg Bergeron

8 AM Marlene Gray

9 AM Bill Travis

11 AM Steve Dussl

today -

CHRIST CARE PRAYERS...We pray for the families of Gary Anderson and Bob Kimball who mourn their deaths. Bob Kimball's funeral will be in late November.

OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

Please take a moment to thank and be thankful for Pastor Connie, Pastor Sue and Pastor Mike! We are so grateful and blessed by their ministry here at Zion and in our community!

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

ALTAR FLOWERS...Given in remembrance of victims and survivors of domestic violence by the Rachel Circle (see insert).

ADULT FAITH FORUM - To Move or Not to Move and Other Crucial Questions

TODAY | 10 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Presenter, Lisa Graham, (MA, LSW, from Pathfinder Care Management in Mpls), will talk about four key areas to explore before making a move: Financial/Legal, Values, Preferences, and Healthcare. This forum will be helpful for anyone age 50+ contemplating moving, adult children whose parents are doing so, or anyone doing long-term planning.

PRAYER TEAM 5

TODAY | 11 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

STEWARDSHIP - "Building Strong Connections. Reaching Further. Together."

Reminder that October 26/27 is commitment weekend. We invite you to complete your stewardship intention sheet for 2025 and return it by mailing it in, dropping it off at church, or placing it in the offering plate next Saturday or Sunday. Thank you for your faithful stewardship!



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

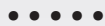
Pastor Sue Wallager
Pastor for Spiritual Care

Pastor Mike Pancoast
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, OCT 21

Global Health Ministries

9:00 AM | OFFSITE

"The Chosen" Small Group Study

1:00 PM | LEGACY ROOM

Open Pickleball

2:00 PM | CLC

Scouts - Pack 233

6:30 PM | VARIOUS ROOMS

TUESDAY, OCT 22

"The Chosen" Small Group Study

8:45 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Open Pickleball

9:00 AM | CLC

Preschool Dance

9:15 AM | THEATER

ZAAM - "Saving a Life" presentation

6:30 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

WEDNESDAY, OCT 23

"The Chosen" Small Group Study

10:00 AM | LEGACY ROOM

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

Children's Choir (Gr K-5)

5:30 PM | THEATER

Whirl Wednesday

5:50 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 PM | YOUTH ROOM

THURSDAY, OCT 24

The Gathering

9:30 AM | YOUTH ROOM

Open Pickleball

2:00 PM | CLC

Fare for All

4:00 PM | LOWER COMMONS

FRIDAY, OCT 25

SATURDAY, OCT 26

Traditional Worship Service

5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

SUNDAY, OCT 27 - Reformation

Traditional Worship Service

8 AM | SANCTUARY

9 AM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM

Cinnamon Roll Sunday

8:30 AM - 12:30 PM | CORNERSTONE CAFE

Marty Party

10:00 AM | FELLOWSHIP

New Member Coffee/Orientation

10:00 AM | LEGACY ROOM

Blended Worship Service

11:00 AM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM

Prayer Team 6

11:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

SMALL GROUP STUDY BEGINS NOV 3

"My Neighbor is Muslim" is a 6-week study designed to provide an introduction to Islam, promote cultural understanding and encourage interfaith dialogue. Learn how we can be culturally sensitive, get to know our new neighbors, and help us build positive relations with people who come from different faith traditions and increase our understanding of cultural differences. Sign up at the Welcome desk.

MATTHEW BAG MINISTRY

We are currently collecting donations of adult-size ankle socks. They can be dropped in the Matthew Bag donation bin at the Welcome Desk. Thank you.

coming up

SAVING A LIFE

TUE, OCT 22 | 6:30 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

A guest speaker from the Steve Rummier of HOPE organization presents an opioid drug educational program. Naloxone, (narcan) an antidote to prevent overdose death, will be demonstrated. Sign up at the Welcome Desk. This program is free.

FARE FOR ALL AT ZION

THU, OCT 24 | 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 CASH, CREDIT, DEBIT and EBT cards.

CINNAMON ROLL SUNDAY

SUN, OCT 27 | 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.

SCOUT PACK 233 HOLIDAY FUNDRAISER

SUN, OCT 27 | 9:30 – 11 AM | WELCOME DESK

Scout Pack 233 will be selling wreaths and popcorn treats. Pricing and information is located at the Welcome Desk. To order or for questions go to zionpack233@gmail.com or phone 651-717-5069.

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 & treats.

IT'S A MARTY PARTY!

SUN, OCT 27 | 10 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Come and find out what those strange words you hear in church mean at this year's MARTY PARTY! We'll have games, crafts, snacks, prizes & surprises! Come meet Martin Luther!

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.

TRUNK OR TREAT

WED, OCT 30 | 5:30-7 PM | LOWER

COMMONS

Fun for all ages. Participate by hosting and decorating a table to pass out candy to attendees (sign up at the Welcome Desk) and/or donate candy to be passed out. Place candy donations inside of a scary monster display in the lower commons! Allergy free treats/prizes will be offered. Questions? Contact Lee at LNeitge@zionanoka.org.

TIE BLANKETS FOR HOPE 4 YOUTH

TUE, NOV 5 | 6:30-8PM | FELLOWSHIP

HALL

Confirmation students and families are invited for the community service event of making tie blankets for Hope 4 Youth. Register in the confirmation google folder or email kweiland@zionanoka.org. If you have fabric scissors – bring along for the event!

LUTHERAN LATE NIGHT

FRI, NOV 8 | 7-10PM | VARIOUS ROOMS

This event is for middle and high school students and functions like a lock-in, but you go home at the end of the night. Snacks will be provided, and night games will be played. Friends welcome, please register at <https://cutt.ly/llnnov>.

FIRST COMMUNION INSTRUCTION

SUN, NOV 10 | 11 AM | THEATER

This class is for kids Grades K-5 and their parents. Register at zionanoka.org/registration-events. Families can schedule their child's First Communion individually. For questions or more info, contact Ann Campbell at acampbell@zionanoka.org.

LIVE STREAM

SUNDAY 9 & 11 AM

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

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

OCTOBER 26/27
John 8:31-36

NOVEMBER 2/3
Mark 12:28-34

NOVEMBER 9/10
Mark 12:38-44

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

Most High, your Anointed One offered himself freely as witness against our violence, our acts of oppression, and our sin. As you delighted to call him your Son, give us the courage to bring you equal delight by our willingness to drink the cup of sacrifice on behalf of our sisters and brothers, and, with them, offer you praise unceasing and lives transformed as true heirs of your grace-filled realm. 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: Psalm 77:1-15

I cry aloud to God, aloud to God, that he may hear me. In the day of my trouble I seek the LORD; in the night my hand is stretched out without wearying; my soul refuses to be comforted. I think of God, and I moan; I meditate, and my spirit faints. You keep my eyelids from closing; I am so troubled that I cannot speak. I consider the days of old, and remember the years of long ago. I commune with my heart in the night; I meditate and search my spirit: "Will the LORD spurn forever, and never again be favorable? Has his steadfast love ceased forever? Are his promises at an end for all time? Has God forgotten to be gracious? Has he in anger shut up his compassion?" And I say, "It is my grief that the right hand of the Most High has changed." I will call to mind the deeds of the LORD; I will remember your wonders of old. I will meditate on all your work, and muse on your mighty deeds. Your way, O God, is holy. What god is so great as our God? You are the God who works wonders; you have displayed your might among the peoples. With your strong arm you redeemed your people, the descendants of Jacob and Joseph.

Gospel: Jeremiah 29:4-7, 11-14

Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare. For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart, I will let you find me, says the LORD, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, says the LORD, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY AND LUMINARIES FOR LOVED ONES - NOV 3

All Saints Sunday is the day we acknowledge that in the past year, someone we loved and cherished was commended into the arms of our Savior's mercy for the blessed rest of everlasting peace. As in previous years, during weekend worship we will name the Zion members who have died this past year and give you the opportunity in worship to write a name on a card of the saint you would like to remember. On Sunday evening, we will have our Luminaries for Loved Ones event in the CLC from 5-6:30 p.m. You will have the opportunity to walk in a path through the luminaries and given prayer helpers if requested. You are invited to pick up a white paper bag at the front desk to decorate any way you would like, or just write the name of your loved one on the bag. It's always good to use darker colors to write the name with so it can be read in the dimly lit room. **Please turn in completed bags no later than noon on November 3.**

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

