# life together

#### THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF JANUARY 12-18, 2025





#### WORSHIP LEADERS

#### PREACHING:

Pastor Connie Tiede

#### ASSISTING:

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

#### **READERS**:

5 РМ Judy Bendiske 8 АМ Deb Oas Koepsell 9 АМ Kathy Quade 11 АМ Jill Arendt

## today - Baptism of our Lord

CHRIST CARE PRAYERS...We pray for the family of Robert Jensen who mourns his death. We pray for those suffering from the many recent natural disasters.

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

ALTAR FLOWERS...In memory of Philip Martin given by his family.

#### THANK YOU RECENT RADIO BROADCAST FUND SUPPORTERS:

- Ken & Sandy Benson in memory of Dee Berg
- David Holmes, Deb, Tom & Sue in memory of Dee Berg David & Cindy Jones
- Donna Iseminger in memory of Mel Iseminger and in memory of Bob Kimball
- Jerry & Florence Shebetka John & Sandy Steinbring in memory of Bob Kimball

#### PASTOR MIKE'S INSTALLATION

Today | 8, 9 & 11 am services

Pastor John Hulden will be installing Pastor Mike Pancoast as Associate Pastor. Please join us as we celebrate with cake and coffee in the Cornerstone following each service.

#### ADULT FORUM - Islam 101 Part 1

Today | 10 am | Fellowship Hall

As a follow-up to last fall's study, "My Neighbor is Muslim", we are pleased to welcome Dr. Tamim Saidi, resident scholar for the Islamic Resource Group based in St. Paul.

HOLY SHENANIGANS SUNDAY SCHOOL Today | 10 am | Chapel

KID CITY SUNDAY SCHOOL Today | 10 am | Theater PRAYER TEAM 7 Today | 11 am | Fireside Room

BAPTISM CLASS Today | Noon | Library

## 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. $\rightarrow$  Information bags are available at the Welcome Center on the lower level.



Name:	E-mail:		
Address:		Phone:	
🔲 l'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 Pastor for Adult Education

> 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, JAN 13 Ruth Circle 10:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM Worship at Walker 10:30 AM | OFFSITE "The Chosen" Season 2 - Small Group 1:00 PM | LEGACY ROOM Hannah Circle 1:00 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM Open Pickleball 2:00 PM | CLC Scouts - Pack 233 6:30 PM | VARIOUS ROOMS Sons of Norway 6:30 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

TUESDAY, JAN 14 "The Chosen" Season 2 - Small Group 8:45 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL **Open Pickleball** 9:00 AM | CLC Lydia Circle 9:30 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM **Grief & Loss Support Group** 11:00 AM | LEGACY ROOM **Anna Circle** 1:00 pm | Library Naomi Circle 1:00 pm | Youth Room N.E.T. Meeting 6:00 pm | Legacy Room **Rachel Circle** 6:00 pm | Fireside Room

WEDNESDAY, JAN 15 **"The Chosen" Season 2 - Small Group** 10:00 AM | LEGACY ROOM 6:00 PM | LEGACY ROOM **Knit One, Purl Two** 1:00 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM **Pizza Dinner** 5:00 PM | CORNERSTONE **Children's Choir (Gr K-5)** 5:30 PM | THEATER WEDNESDAY, JAN 15 - cont'd Whirl Wednesday 5:50 PM | VARIOUS ROOM 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, JAN 16 **The Gathering** 9:30 AM | YOUTH ROOM **Caregivers Support Group** 10:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM **Men of Zion Event** 10:00 AM | CLC **Open Pickleball** 2:00 PM | CLC

FRIDAY, JAN 17 Lutheran Late Night 7:00 pm | Youth Room

SATURDAY, JAN 18 Traditional Worship Service 5:00 pm | Sanctuary

SUNDAY, JAN 19 **Traditional Worship Service** 8 AM | SANCTUARY 9 AM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM **Adult Forum** 10:00 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL **Holy Shenanigans Sunday School** 10:00 AM | CHAPEL **Kid City Sunday School** 10:00 AM | THEATER **Blended Worship Service** 11:00 AM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM **Prayer Team 8** 11:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

## coming up

#### **GRIEF SUPPORT**

TUE, JAN 14, 21 & 28 | 11 AM All are welcome to attend this grief support group. For more information or if you have questions contact Pastor Sue at swallager@zionanoka.org.

#### MEN'S GROUP

THUR, JAN 16 | 10 AM – 12 PM | CLC The Men's Group will be hosting Corn Hole (Bean Bag Toss) in the CLC. Following the games, we will all be going out to lunch. If you have a Corn Hole Game, please bring it along (in case we need it). No need to sign up!

#### LUTHERAN LATE NIGHT

FRI, JAN 17 | 7-10 PM | VARIOUS ROOMS Join us for Lutheran Late Night! 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, register at https://cutt. ly/llnjan.

#### CHURCH BUILDING CLOSED MONDAY JAN 20

#### MARTIN LUTHER KING JR HOLIDAY

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

#### FARE FOR ALL

THUR, JAN 23 | 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. The Hot Buy for January is Chicken Wings (2 lbs.) for \$4.50! The produce pack will contain: Local Russet Potatoes (5 lb.), Yellow Onions (2 lb.), Oranges (3), Apples (3), Pears (3), Lemons (2), and Carrots (1 lb.). All for \$10.

#### UPCOMING ADULT FORUM

SUN | JAN 26 | FELLOWSHIP HALL The Art of Zion – Join Tim Sheie, creator of the beautiful woodcarvings throughout our building, as he takes us on a slideshow tour of Zion's artwork.

#### CINNAMON ROLL SUNDAY

Sun, Jan 26 | 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.

#### ZION PRE-K OPEN HOUSE

TUE, JAN 28 | 5-7 PM | VARIOUS ROOMS Come and meet our teachers and see the classrooms! We are preparing for the next school year, share this information with your friends, family, and neighbors. Have a soon-to-be 5 year old but not sure about kindergarten? Come hear about our High 5's program. Need pre-k 5 days a week? We have that option too! We'd love to meet with anyone who is interested in pre-k!

#### NOISY OFFERING UPDATE

Noisy Offering for Camp Ministries. Thank you to everyone who brought in their Noisy Offering last weekend! We gathered \$116.10 which will go toward our camp ministries. The next weekend our Noisy Offering buckets will be out is February 1/2.

#### JEST KIDDING

After the Baptism of his baby brother in church, little Johnny sobbed all the way home in the back seat of the car. His father asked him three times what was wrong. Finally, the boy replied, "The minister said he wanted us brought up in a Christian home, but I want to stay with you guys!"

#### LIVESTREAM

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.

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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.

ELECTRONIC GIVING Go to: https://cutt.ly/ziongivetoday or Scan this QR code

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## growing in faith together

UPCOMING GOSPEL READINGS

> JANUARY 18/19 John 2:1-11

> JANUARY 25/26 Luke 4:14-21

FEBRUARY 1/2 Luke 4:21-30

#### 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

God, your voice moves over the waters. Immerse us in your grace, mark us with your images, and raise us to live our baptismal vows empowered by the Holy Spirit and the example of Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. 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.

#### Reading: Acts 8:14-17

Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

#### **Gospel:** Luke 3:10-17, 21-22

And the crowds asked him, "What then should we do?" In reply he said to them, "Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He said to them, "Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you." Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what should we do?" He said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages." As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

#### HELP ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH SAVE ON PRINTING & POSTAGE:

In our ongoing efforts to be good stewards of both our resources and the environment, we are asking you to consider two simple, yet impactful changes that can help our church save valuable funds: subscribing to our Herald Newsletter electronically and giving your offerings electronically. How to Switch?

- 1. Sign up for the Electronic Herald by calling or emailing Kristine Johnson at <u>kjohnson@zionanoka.org</u>.
- 2. Set up Electronic Giving by calling or emailing Tracy Kinn at <u>tkinn@zionanoka.org</u>.

#### THANK YOU SAMANTHA

Samantha Sigafoos has been the Child Care Coordinator in Zion's Nursery for the past 15 years. We are grateful for her dedication and faithfulness to Zion's littlest of members and for the love and care she has given to all these children throughout the years! Thank you, Samantha and God's blessings!

#### 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 ам - 5:00 рм Fri: 9:00 ам - 12:00 noon

