

# life together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 2-8, 2025



**ZION**  
LUTHERAN † ANOKA

## WORSHIP LEADERS

### PREACHING:

Pastor Sue Wallager

### ASSISTING:

5 PM Deb Oas Koepsell  
8 AM Pr Mike Pancoast  
9 AM Pr Connie Tiede  
11AM Pr Connie Tiede

### READERS:

5 PM Kathy Johnson  
8 AM Marlene Gray  
9 AM Ken Johnson  
11 AM Carol Loyd

## today - 4th Sunday after Epiphany/Scout Sunday

**CHRIST CARE PRAYERS...**For those who have been recently diagnosed and those continuing to battle cancer.

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

### THANK YOU RECENT RADIO BROADCAST FUND SUPPORTERS:

- Dianne Carlson
- Norm & Pat Dahl
- Bev Fraser in memory of Jim Fraser
- Cara Fish
- Shirlie Johnston
- Linda Hadden & Bob Brickzin
- Bonnie King
- Ron & Pinky Pendergrass in memory of Dee Berg
- Bob & Sonja Spilde
- John & Sandy Steinbring in memory of Jay Rock
- Mary Wheeler in memory of Everett

### NOISY OFFERING

TODAY | 9 & 11 AM | SANCTUARY

Kids & Youth will be invited to gather the Noisy Offering during the closing hymn.

### ADULT FORUM - A Nepal Travelog

TODAY | 10 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

This past October, Pastor Connie had the opportunity to travel with husband Mark, daughter Linnea, and son-in-law Nikesh to Nikesh's home country of Nepal. Come hear about their trip to a part of the world most of us probably know very little about!

### HOLY SHENANIGANS SUNDAY SCHOOL

TODAY | 10 AM | CHAPEL

### PRAYER TEAM 3

TODAY | 11 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

### KID CITY SUNDAY SCHOOL

TODAY | 10 AM | THEATER

### WORSHIP AT FARMSTEAD

TODAY | 1:30 PM | OFFSITE

**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*

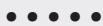
Pastor Sue Wallager  
*Pastor for Spiritual Care*

Pastor Mike Pancoast  
*Pastor for Adult Education*

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, FEB 3

### Global Health Ministries

9:00 AM | OFFSITE

### "The Chosen" Season 2 - Small Group

1:00 PM | LEGACY ROOM

### Open Pickleball

2:00 PM | CLC

### Pre-K Board Meeting

2:30 PM | LEGACY ROOM

### Scouts - Pack 233

6:30 PM | VARIOUS ROOMS

## TUESDAY, FEB 4

### "The Chosen" Season 2 - Small Group

8:45 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

### Open Pickleball

9:00 AM | CLC

### First Tuesdays

1:30 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

### Creation Care (EcoFaith) Team Mtg

6:30 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

### Esther Circle

7:00 PM | LIBRARY

## WEDNESDAY, FEB 5

### "The Chosen" Season 2 - Small Group

10:00 AM | LEGACY ROOM

6:00 PM | LEGACY ROOM

### Worship at Homestead

1:30 PM | OFFSITE

### Pizza Dinner

5:00 PM | CORNERSTONE

### Children's Choir (Gr K-5)

5:30 PM | THEATER

### 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, FEB 6

### The Gathering

9:30 AM | YOUTH ROOM

### Caregivers Support Group

10:00 AM | LEGACY ROOM

### Sons of Norway Book Club

10:00 AM | LIBRARY

### Worship at Homestead

10:30 AM | OFFSITE

### Open Pickleball

2:00 PM | CLC

## FRIDAY, FEB 7

### Lutheran Late Night

7:00 PM | CLC

## SATURDAY, FEB 8

### Traditional Worship Service

5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

## SUNDAY, FEB 9

### 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 4

11:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

## ANNUAL MEETING -

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The annual meeting of Zion Lutheran Church will take place on **February 23** at 10 AM. The meeting will be in person in our Sanctuary and will also be livestreamed. Watch for more details in the February Herald and upcoming Life Together bulletin inserts and weekly e-updates.

# coming up

## CAMP WAPO REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

We will be at camp for Seeds Weekend (completed grades 1-3) June 13-15, and week-long camp June 15-20 (completed grades 4-8). 8th graders are expected to attend camp for the completion of their 8th grade retreat in preparation for their confirmation day in the fall of 2025. Register at <http://lwlbc.com/zion-anoka>. Only pay the deposit at time of registration, all members of Zion will receive some scholarship dollars for camp thanks to the generous support of the congregation. For more info about camp, or if you have financial concerns, please email Katie [kweiland@zionanoka.org](mailto:kweiland@zionanoka.org).

## LUTHERAN LATE NIGHT

FRI, FEB 7 | 7-10 PM | YOUTH ROOM

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 hope you can come! Register at <https://cutt.ly/febln>.

## NEW MEMBER COFFEE/ ORIENTATION

SUN, FEB 16 | 10 AM | LEGACY ROOM

Join us for a New Member Orientation led by Pastor Connie. To sign up for the class, email Pastor Connie at [ctiede@zionanoka.org](mailto:ctiede@zionanoka.org) or call the church office, 763-421-4656. Walk-ins welcome! Coffee & treats.

## FAMILY COOKIE DAY

SUN, FEB 16 | 10 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Join the CYF team for an intergenerational event. Decorate heart-shaped cookies, one to eat and one to give away!

## WILD MOUNTAIN SKI TRIP - FEB 17

Zion is partnering with Grace Lutheran of Andover for a ski trip on Presidents' Day. We are inviting all adults, families, children, youth and friends to this event - no previous experience necessary. **We will meet at Grace Lutheran at 9 AM and return to the church by 5 PM.** The lift ticket costs \$31, ski or snowboard rental is an additional \$25, and you also have the option to buy a lesson with an instructor for \$12 (but Will from Grace is also a good coach). Please bring a lunch or money for food and snacks. Register before Wed, Feb 5 on Realm <https://cutt.ly/graceski>.

## SUPPORT OF DINESH AND SRIMATHI

Since 2022, Zion's children and youth have sponsored the education of two children through Lutheran Partners in Global Ministry's Project: Education India. Our kiddos are Dinesh (age 11) and Srimathi (age 9). Now through Feb. 23, our kids and youth and their families will collect coins for Dinesh and Srimathi, using M&M's Minis containers. Our goal is to collect \$240, to cover three months of school for each child. Want to help? You can donate in person on Feb. 16 at our intergenerational Cookie Day event, or give online at [zionanoka.org](http://zionanoka.org) and click on *Give Today* on the Home page.

## 2024 GIVING STATEMENTS EMAILED

2024 Giving Statements were emailed out on January 27. If you did not receive this email in your inbox (or in your junk email), contact Tracy Kinn, Director of Finance [tkinn@zionanoka.org](mailto:tkinn@zionanoka.org). If you do not have an email address as part of your church record, your statement was mailed on January 27. By emailing out statements, Zion saves substantial dollars in postage, paper, envelopes and printing costs. Thank you!

## LIVESTREAM

SUNDAY 9 & 11 AM

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

or

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

FEBRUARY 8/9  
Luke 5:1-11

FEBRUARY 15/16  
Luke 6:17-26

FEBRUARY 22/23  
Luke 6:27-38

## 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

O God of all the prophets, you knew us and chose us before you formed us in the womb. Fill us with faith that speaks your word, hope that does not disappoint, and love that bears all things for your sake, until that day when we shall know you fully, even as we are known by you. 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).

## Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-10

Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD. "Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

## Gospel: Luke 4:21-30

Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

## HELP THOSE IMPACTED BY THE LOS ANGELES WILDFIRES

Lutheran Disaster Response, through the ELCA, is supporting the families and communities impacted by the wildfires. If you would like to help you can give online using this QR code or make out a check to Lutheran Disaster Response and send to: Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, ELCA Gift Processing Center; P.O. Box 1809; Merrifield, VA 22116-8009; write U.S. Wildfires on the memo line. 'How to Help' information sheet available at the Welcome Desk.



## 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/](http://zionanoka.org/registration-events/).

## 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

