life together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 16-22, 2025



today - 6th Sunday after Epiphany

CHRIST CARE PRAYERS... We rejoice with Graham Alexander Douglass who receives the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. We pray for the family of Mark Braaten who mourns his death.

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

- Nancy Bever, in memory of great-grandaughter Elora Jean Toikka
- Dianne Edling
- Bob & Verle Ktytor
- Carol Mann
- Marilyn Herbold, in memory of grandson Joshua Levenson
- Dianne Pederson, in memory of Mark Braaten
- Joe & Barb Ridge

NO HOLY SHENANIGANS SUNDAY OR KID CITY SCHOOL TODAY

• Glenn & Colleen Virgin

WORSHIP LEADERS

LUTHERAN † ANOKA

PREACHING:

Pastor Connie Tiede

ASSISTING:

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

READERS:

5 PM Greg Bergeron 8 AM Deb Oas Koepsell

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9 AM Ron Gray

11 ам Jim Bauer

NO ADULT FORUM TODAY

FAMILY COOKIE DAY

TODAY | 10 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL Join the CYF team for an intergenerational event. Decorate cookies, one to eat and one to give away!

NEW MEMBER COFFEE/ORIENTATION

Today | 10 am | Legacy Room Join us for a New Member Orientation led by Pastor Connie. Walk-ins welcome!

PRAYER TEAM 5

Today | 11 am | Fireside Room

CHURCH BUILDING CLOSED MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17 PRESIDENTS' DAY

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

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of Zion Lutheran Church will take place next Sunday, **February 23** at 10 AM. The meeting will be in person in our Sanctuary and will also be livestreamed. The annual report is available at the front desk or online in upcoming E-update.

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 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, FEB 17

Presidents' Day Holiday

Building Closed

TUESDAY, FEB 18

"The Chosen" Season 2 - Small Group

8:45 am | Fellowship Hall

Open Pickleball

9:00 AM | CLC

Quilters

9:00 AM | ART ROOM

Grief & Loss Support Group

11:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

Church Council Meeting

6:30 PM | LIBRARY

WEDNESDAY, FEB 19

"The Chosen" Season 2 - Small Group

10:00 AM | LEGACY ROOM 6:00 pm | Legacy Room

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

Adult Choir

7:00 PM | CHOIR ROOM

Common Ground Youth Group

7:00 PM | YOUTH ROOM

THURSDAY, FEB 20

Men of Zion Event

8:30 AM | CLC

The Gathering

9:30 AM | YOUTH ROOM

Caregivers Support Group

10:00 am | Fireside Room

Open Pickleball

2:00 PM | CLC

FRIDAY, FEB 21

SATURDAY, FEB 22

Traditional Worship Service

5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

SUNDAY, FEB 23

Traditional Worship Service

8 AM | SANCTUARY

9 & 11 am | Sanctuary & Livestream

Cinnamon Roll Sunday

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

Annual Congregational Meeting

10:00 AM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM

Holy Shenanigans Sunday School

10:00 AM | CHAPEL

Kid City Sunday School

10:00 AM | THEATER

Prayer Team 6

11:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

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 kjohnson@zionanoka.org.
- 2. Set up Electronic Giving by calling or emailing Tracy Kinn at tkinn@zionanoka.org.

REGISTER NOW FOR ZION PRE-K!

We are taking registrations for the 2025-26 school year. All 3-5 year olds welcome. Use the link or QR code for more info. Share with your friends and family!



www.zionprekanoka.org/ registration-tuition/

coming up

MEN OF ZION & FRIENDS EVENT

Thur, Feb 20 | 8:30 am | CLC

We will be playing Frisbee Golf. Plan on joining us for a late breakfast or early lunch afterwards. We look forward to seeing you there. Questions, call Doug Boxeth, 763-222-3936 or Mike Kelly, 651-233-3363.

CINNAMON ROLL SUNDAY

Sun, Feb 23 | 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.

CONCORDIA CHOIR CONCERT

Sun, Feb 23 | 2 pm | Offsite

The world-renowned Concordia Choir of Moorhead, Minnesota, under the direction of Dr. Michael Culloton will perform at Lord of Life Lutheran Church, Maple Grove. Music of J. S. Bach to familiar hymn arrangements. Visit ConcordiaTickets.com for tickets.

ZION PAGES BOOK GROUP

Mon, Feb 24 | 6:30 pm | Library We will be discussing *The Hidden Life of Cecily Larson: A Novel* by Ellen Baker. All are welcome to attend.

FARE FOR ALL AT ZION

Thur, Feb 27 | 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.

MISS A SERMON?

Zion's sermons are available each week in audio form. Find us on Spotify - search Zion Lutheran Church - Anoka MN.

CAMP WAPO REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

We will be at camp for Seeds Weekend (completed grades 1-3) June 20-22, 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://lwlbci.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. Reserved spots will be held until Feb 15. For more info about camp, or if you have financial concerns, please email Katie kweiland@zionanoka.org.

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 and click on *Give Today* on the Home page.

SUNDAY ADULT FORUMS ONLINE

Missed a Sunday Adult Faith Forum or curious about one of our topics? Most of our Forums are available online. You can find ALL our Forums on our YouTube Channel at youtube.com/@ZionLutheranAnoka.

Scroll down to find the full list of our 2024-2025 Adult Faith Forums. If you Subscribe to our YouTube Channel—look for the 'bell' icon toward the top of the page—every time a new video is posted, you'll get a notification!

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.

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

FEBRUARY 22/23 Luke 6:27-38

> MARCH 1/2 Luke 9:27-36

MARCH 8/9 LUKE 4:1-13

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, you root those who trust in you by streams of healing water. Release us from the bonds of disease, free us from the power of evil, and turn us from falsehood and illusion, that we may find the blessing of new life in you through the power of 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.

Reading: Psalm 1

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers; but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night. They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper. The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away. Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Gospel: Luke 6:17-26

He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

CAMP WAPO SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Zion has a long history of supporting kids and youth active in our children and youth programming to go to Bible camp at Camp Wapo, and we need your help to be able to continue to support our families through the Camp Wapo Scholarship Fund. Our main sources of funds for these scholarships are from Thrivent Choice Dollars and direct donations. If you are a member of Thrivent Financial, you can look into your eligibility to direct Thrivent Choice Dollars at www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice or call Thrivent at 1-800-847-4836, follow the prompts and a Thrivent representative will work with you to direct your Choice Dollars to Zion. You can also send donations to Zion for the Camp Wapo Scholarship Fund. Checks should be made out to Zion Lutheran Church and "Scholarship Fund" written in the memo line. Thank you for your continued support of our Bible camp scholarship fund at Zion!

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

