# life together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF MARCH 9-15, 2025



**WORSHIP LEADERS** 

Pastor Mike Pancoast

Sun Pr Connie Tiede

5 PM Greg Bergeron 8 AM Deb Oas Koepsell

9 AM Caroline Baker

11AM Carol Loyd

PREACHING:

ASSISTING:

**READERS**:

## today - 1st Sunday in Lent

CHRIST CARE PRAYERS...We pray for the family of Pat Quade who mourns his death.

WECOME NEW MEMBERS...Rhonda Fochs, Laurel Dresel, Jennifer Clarkson and Jamie, Jennifer, Maverick & Landon Hill

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

ADULT FORUM - Black Men Teach (Zion Foundation Grant Recipient in 2024) TODAY | 10 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

We welcome Executive Director of Black Men Teach, Markus Flynn. A dedicated leader in the Twin Cities community, Markus collaborates with partner schools, teacher training programs, and community organizations to recruit, prepare, place, and retain black male teachers.

#### PRAYER TEAM 8

Today | 11 am | Fireside Room

BAPTISM CLASS

12:15 pm | Library

### LENTEN DEVOTIONS "UNBROKEN: A LIVING FAITH"

A digital copy is available in the Document Center under Adult Ministry at <a href="www/zionanoka.org">www/zionanoka.org</a> or pick up a printed copy at the front desk.

#### MID-WEEK LENTEN SERVICES

WED. MAR 12, 19, 26, APRIL 2, 9 | NOON & 6:30 PM | SANCTUARY

Our noon service will be a Lenten Prayer Service with hymns, prayer, and sermon. Our Evening Prayer Service will have special music, evening liturgy, and a sermon following our Lenten theme.

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:  |               |
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| 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 | r 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, back-grounds, 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, MARCH 10

**Ruth Circle** 

10:00 am | Fireside Room

Worship at Walker

10:30 AM | OFFSITE

**Hannah Circle** 

1:00 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

**Open Pickleball** 

2:00 PM | CLC

**Scouts** 

6:30 PM | CLC

**Sons of Norway** 

6:30 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

## TUESDAY, MARCH 11

**Open Pickleball** 

9:00 AM | CLC

Lydia Circle

9:30 am | Fireside Room

**Anna Circle** 

1:00 pm | Library

Naomi Circle

1:00 PM | LEGACY ROOM

**N.E.T. Meeting** 

6:00 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

**Rachel Circle** 

6:00 pm | Fireside Room

**Grief & Loss Support Group** 

6:30 PM | LEGACY ROOM

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12

**Lenten Service** 

Noon | Sanctuary

6:30 pm | Sanctuary & Livestream

**Prayer, Reflection & Conversation** 

12:30 PM | CHAPEL

7:15 PM | CHAPEL

Knit One, Purl Two

1:00 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

**Ringmasters** 

5:30 pm | Handbell Room

**Worship Team Rehearsal** 

5:30 PM | SANCTUARY

**Adult Choir** 

7:15 PM | CHOIR ROOM

THURSDAY, March 13

The Gathering

9:30 AM | YOUTH ROOM

**O.W.L.S Program and Potluck** 

10:00 am | Fellowship Hall

**Open Pickleball** 

2:00 PM | CLC

FRIDAY, MARCH 14

SATURDAY, MARCH 15

**High School Coffee & Crafts** 

8:30 am | Youth Room

**Traditional Worship Service** 

5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

SUNDAY, MARCH 16

**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 1** 

11:00 am | Fireside Room

**IOYA Concert** 

3:00 pm | Sanctuary

#### ZION GREETERS NEEDED!

Come share your smile and a warm welcome! We are in need of Greeters prior to each of our worship services on SATURDAY 5 PM, SUNDAY 8 AM, 9 AM AND 11 AM. For more info contact Linn at <a href="mailto:linn.hauck@gmail.com">linn.hauck@gmail.com</a> or Suzanne at

sgaboury@zionanoka.org.

#### NOISY OFFERING UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who brought in their Noisy Offering this last weekend. We gathered \$501.29. The next Noisy Offering will be April 5/6.

## coming up

#### O.W.L.S POTLUCK AND PROGRAM

Thu, Mar 13 | 10 am | Fellowship Hall Zion's "Older Wiser Lutherans" are hosting Rhonda Fochs, author of "Minnesota's Lost Towns" and having a potluck following her presentation. Please sign up at the front desk so we know how many people are planning to attend, bring a dish to share.

#### **UPCOMING ADULT FORUMS - ZAAM**

Sun, Mar 16 | 10 am | Fellowship Hall Sheri Cindrich, President and Founder of Recovery Café Frogtown. Learn more about how addiction affects all of us from someone who has experienced it along with an opportunity to ask questions and share.

#### FREE JOYA CONCERT

Sun, Mar 16 | 3 pm | Sanctuary

Come experience "An Afternoon of Re-Registration Events. Children imagined Jazz Standards and Joyful Orig-ceive their first communion at inals" featuring the Lazarus Band. For vice of your choice. For more info more information visit joyachamber Ann at acampbell@zionanoka.org.music.com.

#### MEN OF ZION EVENT

Mon, Mar 17 | 10-12 am | CLC

The Men's Group is having a golfing event. We will be chipping and putting for prizes. Come out and sharpen your golfing skills. Bring a friend and your favorite chipping and putting club. We will have lunch at a local restaurant after the activity.

#### **GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP**

Tue, Mar 18, 25 | 6:30-8 pm | Legacy Room

This weekly support group offers help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member or friend. Meetings are open to anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one or knows someone who has. Facilitated by Pastor Sue Wallager. For more info contact Pastor Sue at <a href="mailto:swallager@zionanoka.org">swallager@zionanoka.org</a>.

#### LUTHERAN LATE NIGHT

FRI, MAR 21 | 7-10 PM | YOUTH ROOM Event 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 make it! Please register at https://cutt.ly/ marlln.

#### FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES - Gr K-5

Wed, Mar 19 | 5:30 pm or Sun, Mar 30 | 11 am Optional bread baking class Wed, Mar 26 | 5:30 pm



We Practice open communion at Zion. If you feel your children are ready please sign up. Register each child with least one accompanying adult. Use the above QR code or go to zionanoka.org under Registration Events. Children will receive their first communion at the service of your choice. For more info contact Ann at acampbell@zionanoka.org.

#### CYF SUMMER CAMPS - REGISTER NOW

At zionanoka.org/registration-events/.

- Family Snorkel!
   Kids ages 0-5 and their families
   Sun, Jun 8, 15, 22 | 10-10:50 AM |
   SPARK PARK
- Preschool Music & Dance Class Kids 2-5 years old
   Wed, Jun 11, 18, 25 July 2, 9 | 11:15 - 11:55 AM | THEATER
- Snorkel! Vacation Bible School Grades K-5, completed Mon-Thu, June 23-26 | 9 AM-Noon
- Sports Camp Grades K-5, completed Mon-Thu, Jul 7-10 | 9 AM-Noon
- Snorkel! Vacation Bible School Kids 3-5 years old
   Tue-Thu, Jul 15-17 | 9-11:30 AM
   Interested in volunteering? Contact Ann
   Campbell at acampbell@zionanoka.org.

#### **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

MARCH 15/16 Luke 13:13-31

MARCH 22/23 Luke 13:1-9

MARCH 29/30 Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

#### 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 of deliverance and freedom, you taught the people of Israel to acknowledge that all things come from your bountiful hand. Deepen our faith so that we may resist temptation and, in the midst of trial, proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord, now and for ever. Amen.

#### prayer request

If you have a celebration or concern you would like the prayer team to include in their prayers, email it to <a href="mailto:swallager@zionanoka.org">swallager@zionanoka.org</a>.

#### **Reading:** Romans 10:8b -13

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in the Lord will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who ask for help. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

#### **Gospel:** Luke 4:1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered the devil, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone." Then the devil led Jesus up and showed him in an instant all the dominions of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered the devil, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God; the Lord alone shall you serve." Then the devil took Jesus to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'God will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone." Jesus answered the devil, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" Having finished every test, the devil departed from Jesus until an opportune time.

#### **ALEXANDRA HOUSE**

Did you know 65% of domestic violence survivors have a pet and nearly half of the victims stay in abusive situations rather than leave their pet behind. Many abusers threaten to injure or kill a pet as a means of control.

#### FAMILY PROMISE WEEK MARCH 9-15

Zion's next opportunity to provide hospitality for five to six Family Promise families in shelter is this week. We are asked to provide snacks and treats as requested by the families and two meals for some of the families. If you would like to give money to support the purchases, please donate money to Zion, include a note stating it is for the Zion Family Promise Account and your Zion offering envelope number. A Family Promise email is being sent out each month. To be included on the list contact Pat Stearns at <a href="mailto:pat.stearns@comcast.net">pat.stearns@comcast.net</a>.

#### **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

