

life together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF APRIL 13-19, 2025



ZION
LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WORSHIP LEADERS

PREACHING:

Pastor Sue Wallager

ASSISTING:

5 PM Pr Connie Tiede
8 AM Pr Mike Pancoast
9 AM Pr Connie Tiede
11 AM Pr Mike Pancoast

READERS:

5 PM Greg Bergeron
8 AM Deb Oas Koepsell
9 AM Ken Johnson
11 AM Carol Loyd

today - Palm Sunday

CHRIST CARE PRAYERS...We rejoice with Lucas Guptill, Nathaniel Guptill & Joshua Guptill as they receive their First Communion on Maundy Thursday. We pray for the family of Dennis Olson who mourns his death.

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

FROZEN LEFSE FOR SALE

TODAY | 8 AM-NOON | WELCOME DESK

Help support our youth summer trip to the Boundary Waters by purchasing lefse - a perfect treat for your Easter celebrations! \$10 per package, three rounds per package. Cash or check only.

PRAYER TEAM 6

TODAY | 11 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

NO ADULT FORUM TODAY

WALK THROUGH HOLY WEEK - FAMILY EVENT - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

TODAY | 10 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Explore Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday by visiting stations filled with art, activities and FUN! A family event for all ages!

PLANT SALE - MAY 3 SAVE THE DATE!

Zion's annual flowering plant sale will take place on Saturday, May 3, 8 am-12 noon. Plants (\$35 each) are sold on a first come first served basis. You can pre-order your plants by going to Realm. Proceeds support our youth summer trip to the Boundary Waters.

MATTHEW BAG MINISTRY

Thank you to all who helped at the bagging event last weekend. 130 Matthew Bags were assembled. 40 bags went home with the parishioners to give to a person in need and 90 going to various agencies. Thank you again for your continued support.

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

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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, 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, APRIL 14

Recovery Cafe

9:30 AM | YOUTH ROOM

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 - Pack 233

6:30 PM | VARIOUS ROOMS

Sons of Norway

6:30 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

TUESDAY, APRIL 15

Open Pickleball

9:00 AM | CLC

Quilters

9:00 AM | ART ROOM

First Tuesdays

1:30 PM | LEGACY ROOM

Church Council Meeting

6:30 PM | LIBRARY

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

Recovery Cafe

9:30 AM | YOUTH ROOM

Pre-School Music & Dance Class

11:15 AM | THEATER

Ringmasters

5:30 PM | HANDBELL ROOM

Adult Choir

7:15 PM | CHOIR ROOM

THURSDAY, April 17

The Gathering

9:30 AM | YOUTH ROOM

Caregivers Support Group

10:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

Maundy Thursday Worship Service

Noon | SANCTUARY

6:30 PM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM

Open Pickleball

2:00 PM | CLC

FRIDAY, APRIL 18

Good Friday Family Service

10:30 | CHAPEL

Good Friday Worship Service

Noon | SANCTUARY

6:30 PM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM

SATURDAY, APRIL 19

Easter Worship Service

5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

SUNDAY, APRIL 20 - Easter

Easter Worship Service

8, 9:30 & 11:00 AM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM

APPLY NOW FOR PAID SUMMER INTERN POSITIONS FOR KIDS CAMPS

- Intern 1: HS Juniors & Seniors
- Intern 2: Min. 1 yr post HS education
- Lead Intern: Returning

Approx. 12-30 hrs/wk, Mon-Thu, Jun 3 - Jul 25 (except week of July 4). For complete job description and application, contact Ann at (763) 421-4656, or acampbell@zionanoka.org; our website at www.zionanoka.org; or at the front desk. **Applications are due April 15.**

MOZ RETREAT

The 19th Annual Men of Zion Retreat (Fishing) to Ontario Canada is scheduled for July 26 - August 2. Cost to be determined (est. \$900 - \$1,100). Brad needs to know ASAP to confirm to the resort how many cabins we will need. Please don't wait! **Reservations needed by April 27, 2025.** Please email Brad Jacobson, at Mozretreat@gmail.com or call 763-443-3902 and leave a message. Pastor Mike Pancoast has agreed to lead evening devotionals.

NOISY OFFERING UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who brought in their Noisy Offering this last weekend. We gathered \$396.33.

MISS A SERMON?

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

coming up

GOOD FRIDAY FAMILY SERVICE

FRI, APR 18 | 10:30 AM | CHAPEL

Age-appropriate storytelling and interactive learning geared towards kids ages 0-5 (older siblings welcome!)

JIGSAW PUZZLE DAY!

THU, APR 24 | 9-11:30 AM | CORNERSTONE

Come together with friends and fellow jigsaw puzzle enthusiasts for some creative fun! Puzzles and coffee will be provided. Questions email Suzanne sgaboury@zionanoka.org.

WOZ PROGRAM - SAT, APRIL 26

LUNCHEON (TICKET REQUIRED) - NOON

PROGRAM (FREE) - 1 PM

The Women of Zion are pleased to welcome storyteller Pati Kachel as she presents "Ya Sure, I'm a Norvegin Luteran". There will be a luncheon at 12 noon followed by the program at 1 pm. All are welcome to attend! **Tickets for the luncheon are on sale at the front desk thru April 17 for \$15.** Program is free.

CINNAMON ROLL SUNDAY

SUN, APR 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.

ZION SUPER SALE - JUNE 5-6

Drop-off: SUN, JUN 1 | 12-7 PM,

MON, JUN 2 | 8 AM-3 PM

TUE, JUN 3 | 8 AM-7 PM

Sale: THUR, JUN 5 | 9 AM-6 PM

FRI, JUN 6 | 9 AM-12 NOON*

*Freewill offering donation day

We are always looking for help setting up during the sale AND help cleaning up on Friday after the sale. Contact Pat Stearns pat.stearns@comcast.net with questions or to sign up to help.

EARTH DAY OBSERVATIONS AT ZION

SUN, APR 27 | 10 AM | VARIOUS ROOMS

Zion's Creation Care Team is hosting a variety of observations and activities during Sunday School and Adult Faith Forum time, including:

- seed planting activity for Sunday School kids
- native tree and shrub give-away
- make-and-take name tags (to try to lessen the use of our disposable ones)
- Michelle Dehn, of the R Marketplace store in Anoka, will be guest speaker at the Adult Forum. She will share part of her story and offer a number of suggestions for lessening our impact on the earth through refillable products and eco-friendly swaps in our daily lives. She will speak on responsible and sustainable living to minimize our negative effect on God's Creation.

VOLUNTEER DISHWASHERS NEEDED!

The Cornerstone Café needs two-person teams to help with dish cleanup on Sundays 11 am - noon. Individuals are welcome and will be paired with a partner. Training provided on use of Zion's kitchen dishwasher. Volunteers will have rotating shifts. Sign up at the front desk. Please contact Suzanne Gaboury for more info at sgaboury@zionanoka.org. Thank you helping and for your commitment to reducing trash at Zion!

RECOVERY CAFE ANOKA COUNTY

A recovery support community, partnering with Zion, for those struggling with homelessness, addiction, and other mental health challenges. Committed to providing a safe healing space, striving to implement equity, trauma-informed healing, family stability and self-sufficiency. Open on Mondays & Wednesdays from 9:30 am - 4 pm. For more info pick up a brochure at the Welcome Desk.

LIVESTREAM

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

APRIL 19-20

Easter

Luke 24:1-12

APRIL 26/27

John 20:19-31

MAY 3/4

John 21:1-19

encouraging words

Start each day with encouraging words from Zion! Dial (763) 506-8109 to hear a daily message of encouragement and hope.

prayer corner

Giver of light, your steadfast love endures forever. Open our hearts to the Blessed One who comes so humbly, on a borrowed colt. Open before us the gates of your justice, that we may enter, confessing in heaven and on earth that Jesus is Lord. 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: Revelation 21:1-5

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true."

Gospel: Luke 19:28-40

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

SMALL GROUP STUDY - Starts April 28

Roots of Our Faith is a 6-session summary of the confessions of the Lutheran Church and an explanation of the main parts of the Augsburg Confession. (For our schedule, we'll be fitting it into a 5-session calendar—see below.) It has been written to help congregants better understand their Lutheran heritage. Each learner copy (\$8.00) includes a short chapter for readings before each session and a usage guide for leaders that includes ideas and study suggestions for each session. Sign up at the Welcome Desk. Classes will be offered as follows:

A - MONDAYS | 1 PM | LEGACY ROOM led by Pastor Sue Wallager

B - TUESDAYS | 8:45 AM | LEGACY ROOM led by Pastor Mike Pancoast

C - WEDNESDAYS | 10 AM | LEGACY ROOM led by Pastor Connie Tiede

D - WEDNESDAYS | 6 PM | TBD led by Pastor Mike Pancoast

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

