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Zion's Good News

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2010

CONFIRMATION KICK-OFF



Wednesday, September 8th

6:30 p.m. 8th & 9th graders

7:00 p.m. 7th graders

7:30 p.m. 10 graders

8:00 p.m. Mentors



RALLY SUNDAY

Sunday, September 12th

9:00 a.m. Worship—Blessing of the
Backpacks and Sunday School Staff In-
stallation

Diane Kaufman will be here

Fellowship follows worship with games, refreshments,
and lots of fun.

NEW WORSHIP TIMES BEGIN

Sunday, September 19th

8:00 and 10:15 a.m.

Sunday School and Fellowship at 9:00 a.m.

Zion's Missionaries, Steve and Bethany

Friberg will be visiting



Global Missions

Every time I visit Disney World, I head for a boat ride located in the [Fantasyland](#) area of the park. “It’s a Small World” is a popular attraction at several Walt Disney theme parks. The ride features 400 brightly costumed audio-animatronic dolls in the style of children of the world, frolicking in a spirit of international unity, and singing the ride’s title track, which has a theme of global peace.

It’s a world of laughter

A world of tears

It’s a world of hopes

And a world of fears

There’s so much that we share

That it’s time we’re aware

It’s a small world after all

It is a small world indeed. Much has changed since this song was penned in the late 1960’s. The world seemed pretty big to me back then. We were just trying to figure out this new gadget called a television. Now communication is wide open. E-mail, the Internet, Skype, and other tools have indeed made the world seem smaller.

Most importantly we have been able to connect with, learn about and from, our Christian brothers and sisters all over the world. Situations and happenings that at one time seemed so far away are brought close enough to almost touch. We are beginning to see and understand more deeply this great gift of the world God has given to us.

The first three Sundays in September are going to focus on the global missions that Zion has been actively a part of for some time now. I hope to give you a bit of an introduction on September 5th. On September 12th, Diane Kaufman, our Companion Synod Coordinator, will join us and share about missions in Malawi, both by the Synod and Zion. Then on September 19th, Steven Friberg, our medical missionary in Tanzania which we support, will be here to share an update with us.

These three Sundays look to be informative and encouraging as we continue to participate in the Global Missions of Zion. It truly is a small world and that brings us countless opportunities to join in the call to “make disciples of all nations.”

Pastor Sue

Fellow Members of Zion:

Pastor Sue received an email from Reverend Amy Odgren, Director for Evangelical Mission and Assistant to the Bishop of the NW Synod of Wisconsin, on July 28th. The purpose of the email was to introduce an important new ministry for our synod, a Mission Interpreter. At our August Council Meeting, the Council decided that we would start a search for our Mission Interpreter. With this in mind, I am reproducing portions of the email, for your information, below.

Dear friends in Christ,

You’re invited to be a part of an important new ministry – the NW Synod of Wisconsin’s Mission Interpreter’s Network. Mission interpreters are individuals who tell the story of what God is doing through our giving and through our partnership as the church in the world. It is the hope that each congregation of the synod will have at least one person to fill this role of mission interpreter. This ministry includes:

Thanking members for their faithful giving.

Informing people about the mission and ministry of the ELCA and how God is making a difference in the lives of others.

Teaching about how God is changing lives through congregations.

Inviting faithful supporters to share their own story of ministry as part of the ELCA.

There are several ways mission interpreters perform this ministry. One way is to communicate with members on a monthly basis in a written form (newsletter, church bulletin, or other means) utilizing resources provided by the synod’s interpreter coordinator. Another way is through giving quarterly talks (in the form of a temple talk, Sunday school lesson, or address to congregation council).

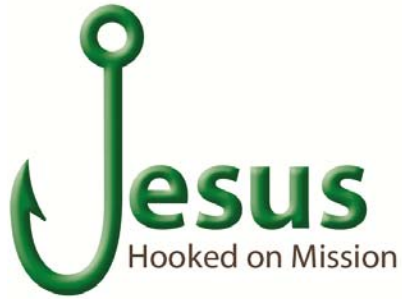
Mr. Al Arndt, from Fristad Lutheran Church in Centuria, has agreed to be the mission interpreter coordinator for the Northwest Synod of Wisconsin. He is happy to share resources and information on how congregations can get started in supporting a vibrant mission interpreter within your congregation...

We ask for your support and prayers for this exciting new ministry. Who are the story tellers in your congregation? Recruit these folks and ask them if they would consider serving as a mission interpreter. I appreciate your help with this ministry and thank you in advance for your partnership.

Reverend Amy Odgren

If you have any interest in this new ministry within Zion, please contact myself or Pastor Sue. My phone number is 687-8436 and my email is bkasch@verizon.net. Thank you for your consideration.

Blaine Aschenbrenner
Zion Lutheran Church President



Here it is! The logo for our fall stewardship program. “Hooked on Mission” will use metaphors from fishing to talk about the mission we carry out in the name of Jesus in word and deed.

On the Sundays of September 26, October 3, 10, and 17, you will have an opportunity to wear “fish hook” lapel pins, explore the mission of Zion Lutheran, and prepare to make 2010 financial commitments.

“Hooked on Mission” culminates on Commitment Sunday, October 17, when we will hold a fish fry! Watch for information about how to reserve a place at the table and let’s celebrate what we do in Christ’s name as a people who are “Hooked on Mission!”

Picture Directory

Do you ever see people and wonder what their names are? Have you ever heard an announcement regarding a member and wished you could put a face with a name? Are you a new member and wish you had something to help you put names with faces? Help is on the way. We are producing a pictorial family album! There is no cost to have your photographs taken, and you will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and directory for participating. You will be able to view your images electronically immediately after photography. At this time, you will have the opportunity to purchase additional portraits to share with family and friends.

Pictures will be taken September 28, 29, 30, October 1 from 2:30 to 9:00 p.m. and October 2nd from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Start up to sign up is August 8th. You may go on line at www.zionlc.com to sign up or come to church and sign up in the Gathering area on Sunday mornings or call Wendy Spaeth after 6 p.m. at 687-4590.

Bring a Food Pantry item when you get your picture taken and get a coupon for \$5.00 towards any extra pictures you may want to order.



RALLY SUNDAY “God’s Helpers” - Malawi

The Parish Education Team and the Sunday School Staff invite you to come and participate in our Rally Sunday events.

When: September 12th after the 9:00 a.m. Worship.

Where: The Family Center

Come and discover what it is like to live in Malawi. Events include:

- Carry the Water Game
- Making Malawi shakers
- Soap carving
- The language of Malawi
- History of Malawi
- Malawi flag making
- Bao game

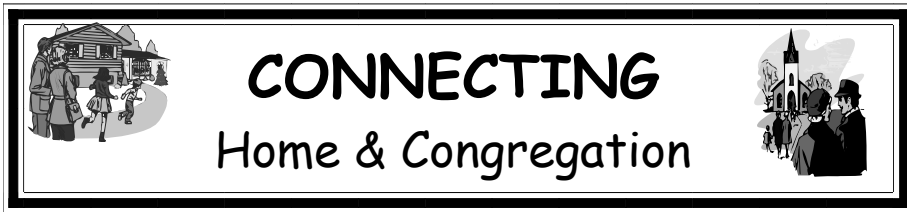
These are just some of the events scheduled for Rally Sunday. Diane Kaufmann, Companion Synod Coordinator will be here. She will give us a first hand look at Malawi and their culture. Individual and/or family pictures will be taken in front of God’s helping hands. Refreshments will include some of the food Malawians eat. The Fair Trade Team will have a table on Rally Sunday with some new flavors for you to try. Coffee that morning will be Fair Trade coffee.

Come and experience a flavor of Malawi.

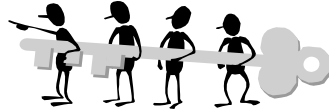
Sunday School

Regular Sunday school classes begin on September 19th. Classes start with 3 year olds (as of Sept. 1) up to grade 6. There is also a Not-So-Young class (for toddlers ages 18 months up to age 3). All parents should have received the parent’s newsletter, the Sunday school calendar, the Baptismal Journeys’ schedule and a registration form. Please fill out the registration form and return it by September 12th. A box is provided in the narthex for the forms. Keep the rest of the information for future reference. You may also go to web site for all this information. If you did not receive this information, please call the church office.





With The 4 Keys



Caring Conversation

Discuss: If you could have a conversation with any Bible-time person, other than Jesus, who would it be and what would you say?

Rituals & Traditions

At the start of the new Sunday school year, surprise your child's Sunday school teachers by making up a basket of goodies. Be creative with what you place in the basket.

Family Devotions

In the morning before school, preview the days activities and the people who will be involved. Then, pray for teachers, students and friends by name.

Family Service

Pray for Zion's Sunday school staff.

Building Update

Payment Date	Start Balance	Payment Amt	Interest Paid	Principal Paid	Ending Balance
4-1-10	\$708,783.18	\$6,285.19	\$3,687.13	\$ 2,598.06	\$706,185.12
4-29-10	\$706,185.12			\$ 6,000.00	\$700,185.12
5-1-10	\$700,185.12	\$6,285.19	\$3,555.11	\$ 2,730.08	\$697,455.04
6-1-10	\$697,455.04	\$6,285.19	\$3,627.10	\$ 2,658.09	\$694,796.95
7-1-10	\$694,796.95	\$6,285.19	\$3,497.78	\$2,787.41	\$692,009.54
8-1-10	\$692,009.54	\$6,285.19	\$3,599.87	\$2,685.32	\$689,324.22

Total monthly principal payments	\$ 96,644.74
Total of extra principal payments	<u>\$177,500.00</u>
Amount of principal paid 6/1/07 - 8-21-10	\$274,144.74
MIF Checking acct balance as of 8-21-10	\$ 19,419.88

A check for \$2,132.48 was sent to the Northwest Synod on 7-12 for our 5% building fund tithe to help our sister congregation in Mpenda build a church and parsonage.

Council Minutes

Zion Lutheran Church Council met on Monday, August 17, 2010. President Blaine Aschenbrenner called the meeting to order. Kathy Busche led devotions.

Secretary's Report : M/S/C Treasurer's Report : M/S/C

Thank you to Wendy Grell, Amy Wrench, Amii Kreft and Janet Schoenherr organizing VBS. Thank you from Jim Carpenter for memorial plaque. Global Mission for financial support.

Pastor's Report and Parish Associate Report

Committee Reports M/S/C

Adoption of Agenda

Addition: 1. Formal request to Bob and Donetta Ulrich for Germanfest. 2.

Pastor request for days off. 3. Seminary fund raiser. 4. Church software

Unfinished Business

1. Wedding booklet -tabled

2. Seminary fund raiser - tabled

New Business

1. Cari Frueh 6 month review M/Raise wage 10.00 S/C

2. Mission Interpreter Training M/S/C

3. Write bylaw regarding definition of marriage at Zion

4. Pay church insurance premium as is, investigate addition coverage.

5. Growing together Malawi fund to help educate pastors and lay people

M/ \$100.00 S/C

6. Nominating committee to begin search

7. Formal request to Bob and Donetta Ulrich to head up Germanfest

8. Pastors request for Nov 8-10 to teach at Eau Claire upon a request MSC

Church software -tabled

FYI 1. Carpet cleaning Aug 26th 2. Thrivent representative Aug 22th

3. Global Mission Sundays Sept 5th, 12th, 19th

Next Meeting Sept 20th, 2010

Meeting Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Busche, V.P

BENEVOLENCE

	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Actual (8-6-10)</u>	<u>Percent</u>
LSS	\$1,800.00	\$1,799.48	99.97%
Missionary	\$3,500.00	\$3,407.00	97.34%
Crossways	\$1,900.00	\$2,010.00	100.50%
World Hunger	\$4,000.00	\$3,477.90	86.95%
Mission Partners	\$ 750.00	\$ 869.10	108.64%

WOW!!! We are at or almost at our proposed amounts. Anything that is in bold, we have met our goals. Thank You!!

PARISH EDUCATION

Zion's Baptismal Journeys

3 year olds	Nov. 7	"Prayers"
4 year olds	Jan. 23	"This is My Church"
Kindergarten	Oct. 10	"Prayer Pillows"
Grade 1	Feb. 20	"Stewardship"
	Feb. 13	"Bible Sunday"
Grade 2	March 6	"Baptism"
Grade 3	Sept. 26	"Bible Sunday"
	Jan. 16, 23	"Worship"
Grade 4	Oct. 3	"Acolyte Training"
	Feb. 6	"The Lord's Prayer"
Grade 5	Feb 20	"Stewardship"
Grade 6	Oct. 24	"Luther's Life"

First Communion Classes: March 27, April 2, 3
Rite of First Communion April 10

September Sunday School Calendar

Sept. 12	Rally Sunday
Sept. 19	Welcome Three Year Olds
Sept. 26	Baptismal Journey for Third Graders "Bible Sunday" Teacher's Meeting

Baptismal Journey

The Third graders will receive a Bible during the 8:00 a.m. worship then meet following music, in the Family Center along with their parents and Pastor Sue for the Baptismal Journey and go over their new Bible.

Sunday School Globe Money

January through May globe money amounted to \$712.23, of which 20% was designated for the "Kids Helping Kids" project at the Stratford Resource Center. School supplies have been purchased and given to the Center. School packets will be made up and distributed to those students who would otherwise go without.

On September 19th, right after music/bell choir, Sunday school students will learn about how the globe money has helped many children, both local and global. The students will have a chance to decide who the globe money for this semester (September through January) will go to.

Thank you for your support of the Globe ministry.

Confirmation Kick-Off

On Wednesday, September 8th there will be a Confirmation Kick-off for parents and youth. Times and grades are:

8th & 9th graders 6:30 p.m.

7th graders 7:00 p.m.

It is extremely important to attend this informational kick-off meeting in the Family Center. Also, it would be helpful to bring your calendar, for this will be a planning meeting where dates will be decided.

September Confirmation Electives

6:00—7:30 p.m.

Sept 15 - "Fruits of the Spirit"

Sept 22 - "Cell Phone and Internet Safety"

Sept 29 - "Teach Us to Pray"

Tenth Grade Confirmation Kick-Off

A meeting for all 10th grade Confirmation students and parents will be held on Wednesday, September 8th at 7:30 p.m. in the Family Center. All 10th graders—a mentor MUST be chosen and their name turned in to the office by August. A letter was mailed to you with information.

What is a Mentor

A mentor is a more experienced Christian (21 years or older) who is dedicated to the Christian faith. Mentors meet with their disciple individually once a month and as a group each month (usually on the third Sunday evening). A mentor should enjoy youth, should take them seriously, be willing to listen, to care, and to be supportive of them. Also, a mentor should be mature, trustworthy, and confidential. The time spent together as "mentor and disciple" is a time of spiritual growth for both.

Web Information

The Sunday school schedule, Baptismal Journeys, and other information are on Zion's website (www.zionlc.com) under children's Ministry. Also, the Confirmation booklet and Disciples for Christ booklets are under Youth Ministry under Confirmation information downloads.



The “J” Team

The J Team meets the last Wednesday of the month after school until 5:00 p.m. Jan will pick the Stratford students up by the bike racks and walk them down to church. Our first J Team for the year will be September 29th.

Some of the activities we will be engaged in are: devotions, games, snacks, skits, scavenger hunts and more. One of the major activities the J Team does is service projects. Kids you can look forward to making pumpkin pies for a November fellowship, baking cookies for Ronald McDonald house, singing Christmas carols at the Elder House, etc.

3rd through 6th grade parents, please watch your mail for a letter announcing this program for your children. We are anticipating a great year of learning and fun.

Also, students and parents—don’t forget about Jinkers. He is alive and well and will be looking for a place to stay for October.

Blessing of the Backpacks

September is here! For many families that means school is just around the corner! Shopping for school supplies, books, and fall clothes becomes a part of everyone's schedule. Here at Zion, on Sunday, September 12th, we want to celebrate and bless the beginning of another school year.

Students, preschool through adult, bring your backpacks or lunch boxes or book bags or briefcases to worship services at 9:00. The services will lift up children and students of all ages, dedicating them to God's glory as we begin a new school year.

Teachers, aides, principals, administrators, secretaries, cooks, librarians, janitors, and bus drivers...come to church to be blessed, affirmed in your vocation, and encouraged as you serve children and families in your daily work!

Join us for this Celebration Sunday! Everyone is encouraged to bring school supplies to church also. School kits will be assembled for Lutheran World Relief and shipped around the globe to children in October.



Job Description for Cemetery Committee Chairperson

1. Assist funeral directors by making out cemetery lots for funeral and also tombstone sales company.
2. Assist grave digger by marking graves sites, including in the winter time making sure the road or driveway is open and there is a path to the grave site, also a path is open to dirt pile for the extra dirt. Also, mark for headstones for tombstone sales.
3. Complete grave and burial site forms for military personnel, when Marathon County Veterans requests. (They send you form, it is simple to fill out).
4. Fill in grave sites when holes appear, and give a visual inspection of both cemeteries once a week, and check for broken trees and flowers blown around after wind and rain storms.
5. (Optional) Remove all old flowers and wreaths after November 1st to April 1st. Some people put flowers out after burials, so be careful not to take off new flowers.
6. Call a meeting of team members before Memorial Day to check on needs of cemetery and property and clean up. Put in boundary stakes in fall.
7. Keep maps up to date and make sales of burial sites and record in books. Notify church secretary to put on computer record.
8. (Optional) Mow around the outside of fence on Hwy 153 cemetery to keep down weeds and ditch between Central Wisconsin Coop and Cemetery.

If interested in being the Cemetery Chairperson, please contact the church office or Pastor Sue.

Money can buy a bed, but not sleep. Money can buy a wedding ring, but not love. Money can buy a clock, but not time. Money can buy an education, but not wisdom. Money can buy jewelry, but not beauty. Money can buy insurance, but not safety. Money can buy a crucifix, but not a Savior.

If we belong to Christ, it’s logical that everything we have truly belongs to Him.



Godstock (Launch) 2010

The Northwest and East Central Synods of Wisconsin, have joined together to host, "I Wanna Rock," this year's Senior High Youth Gathering, **November 12-14, 2010**, at the Plaza Hotel in Wausau. All youth in grades 9, 10, 11 and 12 are eligible to attend this gathering.

So plan now to attend this fantastic weekend that will include worship, learning and service projects. Keynote speaker, Jay Gamelin, music by Jacob's Road. Program, lodging, t-shirt and Saturday evening meal are included in the registration.

Registration material will be sent to all 9th through 12th graders within the next two weeks. Watch for the information, read it when you receive it and fill out the form and return by deadline. This is an opportunity you do not want to miss.

Marissa Miller is currently on the LYO (Lutheran Youth Organization) Board. The LYO Board plan this event. If you have questions, you may want to talk to her.

Middle School Youth Gathering

This gathering is usually the latter part of April each year. It is for all 6th, 7th and 8th graders. The date and place has not yet been finalized. Watch this newsletter for more information in the months ahead.

Both of these events are a time for spiritual growth and enrichment. It is also a time to make new friends and have fun. The speakers are uplifting and the bands are awesome. Youth that have attended these events in the past always want to go back again.



2012 ELCA Youth Gathering

July 18-22, 2012

New Orleans, Louisiana

Eligible: All Zion Youth who have completed 7th, 8th, 9th or 10th grade or students graduating from High School in: 2012, 2013, 2014, or 2015. Youth start thinking about whether or not you want to attend the Gathering.

The National ELCA Youth Gathering is going back to New Orleans in 2012! Why go back? Because New Orleans has more to teach us about fresh starts made possible by the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. New Orleans has more to teach us about generosity and about how to be good neighbors. New Orleans has more to teach us about the house that God is building. For more information go to www.elca.org/gathering.

Dear members of Zion Lutheran Church,

I offer my sincere thanks to all of you who have contributed in so many ways to help make Grace's and my stay with you enjoyable and rewarding. I want to give a sincere thanks to all who have helped me in my grieving process while adjusting to the death of Grace. I have decided, with encouragement from my six children, to return to Massachusetts and be with my children and grandchildren.

It is difficult for me to retire after 50+ years, to leave this treasured congregation, and go into the unknown. My trust in God and your valued support makes all these changes possible.

I wish the best for this outstanding young and growing congregation and for Pastor Sue, our markedly skilled pastor and leader.

Until we meet again, Take Care and God Bless You.

Jim Carpenter

Zion Lutheran Church Members

Thank you for all your prayers, cards and visits during my recent hospitalization. Your prayers, my faith and my family helped me through this very difficult time.

Deb Wieland

School Kits

Again this year Zion is going to collect school kits. One of the Confirmation Electives is to put these kits together. So when you are shopping for those school supplies, which will be around the corner, please pick up a few items for the school kits. Please place items in a box in the narthex by October 3rd. Items needed are:

- Notebooks of wide or college ruled paper 8x10 totaling 150-200 sheets (if using 70 sheet notebooks, please include 3) NO Loose-leaf paper
- One blunt scissor
- One 30-centimeter ruler, or ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- One pencil sharpener
- 6 new, unsharpened #2 pencils
- One eraser 2 1/2" long
- One box of 16 or 24 crayons
- Construction paper
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Fair Trade

Please visit the Fair Trade Table on Rally Sunday, September 12th! Fellowship that day will feature a new Fair Trade Coffee: Organic Sister's Blend. With this special blend, Lutheran World Relief and Equal Exchange honor women coffee farmers who are active in their cooperatives and Lutheran women in the U.S. who advocate for Fair Trade. This coffee is complex with hints of sweet cane sugar and lively citrus overtones, with a buttery smooth finish. From small farmer co-ops in Peru and Nicaragua.

Come have a cup of coffee and tell us how you like it! By doing so, you can register to win one of two prizes: a LWR Tee Shirt or a LWR Coffee Travel Mug. We will have the Sister's Blend available in Regular Grind and Whole Bean. AND, (drum beat please!) it will be available in our Brand New 1# bags!! And Rally Day Special: 50 cents off the 1# bags! While sipping that coffee, please watch our LWR Coffee Project DVR "Crop to Cup" which explains about our Fair Trade Ministry. What a great way to start off the Fall Season! A big THANK YOU to our congregation for supporting our Fair Trade Ministry!



Thrivent Choice Dollars

We are again approaching the time when Thrivent Financial will be asking members again to choose where their dollars should go. Below is the announcement received from Thrivent Choice Dollars:

"Eligible members are designated Choice Dollars, based on insurance premiums, contract values and Thrivent Financial volunteer leadership. Approximately 30% of members will be eligible for Choice Dollars. Choice Dollars can be directed to Lutheran organizations you prefer nationwide, including your local Lutheran congregation.

Choice Dollars will launch this summer. Eligible benefit members will receive a letter with details on how to participate in Choice Dollars."

The Choice Dollar Program replaces the "Care in Congregation" Program (Matching Funds) of past years. Designating your dollars to Zion Lutheran will be the only way Zion can receive these dollars. Potential designated Choice Dollar amounts can range from \$25 to \$500 for eligible benefit members. Your letters for the "Choice Dollar" Program should be appearing in your mailboxes the end of July or beginning of August.

We are tentatively planning a "Thrivent Social Hour" after worship on August 22, 2010. A Thrivent representative will be here to explain in more detailed the "Thrivent Choice" Program and how to make sure your dollars go to Zion Lutheran Church. More information regarding the "Social" will be sent to all Thrivent members at Zion the first part of August. Nonmembers are also welcome to attend this social. This social will also be a time of fellowship and learning for all.

Malawi Team

Our Sister Congregation in Mpenda, Malawi continues to grow. It has about 1000 communicants and 600 children. Zion is looking for a team of people willing to keep our relationship with Mpenda active. Mostly this will mean letters and e-mails, but the possibility of traveling with Diane Kauffman to Malawi is also a possibility. If you'd like to be a part of this team, please call Pastor Sue or the church office.

New Member Sunday

We will be installing any new members to Zion on Sunday, October 10th. If you are interested or know of anyone interested in joining, please call the church office at 715-687-4110.

Attention Zion Members

Please take a moment when you receive your newsletter to look over the schedule for the month. If you know that you will be unable to serve as scheduled, please contact me as soon as possible so that I may find an alternate server to take your place.

Summer is here and that means vacations and weekends away. So that you will not be scheduled during your time away, please let us know when you will be gone. You can e-mail me at hutherbk@yahoo.com or call 687-4267. I appreciate your patience and understanding. If you have any questions or comments regarding the scheduling, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Brenda Huther

Library



The following children's books have been added to the Church Library.

Let's Explore God's World by Debby Anderson. Call number +/An. A picture book helping us to learn about God's world and how to take care of it.

Gonzalo Grabs the Good Life by Janice Levy.

Call number +/Le. When Gonzalo the rooster wins the lottery, he leaves his job at the farm in search of the good life.

My Name is Sangoel by Karen Lynn Williams. Call number +/Wi. Sangoel is frustrated that no one can pronounce his name correctly until he finds a clever way to solve the problem.

Peace Week in Miss Fox's Class by Eileen Spinelli. Call number +/Sp. For "Peace Week", the animals in Miss Fox's class find ways to be peaceful instead of squabbling with each other.

Germanfest



October is just around the corner. Germanfest this year will be held on Sunday, October 31st. Worship at 9:00 a.m. and the meal beginning at 11:00 a.m. Don't forget to make goodies for the Bake Sale. More information and tickets will be coming in the October newsletter for you to sell, buy, or return. Sign up sheets will be in the narthex soon.

Please let us know if you can help make the sauerkraut. Call the office at 687-4110 if willing to help out.

Baptisms

On Sunday, August 1st, Emma Anne Leick, daughter of Ryan and Rebecca Leick received the sacrament of Holy Baptism. Emma's baptismal sponsors are Aaron and Vanessa Hamus. Emma was born May 4, 2010.

On Sunday, August 8th, Dylan Jeffrey Bubolz, son of Jeff and Jill Bubolz received the sacrament of Holy Baptism. Dylan's baptismal sponsors are Jodi Bolen, Adam Maguire and Kevin Bubolz. Dylan was born February 9, 2010.

On Sunday, August 15th, Andrew James Dennee, son of Jason and Tania Dennee received the sacrament of Holy Baptism. Andrew's baptismal sponsors are Jayme and Luke Hilgemann. Andrew was born May 27, 2010.

On Sunday, August 22nd, Blake Thomas Reuter, son of Derek Reuter and Amanda Van Der Leest received the sacrament of Holy Baptism. Blake's baptismal sponsors are Kelsey Van Der Leest and Davis Reuter. Blake was born September 26, 2009.

May God bless Emma, Dylan, Andrew, Blake and their families.

Weddings

The Marriage of Denise McHugh and Ken Newman was held at Zion Lutheran Church on Saturday, August 7th.

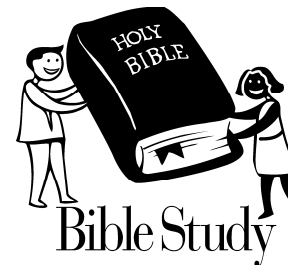
The Marriage of Jodi Bolen and Adam Maguire was held at Zion Lutheran Church on Saturday, August 14th.

The Marriage of Linda Woloschek and Alan Greenberg will be held at Zion Lutheran Church on Saturday, August 28th.

Please remember these couples in your prayers.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

The Tuesday morning Bible Study will begin on September 14th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the conference room. The course for the Bible Study has not been determined. Several options will be available to choose from on the 14th. Please join us on September 14th.



one LORD,
one Faith,
one Baptism...
EPHESIANS 4:5

Blood Pressure Check and Glucose Testing

Fourth Tuesday of each month, from 1:30-3:30
at the Stratford Library by a nurse.
The blood test requires a 2 hour fast. Free of charge.
Call for information

Steak Feed

The Stratford VFW will have its monthly steak feed
on the first Tuesday of each month.

Community Outreach Meal

St. John's Lutheran Church, Spencer, will serve a free meal on the 4th
Tuesday of each month, from 5:00—6:30 p.m.

Concert

Lester Lemke, a man who is blind and has down syndrome, will be hav-
ing a piano concert at the Christian Fellowship Church in Marathon
(north on Hwy 107) on Sunday, September 12th at 1:30 p.m. Come
listen to this amazing musician.

W/ELCA Chequamegon Conference Retreat

November 6, 2010 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Loyal.
Workshops: card-making, scrapbooking,
book exchange and discussion.
More information will be coming soon.

CROP WALK

Sunday, September 26th
Registration at 1:30 p.m.
Walk begins at 2:00 p.m.
Wildwood Station, Wildwood Park, Marshfield
Participants choose to walk 1, 3, or 6 mile well-marked routes.
Chili, bars/cookies, water and beverages available
Call Carmen Lawler at 384-5165, Liz Krach 387-6449, Christy Rens 384
-6697 or Mary Miech 387-4316 for more information about
registering, pledge envelopes and materials.
You are invited to walk the dog, get some exercise, chat with a friend,
or simply enjoy the autumn colors. Children, strollers, dogs, wagons,
wheelchairs are all welcome.

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Monday—Friday
7:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

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SUNDAY AT 9:00 a.m.**

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