

The Zion Lamp



ZION LUTHERAN
CHURCH & SCHOOL
Decatur, Indiana

“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path..”

Psalms 119:105

June/July, 2011

IS GOD TRYING TO TELL US SOMETHING?

It is a question that has been on a great many people’s minds lately as we look at the endless rain, tornadoes, earthquakes, volcanoes, tsunamis and floods.

Seriously, God is trying to tell us something. He is telling us that we live in a fallen and broken world that is filled with suffering because of sin. It is not necessarily our sin, but the original sin of mankind’s rebellion against God that has cursed the world and brought death into the world and into each of our lives. There are events that defy explanation such as natural disasters and tragic accidents. Was God directly to blame for these events? No. The Bible tells us “God does not wish that any should perish.” II Peter 3:9.

God is trying to tell us something. He is telling us that unless we all repent then we too could fall under the curse of sin and be separated from God forever. Jesus in the Gospel of Luke answers this very same question that was posed to him by those grieving over the loss of some who died in an accident.

There were some present at that very time who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. And he answered them, “Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.” Luke 13:1-5.

In natural disasters many who are believers and unbelievers lose their lives, homes or posses-

sions. Every day someone suffers because of an accident or mishap. The world is broken and this is life as it is right now. The message that God is sending us is that there is a time coming in the future when all will be made new, when the dead will be raised, and every tear is wiped away. Jesus said “there will be wars and rumors of wars, famines and floods, and earthquakes in various places but these are only the beginning of the birth pains.” All of these events tell us that the return of our Lord is approaching and that it is time for us to examine our lives, repent, and follow our savior.

But what else is God trying to say to us? He is saying to us that in the midst of all things we have the opportunity to be His hands, His voice, His feet, to a world in need. So as we see these things happen maybe we should not be asking what God is trying to tell us, but instead where is He trying to send us.

SERMON SERIES—SERMONS YOU WANT TO HEAR

We have received a number of sermon ideas for our summer sermon series. We will be starting June 12 with a sermon on “Angels and End Times”. Keep an eye on the Weekly Roar for upcoming sermon topics. To suggest a sermon topic, you can contact the church office any time this summer.

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IMPORTANT CHURCH NEWS

QUARTERLY CHARITY for APRIL- JUNE: LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES

The quarterly charity for April-June is the LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES. The Lutheran Hour, which began in 1930, is the world's longest-running Christian outreach radio program. It proclaims the message of Jesus Christ to more than 1.2 million people each week over 1300 radio stations across North America. It is also broadcast on the AMERICAN FORCES NETWORK to reach MILITARY PERSONNEL and their families around the world.

Its mission is BRINGING CHRIST TO THE NATIONS AND THE NATIONS TO THE CHURCH. LHM produces radio and TV programming as well as Internet, print communications, dramas, music and outreach materials to the unchurched in more than 30 countries. It is independently funded by generous Christians who want to spread the pure and powerful message of the Savior's love in their own communities and throughout the world.

Contributions can be made by using The Special Offering Envelopes in your envelope box and indicating THE LUTHERAN HOUR. Remember to keep this ministry in your prayers and thank you for your support.

QUARTERLY CHARITY FOR JULY-SEPTEMBER: BETHESDA LUTHERAN COMMUNITIES

Bethesda is a Lutheran human care ministry. The mission of Bethesda is to enhance the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities through services that share the good news of Jesus Christ. Bethesda provides a variety of support services including: camps, case management, residential services, supported employment and day services, faith supports, short-term care and supported living.

**Monies given to Bethesda will go towards their human care ministry. Thank you for your support.
The Board of Stewardship**

SUMMER MEALS AT ZION

Zion is going to offer free meals to the community in June and July on Thursday evenings at 5:30 p.m. The meals are provided by North Adams Food Service. Meals are free to those age 18 and under and \$3.50 for adults. We need volunteers to serve and clean up. The free meal program is a great opportunity to be the hands and feet of Christ. If you would like to volunteer to help with this great opportunity, please contact Deb Ungemach at 223-9107 or the church office at 724-7177.

SCRIP

Do you know about Zion's Scrip Program? Basically, Scrip is like buying gift cards that may be used to purchase whatever you want at the individual retailers/restaurants and those vendors donate a percentage of the face value of the certificate to Zion. There is a wide variety of vendors and they donate anywhere from 1.5% to 25% back to Zion.

Zion offers certificates from over 100 stores and restaurants—all names you know: Amazon.com, Bath & Body Shop, Best Buy, Build-A-Bear, The Galle, Kroger/Scott's, Lowes, Land's End, Gap/Old Navy, Toys-R-Us, Applebee's, Burger King, Indiana Pancake House, Pizza Hut, Pizza King, Red Lobster/Olive Garden, Richard's, Spring Garden, Wal-mart, Wendy's, etc. (Complete lists are available at glscrip.com and scrippro.com). A new addition to our Scrip family is HELLER NURSERY!

Other than a little preplanning, SCRIP is totally painless and a "no actual cost out of pocket" way to donate to Zion. You pay face value for the certificates and you, or whomever you give them to, redeem them for face value. The vendor gives Zion a percentage of the face value. If significant numbers participate regularly, Zion stands to substantially benefit financially.

How It Works: Plan for anticipated needs for presents, groceries, dinner out, movies, clothes, fast food, gas.

Fill out Scrip forms which are available in the School and Church offices. Please **fill out completely** and decide how you wish to pick it up. You will also need to designate where the percentage will go (such as a school family, Zion Church, etc.) Include **correct cash** or check made out to ZION LUTHERAN SCHOOL. Orders **must** be turned in to the School office by 3 p.m. on Monday to be received the same week.

Kroger cards are reloadable. Once you purchase a Kroger card, you may reload it at the Service desk in the store with any amount you choose.

If even 50 families bought approximately \$100 worth of certificates for things they would be buying and spending on anyway, Zion could potentially average \$500 in donations.

For more information, contact the Scrip Committee as listed on page 6 of this Lamp.

YOUTH LOCK-IN—GRADES 7-12—JUNE 10

All youth in grades 7-12 (& those entering grade 7) are invited to Zion for a lock-in June 10. The lock-in will start at 8 p.m. and go to 7 a.m. the next morning. We are planning a "Bigger & Better" scavenger hunt, swimming, campfire and a movie. All are welcome to bring a friend.

LUNCH WITH GRACE

Join us for lunch! Grace Bible Study will meet at the Java Bean, June 28 at 11:30 a.m. Enjoy lunch, a presentation on the life of Katharina Von Bora and prayer time. See you there!

OUTREACH TOOLS

How many people in our community attend church? Recent studies have shown that in Adams county about 40% of our neighbors have no church home. What an amazing opportunity we have to share the good news and begin a relationship with them. While most of these people may know the message of the church, we have a wonderful opportunity to invite them to return to their faith and enjoy the great gifts that God gives to us in worship. To help you with this we are providing many brochures of Lutheran Hour Ministries in the narthex. You can take them and give them to friends and neighbors. We also are providing some business cards with the church information and a map to Zion on the back. The card can be left at a restaurant with the tip or can be given to someone as you buy their coffee or lunch as a gift of God's grace. We also have marked Gospels of John that can be given to someone who needs to know about Jesus. He or she can follow the marked verses and hear the Gospel story. Wow! What amazing tools to share your faith and invite people to receive faith in Christ.

JOIN THE RELAY FOR LIFE

The Adams County American Cancer Society "Relay for Life" will be held at the Adams Central High School track on June 24-25. Our team name is Thrivent-Zion Decatur. If you wish to get involved or give a donation, contact Norb or Lillie Bleeke at 724-9486.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS JUNE 5

It is hard to believe but it is almost summer! Soon school will be out and things will finally slow down a little, or at least shift to a different set of goals. However, while school is out, church still goes on. Summer is a great time to do something new and fun for Sunday School. This summer we will be doing an Intergenerational Sunday School for Adults, Children and Youth. You may ask how that is going to work, but you have to come and experience it. It is going to be a great deal of fun. The Sunday School is called Akaloo—a Greek word meaning to follow. In Summer Sunday School we are going to focus on following Jesus as his disciples. Now, if you do not wish to go to Intergenerational Sunday School, Adult Bible Class will still be offered on Sunday mornings in the Family Life Center Conference Room. Hope to see you on Sunday, June 5!

TREASURER'S REPORT

The month of April was very favorable with a cash shortfall of only \$1600. Offerings exceeded last year by \$6000 and tuition was up \$3000.

However, for the four months ending in April we are showing a cash shortfall of \$43,000 which compares with a \$20,000 cash shortfall at this time last year. Revenue decreased by \$6000 and expenses increased by \$17,000. The following line items increased by more than \$1000.

Church secretar(ies) salary	6127	4738
Worship supplies	2740	1533
Conference & travel	3978	244
Day School general	1615	157
Maintenance & repair	5931	4367
Electricity	11966	10418
Insurance	8385	2697
Finance envelopes	1836	330

The workers' pay for the month of April was processed through direct pay which worked out well. Several workers expressed appreciation for making the change.

A summary of the Stahly assistance fund reported that \$13,992 was disbursed in 2010. the balance as of 4/30 is \$3655.

The demolition of the 11th Street properties having been completed, the invoice from Fleming Excavating in the amount of \$20,000 was paid. The total cost of the demolition was \$34,000 with \$14,000 deducted as a donation from Fleming Excavating. A check from Adams County Foundation on behalf of Al Fleming in the amount of \$6320.70 was applied toward the cost of demolition along with \$7377.03 which was collected from the bidding process and contributions. \$6300 is the remaining balance to be transferred from the Yost account.

ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN!

JOIN ZION'S PRAYER GROUP

Do you believe that prayer changes things? Of course we do! Sometimes it seems like there is more than we can pray over by ourselves. The Bible tells us that we can take anything to the Lord in prayer, and if we pray in the name of Jesus we can ask anything and it will be done. Join with our Zion Prayer Group on the first Sunday of every month at 9:15 a.m. in the School Library for a time of prayer for our church, for our ministry and for those in need in our church.

CHURCH AND AREA NEWS

MEN'S MINISTRY AT ZION

I KNOW THAT SOME OF US GUYS COULD REALLY FIND SOMETHING ELSE TO DO RATHER THAN SIT IN A BIBLE STUDY AND HEAR SOMEBODY DRONE ON FOR AN HOUR. WE WANT TO BE OUTSIDE DOING SOMETHING. MAYBE A LITTLE FRIENDLY COMPETITION? OKAY. I AM GIVING FAIR WARNING AND PLENTY OF TIME FOR EVERYONE TO MARK HIS CALENDAR. **GOLF OUTING FOR ZION MEN AND YOUNG MEN** WILL BE ON JUNE 4 AT CROSS CREEK GOLF COURSE. WE WILL MEET AT 9:00 A.M. AND PLAY NINE HOLES, THEN BREAK FOR LUNCH. BTW, THERE IS A CLOSEST TO HOLE PRIZE ON THE LAST HOLE. CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AND LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE BRAVE ENOUGH TO COME OUT FOR A LITTLE GOLF IN JUNE.

LIVING THE GOSPEL LIFE—DEVOTIONAL

One of the goals of the Board of Elders and both of Zion's pastors is to build a stronger community of faith here at Zion Lutheran Church. In order to accomplish this goal we realize that this does not take place apart from time in the Word of God. Many of the members of Zion already use "Portals of Prayer" on a daily basis to grow their faith, be in the word and spend time in prayer with their Lord. Zion is now taking the step of sending a new devotional put together by LCMS pastors and lay people to members of Zion. It is called "Living the Gospel Life" and it is made up of devotions designed to help you in living out our faith in our world. Portals of Prayer is still available in the church narthex for all who want to continue to use it but we hope that "Living the Gospel Life" will encourage more of our members to be in God's Word, prayer and in a growing relationship with Christ on a daily basis.

DCE UPDATE

Zion voted earlier in the year to participate in the DCE Intern program through Concordia University in Texas. The DCE (Director of Christian Education) Intern's name is Daniel Hensz and he will be arriving in Decatur in January with his new wife Celia. Daniel will be working with our youth ministry and helping with our PULSE service and our 10:30 Blended Worship. If you would like to get to know Daniel you can "friend" him on Facebook and get all the details and let him know that you are praying for him and look forward to his arrival.

CHEERS!

CHEERS to Thrivent members who designated Zion Lutheran Church as the recipient of their Choice Dollars. We received almost \$10,000 in May. At the subsequent council meeting it was agreed to use \$6XXX to close out the 11th Street demolition account and the balance of \$3XXX was added to the Mission Possible fund. Thanks to Thrivent and Thrivent members for their generosity. For Thrivent members who have questions about participating in the Choice Dollars program, please feel free to call the local Thrivent office.

Receive The Lamp by EMAIL - We at Zion are trying to reduce the number of newsletters (500) that we mail out each month. We would like to reduce that amount by at least 20-30% because it would not only save us postage, but paper, ink, and wear on our copy machine. If you would like to receive The Lamp by email, please call the church office or contact Pastor Phil at pphifer@ziondecatur.com.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU

...to Fleming Excavating and Adams Community Foundation for the generous contribution toward the demolition of the 11th Street properties. We are now ready to move forward with plans for the parking lot and green space.

...to the members for ordering flowers and plants for Mission Possible. The profit made is going toward completing the green space on 11th Street. Again, Thanks for your support.

The Boards of Stewardship, Finance & Evangelism

THE LIFESTYLE OF FAITHFUL STEWARDS

Our stewardship is the expression of our faith as we manage our lives and resources for God's purposes. God has chosen us as His stewards and grants us the wonderful privilege to serve Him. He also equips and empowers us for service. Everything in this life is a sacred trust from Him. He allows us to use His creation and intends it for our good. Our stewardship is seen in our deeds and actions. Through faith, we are empowered to do as God directs us in I Peter 4:10. "Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms."

The Board of Stewardship

APPRECIATION WELL DESERVED

As we recess from the traditional Sunday School format for the summer we would like to express appreciation to the Sunday School staff for sharing the story with our children. Thanks to Carolyn Juengel, Ruth Hutker, Shaun, Sheri and Parker Braun, Jill & Natalie Busse, Julie-Marie Brown, Jan & James Scott, Debbie Harvey, Sarah Knapke, Keith Harvey, Cindy Marckel and Roy Bohning. Hope to see you at Adult Bible class or Intergenerational Sunday School.

SUMMER MOVIE NIGHTS

The weather is getting better (when it is not raining) and it is a great time for a movie night. Join us in the parking lot of Zion on June 17, July 29 and August 26. We will start with a time to grill or picnic together at 7:00 and the movie will start when it is dark enough to see the screen. The movie night is a great opportunity to invite a friend to a time of fellowship here at Zion.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

1ST SYDNEY AUGSBURGER
ANDREW CONRAD

2ND DUWAYNE HERMAN
VICTORIA LINK

3RD MARK BRAUN
LARRY IRWIN
ANITA STEELE

4TH RANDAL BERTSCH
CHASE THOMPSON-WITTE
SETH THOMPSON-WITTE

5TH GRACIE GIROD
LOGAN LENGERICH

6TH JENNIFER ARNOLD
AMY GUNSETT
TIMOTHY HUFFINE
JOHN KENNEY
SARAH KNAPKE
CRYSTAL MILLER

7TH GLORIA DANIELS
PARKER HARRISON
CORBIN LINK
HARLEY SMITLEY

8TH BRITTANY BAUMAN
JANALEE COWANS
LINDA GUNSETT
JACOB HACKMAN
DOUGLAS HAMMOND
ALLEN MAILAND
LYNNE TEETER

9TH MANDY DAVIS
ANGELICA FUELLING
AUDREY REEF

10TH ELIZABETH BUTLER

11TH KEEGAN BLUHM
ROBERT HOFFMAN
MARK SHAFFER
ARISTATHIEME
BETH VETTER

12TH MICHELLE MCCOY

13TH DAVID BUHR
CAROLYN GRIFFITHS
DEBORAH UNGEMACH

14TH ERICA BOGAN
LINDSEY COOK
AMANDA MARBACH
KRISTIN PYATT

15TH CHRISTINA SCHWARTZ

16TH NORMA PETZOLD

17TH PAMULA KENNEY

18TH TINA AUGSBURGER
DEBORAH HARVEY
COLLIN LINK

19TH JUDY HILL
EDWARD MARBACH

20TH ZACHARY BOHNKE
JULIE-MARIE BROWN
KAYDEE GAGE
PATRICK MONROE

21ST ELIZABETH AUGUST
JULIE BECHER
TRACEY BIELBY
ROB BOGAN
TINA MENDEZ

22ND ALICIA HIRSCHY
JOHN MARBACH
MASON PYATT
MICHAEL SWYGART

23RD HALEY BUSSE
COLTON CROSS
NICKOLAS HOOK
TAMMY NORBY

24TH PAUL NEADERHISER

25TH KAITLEN GEIMER
PATRICIA HOBLET
DAVID POWELL
COURTNEY SCHULTZ
ROBERT SWYGART JR
RODNEY SWYGART

26TH CAMERON BIENZ
ABBIE BUSSE
JENNIFER GUISE
CAROLYN VOSHELL

27TH DYLAN AUGSBURGER
BRANDON BULTEMEIER
CHELSEA COLCLASURE
NICHELLE LEE
MARY REINKING

28TH RONALD BECHER
HAROLD THIEME

29TH GLORIA BUTCHER
HELEN SWYGART

30TH JASON HENDRICKS
LORETTA HENDRICKS
ROERT WEILAND

ANNIVERSARIES

1ST MATHEW & ANGELA GUNSETT

2ND DANIEL & ELIZABETH GADBAW
FRANKLIN & SHIRLEY NOLL
ROGER & VIRGINIA POLLOCK

4TH JOSHUA & CONNIE GEERKEN

5TH VIRGIL & JANELL BOWERS
PAUL JR & LEONA BUSSE

6TH LONNIE & LISA CRUMP
TERRY & VIRGINIA MOSER

8TH JAMES & TAMMY NORBY

9TH NATHAN & MAGGIE COLCLASURE

12TH MARK & JULIE MCKEE

16TH NEAL & MELANIE BLYTHE
WAYNE & DOROTHY KIRCHNER

18TH PHILIPP & KIMBERLY BLEEKE
D. PAUL & AMY GUNSETT
JAMES & JOANNE WETZEL

19TH DANIEL & JACKLYN HOFFMAN

20TH JOSE & MELISSA AVALOS

21ST JAMES & JACQUELYN BEERY

22ND NOLAN & LORRAINE GRIFFITHS
KEITH & DEBORAH HARVEY

23RD JENNIFER & CHAD ARNOLD
MICHAEL & RHONDA COLCLASURE

24TH RODNEY & HELEN SWYGART

27TH DONALD & ANNA WEIDLER

28TH MITCH & KATHY MONROE

30TH BRYAN & TAYA SAALFRANK



JULY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

1ST NEAL BLYTHE
LORI GARCIA
ADAM LENGERICH
LEANN MARBACH
2ND SAMANTHA FRANZ
CALEB JOHNSON
KOLE KELLEY
KEVIN MAHLAN
LAUREN RUSH
3RD ADAM MCCOY
4TH MELISSA CLINE
CHARLES HOBSON JR
SAMATHA LISTER
5TH SCOTT ANDREWS
GREGORY UNGEMACH
6TH AMY BROWN
7TH TYLER BAUER
TERESA THIEME
8TH JANET AZBELL
BRIAN ERXLEBEN
STANLEY HILL
MARK JUENGEL
SYDNIE MANKEY-WILLIAMS
MICHAEL OSTERMAN
9TH ROBERT BUSSE
TROY HILEMAN
JERRICA KELLEY
CHERYL ULMAN
10TH STEFAN ARTMAN
D'ANDRE WEILAND
11TH TAYLOR ELLSWORTH
ALEXYSS NORBY
12TH COLE BECHER
NAOMI BECHER
ROB LANDRUM
13TH SHARON COOK
AARON DELONG
DENISE MILLER
14TH MALORIE HARROLD
MONTGOMERY HILL
AARON THIEME
PENNY WILLIAMS

15TH JOELLEN MYERS
16TH DEREK CRUMP
MYLES HOFFMAN
GLORIA RUMSCHLAG
ROBERT VOSHELL
17TH JEANETTE BULTEMEIER
JUSTIN BULTEMEIER
MISTY MYERS
18TH JARRED MCGILL
TYLER SHAFFER
19TH DANIELLE FALK
NATHANIEL GEERKEN
KAY STRASBURG
20TH KIRK BIELBY
PEYTON ERXLEBEN
COOPER HILL
EMMETT LENGERICH
21ST KAYE BENDER
PAUL BUSSE JR
HANNAH HAMMOND
22ND ROBERT BOWEN
CYNTHIA MILLINGTON
PHYLLIS ZWICK
23RD EILEEN FREEBY
ANTHONY FULLENKAMP
BRIAN GUNSETT
STACY KUKELHAN
BROOKE MANKEY
24TH AUDREY GRIMM
25TH DANIEL BIEBERICH
CAROLINE REINKING
26TH MARK ETZLER
ADDISYN HILEMAN
CORY MENDEZ
CARL RISCH
27TH ALICE AFFOLDER
RALPH BUSSE
LINDA LUGINBILL

28TH HILDEGARD CONRAD
LISA JENNINGS
JAMIE LISTER
29TH MICHAEL BLUHM
JASON SPIEGEL
30TH JESSICA THIEME

ANNIVERSARIES

1ST TODD & APRIL BUSSE
ANTHONY & CHERYL FULLENKAMP
3RD JOHN & DIANE MCCLAIN
5TH DIANNA & DAVON BULTEMEIER
BERNIE & SANDRA CRISWELL
7TH ROY & GENA BOHNING
8TH LAURA & CHRIS BAUER
JASON & JOANNA HENDRICKS
9TH MICHAEL & PATRICIA SAUER
10TH RICHARD & GLENNA WEILAND
13TH LAVERN & CONNIE BREWER
14TH KENNETH & JOAN ROOP
16TH NATHAN & KIMBERLY BOWERS
17TH EDWARD & KATHLEEN KUKELHAN
SHANE & CRYSTAL MILLER
BRUCE & KAREN VOSHELL
20TH KEITH & CRISTINE BLYTHE
21ST CHARLES & SHARON ZIMMER
24TH DAVID & KRISTA QUININES
25TH WILLIAM JR & JOANN KARBACH
JOHN & PAMULA KENNEY
JONATHON & MELISSA ZESER
26TH GREG & ASHLEY GOTSCH
28TH JOHN & CONSTANCE HAMMOND
29TH DEREK & TINA AUGSBURGER
30TH JASON & STACEY BUSSEL
THOMAS & MARYANN COWANS
31ST ROBERT & GLORIA BOWEN



ZION LUTHERAN SCHOOL NOTES

“BE STRONG IN THE LORD AND IN HIS MIGHTY POWER”—EPHESIANS 6:10

Zion Lutheran School exists to offer a Christ-centered, child-focused, quality Lutheran education to all children, empowering them to be bold disciples of Jesus.

“But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me the one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from old, from ancient times. (Micah 5:2)

The Titanic set out to sea on April 10, 1912 from Europe to America. Shipbuilders, crew members and passengers coming aboard marveled at its magnificence and further believed the ship was unsinkable. Yet, five days later, the Titanic sank to the depths of the Atlantic Ocean. As we all know, the ship struck an iceberg. A starboard side stretch of metal on the massive ship tore open and water surged in with such force and speed that the ship could not remain afloat.

Two thousand years ago in a remote Judean town God brought forth His one and only Son. Jesus was born for you and me. There, in the small town of Bethlehem, the Son of God became the Son of Man. Seas of sin surged all around him even as he opened His eyes.

Jesus healed the sick, drove out demons, calmed the stormy seas, gave life to a beloved friend and did the Father’s work. He plowed through the sea of time until He came to Calvary. There, on the cross, Jesus took all our sins upon Him. The unbelievable pain and horror caused Him to sweat blood in Gethsemane and caused Him to cry in anguish on the cross. Jesus descended into hell, defeated sin, death and devil, and rose triumphantly on Easter morn.

As we travel through rougher and calmer seas while on earth, we draw closer to Jesus by partaking of His Body and Blood and worshipping regularly with other believers. Our final destination is heaven where Jesus has already prepared a place for us.

United Way Grant

Zion School has received a \$1500 grant from United Way for next school year. These funds will be used for instructional supplies, teaching aids and tuition assistance.

THANK YOU!

Special thanks to everyone who sponsored and supported the PTL Pizza, Carnival & Auction. This community outreach and fundraiser was a grand success because of your support. May God bless you for helping His children.

June/July Calendar

June 5 Graduation for Kindergarten & Grade Eight, 10:30 a.m.
June 26-30 Vacation Bible School



RECYCLING DAY—Zion Students will once again be collecting newspapers, magazines and aluminum cans from 9 am until 11:30 a.m. on *Saturday, JUNE 4 & JULY 9* at the Zion Parking lot. Also accepted are empty printer cartridges, old cell phones and pagers, Campbell’s Soup Labels, Community Markets/Our Family UPC labels and Box Tops for Education. Proceeds from recycling go toward the Washington, DC trip in May of 2012.

SCRIP- Cari Shaffer (724-7753) or Tina Augsburger (547-4610) are the Scrip contacts. Kroger cards may be reloaded at the store and gift cards purchased there with the Kroger card.

ZION'S SERVANT SCHEDULE FOR JUNE

Altar Guild	Charmaine Hoffman, Carolyn Griffiths				
Offering Cntrs.	Barb Frane, Jenny Sprunger, Pat Hoblet				
First Service – 8:00 AM					
Date	JUNE 5	JUNE 12	JUNE 19	JUNE 26	
Acolyte	Jenna Wittwer	AJ Bienz	Jesse Mendez	Kyle Wittwer	
	Courtney Schultz	Ben Fullenkamp	Zach Thomas	Justin Jauregui	
Greeters	Sam, Deb, Taylor & Courtney Schultz	Phil & Carolyn Juengel, Janet Heimann, Taylor Schultz	Janet Heimann, Deb, Sam, Taylor & Courtney Schultz	Phil & Carolyn Juengel, Janet Heimann, Taylor Schultz	
Elder	Greg Fleming	Greg Fleming	Greg Fleming	Greg Fleming	
Organist	Carl Risch	Carl Risch	Carl Risch	Carl Risch	
PA System	Greg Fleming	Greg Fleming	Greg Fleming	Greg Fleming	
Ushers	Jay Teeter, Steve Hill, Luke & John Marbach, Brian, Matt & Patrick Monroe	Jay Teeter, Steve Hill, Luke & John Marbach, Brian, Matt & Patrick Monroe	Jay Teeter, Steve Hill, Luke & John Marbach, Brian, Matt & Patrick Monroe	Jay Teeter, Steve Hill, Luke & John Marbach, Brian, Matt & Patrick Monroe	
Second Service – 10:30 AM					
Acolyte	Rebekah Phifer	Taylor Andrews	Jeremy Razo	Joel Harvey	
	Mary Phifer	Makayla Friedt	Tony Busse	Cole Walchle	
Greeters	Connie Hammond	TBA	Connie Hammond	Connie Hammond	
Elder	Randall Hormann	Randall Hormann	Randall Hormann	Randall Hormann	
Organist	Carl Risch	Carl Risch	Carl Risch	Carl Risch	
PA System	Randall Hormann	Randall Hormann	Randall Hormann	Randall Hormann	
Ushers	Paul Busse Jr, Ralph & Trent Busse, Will Busse, Dave Fuelling, Brad Busse, Aaron Thieme	Paul Busse Jr, Ralph & Trent Busse, Will Busse, Dave Fuelling, Brad Busse, Aaron Thieme	Paul Busse Jr, Ralph & Trent Busse, Will Busse, Dave Fuelling, Brad Busse, Aaron Thieme	Paul Busse Jr, Ralph & Trent Busse, Will Busse, Dave Fuelling, Brad Busse, Aaron Thieme	

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ZION'S SERVANT SCHEDULE FOR JULY

Altar Guild	Orpha Knapke, Loretta Hendricks				
Offering Cntrs.	Starr Bell, Barb & Paul Neaderhiser				
First Service – 8:00 AM					
Date	JULY 3	JULY 10	JULY 17	JULY 24	JULY 31
Acolyte	Daniel Gunsett	Jenna Wittwer	AJ Bienz	Jesse Mendez	Kyle Wittwer
	Emily Gunsett	Courtney Schultz	Ben Fullenkamp	Zach Thomas	Justin Jauregui
Greeters	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Elder	Les Marckel	Les Marckel	Les Marckel	Les Marckel	Les Marckel
Organist	Carl Risch	Carl Risch	Carl Risch	Carl Risch	Carl Risch
PA System	Les Marckel	Les Marckel	Les Marckel	Les Marckel	Les Marckel
Ushers	Phil Juengel, Randall Hendricks, Mark Braun, Larry Irwin, Nick Irwin, Mark Juengel	Phil Juengel, Randall Hendricks, Mark Braun, Larry Irwin, Nick Irwin, Mark Juengel	Phil Juengel, Randall Hendricks, Mark Braun, Larry Irwin, Nick Irwin, Mark Juengel	Phil Juengel, Randall Hendricks, Mark Braun, Larry Irwin, Nick Irwin, Mark Juengel	Phil Juengel, Randall Hendricks, Mark Braun, Larry Irwin, Nick Irwin, Mark Juengel
Second Service – 10:30 AM					
Acolyte	Conner Bussel	Rebekah Phifer	Taylor Andrews	Jeremy Razo	Joel Harvey
	Jacob Hall	Mary Phifer	Makayla Friedt	Tony Busse	Cole Walchle
Greeters	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Elder	John Kenney	John Kenney	John Kenney	John Kenney	John Kenney
Organist	Carl Risch	Carl Risch	Carl Risch	Carl Risch	Carl Risch
PA System	John Kenney	John Kenney	John Kenney	John Kenney	John Kenney
Ushers	Mike Busse, Terry Witte, Dave Gunsett, CJ Shaffer, Rob & Matt Voshell, Michael Bluhm	Mike Busse, Terry Witte, Dave Gunsett, CJ Shaffer, Rob & Matt Voshell, Michael Bluhn	Mike Busse, Terry Witte, Dave Gunsett, CJ Shaffer, Rob & Matt Voshell, Michael Bluhm	Mike Busse, Terry Witte, Dave Gunsett, CJ Shaffer, Rob & Matt Voshell, Michael Bluhm	Mike Busse, Terry Witte, Dave Gunsett, CJ Shaffer, Rob & Matt Voshell, Michael Bluhm


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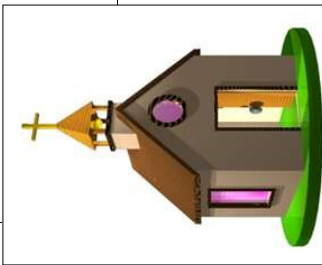
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JUNE 2011

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ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL						
Church Office 724-7177 Pastor Phifer 701-7177 Pastor Gadbow 701-7603 church@ziondecatur.com	School office 728-9995 Principal Bohning Ext. 106 school@ziondecatur.com	7 Teacher/Staff Meeting 9-11 am Ministry Boards 7 pm	1 School library closed No chapel Sneaker Service 6 pm	2 Ascension Service 7 pm ACCF Literary Awards 11:15 am Yearbook Signing 2 pm	3 Chapel/Awards 9 am Last day school K-8— 11 am dismissal, no buses, Latch key open 11-6 Wedding Rehearsal 6:30 pm	4 Recycling 9-11:30 am Men's Golf Outing 9 am-12 Lengerich-Scheumann Wed- ding 3 pm
5 8:00 Holy Communion Service & HS Recognition High School Grad. Breakfast 9:15 am Sunday Sch/Bible Study 9:15 10:30 Worship Service 10:30 K & 8 graduation	6 Teacher/Staff Meeting 9-11 am	7 Teacher/Staff Meeting 9-11 am Ministry Boards 7 pm	8 Sneaker Service 6 pm	9 Free meal for students by North Adams 5:30 pm Board Directors 6:30 pm	10 Lock-in grades 7-12 8 pm—7 am (June 11)	11
12 8:00 Worship Service Sunday Sch/Bible Study 9:15 am 10:30 Holy Communion Service	13	14 Elders' Meeting 6:30 pm Yarn Club 6:30 pm	15 Sneaker Service 6 pm	16 Free meal for students by North Adams 5:30 pm	17 Movie Night with Sundaes 7 pm	18 Zimmerman/Hill Wed- ding 3:30 pm
19 8:00 Holy Communion Service Sunday Sch/Bible Study 9:15 10:30 Worship Service Father's Day	20	21	22 Sneaker Service 6 pm	23 Free meal for students by North Adams 5:30 pm	24 Relay for Life	25 Relay for Life
26 8:00 Worship Service Sunday Sch/Bible Study 9:15 10:30 Holy Communion Service Vacation Bible School Meal at 5:15—VBS at 6:00	27 Vacation Bible School—Meal at 5:15— VBS at 6:00	28 Grace Bible Study Luncheon 11:30 am Vacation Bible School— Meal at 5:15—VBS at 6:00 Yarn club 6:30 pm	29 Vacation Bible School—Meal at 5:15— VBS at 6:00 <u>NO</u> Sneaker Service— Come to Adult Class	30 Free meal for students by North Adams 5:30 pm Vacation bible School— Meal at 5:15—VBS at 6:00	31	

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31 8 am & 10:30 am Holy Comm. Worship Services SSchool/Bible Study 9:15						

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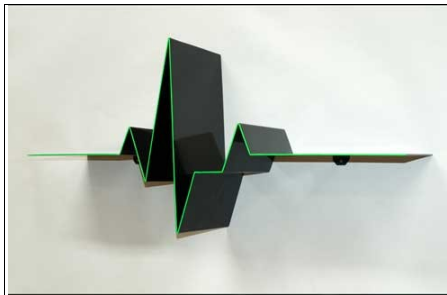
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PULSE MODERN WORSHIP SERVICE



Pulse services will be on vacation in June and July. Watch for the date when we resume Saturday Pulse services.

SNEAKER SERVICE

The sneaker service has returned to Zion! The lake season is upon us and some of you will be sneaking away on the weekend. If you feel the need to sneak away then sneak into Sneaker Service at 6 pm on Wednesdays for a relaxed atmosphere of worship & fellowship.



JOIN US FOR VBS—June 26-30
Join us for the “Big Jungle Adventure” this summer. Meals will be served at 5:15 p.m.

followed by VBS from 6-8 p.m. for ages Pre-kindergarten through grade 5. All are welcome at meals and we can use volunteers to help serve. Grades 6 & up are welcome as helpers. This time can count toward Confirmation service hours. Pastor Gadbow will be conducting Adult Bible Study. Pre-registration forms will be available in the narthex beginning Sunday, June 5.



Come join a Faith Journey with Jesus on the Big Jungle Adventure at Zion!

June 26-30

“Your lamp is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.” Psalm 119:105