

Zion Lutheran Church Weekly News

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Church Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Worship: Sunday at 9:00 am

2nd and 4th Saturdays at 5:00 pm (with Holy Communion)

Early Childhood Education Center

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Welcome! If you are a visitor and unfamiliar with Zion Lutheran Church, here are a few things that might help you:

- ⇒ First, thanks for coming! Every church is different, so give yourself some time to get used to our practices. We delight in having visitors and everyone around you is happy to help if you are not sure what to do.
- ⇒ Childcare is available during the service in room 2 of our Early Childhood Education Center which is located downstairs. Ask an usher and they will guide you to the nursery. Worship bags for children are located outside the sanctuary, and a soundproof room is located at the rear of the church.
- ⇒ Restrooms are located to your left, down the hall as you come through the front doors (to your right as you exit the church).
- ⇒ During the offering, please take the time to register your attendance by signing the friendship book and passing it down the rest of the row. This helps us to know you better and is a way of seeing who we haven't seen for awhile due to illness or other circumstances.
- ⇒ Communion is offered every 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays, and 2nd and 4th Saturdays. After receiving the wafer, you have a choice of wine from either the individual cup or the common cup. In the center of the individual cup tray is non-alcoholic grape juice. It is lighter in color. The used individual cups are placed in the baskets on either side as you return to your seat. If you are physically unable to walk to communion, please let an usher know so that the pastor can personally bring the Lord's Supper to you at your pew. If you have any questions about the significance of receiving the sacrament, please see page 2 of our worship bulletin.

ABOUT THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD

Zion Lutheran Church is a congregation of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod (LCMS). The LCMS is a mission-oriented, Bible-based, confessional Christian denomination headquartered in St. Louis, Mo. Founded in 1847, the LCMS has more than 2.3 million baptized members in some 6,200 congregations and more than 9,000 pastors. Two seminaries and 10 colleges and universities operate under the auspices of the LCMS, and its congregations operate the largest Protestant parochial school system in America. The church broadcasts the saving message of Jesus Christ over KFUD Radio, and it has relationships and active mission work in 89 countries around the world. In the last five years, the LCMS has awarded more than \$35 million through more than 900 domestic and international grants for emergency response and disaster relief. Today, the LCMS is in full doctrinal fellowship with 33 other confessional Lutheran church bodies worldwide and is a founding partner of Lutheran Services in America, a social ministry organization serving one in every 50 Americans. For more information, visit www.lcms.org.

Zion Lutheran Early Childhood Education Center

A Reggio-inspired and Music Together Preschool® for 2-6 years old

Morning Pre School ☺ Afternoon Pre-school Enrichment Programs

K+ (Kindergarten Enrichment) ☺ Childcare Until 4:30 pm

Visitors welcome! Please call the Early Childhood Center: 630-323-0065

www.zionlutheranecec@zionhinsdale.org

Peggy Farrell; Director

Christine Justema; Administrative Assistant

Confirmation /Religious Classes

Midweek Christian Education program for 3rd and 4th grade.

Zion Congregation offers a Biblically based program for children grades 3-8 every Tuesday afternoon from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. God's Word will help to inform and prepare children with the kind of values needed in these challenging times. Christian fellowship with others, music, snacks, and caring teachers await your child. These classes are open to any child – Lutheran or not. If you know of someone who would like to attend these classes, pick up an informational packet in the gathering area of the church.

Call or write for more information:

Pastor Klein at 630-323-0384 or pastor.jay.klein@gmail.com.

BIBLE CLASSES

ADULT SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS AT 8:00 AM

In the fellowship hall.

LADIES MONDAY NIGHT BETH MOORE BIBLE CLASS AT 6:45 PM

In the lobby of the church beginning January 23rd

LADIES 1ST, 3RD, 5TH WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS AT 9:45 AM

In the fellowship hall.

MEN IN THE MORNING THURSDAY MORNINGS AT 6:00 AM

In the lobby of the church.

BETH MOORE'S "THE INHERITANCE" THURSDAYS AT 9:15 AM

In the fellowship hall

Sunday School – 9:00 AM

Children gather in church with their parents at the beginning of the service. After the children are invited up front for a short prayer, they are led downstairs to Sunday school by their teacher.

Words of Wisdom

Stewardship

Whether we are married or single, young or old, we are God's children through Christ and we are empowered to show our devotion to God by all that we say and do. That is really at the heart of Christian stewardship.

Tithes are our regular, top priority (first fruits giving), proportionate, and grateful gifts to the Lord for the work of the Gospel and to the furtherance of His mission at Zion Church. Offerings are our gifts for special causes over and above our tithes.

“Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions” (Luke 12:15).

In and Around Zion

Celebrating our 125th Anniversary in 2013

Senior Fellowship

Senior Fellowship will resume with a luncheon on Wednesday, February 1st at **12:00 pm**. They meet in the fellowship hall of the church.

Lutheran Women's Missionary League

The next quarterly meeting of the LWML will be on Thursday, February 26th at 1:00 pm in the fellowship hall of the church. The video "Bibles of Cambodia" from the Lutheran Heritage Foundation will be shown. Don't forget to bring your MITE boxes! All ladies of the congregation are invited.

Monday Night Women's Bible Class

"Great Women of the Bible from the Wives of David to Esther"

In this four-session, small-group women's Bible study, we will look at the lives of the wives of David (Michal, Abigail, Bathsheba), Jezebel, The Shunnamite, and Esther. Come hear what God has to say about these women and God's grace in action as He calls and leads these women in their daily lives. The Bible not only gives us the names of these great women, but also describes their sorrows and joys, their defeats and victories, their intense private moments and important public duties.

Come join us on Monday nights from 6:45 to 8:15 in the gathering area of the church as we let God's Word speak to us and encourage one another in our Walk with God. We will meet Jan 23, 30, Feb 6, 13. Cost for this class will be \$4. Please call the church office 630-323-0384 to let us know you are coming so we can get the materials to you.

Senior Citizen's Invited to Defer Property Taxes

Qualified senior citizens, aged 65 years and older are invited to apply for the Senior Citizen Real Estate Tax Deferral Program. The program allows participants to defer property tax payment until the property is sold. The deferral is treated as a loan and accrues 6% simple interest until paid. To qualify, the applicant's household income cannot exceed \$50,000. Additionally, the property must be used exclusively for residential purposes. The application period closes March 1, 2012. For more information, contact Gwen Henry, Treasurer, DuPage County Treasurer's office at 630-407-5900 or www.dupageco.org/treasurer.

MEN'S RETREAT

“Men of Courage & Encouragement” – a retreat for all men will be held April 20-22, 2012 at Camp LuWiSoMo in central Wisconsin. Rev. Ken Klaus, Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour will be leading the sessions. Cost of the retreat is \$100. Deadline for registration is February 29th. Brochures are available in the gathering area of the church.

Volunteers Needed

It's a new year and we need new volunteers for Childcare during the Sunday morning worship services, Sunday School teachers, coffee hour donations and Childcare volunteers on Thursday mornings for 9 weeks beginning January 12th. Sign-up sheets are located in the gathering area. All of us working together can make it work! Thanks!



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Where: Zion Lutheran Church, 204 S. Grant Street, Hinsdale, IL 60521

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Woman's Retreat

St John's LaGrange is holding their 12th Annual Woman's Retreat Friday, February 3rd from 7-9 pm and Saturday, February 4th from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Southwest Marriot in Burr Ridge, IL.

The speaker, Sharon Jaynes, will present *The Power of a Woman's Words*. Words... one of the most significant forces in the universe... can be used for good or evil. Our words can change the course of a day... the course of a life. They become the mirror in which others see themselves. Our words can instill confidence into a child's heart, encourage a husband to accomplish great feats, fan the dying embers of a friend's smoldering dreams, cheer on fellow believers to run the great race of life with endurance, and draw the lost to Christ. Sharon inspires women to use words in positive ways as she explores the power we possess, the people we impact, the potential for change, and the profound possibilities when we harness this mighty force and use it to speak life to those around us.

Cost of the retreat is \$65.00, including Saturday breakfast and lunch.

Hotel reservations, if desired, should be made directly with the Marriott at [888/236-2427](tel:8882362427) - mention St. John's Women's Retreat to receive a special room rate of \$91.00.

Online registration is available at www.sjlagrange.com.

For more information, contact Cheryl Farney at cafarney@aol.com and visit Sharon Jaynes' website at www.sharonjaynes.com.

MISSIONS AND HUMAN CARE

Global Links

Zion Lutheran is linked to Thailand, where GEO missionary Robin McCoy serves. She writes, "With financial help from LCMS World Relief and Human Care and also from Lutheran Hour Ministries, we have been assembling relief bags for distribution to many in need of food because of the flooding in Bangkok. Inside the bags are rice, cooking oil, fish sauce, sugar, salt, instant noodles, canned fish, medicine for head and stomach, flashlights/batteries and some encouraging Christian tracts. What a blessing to have students, neighbors from local businesses and friends come to help us. We are very thankful that God protected our teaching center. We had no floodwater inside and being able to use our center for the relief efforts was a great blessing."



Battered Woman's Shelter Collection

Woman's toiletries (samples, hotel and travel size, creams, hairspray, nail polish, emery boards, toothbrushes, hairbrushes, perfumes, lotions, soaps, unused makeup, etc.) and clean costume jewelry are being collected by the Thursday morning Beth Moore Woman's study. The items will be sent to a local women's shelter for Valentine's Day.

There is a box in the gathering area for donations. Your donations would be greatly appreciated! Donations will be collected until Wednesday, February 8th and packaged on Thursday morning the 9th.

This Week at Zion

Sunday January 22

8:00 am Adult Bible Class

9:00 am Worship

9:00 am Sunday School

10:15 am Thrivent Seminar

Monday January 23

6:45 pm Women's Evening

Bible Class Begins

Tuesday January 24

9:00 am Quilters

4:00 pm 3rd-8th grade Religious

Education Classes

Thursday January 26

No School

6:00 am Men's Bible Class

9:00 am Beth Moore Bible Study

1:00 pm Lutheran Women's Missionary

League Meeting

6:30 pm Bells

7:30 pm Choir

Friday January 27

No School

Saturday January 28

5:00 pm Worship with Holy

Communion

Sunday January 29

8:00 am Adult Bible Class

9:00 am Worship with Holy

Communion

9:00 am Sunday School



Come join us Thursday at 1:00 pm
in the fellowship hall of the church!

*In everything you do, put God first,
and He will direct you and crown
your efforts with success.*

Proverbs 3:6

SERVING SUNDAY JANUARY 22

Pastor - Jay Klein
Director OF Parish Music - Debra Miller
Organist - Diane Grover
Greeters - Mark & Mardie Leader
Elder - Randy McGivney
Reader - Emma Day
Acolytes - Michael Claussen, Colin Fuller Jr.
Ushers - Mark & Mardie Leader, Richard & Vikki Skinner
Altar Guild - Cindy Crutchfield, Cathy Gronewold, Sandy Timmermann

SERVING SATURDAY JANUARY 28

Pastor - Jay Klein
Director of Parish Music - Debra Miller
Organist - Diane Grover
Elder - Steve Swenson

SERVING SUNDAY JANUARY 29

Pastor - Jay Klein
Director OF Parish Music - Debra Miller
Organist - Diane Grover
Greeters - Mike & Jackie McCaleb
Elders - Jon Sletten, Steve Swenson
Reader - Mike Henshaw
Acolytes - Gretchen Groenewold, Sandro Rodriguez
Ushers - Marion Sletten, Mike Hneshaw, Mike & Jackie McCaleb
Altar Guild - Cindy Crutchfield, Cathy Gronewold, Sandy Timmermann

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!