

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

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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.

The Epiphany of God's nature has taken place in various ways throughout history, yet one consistent Epiphany continues: the revelation of God through His Word. Without this revelation, we would know nothing of any other. Therefore it is important that we treasure, study, believe and obey God's Word, for it is the means by which He reveals Himself to us.

In and Around Zion

Celebrating our 125th Anniversary in 2013

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.

THRIVENT FINANCIAL FOR LUTHERANS

A HUGE thanks to all the Thrivent Financial for Lutherans who directed their Choice Dollars to Zion Lutheran Church and Early Childhood Education Center:

Jean & Phil Albert

Audrey & Herman Begeman

Dorothy Blake

Garald McMahan

Judy & George Mueller

Norm Gurgel

Vi Weerts

Charlotte & Marion Sletten

Suzanne Holtz

George Zirzow

\$3,777.00 was donated in 2011. You have until March 1, 2012 to direct your Choice Dollars for 2011. If you are uncertain if you have Choice Dollars to donate, or if you are interested in designating your Thrivent Choice dollars to Zion, we urge you to login to the Thrivent website at www.thrivent.com for instructions on how to complete this process or speak to Sandra Gurgel or Jean Albert for further assistance. As you can see, the dollars can add up. Again, thank you all.

Renovaré Essentials Conference at Christ Church, Oak Brook

At a Renovaré Essentials Conference you will learn the essential elements of a vibrant Christian life from engaging Renovaré team members. If you need your faith refreshed, your interest awakened or your spiritual life deepened, this conference is for you. The conference will be held on March 3, 2012 from 8:00 am – 5:30 pm at Christ Church, 31st and York Road in Oak Brook. Brochures are available in the gathering area.

Volunteers Needed

Childcare during the Sunday morning worship services
Sunday School teachers
Coffee hour donation,
Sign-up sheets are located in the gathering area.

MISSIONS AND HUMAN CARE

Global Links

Zion Lutheran is linked to Peru, where GEO missionary Jamie Endorf serves. She writes, “We made our two visits to Lunahuaná this month. During catechism class, the last time we went, Romelia, one of the women who faithfully attends, said that she had been praying for years that a Christian church would come to Lunahuaná so that she could attend more regularly. Before she had to travel 45 minutes to the nearest Christian church. Praise God for answering her prayer!”

Voice of Care Silent Auction

You are invited to enjoy music and dancing, appetizers, desserts and refreshments on Saturday, March 31, at the Hyatt Hotel in Lisle. Tickets are \$30 each. A silent auction will be held throughout the evening. For more information and tickets go to the VOICE OF CARE website (www.voiceofcare.org) and click on event, or make reservations by calling 630-231-3862.

Hunger Issues

Hunger is something people have to deal with worldwide. There are many ways we can help, but it takes coordination and someone willing to seek out ways for us to help. Are you one of those people? If you have a heart for the hungry talk to Pastor Klein and let him know about your interest. Together, we CAN make a difference.

JOPLIN MISSOURI

Are you willing to share your time and labor rebuilding Joplin with other Christian men? If you have not yet participated in this kind of labor of love, you may want to give this a try! We will need to provide our own food, towels, blankets etc. and probably tools, too. A group from Zion is blocking out the week of February 11-17 to make the trip. Lodging will be at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church's facility, a short drive from LCC Disaster Headquarters at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Joplin. If a week is too long, they will be pleased with as many days as you can stay. More information is available at the LCC website at www.lutheranchurchcharities.org and scroll down to disaster relief. Zion's contact person is Jim Paul: 630-986-8731.

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.

FOOD COLLECTION

Lutheran Women's Missionary League collecting donations of food to be taken to Zion Lutheran Church in Chicago. Reverend Stéphane Kalonji, pastor at Zion, has been a guest speaker here at Zion. His church works with lower income families in the neighborhood. Donations of rice, couscous, beans, fruit, cereal, vegetables and paper products would be greatly appreciated. A collection box is located in the gathering area. Items will be collected until Monday, February 20th.

Ongoing Collections

The Lutheran Women's Missionary League has an ongoing collection of eye glasses (adult and children's regular, bi-focal, progressive, new and used sunglasses and stamps (no forever stamps, common, air mail, postage due, pre-sort or other small size stamps unless they are \$1 or more). Foreign stamps, commemorative (larger than standard size), stamps with \$1 or more in value are needed. Do not pull, soak, or otherwise take stamps off the paper. No stamps on red or green envelopes. Cut stamps with a margin of no less than ¼ inch around the stamp. Stamps and glasses can be dropped off in the church office.

This Week at Zion

Sunday February 5

8:00 am Adult Bible Class
9:00 am Worship with Holy Communion
9:00 am Sunday School

Monday February 6

6:45 pm Women's Evening Bible Class
7:00 pm Elders

Tuesday February 7

9:00 am Quilters
4:00 pm 3rd-8th grade Religious Education Classes
7:00 pm ECEC Board Meeting

Wednesday February 8

8:30 am Cemetery Board
7:00 pm Property Board

Thursday February 9

6:00 am Men's Bible Class
8:15 am Evangelism & Church Growth
9:00 am Beth Moore Bible Study
6:30 pm Bells
7:30 pm Choir

Saturday February 11

9:30 am Altar Guild
9:00 am The King and Me Breakfast
5:00 pm Worship with Holy Communion

Sunday February 12

8:00 am Adult Bible Class
9:00 am Worship with the ECEC Children and their families
9:00 am Sunday School



Ken Klaus Coming to Zion

Save the Date: Ken Klaus, Speaker Emeritus of **The Lutheran Hour®** radio program, will be the guest preacher at Zion on Sunday, October 14, 2012 as we kick off our 125th anniversary of the founding of the church. Pastor Klaus writes and records a sermon a month for **The Lutheran Hour**, writes and edits Lutheran Hour Ministries daily devotions, records Bible studies and other video clips for the LHM **Men's NetWork** (on online men's ministry resource), represents LHM at speaking engagements across the country, and is a published writer of many works. Mark your calendars. You won't want to miss this!

SERVING SUNDAY FEBRUARY 5

Pastor - Jay Klein
Director OF Parish Music - Debra Miller
Organist - Diane Grover
Greeters - Doug & Jan Brooks
Elders - Bob Barnett
Worship Assistant - Evan Kenney
Reader - Jon Sletten
Acolytes - Charlie Justema, Maggie Groenewold
Ushers - Doug Brooks, Dave Bertermann, Grant Goss, Enrique Ruiz
Altar Guild - Joan Gray, Rugh Schech, Linda DeFranco

SERVING SATURDAY FEBRUARY 11

Pastor - Jay Klein
Director of Parish Music - Debra Miller
Organist - Diane Grover
Elder - Colin Fuller

SERVING SUNDAY FEBRUARY 12

Pastor - Jay Klein
Director OF Parish Music - Debra Miller
Organist - Diane Grover
Greeters - Sue Holtz & Louise Smith
Elder - Rolly Geiger
Reader - Tricia Montgomery
Acolytes - Anthony Fuller and Colin Fuller Jr.
Ushers - Arnie Berg, Alex, Berg, Adan Berg, Ben Klein
Altar Guild - Joan Gray, Rugh Schech, Linda DeFranco

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