



The PEAL of Zion

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The month of June marks the beginning of summer, a season where everyone has plans for fun times outside, bringing joy and happiness. Personally, I look forward to enjoying my swimming class, getting some fresh vegetables from the garden and farmers' market, as well as playing outside with my grandson. Summer is approaching, and we should be prepared to experience the joy of the Lord.

June not only heralds summer but also brings various life events and celebrations. I am excited to celebrate our high school graduates as they embark on their college journeys. It's truly fulfilling to witness their growth and new beginnings. Don't forget to congratulate them on receiving two scholarships from Zion UMC.

In June also, we will gather for the annual conference to bid farewell to the retiring bishop Bishop Hee-Soo Jung, who has served the Wisconsin conference for eight years. Some of our clergy colleagues will retire, while new clergy members will join us, some experiencing the winter cold in Wisconsin for the first time. Welcoming new clergy is always a joyous occasion for the annual conference, both for clergy and laity alike.

Father's Day is another significant celebration in June, offering us the chance to express gratitude to our fathers, who hold great importance in our lives. Let's reflect on the characteristics of a Godly father that we all strive to embody: courage, kindness, strength, gentleness, fortitude, and tenderness. Being a father is a noble calling that involves both blessings and responsibilities. Join us with your family to celebrate Father's Day at church.

As summer arrives, remember that worship continues every Sunday, even if we take some time off. It's also an opportunity to prepare for the fall season. This summer, we will be hosting a Vacation Bible School (VBS), so encourage your family and friends to register and join the celebration at our church.

Let's resume all church activities now that Covid is behind us – women's groups can meet for studies, men's fellowship can resume teaching and bonding, and our youth and young adults can plan gatherings. Sunday school is an opportunity for adults and youth alike to come together and learn. We are also planning for the confirmation class. We will need 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th graders, and up to register for the fall confirmation class. Even if you have not been baptized as a child, you will be baptized.

As we anticipate the fall season, we are excited to relaunch church activities on Rally Day. So, what is one thing you feel God is calling you to do as we prepare for fall? Please schedule an appointment to come to the office and share what the Lord has placed in your heart for the next season.

Remember, God is always good in our lives, at all times.

Birthdays

Greeters
June 2 Barb and Jesse Pomeroy
June 9 Dick Bemis Jr. & Sr.
June 16 Dale and Marianne Hartmann
June 23 Stacy and Andy Hron
June 30 Jackie Hinz and Tina Tadeo

Liturgists
June 2 Linda Gerlach
June 9 Val Kilburn
June 16 Wendy Bemis
June 23 Candy McChain
June 30 Larry Huiras

Greeters & Liturgists

If you are unable to greet or read on your Sunday please try to switch with others or contact the office as early as possible.

Summer Service Time!

Church service is now at 9:15
Don't be late!

June 3 Shelly Hartmann
4 Wade Bemis
Jim Klug
6 Bev Schroeder
Larry Kumrow
9 Don Treichel
Carley Treichel
10 Josef Eleves
11 Kathy Leissring
Don Schroeder
12 Ralph Oppeneer
13 Dustin Degnitz
15 Ike Peter
Travis DeRuyter
18 Val Kilburn
Greg Arndt
20 Kristina Tadeo
23 Roy Meyer
25 Mike Arndt
26 Blake Dekker
28 Bob Hartmann
Paul Wiedmeyer
30 Paul Hartmann

Anniversaries

June 8 Jeremy & Kami Zeman
11 Ralph & Sonja Zimmer
18 Ken & Jane Yoho
19 Jim & Linda Klug
28 Nick & Jill Mueller



Please let the office know if we missed your anniversary or birthday? Month, day, and year (which we never publish) helps when putting into our system.

GOT MILK?

Zion is still supplying all of the funds for the purchase of milk through the Food Pantry. The demand is UP! Thank you to all who help fill this need. Please mail milk fund donations to Zion.

The Interfaith Food Pantry is located at 310 Center St, Adell, WI
Call the Food Pantry at 920-447-2293 for appointment.



Help Wanted!

Sign Up Now, Pick Your Date

er PowerPoint Operator Camera Operator

Schedule on usher's desk in the narthex.

ZION CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Zion Cemetery Assn. will be held at 9:00 AM on June 22nd at the cemetery, weather permitting. In the event of inclement weather, we will meet in the church lounge. All lot holders are encouraged to attend.

Scriptures for the month of June

June 02: Jeremiah 29:11-14

June 16: Luke 15:11-22

June 23: Mark 4:35-41

June 30: Mark 5:21-43

Upcoming Events

June 2 Graduation Sunday – start of 9:15 services

June 7-10 Wisconsin Annual Conference

June 9 Redeemed Quartet

June 13 Worship meeting 1:00

June 18 Ad Council 6:30

June 22 Cemetery Assn. Meeting 9:00

June 20 Trustee Shed Straightening 6:00



TRADITIONS

Family traditions are important at our house. Holidays are a time to gather, eat fun foods, play games, and maybe watch a British murder mystery. Over Memorial Day we do a “Game Day” with an assortment of fun summer games like corn toss, croquet, Kubb, and bocce ball. If you win, you get a dollar. Competition is fierce for those dollar prizes, and it is great fun! It’s a tradition that is here to stay.

Traditions are important and family is something most of us hold dear. Beyond our immediate family, our church family is also a big part of our lives. Just like at home with our own families, we have important traditions at church that we all cherish: Easter and Christmas celebrations; Sunday School and the Kidz Choir; the Port Chop Dinner; Youth events; special hymns we love; Rally Day and outdoor worship; sharing our joys and concerns each Sunday, and more!

These traditions at church make wonderful memories. Sharing and being together in worship can help establish a solid moral compass for our children as they grow into adults. Regular church attendance brings us closer to Jesus and enriches our lives. As summer approaches, we are drawn to a myriad of activities and possibilities, but let’s not forget our church family this summer. Make it your family’s tradition to be in church!

Terri Yoho, Lay Leader



Straightening of the shed

One June 20th at 6:00pm the trustees will be “straightening” the shed’s contents. If there is anything sentimental to you, be there to help or let a trustee know ahead of time.

MIDWEST

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MISSION

health • micro business**SENDING HOPE AND EMPOWERMENT AROUND THE WORLD AND AROUND THE CORNER**

**Midwest Mission Center
Zion UMC 2024 Volunteer Trip**

Please consider volunteering at the Midwest Mission Center. We have six positions reserved for Tuesday, September 17th through Thursday, September 19th. To date we have three individuals committed. The experience has been very gratifying for those from Zion UMC who have volunteered during the last couple years. The volunteer work is suited for all ages over 18 years of age. The registration cost is \$30 per individual. We need to have our volunteers committed and the registration paid by July 17, 2024. Other costs will be two night motel accommodations, food and gas to travel. Contact Larry Huiras for details about the trip.

"Volunteer Opportunity"

Sheboygan County Food Bank "Community Cafe"

Zion UMC has signed up the opportunity for 5 volunteers to serve at the Community Cafe on Monday, July 22nd from 10:30 AM - 2:00 PM. The Cafe is offered six days a week to homeless and low income families located at St Lukes UMC, Sheboygan. There are an average of 60 served daily. Volunteers greet, prepare food, serve and clean up. Area churches and individuals volunteer. We need 5 individuals to commit for July 22nd
Please consider and contact Larry Huiras.

Zion UMC Finance / Council Meeting Minutes
May 21, 2024

Present: Mark Leibham, Linda Gerlach, Valarie Kilburn, Rev. Tshishinen Mpoyo, Terri Yoho, Stacy Hron, Bill Yoho, Paul Wiedmeyer, Barb LaFleur, Larry Huiras, Shirley Dekker

Linda opened the meeting with prayer.

Mark- Finance: As of the end of April, Zion saw \$10,160 in income. Expenses were \$15,899 for a loss for the month of \$5,738. Year to date Zion is still in the positive \$4,204.

Barb- Trustees- Gutters were fixed at a cost of \$387. Mowing has started at \$180 a mowing. Jesse Pomeroy will spray the lawn for weeks. Septic will be pumped soon by Cascade Septic for \$395. There is a broken sanctuary window that will need to be replaced. It is a clear one on the outside that protects the stained-glass window. Next meeting will be June 20 at 6pm where they will clean/rearrange the garage.

Food Pantry- A group recently met at OLL to discuss Food Pantry concerns. This group met at the Food Pantry on May 21 to get a tour of the Food Pantry and to understand how the Pantry works. Looking to expand hours. Aim to have 2-3 people from each church to help at the Food Pantry for sorting and distribution. Barb will be working there next Tues 9-12 sorting food.

Christina (via Paul)- Sunday School- Sunday School is on break for the summer. She thought the rotation and school year went well.

Stacy – SPRC- Meeting monthly as of now with Pastor. Redeemed Quartet will be singing in church June 9th while Rev. Tshishinen is at Annual Conference. Rev. Crystal will be coming to Zion on July 28th. Will be discussing and updating Pastor's expense policy using the conference's expense policy as an example to mirror Zion's after.

Larry – Circuit 12- Would like to have a group of 5 from Zion to volunteer at the Sheboygan Food Bank. Looking at July 22 from 10:30-2pm. It is easy work, serving food, welcoming, cleaning table or washing dishes. Contact Larry to sign up. Circuit 12 is serving at the Sheboygan Food Bank July 24th. Circuit 12 will be hosting a Celebration of Laity with a free chicken dinner at St. Luke's in Sheboygan on September 24th at 6pm. All are welcome and will be a celebration of new pastors in our Circuit.

Terri- Lay Leader- Started visiting Zion's shut-ins with Rev. Tshishinen.

Shirley- ZUMY- ZUMY will not be going to Redbird Mission this year. Hoping to get a group together for next year. Working on VBS at the end of July. Flower Certificates are for sale right now, contact Shirley to purchase.

Wendy-Worship Committee-(sent update)- June 9th Redeemed Quartet will be performing during church. Sunday School will start again Sept. 8th. This will also be the day for Zion's church picnic. Graduation Sunday will be June 2nd. Will meet again on June 13th at 1pm.

Rev. Tshishinen- A reminder to read the email Jay sent to members last week about General Conference. This will explain a lot of the petitions and votes that will come up at June's Annual Conference. Also, would like to remind members to take pictures of us in mission to post on Facebook to expand our outreach and visibility.

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully Submitted, Valarie Kilburn