

Trumpet Newsletter

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Church News

Thank You to all who participated in any way with the LYF Easter Breakfast. We raised \$990.00!

2nd Year Confirmands: Your essays and volunteer logs are due Sunday, April 7. We will also have our final session on Wednesday, April 10 from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm. It is important that you attend.

Midweek will meet on Wednesday, April 10; from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm. Midweek meets the second Wednesday of each month. Kids from Kindergarten up to 8th Grade are able to attend. Supper is provided!

Confirmation Sunday is April 21. We will celebrate the Rite of Confirmation at both services that Sunday.

The **Men's Bible Study** will meet on Sunday, April 28 at 6:30 pm. We will meet at Paul Frankenbach's house.

On May 5, 2024 Zion High School Graduate Reception at 9:15 am in the church basement sponsored by Zion's SONshine Society.

Food Pantry Focus for April: Paper products/cleaning supplies. There is a current need for grocery items, as the food bank is not providing a surplus of meat and grocery items. Detergent, paper products (napkins, paper towels, toilet paper), shampoo, conditioner and deodorant are always needed. They no longer need egg cartons.

Contact Directories are at the church office. If you filled out a "contact information card" you will have a copy with a label on the front. If you did not fill out a contact information card and would like a contact directory, please request one from the church office.



On Sunday, March 24, Ed Carroll and Root Cheney became members of Zion through the Rite of Confirmation.



The Sunday School and Adult Bible Class enjoyed Pancakes with Pastor at the 2nd annual event.

Chairman's Report

Zion's Church Council met on Tuesday, April 2, 2024. Below is a summary:

Pastor Wes opened with devotion and prayer. We reviewed and approved the Secretary and Financial Income reports.

Preschool Director – Brandy Schneider

We currently have 52 students attending. We currently have 21 students signed up for the 2024/2025 school year. 4 T/TH (3-year-old) students (2 half day, 2 full day), 12 M/W/F (4/5-year-old) Students (11 half day, 1 full day), 5 M-F Students (4 half day, 1 full day). Thank you to the Board of Education for providing goodies for us during Parent/Teacher Conferences. It was much appreciated! In looking at the available curriculum kits and the pricing, it has been decided that we will work to put together our own curriculum for next year that will better meet the needs of our students and teachers. The curriculum will meet the Missouri Early Learning Standards. We have had 2 meetings for the Preschool's 50th Anniversary Celebration. The theme is "50 Years of Sharing God's Love". We will have carnival-type entertainment, food and drinks will be provided. Games, prizes, and activities will be available. We already have chair-lead committees setup, we are in need of extra helpers. Anyone who is interested in helping may attend the Planning Meeting on Monday, April 29th at 7 pm in the Youth Room or reach may out to Brandy Schneider.

Upcoming Dates:

- Monday, April 15 at 7 pm: VBS Planning Meeting in Church Basement
- Wednesday, April 24 - Thursday, April 25: Preschool Spring Pictures
- Monday, April 29 50th Anniversary Planning Meeting at 7 pm in the Youth Room
- Wednesday, May 8: Last Day of School M/W/F Students Spring Program for Returning Students at 6:30 pm
- Thursday, May 9: Last Day of School T/TH & M-F Students Spring Program/Graduation of Incoming Kindergarteners at 6:30 pm
- Saturday, May 11: Preschool Family Picnic 11 am – 1 pm
- Sunday, September 29: at 10:30 am: Zion Lutheran Preschool's 50th Anniversary Celebration

Board of Education – Shelly Lehenbauer

Sunday School children did a good job singing and waving palms during Palm Sunday Service. Twenty children participated in Pancakes with Pastor and there was also good attendance from the Adult Bible Class.

Board of Stewardship – Randi Thornton

Met with Board of Education to go over budget. Working on Budget and will present new budget during Council Meeting in June.

Board of Trustees – Kent Bross

March 11: Conducted monthly Fire extinguisher / Smoke Detectors / Co2 Sensors / Emergency Lighting Tests and Inspections. Repaired faulty connection on Emergency Lighting unit battery.

March 13: Replaced faulty ballast in secretaries' office ceiling light **March 28:** Installed deadbolt lock on Sacristy exterior door **March 28-29:** Started installing baseboard quarter-round trim in school while school is out of session for Easter break.

Board of Spiritual Life – Linda Begley

Midweek was March 13. The Bible story was "Holy Week to Easter". Resurrection eggs were hidden and each child found one. The kids enjoyed coloring wooden Easter eggs and wreaths. There were 15 children present and 12 confirmands. Next Midweek: April 10.

Board of Worship – Mike Myers

All greeter spots filled. Waiting on response from usher volunteer

Board of Evangelism – Jean Thornton

Planning Meeting on April 15 at 7 pm in the Church Basement for VBS

Board of Deacons – Paul Frankenbach

Official Acts for March 2024:

- Doris Wolfmeyer: Death on 3-6-24 and Funeral Service on 3-8-24
- Noah Brown: Transfer out on 3-7-24 to Zion Harvester Lutheran Church in St. Charles, MO.
- William “Bill” Sargent (non-member): Death on 3-12-24 and Memorial Service on 3-16-24
- Edward Carroll: Adult Confirmation on 3-24-24
- Root Cheney: Adult Confirmation on 3-24-24
- Rick Menzel: Death on 3-28-24

Pastor’s Report

I thought we had a good worship attendance at our Wednesday Lenten services and at our services during Holy Week. Adult Bible Class continues to meet at 9:15 am through June 23. Second year Confirmands will have their final review session on Wednesday, April 10 from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm Options for Women is holding their Walk for Life on Saturday, April 20 at Hannibal-LaGrange University. I’m planning to walk and will have a team for Zion if anyone else wants to join. Confirmation Sunday is April 21. We will celebrate Confirmation at both services with 4 confirmands at early and 4 confirmands at late. The confirmands at the early service will be Alden Meyer, Gabby Meyer, Brooke Miller, and Eli Schneider. The confirmands at the late service will be Lillie Ahern, Anna Freiling, Brody Horstmeier, and Tony Meyers. Zion will host the LWML NE Zone Spring Rally on Saturday, April 27. SONshine will host a High School Graduate Brunch between worship services on Sunday, May 5. Those high school graduates to be recognized are Haylie Begley, Marcus Chezem, Grace Fessenden, Landen Gottman, Mya Gottman, Jackson Stewart, Taytum White Sunday, June 30 is a 5th Sunday. We will have a special LWML Prayer Service at 9:00 am that Sunday, followed by a time of fellowship in the church basement.

President’s Report

Reminder when reserving church/school facility for someone else, please go through church office and review the rental agreement with them Is anyone interested in being on the Luther Manor’s Board? Each term is 3-years. The board meets once a month (4th Thursday of the month). Please let Jean Thornton know if you are interested.

Your servant, Bob Schreiner



Midweek March 13, 2024

Loaves & Fishes

Zion just finished helping at our 4th Loaves and Fishes month. Each month we have been serving approximately 60 people. I have had a wonderful group of volunteers each month and I also want to thank all those that have donated items or food for the evening. If you haven't been able to volunteer yet, I highly recommend you do it once! We have a great time in the short 2 hours we are there and everyone is so appreciative (the comments on the food we bring is A+!). If you are not able to help serve or donate food, there is a monetary donation box in the back of the church that we can use to purchase items we need. If you ever have any questions about the program, please feel free to reach out to me. The sign up list for Friday, April 26 is on the table at the back of the church. Please follow directions given on the sheet. Your participation is appreciated!

Thanks, Tammy Nix

Walk for Life

The Walk for Life for Options for Women in Hannibal is Saturday, April 20 from 9 am to 11 am at Hannibal-LaGrange University. Registration is at 8:30 am at the Roland Fine Arts Center. There will also be a pancake and sausage breakfast from 8 am to 11 am at the Carroll Science Building. Pastor Wes plans to participate again this year. You can register online or the day of. Pastor Wes made a team online that you can join if you register online. You can donate online at <https://secure.fundeasy.com/ministrysync/event/website/?m=6527660>. If you don't want to donate online, you can give your donation to Pastor Wes or any other Zion member walking. Please make checks out to "Options for Women."

Thank You Notes

We would like to thank everyone for their kindness during the illness and death of our mother, Doris Wolfmeyer. A special thank you to Pastor Wes, and all the ladies that served a delicious meal after the funeral.

Blessings, Pam Wolfmeyer,
Michael Wolfmeyer Family
Debbie Henderson Family

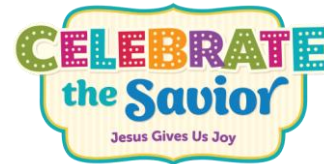
Dear Church Family,
We would like to thank everyone for the kindness, support and comforting words shown to us during Lester's illness and passing. We gratefully appreciate the cards, food, memorials and kind expressions of sympathy.
We are truly blessed,
The Family of Lester Boettcher

LWML Spring Rally

The Missouri District Northeast Zone LWML Spring Rally will be held at Zion on Saturday, April 27. Registration and morning refreshments

begin at 9:00 am. At time of worship, fellowship, business, speaker/program and lunch will be included. Guest speaker, Kristin Freeman, from the LCMS Life Ministry will present a program on the topic of God's Missions and sharing His love and Word to others needing His help and comfort. Ladies of Zion are invited to attend and learn about Mission work of LWML and serving God; "Following His Path and Reaching Out with His Word."

Vacation Bible School



"Celebrate the Savior—Jesus Gives us Joy!" is the theme for Zion's 2024 VBS. During VBS (July 15-18) we will discover that Jesus gives us the joy of eternal life with Him! Our loving God has given us so much to celebrate-family, friends, food and especially forgiveness through faith in Jesus, our Savior. Plan to come and discover how the love of Jesus fills us with JOY! A planning meeting for volunteers will be held Monday, April 15 at 7:00 pm in the church basement.

Richard Loesche Obituary

Pastor Richard Loesche passed away on Thursday, March 8, 2024, at the age of 95. He lived on his own in Ocala, FL, but with his oldest daughter, Kerri and her family nearby. So, we wanted to share this information with the Zion family.

Richard, the second youngest of 11 children, is survived by his youngest sister, Marion, and his nine children (Kerri, Joel, Paul, Marissa, Stephani, Jennifer, Amy, Christa and Zachary) and their families including 17 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren, as well as several nieces and nephews. His legacy lives on in the hearts of his family and all those who were fortunate enough to have really known him.

Sent by Joel Loesche