

# Trumpet Newsletter

## October 2022

### Zion Lutheran Church – Palmyra, Missouri

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## Church News

If you, or someone you know, are not receiving the Trumpet, please let the church office know (573-769-2739). You will be added to a “call list” of members to be contacted if needed.

**Worship Services** are at the regular times of 8:00 am and 10:30 am.

**Sunday School** and **Adult Bible Class** are meeting at 9:15 am on Sunday mornings.

**Midweek** will meet on Wednesday, October 12 from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm. This is the second Wednesday of each month. This is for kids from Kindergarten up to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade. Plan to send the kids and grandkids!

We will have our **Preschoolers** sing at the 10:30 am service on Sunday, October 16.

**Reformation Sunday!** We will celebrate Reformation on Sunday, October 30 with **ONE** service at 10:30 am.

**Carry-In Meal:** Following the Reformation service, we will have a carry-in meal in the church basement. The meat will be provided and there will be a cake in honor of SONshine’s 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. So bring a side-dish to share!

**Trunk or Treat** will be on Sunday, October 30 from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Join the fun by decorating your car and dressing up! Or you can bring the kids and grandkids for evening of fun, games, and goodies!

**The Annual Chili Supper & Harvest Sale** will be on Saturday, November 5. Food will be served from 5 pm to 7 pm. Carry out will also be available. **Menu** includes: chili, vegetable soup, maidrites, chilidogs, hotdogs, and desserts. The **Live Auction** will begin at 7 pm. **Proceeds** will go towards tuckpointing and sealing the church walls.

The next **Voters Meeting** is on Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. We will vote on the new slate of church officers. We will have updates from each board. Plan to attend!

We will have a **Thanksgiving Eve** service on Wednesday, November 23 at 7 pm.



*Zion's oldest member, Lila Donelson, was in the homecoming parade! She will celebrate her 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday on November 16<sup>th</sup>.*



*Thank you to everyone who donated to the collection of shampoo! We collected over 80 bottles for the Food Pantry!*

## Circuit News

Here is a list of our NEMO circuit delegates to the LCMS Synodical Convention next summer:  
 Primary Pastoral Delegate: Pastor Jacob Hercamp;  
 Alternate Pastoral Delegate: Pastor Scott Salo;  
 Primary Lay Delegate: Phil Mahsman;  
 Alternate Lay Delegate: Pam Behring

## Chairman's Report

Zion's Church Council met on Monday, October 3, 2022. Below is a brief summary:

Pastor Wes opened with a devotion and prayer. We reviewed and approved the September minutes and financial reports.

**Preschool / Brandy Schneider** reported current enrollment for this year is 50. Becky Speckhart has accepted the preschool secretary position. They will be selling RADA product for a fall fund raiser. October 19 will be a field trip to Autumn Moon Family Farm. Teacher in service day will be October 10 with no school. Preschool will sing at the 10:30 am service on Sunday, October 16. Fall parties will be Thursday, October 27 and Monday, October 3.

**Board of Education / Regina Boyer** reported Sunday school rally day was a success with a lot of kids participating. Sunday school is still in

need of some help. The Sunday school program will be December 18 at 9:00 am with the choir. Fellowship will follow.

**Board of Stewardship / Amanda Meyer** had nothing to report.

**Board of Trustees / Tim Myers** reported they worked on the storm windows at the school, and some gutter & down spouts. A-1 locksmith will be here this week to look at the south doors at the church. Elevator inspection will be done this month.

**Board of Spiritual Life / Abby Whiston** reported the first midweek program in September was a success with some new faces. The October midweek will be October 12. Plans are being made for Advent soup supper before the Advent services.

**Board of Worship / Joyce Williams** reported the altar committee is full. They are working on the candles that seem to be flickering.

**Board of Evangelism / Madonna Watters** reported they are planning for Trunk or Treat on Sunday October 30, there will be food, games, popcorn machine, and several different activities. Signup sheet is in the back of the church.

**Board of Deacons / Scott Larsen** reported the Official Acts: Two Weddings, Kaleah Cooksey and Jack Brown on September 4; and Matthew Hoenes and Anna Pumo on September 10th. One Death; Cletus Stone on September 1 with the memorial service on September 8.

**Pastor Wes / Confirmation class** is meeting on Wednesday nights. The nominating committee has been meeting. October 30 is Reformation Sunday. Church council voted to have one service at 10:30 with a carry in meal following in the church basement. The Disselhorst family will be cooking and providing the meat. Trunk or Treat is that evening from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Chili Supper & Harvest Sale will be on Saturday, November 5. Our next voters meeting will be November 14 with the election of officers.

**President's Report / Dudley Powell** made a motion for the proceeds of the Chili supper to go to the tuckpointing & sealing of the church exterior walls. Motion passed. The old church van has been repaired and is being posted online for sale.

Yours in Christ, Dudley Powell

## Preschool News

Please welcome Ms. Becky Speckhart as the preschool secretary.



She is a communication professional with 16 years of experience in the public sector, consulting and healthcare industries. Her areas of expertise include internal communications, video editing, writing, training and project management. Becky is originally from Bourbon, Indiana and has a Bachelor's Degree in Public Relations with a concentration in communication studies. Becky lives in Palmyra with her husband Isaac and three children, Bianca, Shelby and Lincoln.

### Upcoming Dates:

- **Monday, October 10:** No Preschool; Teacher In Service
- **Sunday, October 16:** Preschoolers Sing at the 10:30 am service
- **Wednesday, October 19:** Pumpkin Patch Field Trip
- **Thursday, October 27:** Fall Party (T/Th)
- **Monday, October 31:** Fall Party (M/W/F)
- **Tuesday, November 1 to Thursday, November 3:** Parent/Teacher Conferences
- **Friday, November 4:** No Preschool

## Thank You Notes

**THANK YOU** Zion Church Family for all the cards, thoughts and prayers to me during my stay in the hospital. I hope to see all of you soon!  
--Jill Pflantz--

We would like to say thank you to everyone who helped to contribute to the baby basket full of goodies for Elyse. We are so thankful for a wonderful church family who has helped pray, support, and care for us with our new addition. We are so blessed!"

James, Abby, Evelyn, and Elyse

**Thank You** to the Schaefer family for the gift of the book "Granite" to the preschool in memory of Jane.

**THANK YOU** for your continuous support and generous donations to LWML. Last Sunday, LWML received over \$1000 on their bake sale! This money will go towards helping with various ongoing projects and mission work. Zion SONshine Society

**89 Bottles of Shampoo** were donated for the food pantry! Thanks for all the support and donations!

The **Maple Lawn Auxiliary** wants to thank Zion for the use of the church basement during the pandemic. It was much appreciated.

## 80 Blessings of Zion

This year is the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of LWML. LWML issued a challenge to member societies to celebrate by doing activities of "80." SONshine asked the members of Zion to share blessings that we have received as a church.

SONshine's "80" challenge is to count our blessings with the goal of finding at least 80. As a congregation, we can see and share the love that God gives us and what He has done for us.

Below are some of the blessings that have been listed. We will publish these blessings in the Trumpet in the next couple of months.

### **FAITH AND WORSHIP**

- Because the Holy Spirit continues to do His work, the future of Zion appears bright, both in Word and Deed.
- Zion has been and continues to be blessed in so many ways. Our congregation has shown to be built on the Firm Foundation of Jesus Christ.
- Our leaders, lay leaders, and congregation members are a blessing to ensure Zion stands on the Firm Foundation. May the Holy Spirit continue to work through our leaders and us as we show others that Firm Foundation of Jesus Christ.
- Our congregation members who show their love for music and singing and that it is an essential part in our worship services.
- Whether singing from a favorite church pew with family members or singing in our Church choir, voices are heard proclaiming praises to God.
- We are blessed every day; but the last two years, we were extra blessed. With COVID we were not able to have services in our church. And then the wall at the church had to be repaired before we could return to the church. It was a struggle for many. But thank the Lord and all the people that made it possible to have church on Facebook. Our church family came together, and the community also helped with the cost of the wall. A lot of hard work but we are now back in Church and it is wonderful being able to worship together and see Pastor Wes in person. We are so blessed to have him, because he also has had a lot to deal with the past 2 years. Our faith has seen us through it.
- Zion has been blessed by God.
- Past generations guiding current generations to lead our church.
- The sense of family and community the Church provides.

- All of our faithful Pastors who have been true Shepherds of God's Word and the teachings of the Lutheran Church.
- We are simply Blessed!

### **CHURCH LEADERS**

- Pastor the Lord has given us now.
- Pastors who shepherd our congregation. We have been blessed over many years by pastors who are and were amazing.
- Pastor Wes!!
- Pastor Wes. He is a blessing to our family, our church, and our community.
- It is hard to begin Zion's blessings. We have been blessed through the years with wonderful pastors, teachers, and congregation members.
- We have been blessed currently with Pastor Wes. He is caring, kind, compassionate, helpful, and always willing to lend a hand. The list could go on and on. Oh, and he delivers a pretty good sermon too.
- Having some exceptional leaders: people who carefully make decisions based on God's Word and His will rather than societal standards.
- Zion has been blessed with a caring minister.
- The women of Zion who brought LWML to our church. They joined in serving our Lord by supporting mission work throughout the world.
- We have been blessed in so many ways: a dedicated Pastor who cares about his congregation as well as the community.
- My Zion blessing has been encouragement. Hebrews 10:25 says, "Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another— and all the more as you see the Day approaching." After Wayne and my marriage in 1959, I left my church family to join Zion. Soon after, I was encouraged to help with VBS, then Sunday School, Bible Study, Ladies Aide, SONshine Society, and LWML Northeast Zone President. Being called to Christian Service each time deepened my faith in Jesus My Savior.