



*Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.”*  
2 Timothy 2:15

My first 13 days here have been a mixture of hauling boxes, learning names, un-packing and arranging furniture at home, unpacking books and arranging office space, job-hunting for Cathy, learning names, beginning a ministry, seeing the steep learning curve get a little flatter, visiting the care centers, drinking coffee, and enjoying our new home.

I have learned many important things already. When I unpacked my office things I discovered that I own a lot of erasers... I'm not sure exactly what that means, but planning in pencil makes erasing mistakes easier.

I have learned that lifting boxes full of books does not get easier, ever.

One thing I keep learning is that the revelation of God's salvation in Jesus needs to be heard in the same way we need to breathe. We can't stop breathing and continue to live. We need to hear the Word of God in order to live.

In 2 Timothy 2:14 we are warned against "wrangling over words." Certainly we can concentrate on the details at the expense of what matters most. Clearly some words matter more than others. It is also true that God's Word gets us to the heart of God's revelation.

One good way to keep faith alive and vital is to read 2 Timothy 2. This one little letter can help us all with this: the main thing is to keep the main thing the main thing.

Thank you for the warm welcome to Thief River Falls.

Pastor John Golv

Thanksgiving, after all,  
is a word of action.

*W.J. Cameron*



## Home Communion

If you are not able to attend Sunday worship services and would like home communion, please contact

Jim Dalager - 681-8850  
Lay Ministry Board

**Zion Lutheran Church  
Parish Planning Council Minutes  
October 19, 2010**



The Parish Planning Council was called to order by President Connie Hamre at 7:00 P.M. In attendance: Pastor John Golv, Deb Howe, Kristi Rood, Deb Holtan, Amber Holtan, Sarah Harper, Marijo Nabben, Connie Hamre, Ginny Armstrong, Bonnie Yost, Lyle Paulson, Tim Numedahl and Karen Thygeson. Roll was answered by stating their middle name.

President Hamre asked guests Joe Kezar and Bob Nelson to inform and discuss the sound system needs with the Parish Council.

Devotions were led by Marijo Nabben and next month will be given by Bonnie Yost.



Bonnie Yost moved to accept the secretary's minutes, seconded and carried.

Marijo Nabben moved to accept the treasurer's report, seconded and carried. Ginny reminded all that the budgets for the coming year will soon be due.

**Public Relations Board:** Deb Howe reported they are in the process of reviewing different agencies for a new church directory. The Public Relations board members are working with the Fellowship board members to hold a Zion Spirit of Giving again this year. A tentative date of December 4th was set.

**Worship Board:** Kristi Rood reports they are still two members short on the Worship Board.

**Lay Ministry/Evangelism Board:** Deb Holtan reported there will not be a prayer vigil until Spring. November 14th is new member Sunday. They are working on reviewing and updating the time and talent sheets.



**Christian Education/Youth Board:** Amber Holtan reports the Sunday School Program will be on December 12th with the younger classes at the 8:30 A.M. service and the older classes participating at the 10:30 A.M. service. She was pleased to announce that the Sunday School numbers have grown this year.

**Fellowship Board:** Bonnie Yost reports we will have a potluck after the second service on November 7th after the installation of Pastor Golv and again after the second service on November 14th for new member Sunday.

**Properties Board:** Lyle Paulson stated the new couches have arrived for the lounge. Discussion regarding the replacement of the carpet that is in the lounge. Bonnie Yost moved to have Joe Kezar move the sound system and do whatever else needed to be done to make our sound system efficient; seconded and carried.

**Youth Director:** Sarah Harper reported on activities that our youth had participated in this past month.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor John Golv reported on the activities he has participated in since his arrival to Zion. President Hamre welcomed him to the Parish Council and to Zion.

Ginny Armstrong moved to establish the Financial Stewardship Task Force; seconded and carried. Bonnie Yost moved to approve a proposed letter and giving card to begin the Grow One Program for our 2011 Financial Stewardship Program; seconded and carried.

Lyle Paulson moved to accept the defibrillator from the EMT for Zion; seconded and carried. There will be a training class for the machine in the near future.

Deb Howe moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 P.M. followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Next Parish Council Meeting will be November 16 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted: Karen Thygeson, Secretary

Leisure Fellowship

Wednesday – November 3 – 2:00

Speaker – Pastor Golv

*What's In Name?*

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## ZLCW

On November 9, Zion Lutheran Church Women will  
hold its annual Thanksgiving Service at noon.

Program – Anna Circle

Hostesses – Sarah Circle

Hospitality – Rebekah

Visitation at Oakland Park Communities – Dorcas Circle

### Communion Setup



Preparation for the 2011 schedule of people to set up communion is beginning.

Those of you who served in 2010 and would like to keep the same dates will be called to confirm. If you choose not to serve this year, please call Carol Waswick at 681-5907.

For those of you who have not done it before, please try it. We assure you that you will be paired with someone with prior experience or will have someone tutor you through the process the first time. You will also be supplied with detailed instructions.

This is a perfect opportunity for members who prefer to work behind the scenes to serve. Time wise, it requires a couple of hours of setup on Friday or Saturday at a time of your choice and cleanup after the 10:30 worship service on Sunday.

Everyone is eligible. If you're confirmation age or older, you are welcome. Please contact Carol Waswick: 681-5907 or Dilene at the church office: 681-3296 to reserve your spot.



**Give us this day our daily bread,** O Father in heaven, and grant that we who are filled with good things from Your open hand may never close our hearts to the hungry, the homeless, or the poor; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

From the abbey of New Clairvaux, Viña, California



## President's Message:

Connie Hamre

November has many special things to celebrate. Thanksgiving day, with the gatherings and big meals, are some of what to be thankful. It can be a time of reflection and gratitude, for the many things in our life. For me, I am very grateful for family and friends. They are a tremendous source of joy and connectiveness. To be a part of something, like our congregation, where we can practice and receive kindness and grace, is truly a blessing.

On November 7, we will be blessed by the installation of our new Senior Pastor, Pastor Golv. A representative from the Synod will be here, for the official proceedings. There will be a pot luck to celebrate, and to get acquainted. At this time, I would like to say a big THANK YOU to all helped and pulled together, during the time we did not have a senior pastor. So many people helped in so many ways to keep things going at Zion, it showed a real spirit of a team. A special thank you to Pastor Ale, for the things he did during that time.

On November 14, we will be welcoming new members to our congregation. I encourage you to invite anyone you know, who may want, or need of a church home. We will have a pot luck after the second service, to meet and greet our new members.

Veterans' Day comes in November, and I feel a sense of pride, and humility. To all the members of the armed services, both current and past. It is a day to celebrate their service. One does not have to travel very far, to see the what a great country we have, in part for their sacrifice. In part because of that sacrifice, is that we have the right to vote, and we have that opportunity, this month.

We are doing stewardship in a special way, this year. We are have a stewardship task force, to work, on the mission for our church. The task force will meet twice, and give temple talks, on Sundays. A letter going out to our members, will have further information.

With a thankful heart,  
President, Connie Hamre

## Cook's Corner

### Nacho Turkey Casserole

5 cups slightly crushed **tortilla chips**

- 4 cups cubed cooked **turkey** or chicken
- 2 16-ounce jars **salsa**
- 1 10-ounce package frozen whole kernel **corn**
- 1/2 cup dairy **sour cream**
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose **flour**
- 1 cup (4 oz.) shredded **Monterey Jack** cheese with jalapeño peppers or mozzarella cheese



## **Directions**

1. Lightly grease a 13x9x2-inch baking dish or 3-quart rectangular casserole. Place 3 cups of the tortilla chips in bottom of dish. In a large bowl combine turkey, salsa, corn, sour cream, and flour; spoon over tortilla chips.
2. Bake, uncovered, in a 350 degree F oven for 25 minutes. Sprinkle with the remaining 2 cups tortilla chips and the cheese. Bake, uncovered, for 5 to 10 minutes more or until heated through. Makes 8 servings

## **Pumpkin Pie Playdough**

Need: 5 1/2 Cups Flour, 2 Cups Salt, 8 teaspoons Cream of Tartar , 3/4 Cup Oil, 1 Container (1 1/2 ounces) Pumpkin Pie Spice, Orange Food Coloring (2 parts yellow, 1 part red) , 4 Cups Water

Mix all of the ingredients together. Cook and stir over medium heat until all lumps appear. Knead the dough on a floured surface until smooth.