



From Pastor John

“And the one who was seated on the throne said, See, I am making all things new.” Revelation 21:5

A friend of mine once suggested that the term WWJD read What Will Jesus Do? instead of What Would Jesus Do? He felt that WWJD his way was truer to the whole Bible.

The verse in Revelation reveals God who one day will re-make everything. “All things new...” doesn’t leave anything out.

So, what is on your list of things that need re-making?

My list would include food for everyone. It would include an end to poverty. It would include an end to racism. Where would a person stop? Many things are in need of re-making. If we could re-make things there would be no more accidents, no more crime, no more killing, no more hatred, no more illness of any kind.

May God be praised, God will make all things new. We may expect that God will see the need to re-make us too.

This year at church the program will not be new. We will again offer two styles of worship. The New Traditions service begins on September 15<sup>th</sup>. Our Sunday School and Confirmation classes will teach the fundamentals of the faith, praying that our efforts and God’s will coincide to bring our children to faith. Rally Day is September 8. Confirmation Orientation is on September 11.

Whatever the year brings us, we know what Jesus will do.

With you in Christ’s service,  
Pastor John Golv

## Silver Creek News

It is time to start our fundraiser for the year. Letters have been mailed to each family along with tickets to sell for our quilt raffle. This is the only fund raising event we have planned, so please give it your all to sell as many tickets as possible. If you need more tickets, call Bev, Sharon, Sue, or Margaret N. Tickets need to be turned in by October 20th.

Silver Creek council is scheduled to meet on September 8th after church. The ladies of the congregation will meet on September 12th at 7:00 PM. If you have supplies for school kits please bring them at this time. We will be meeting to sew bags one day in September but will announce in church.

Thanks to all who have been working diligently to keep our churchyard looking so beautiful.





# President's Message

## Millie Reierson

One of our primary missions as Christians is to spread the good news of God's love and redemption. We have too many empty spaces on Sunday mornings. I would love to have the problem of not enough parking spaces or bulletins. If you know of someone who has not been to church for a while, invite them to come and sit with you. If you have a neighbor or a co-worker that doesn't have a church home, invite them and their families.

To the folks who attend regularly, thank you for being there. As a single person, you are as close to my family as I've got. It is truly a comfort to me to know that if I need guidance or assistance, I have you to lean on.

During the summer newsletter, I encouraged our members to keep up their giving through the summer to help us meet our bills and obligations. Thank you for doing a really good job this summer. We are still down some in our giving, but the difference isn't as bad as previous years.

God's Blessings to each and every one of you!  
Millie Reierson

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## Fall is Here

### September 8 – Rally Sunday

8:30 – Worship Service – Zion

9:30 – Sunday School

9:30 – Worship Service – Silver Creek – Council meeting after

11:00 – Potluck picnic – Hartz Park

### September 15 – New Traditions Service Resumes

8:30 – Worship Service – Zion

9:30 – Sunday School

9:30 – Worship Service – Silver Creek

10:30 – New Traditions Worship service

**ZLCW NEWS**

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We hope you had a wonderful summer. It sure passes quickly though! LCW begins meeting again on September 10 at noon with Rebekah Circle as hostess. Our program will be an Introduction to our Bible Study led by one of our pastors. It is entitled "In Good Standing" and is a study of biblical women and sounds very interesting. The theme verse is "*I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.*" Psalm 16:8-9

Hospitality is Elizabeth Circle and Visitation is Anna Circle at Valley Home. Also, remember items for our kits as we will start assembling them and the quilting ladies will also begin meeting on September 3. Especially needed are bath-size soap bars. Please consider joining us for fellowship & lunch on September 10. We would love to see some new faces and our meeting lasts only one hour!



## Quilting Season Begins September 3

Quilting is from 9:00 am to noon, every first and third Tuesday from September through May. Ship dates are usually the first Saturday of May and November for quilts, kits (baby care, school, personal (health), fabric (sewing), and soap). Items for any of the above can be left in Fellowship Hall storage room. We are in great need of willing hands. Come and have coffee with us and check it out. This year we are trying something different. We are not having a potluck noon meal but are having a coffee break about 10:30 am.

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## Public Relations Board Needs Two Board Members

The PR board meets at 5:15, the first Tuesday of the month.

Duties include:

- working with the Food Shelf, collecting donations from Zion members
- lining up drivers for the Falls Delivered Meals
- advertising events throughout the year
- church history
- library
- bulletin boards

If interested, please call Deb Howe 681-2092 or email at [dhowe@mncable.net](mailto:dhowe@mncable.net).

## John Mickelson – Seminary Student



As John answers God's call to ministry through Luther Seminary's Masters of Divinity program, we as congregational members of Zion are offered a chance to help John spiritually through prayer and encouragement and monetarily through our gifts.

Among students who have student seminary loans, their average educational debt upon graduation is over \$42,000 – a challenge for graduates as they leave seminary, often serving in low-paying ministry settings.

Zion helps seminary students through its Zion Lutheran Foundation Board. We as individual congregational members are urged to consider the challenge of helping John with seminary expenses.

More information and forms to notify Luther Seminary of your monetary support are in the church office.

*Paraphrased from a letter from Tom Jolivette, Vice President for Seminary Relations, Luther Seminary*



### Zion Lutheran Church Parish Planning Council Minutes June 18, 2013

The Parish Planning Council was called to order by President Millie Reierson at 7:00 P.M. In attendance: President Millie Reierson, Pastor John Golv, Pastor Ale Tulu, Deb Howe, Connie Hamre, Deb Fulton, Joel Rude, Jay Krogstad, Deb Holtan, Ginny Armstrong, Amber Holtan, Tim Numedahl and Penni Nelson.

Pastor Ale began our meeting with devotions. He also requested that a report be given at one of the upcoming services by one of the delegates who attended the Synod assembly meeting.

The May 21, 2013 secretary's minutes were presented. One correction was made to the minutes referencing a typo (*Tim Numedahl not Tom*) Ginny Armstrong made a motion to accept the minutes with the correction made. The motion was seconded and carried.

Ginny Armstrong presented the Treasurer's report which was accepted and filed for audit.

President Millie presented a three pieces of correspondence. Two of them were thank-you notes; one from Melanie Eldon from the Wycliffe Bible Translators and one from ELCA World Hunger thanking Zion for our support.

The third piece was a letter from the NW Minnesota Synod Assembly requesting Zion's support for John Mickelson who is attending Luther Seminary. Millie suggested that the information be made available to the congregation for financial support.

**Public Relations Board:** Deb Howe reported that August is Food Shelf month at Zion and August 12-16<sup>th</sup> is Falls delivered meals.

Darlene Hulteen is the only board member whose term expires.

**Stewardship Board:** Connie Hamre – No report. Marsha Sandahl's term expires.

**Worship Board:** Deb Fulton - The minutes from the June 4<sup>th</sup> board meeting were submitted. Three board members' terms are expiring: Marijo Nabben, Nicky Ellison, and Bob Nelson. Bob will stay on the board.

**Evangelism Board:** Deb Holtan had nothing to report.

**Christian Education and Youth Board:** Amber Holtan reported that they making a float for the Pennington County Fair parade for Day Camp which will be in August. There are two board members whose terms are expiring, Kristan Hanson and Mary Berzinski.

**Properties Board:** Joel Rude reported that so far, he has only received one bid on the repair work that needs to be done to fix the water leaking problems.

He also reported that the high-end speakers in the sound system are not working but it should be resolved with the updates being made to the whole system.

The only board member whose term is expiring is Jim Hulteen.

**Youth Board:** Jay Krogstad reported that he has been spending his time at camp and it has been going great. He is also working on the September schedule.

**Silver Creek:** Penni Nelson reported that the joint service and potluck dinner will be held this Sunday at 10:00 a.m.. She requested that the contract be signed then also. Penni said she has heard that Lake of the Woods Bible Camp has been holding meetings but she hasn't received any information. She asked that, if anyone has information, please get it to her.

**Pastors Report:** Pastor Ale reported that he has secured a speaker for Mission Sunday, July 14<sup>th</sup>. He said this is a very busy time with marriage counseling and weddings.

Pastor John submitted his report and schedule. He said he will be attending Continuing Education but he's undecided on the dates. Also, he will be scheduling vacation.

Mille asked that the board chairmen confirm the expiring board members who will continue for another term and work on getting new board members to replace the ones who are leaving.

New board member orientation will be held July 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

Next Parish Council Meeting will be July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Pam Cwikla, Secretary

**Need a creative outlet?**

**Need a way to release you artistic energy?**

**The Public Relations board is looking for someone to use his/her gifts to create the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.**

**Call Darlene Hulteen: 681-1047, or email - [dhulteen@mncable.net](mailto:dhulteen@mncable.net)**



**Zion Lutheran Church  
Parish Planning Council Minutes  
July 9, 2013**

The Parish Planning Council was called to order by President Millie Reiersen at 6:20 PM. In attendance: President Reiersen, Pastor John Golv, Pastor Ale Tulu, Deb Holtan, Amber Holtan, Sharon Jorde, Connie Hamre, Ginny Armstrong, Joel Rude, Deb Howe and Tim Numndahl.

Pastor John began the meeting with devotions.

Secretary's report was approved after a motion by Amber and seconded by Sharon.

Pastor Ale reported that he will attend Mount Carmel for continuing education and then take a week of vacation at the end of July.

Pastor John presented his report. He will take vacation at the beginning of August.

The treasurer's report was filed for audit.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 after the Lord's Prayer. Next meeting will be August 20, 2013 at 7:00 PM

Millie Reierson, President

**Zion Lutheran Church  
Parish Planning Council Minutes  
August 20, 2013**

The Parish Planning Council was called to order by President Millie Reierson at 7:00 p.m. In attendance: President Millie Reierson, Pastor John Golv, Joel Rude, Karen Thygeson, Ginny Armstrong, Deb Howe, Deb Holtan, Bob Nelson, Jay Krogstad, Penni Nelson, Connie Hamre, and Tim Numedahl.

Pastor Golv began our meeting with devotions.

The July 9, 2013 secretary's minutes were presented. Ginny Armstrong made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Joel Rude and carried.

Ginny Armstrong presented the Treasurer's report which was accepted and filed for audit.

**Properties Board:** Joel Rude submitted board report from 4/2/13. Dave VonHoltum is a new member of their board.

President Millie requested a motion from the PPC to accept the memorial gift from Ken Kalsnes, in memory of Janeen Kalsnes, for the sound system repair/improvements and a video system. Connie Hamre made a motion to accept the gift, seconded by Deb Howe, and carried.

Pastor Golv presented a request from the New Traditions Service committee for funding to have a cabinet built for serving coffee, housing a small fridge, and storing items. The request is being reviewed.

**Public Relations Board:** Deb Howe reported the board did not meet. August 12-16<sup>th</sup> was Zion's turn for Falls Delivered Meals and all driver openings were filled.

She also reported that they need two new board members.

Millie reminded the council that all items for the September newsletter must be submitted to Darlene Hulteen by Friday, 8/23/13.

**Evangelism Board:** Deb Holtan reported that their board is implementing a "community needs list" to serve anyone in the community who may need clothing, home furnishings, etc.

**Worship Board:** Bob Nelson reported that the minutes from the 8/6/13 were submitted.

**Christian Education and Youth Board:** Jay Krogstad reported the board has met twice. He has spent most of the summer at camp. The September schedule is very busy. He reported that the Sunday school itinerary will be done on a rotation schedule this year for grades K-6. There will be four weeks of education, (creation, baptism, the birth of Jesus, etc.) and on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, they will perform at the 10:30 New Traditions service. Grades 7-8 will continue using the Reform program and grades 9-12 and the confirmands will be teachers' helpers in the class rooms and they will perform the 10:30 services.

- Rally Sunday will be 9/8 with a potluck picnic at Hartz Park at 11:00.
- 9/11 is "Welcome Back" for confirmands and the first confirmation class will be 9/18.
- A swimming event for grades K-5 is scheduled for 9/28.
- "See You at the Pole" will begin 9/25 at Franklin.
- 10<sup>th</sup> grade will be doing a service project.

**Silver Creek:** Penni Nelson reported that their board does not meet in the summer. She said October communion will be held the first Sunday. Penni extended an invitation to confirmands to attend Silver Creek's service if they miss the service at Zion.

**Stewardship Board:** Connie Hamre – Board did not meet. Connie reported that Consecration Sunday will be held 10/13. There will only be one service that day at 10:30.

**Pastors Report:** Pastor John submitted his report and schedule for August.

Pastor John said he is reviewing Zion's declining attendance records and the membership roster over the past 10 years which is an issue for many Christian churches. He presented an article titled "Why millennials are leaving the church" by Rachel Held Evans, CNN.

President Millie reported the ELCA synod has a new Bishop Elect, Pastor Elizabeth Eaton.

Millie presented a question from a parishioner regarding Zion's position on its pastors performing gay marriages. Pastor Golv reported that as of yet, permission has not been granted per the ELCA.

Next Parish Council Meeting will be Sept. 24, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Pam Cwikla, Secretary

## **This is Christ's Church**

**There is a place for you here.**

We are the church that shares a living, daring confidence in God's grace. Liberated by our faith, we embrace you as a whole person – questions, complexities and all. Join us as we do God's work in Christ's name for the life of the world.

*Shared from the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America website:  
[www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org)*

# Youth Newsletter

### **August 21 – Zion Youth Room**

Middle School – 3:00-5:00

High School – 7:00 – 9:00

### **September 8 – Rally Sunday Potluck Picnic**

11:00 AM

Hartz Park

### **September 11 – Zion Youth Room** (Until end of school year)

Middle School – 3:00-5:00

High School – 7:30 – 9:30

### **September 11 – Confirmation Meeting**

6:00 PM

All 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> grade students and parents

### **September 18 – Confirmation Classes Begin**

Wednesday

6:00 PM

## **September 25 – See You at the Pole**

More info to follow

## **Friday, September 27 – Jr High Homecoming Dance**

Franklin Middle School

8:00 – 10:00 PM

## **September 28 – K-5 Event**

2:00 – 4:00 PM

More info to follow

Parents, please come and hang out

## **Did You Pass?**

Remember when grandparents and great-grandparents stated that they only had an 8th grade education? Well, check this out. Could any of us have passed the 8th grade in 1895?

Here are just some of the questions from the five-hour test:

1. Give nine rules for the use of capital letters.
2. What is punctuation? Give rules for principal marks of punctuation.
3. Name and define the Fundamental Rules of Arithmetic.
4. District No 33 has a valuation of \$35,000. What is the necessary levy to carry on a school seven months at \$50 per month, and have \$104 for incidentals?
5. What is the cost of 40 boards 12 inches wide and 16 ft.. Long at \$20 per metre?
6. Give the epochs into which U.S. History is divided.
7. Show the territorial growth of the United States.
8. Name events connected with the following dates: 1607, 1620, 1800, 1849, and 1865.

9. What are the following, and give examples of each: trigraph, subvocals, diphthong, cognate letters, linguals.

10. Mark diacritically and divide into syllables the following, and name the sign that indicates the sound: card, ball, mercy, sir, odd, cell, rise, blood, fare, last.

11. Name and describe the following: Monrovia, Odessa, Denver, Manitoba, Hecla, Yukon, St. Helena, Juan Fernandez, Aspinwall and Orinoco.