Announcements

WELCOME VISITORS! Zion's Lay Ministry/Evangelism Board says a special welcome to you this morning and may you be fed spiritually during this time of worship.

OUR THANKS to worship assistants:

8:30 Ushers: Allen Aaseby, Terri Tangen, Jo Ann Offerdahl, Ginny Armstrong;

Greeters: Jessica Hegland, Tawny Hegland; Reader: Char Peters; Pianist: Laura Rude;

Acolytes: Janae Erickson, Mattea Erickson; Cross bearer: Millie Reierson

10:30 Ushers: John & Sandy Lubitz; Tech Director: Alex Lundgren, Smoothie Counter: Ethan

Larson; Communion Assistants: Matt Kolden, Andrew Selvig, Brooklyn Breuer;

Nursery: Available, but not staffed

OUR SYMPATHY to Romayne Wilson & family on the death of Mike Wilson.

BROADCASTS TODAY given by Lylian Richards in memory of Loved Ones.

ZION'S WEBSITE SPONSOR for March is Wally Sparby, given in memory of Ione Sparby.

REMINDER to those hospitalized to please notify Zion as the hospital does not inform us.

BUSY BAGS for preschoolers are available from an usher at the back of the sanctuary.

LISTENING DEVICES & LARGE PRINT worship folders & bulletins are available from an usher.

PREVIOUS SUNDAY BULLETINS are available outside the church office and Sunday announcements are also posted on our website.

SUNDAY SERVICE RIDES Call/text Sarah Villanueva at 701-212-2637.

THE HERALD is available online at Zion's site or by mail. Please contact the church office if you would like to receive it by mail. Extra copies are available on tables in the narthex or by the church office.

ZION WORSHIP SERVICE ONLINE Sunday mornings you can listen to the 8:30AM service online. Go to: www.ziontrf.org. in the black banner click Listen Online, Click on the RED link to KTRF.

PLEASE REMEMBER our staff and congregational leaders in your prayers.

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JOIN THE STAFF - Tuesdays at 10:30 AM & Fridays at 9:30 AM for coffee fellowship.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE According to Zion's Constitution, we need at least four (4) lay members to help on a nominating committee. We need to fill President, Treasurer, 2nd/3rd Vice President positions in June. Please let Millie Reierson know if you can help.

PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONE DURING SERVICES—THANK YOU!

PARISH NURSE: Parish Nurse hours are Mondays from 3-4:30 PM.

- **Memory Lapses and when to be concerned.** Generally no concern when struggling to remember a particular word or name...not at all unusual. Concern is when a person has attended a major event or activity such as a wedding and 2-3 weeks later has forgotten the wedding itself or who got married. This information from Harvard Medical School.
- **Flu Season** is upon us. Due to this we will not be sharing peace by handshaking during this time. Please share God's peace with a smile and genuine love, or an elbow bump. We will resume handshaking in April when the flu has lessened. Thank you for doing your part to decrease the spread of the flu and also keep members with compromised immune systems safe. *God's Peace and Smiles to all*.
- No Blood pressure screening on Easter Sunday, April 1st. If you have a concern, please see Sandy during her Monday office hours.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY meets on Thursday mornings at 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall. We are always looking for more crocheters and knitters! If you don't know how to knit or crochet, we will help you learn! For more information call Deb Holtan at 449-4645.

LWR WORKDAY meet on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Thursdays from 1-4 PM. Anyone interested in lending a hand is welcome. We work on Quilts, School Kits, Personal Care Kits, and Baby Care Kits. Shipments are in November and May. Everyone is welcome and no special talent is required. For more info, call Carol Waswick 681-5907 or Sharon Bergerson, 681-5445.

LWR KITS During the Lenten season we will collect items for the Personal Care Kits. Items needed for the kits are: bath towels (may be used, but clean and in good condition), nail clippers, adult-size toothbrushes, sturdy combs, and two bath-size bars of soap. A container will be available for you to collect your items. Also, we use flannel sheets to make diapers for the Baby Care Kits. Any used sheets you no longer use are greatly appreciated. The confirmands assist with assembling these kits and then the kits are sent to Lutheran World Relief in early May along with the quilts the ladies are making. For more info, call Sharon Wagner at 681-2473 or Sharon Jorde at 681-4739. Thank you for your donations!

10TH ANNUAL GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER VIGIL! Good Friday is March 30th. The signup sheet is in the upper narthex. We would encourage you at any time during Lent to come into the sanctuary to sit and pray as well as coming on Good Friday. There are Lenten Prayer Booklets available to use. Please leave the booklets in the narthex when you are finished. For anyone that would have a prayer request, please put your request on the slip of paper provided and then place it in the slotted box. These will be prayed for the day of the vigil. Come and help us fill the sanctuary with continuous prayer!

EASTER FLOWERS If you wish to bring flowers for Easter Services in honor or in memory of someone, please let the church office know by Monday, March 26th to be included in the Easter bulletin.

The Evangelism and Lay Ministry board is looking for volunteers to form a group to pray for our ten youth that are going to the National Youth Gathering in Houston this June. Please call Deb Holtan at 449-4645 or 686-3758.

DORCAS CIRCLE will meet on Tues. March 27th at 9:30 in the church lounge. Mary Morken, hostess. **LYDIA CIRCLE** will meet on Tues., March 27th at 2PM at Jan Breiland's home. **ANNA CIRCLE** will meet on Wed., March 28, at 9:30 a.m. in the Lounge. Join us for refreshments and Bible study.

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY will be April 15th at the 8:30 service. Please call the church office if you are interested in joining at this time. Orientation will be held Thurs. Apr. 12

MINISTRY NEEDS

Attendance Sunday, March 18: 164 Wed: 153
Weekly offering/Simply Giving for week of March 12-18: \$ 8,117.
Envelope/Simply Giving Income from January 1— March 18: \$71,576.
2018 Budget \$422,168. (\$8,118 needed per week to meet expenses)



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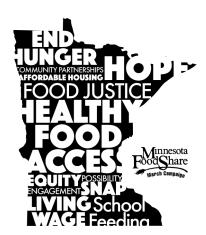
ELECTRONIC SIGN Current donations/Pledges: \$6,090.

The approximate cost is \$37,000. The properties board and the PPC will proceed with the sign if 80% of the cost is raised before the project is started. Donations or pledges toward this project are appreciated. Any questions, contact Joel Rude at joelrude@mncable.net or Tim Numedahl at numedahl@mncable.net. **Pledge cards** for the electronic sign are available on the desk outside the church office.



GIVEHub Kiosk is available in the narthex for credit/debit card donations. You can set up an account with a log-in or choose a one-time donation with out creating an account. A will be receipt emailed to you, if you provide an address.

VANCO electronic withdrawal forms are available in the church office and on the desk outside the office, for those interested in automated giving. SIGN UP IS ALSO AVAILABLE THRU THE LINK ON ZIONS WEBSITE.



MARCH IS MINNESOTA FOOD SHARE MONTH

DONATION BAGS ARE PROVIDED AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.

FOOD DONATIONS of non-perishable canned or boxed items may be dropped off at Zion by March 25th. DONATIONS GO TO LOCAL FOOD SHELF.

OFFERING ENVELOPES can be picked up in the church office.

New Worship Cards are available in the pews. Please use as needed to let the pastors or office know of any items/ concerns listed on the back. These may be placed in the offering plate or the office drop box.

BROADCAST SPONSORSHIP sign up is located on the wall next to the office door. Cost is \$100 for entire broadcast; \$50 for half.



CONFIRMATION/LENT

Thursday, March 29

Seder Meal for 5th Grade First
Communion students
Supper at 6 PM - Gr 8 grade clean up
7:30 Maundy Thursday worship

10th Graders
Easter Sunrise Service
Practice:
Wed., March 28 6PM
Thurs., March 29 8PM

2ND ANNUAL HOTDISH COOK-OFF TODAY 4PM

Sign up sheet on the youth bulletin board

The following youth of Zion will be attending the 2018 National Youth Gathering!

Rebeka Alemayehu Joshua Berzinski Dayle Dahlen Madelynn Dakken Tristan Hanson Logan Hintz Zachary Hintz Jonah Kalsnes Trista Spears Jerica Turner



Chaperones: Roberta Kalsnes, Noah Peters

Hugo's Coupon Books

Our National Youth Gathering youth are selling Hugo Coupon books for \$10. If you are not familiar with the coupon book, it pays for itself in just 3 coupons (\$5 off \$50 purchase, & two \$2.50 off \$25 purchase) plus many more deals!

Youth Rummage Sale April 14th Drop off Wed—Fri, April 11-13

2018 Summer Camp Dates!

Half Pint Day K-2nd grade: *June 22nd*Elementary Mini 2nd-3rd grad: *July 7th-10th*Elementary Classic 4th & 5th Grade: *June 10th -15th*Middle School Classic 6th & 7th Grade: *June 17th-22nd*Junior High Classic 8th & 9th Grade: *June 24th-29th*High School Classic 10th-12th grade: *July 7th-13th*



These are the dates that the church will be providing transportation to and from camp. Other dates are available if these dates don't work for you and your youth.

COMMUNITY/AREA EVENTS

RSVP HANDY MAN SERVICE Trained volunteers enable seniors to maintain their independence and safety by providing minor home maintenance repairs such as replace batteries, lightbulbs, install grab bars or smoke detectors, weatherization projects, etc. with no charge. Materials or supplies are paid for by the client, scholarships are available for those in need. Call RSVP at 218-281-8288.

STAY ACTIVE AND INDEPENDENT FOR LIFE (SAIL) Offered by the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) This is a FREE class for seniors. You will improve balance, feel stronger, remain independent, & have more energy. This is a 1 hour class 2x per week. You can stand or sit, weights are provided at no cost. Registration is required. Contact Tammy or Jennifer at RSVP or the RRV at 218-281-8289 to sign up.

HERITAGE COMMUNITY CENTER first Monday of the Month fundraiser supper, 5-6 PM. Minimum donation \$7; proceeds to running the Center. Open to all ages.

TAB COLLECTION Leave tabs for the Ronald McDonald House in Fargo on the table outside the church office. Thank you for sharing.

SUPPORT GROUPS IN THIEF RIVER FALLS

Brain Injury: Third Thursday, 7 PM at United Methodist.

Cancer: First Wednesday, 5:30-6:30 PM at Sanford Medical. Alicia at 683-4380 FMI. Caregiver: Second Thursday, 10 AM at Heritage Center. Lori at 218-945-6808 FMI. Dementia/Alzheimer's: Third Monday, 6:30PM at GrandStay Hotel meeting room. Kari 686-4487 FMI.

Gamblers Anonymous: Mary at 218-684-0813 FMI.

Grief: First Tuesday, 1-2:30 PM, Hospice of the RRV. Jennifer at 888-237-4629 FMI.

Overeater's Anonymous: Mondays, 6:30 PM at United Methodist.

Parkinsons: Second Thursday 4PM at Valley Home Board Room. Joannie at 681-2914 or Judy 681-6631.

Opportunities for the Week

TODAY, March 25: Palm Sunday

8:30 Worship, Cable 3 Broadcasts
9:30 Education Hour; Coffee fellowship,
1st Communion Class in Patio Room
10 Silver Creek Worship
10:30 New Traditions Worship
4PM 2nd Annual Hotdish Tournament

Monday, March 26:

9 AM SAIL exercise 3-4:30 Parish Nurse Hours

Tuesday, March 27:

9-2 LSS Training in Patio Room10:30 Coffee with Staff11 Staff meetingNoon Pastors text study

Wednesday, March 28:

9 AM SAIL exercise 6 PM Sunrise Service Practice—10th grade 7:15 Senior Choir

Maundy Thursday, March 29:

9 AM SAIL exercise
6 PM Seder Meal for 5th graders & families
7:30 Holy Communion Worship
8 PM Sunrise Service Practice—10th grade
10 Prayer Shawl ministry

Good Friday, March 30:

7 Men's Breakfast/ Biff's 9 AM SAIL exercise 6:30 PM Worship 9:30 Coffee with Staff 12noon—10PM Prayer Vigil

Easter Sunday, April 1:

6:30 AM Sunrise Worship7:15 AM Easter Breakfast8:30 Holy Communion Worship,Cable 3 Broadcasts10 Silver Creek Holy Communion Worship10:30 Holy Communion Worship

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

MAUNDY THURSDAY, March 29
6PM Seder Meal (5th grade families), First Communion
Worship at 7:30 – All are Welcome

GOOD FRIDAY, March 30-Prayer Vigil 12PM-10PM Worship at 6:30 PM EASTER SUNDAY, April 1

Sunrise Service by Youth 6:30 AM
Easter Breakfast by Youth 7:15 AM
Holy Communion Worship at 8:30 AM & 10:30AM
Silver Creek Holy Communion Worship at 10AM