

10/11 email to congregation

Arrangements for Melody Couch: At Zion Lutheran Church Thursday, October 26th 5:00 – 7:00p Visitation, 7:00p Memorial Service followed by a Dessert Fellowship. The office has received inquiries regarding providing food for Pastor Mark and Jackson. If you wish to prepare something for them please coordinate it through the office and bring it to the church.

Join us for Wed dinner and classes (Midweek Kids PK-5th grade, confirmation 6th-8th, adult study on Isaiah with Pastor Mike).

Dinner is available at 5:15pm - Menu for 10/11 Baked Spaghetti, Salad and Garlic Bread

BRING THEM IN...all the crafts you have been so diligently working on. **The Grateful Hearts, Thankful Hands** display table is ready!!! We are eagerly anticipating the craft projects you are making for this community outreach. Thank you to those of you who have picked up canning jars as the bazaar looks forward to share in some of your bounty. Please CONTINUE to donate attic treasures, crafts, and canned goods and bring them to the church workroom, as "variety is the spice of life." **All non-food items should be donated no later than the 1st week of November.**

Two NEW Small Group Bible Studies are about to begin! Our 4-week clusters are over and two new groups are about to start up. Our Wednesday afternoon (4:15pm) with Dave Mayer will discuss "Facing Life's Challenges." After the hour, feel free to stick around for dinner! Our other group will start discussing "40 Verses to Ignite Your Faith" on Sunday evenings, every other week at 6:30pm. Chuck Wendling will lead us through this discussion. Now is the time to join in if you want to grow closer to God while getting to know others at Zion! These 2 Small Groups meet at Zion and will start Oct. 18 and 22. Please contact the church office if interested!

Family Fall Fest is happening on Saturday, October 21st from 4-6pm! We will have a bounce house, themed activities, crafts, games, and more! The activities will be geared for kids from preschool age through middle school, with a few opportunities for older and younger kids to plug in and still have fun. This event (including dinner) is free! We hope you invite your friends and neighbors as well. Please sign up on the kiosk or call the church office!

We are also in **need of donations** of baked items for our Family Fall Fest's cake walk. If you are able to donate baked items, please sign up on the kiosk or call the church office. Thanks!

COSTUME WARS returns for its 11th season! Support the youth as they start fundraising for the summer servant event. As in past years we are asking you to bring change as well as paper money to donate/vote for your favorite costume! This year you'll also be able to donate online! We hope you'll support us and interact with the students as they dress in Bible themes on **Sunday, October 22nd** in between services. If you cannot be here but would like to donate, check out our online giving and select "Youth." <https://www.kindridgiving.com/app/giving/zionkazoo> Thanks!

Kids and Handbells! Some of our Midweek Kids nights include learning about handbells and actually playing songs! We would love to get to the point where they play a song in a worship service but we need some consistency at the practices in order to make that happen. "Midweek Kids" happens every Wednesday from 6:15-7:15pm but the handbell weeks are 11/1, and 11/8. Other weeks include art, crafts, drama, and movement activities. We hope you can find time to join our Midweek Kids and especially our young ringers!

Choir rehearsals are Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. New singers are welcome! Contact Roxanne with questions, 269-501-2772.

ART MINISTRY in BLENDS be sure to stop in and enjoy...

“EVERY PICTURE IS A STORY”

Photos from Hungary, France, Germany, Italy, and Austria by Pastor Seeber

Parents Group Sunday Morning Bible Study. Parents of newborns thru High School are invited to join us Sunday mornings from 9:15 – 10:15 in the **Multi Purpose Room B101** in the lower level. Weekly discussions are based on the Old Testament reading, the Epistle and the Gospel. Great opportunity to network with other young parents. Drop your kids off at Sunday School or bring your pre-Sunday School children with you.

Little Dresses for Africa ministry is in need of pillowcases and sheets. Also, cotton and flannel material is welcome. Donations may be placed in the drop box located in the workroom next to the office.

Women's Coffee and Craft Saturday, November 4th 9-11am

Come for fellowship, refreshments and crafting! No experience needed! Bring a friend!

Please RSVP at the kiosk, call the office, or call Sue Bickel: 269 823-4493 or Dana Butt: 269 352-0063.

Food Gathering for LOAVES and FISHES! October is soup & stew. Donations can be placed in the gray tubs outside the office.

Thank you for your continued financial support. Any additional, regular support would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you also for your prayers and the many other ways you are involved in and support our ministry!

To make an online donation, or to set up regular online giving, follow this link:

<https://www.kindridgiving.com/app/giving/zionkazoo>

Weekly meditations continue to be posted Mondays and Fridays on Zion's Facebook

WKZO radio ministry / Sundays 9:30am / WKZO

Pastor Mike Wednesday 6:15 Bible Study Class

Pastor Tim Men's Study, Saturdays 8am Jonah

Pastor Tim Sunday 9:15am, Gospel of Mark (in Gathering Area)

Church Office hours:

Mon - Thurs 9am to 4pm

382-2360 / zion@zionkazoo.org

For pastoral assistance:

Pastor Mike 419-203-6770 / Pastor Couch 598-8167 / Aaron 271-2848

If you have been hospitalized, are newly confined to home or a residence facility, or have a new address or phone number, or email address, please call the church office and let us know!

Prayers: Pastor Couch, Jackson and their family; Jeannine Longjohn recuperating from a fall; Ollie Rutgers recovering from recent surgery.