10:00 Outdoor service is planned to continue through Sept 3rd; we'll return inside on Sept 10th.

HELPING OTHERS MINISTRY SCHOOL DONATIONS starts this month. Please look for the display table in the hallway. These donations benefit schools in the Kalamazoo area as well as our Friends of Jesus Pre-school. The sales are starting now! The items are: spiral bound notebooks, 2 pocket folders, scissors, rulers, pencils (regular and colored), pencil sharpeners, mechanical pencils, erasers, crayons, washable markers, glue (sticks and bottles), Kleenex, construction paper, gallon Ziploc bags, and watercolor paint sets.

Feel free to also donate items that are not on this list if you see good deals. If you have any questions, please contact Jayne Mayer at 375-8342

TAILGATING RETURNS.... Join in food and fellowship for a tailgating lunch **August 6th** after the outdoor worship service around 11am!

Incoming 6th Graders and Parents - August 6th at 6:30p Meet with Pastor Mike for 1st Communion Class and Ice Cream.

Confirmation Camp August 8th & 9th from 9:00a – 1:00p for 6th-8th Graders

Our next congregation service project will take place **August 9th (Wednesday) at 5pm.** We will be packing 25,000 meals for local food pantries!

Sign up on the kiosk or call the church office!

REMINDER: members can turn in donations at any time for Helping Hands / Grateful Heart Bazaar. This can include garage sale items or craft donations. Also, regarding <u>book donations</u>, this year we are only accepting novels.

"Friends of Jesus Preschool is hiring! If you or someone you know has a background in education and experience working with children and would like to be a part of our team, send us your resume at jen@zionkazoo.org or drop it off at the office."

Friends of Jesus Preschool is now offering wraparound childcare beginning Fall 2023. As an addition to its preschool programs, Friends of Jesus will now offer before care beginning at 7 AM and after class care until 5:30 PM. For more information, contact Director Jen LaPorte at jen@zionkazoo.org.

Food Gathering for LOAVES and FISHES! .July is canned fruit no sugar added. 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

Watch for coming information for upcoming Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend Gain new understanding of yourself, your spouse while growing in love for each other and your marriage. Contact for more information: Pete & Chris Wilkins 269.381.6324

SYMBOL IN THE WINDOW: The designer of the window included the four individuals in the Bible who most frequently view the concept of Zion as the City of God. They are Zachariah, Isaiah, from the Old Testament and Matthew and John from the New Testament. You will see these four at the very top of the window.

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

WKZO radio ministry / Sundays 9:30am / WKZO

Pastor Mike's Bible Study – Wednesday nights at 6:30p

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: Jill Hamilton and family on the death of her father, Liz Powell and family on the death of her father.