**REMINDER!!!!!** Congregation service project is **August 9th (Wednesday) at 5pm.**SUPPER @ 5p – PACKING will start at 6p. We will pack 25,000 meals for local food pantries! **We need 100 people to help accomplish our goal of 25,000 meals.** Any age and any ability can help with something! Arrive when you can and leave when you need to. Sign up on the kiosk or call the church office!

**Confirmation Camp** August 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> from 9:00a – 1:00p for 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Graders

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

**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

## **ZION LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF** \*\*\*Progress Report\*\*\*

For more than 75 years, Lutheran World Relief has responded to war, disasters, and emergencies by making quilts. Zion's Sewing Sisters have been grateful to be a part of this outstanding project for 49 years. Presently we are making quilts. After a quilt has been assembled, and pressed, it must be tied. We have many quilts to be tied. Feel free to come and help us.

Wednesday mornings from 9:00 to 12:00. We will be waiting for you!

**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 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 <a href="mailto:jen@zionkazoo.org">jen@zionkazoo.org</a>.

**Food Gathering for LOAVES and FISHES!** .August is whole grain pasta. 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: <a href="https://www.kindridgiving.com/app/giving/zionkazoo">https://www.kindridgiving.com/app/giving/zionkazoo</a>

**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

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

WKZO radio ministry / Sundays 9:30am / WKZO

## **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!

**Symbol in the Window:** We see God's greatness in Job chapter 38 as God speaks directly to Job. On the Old Testament side of our window, you will see an eye which represents God the Father Almighty.

**Prayers:** Grace Stiegemeyer – recent hospitalization now recovering at home.