

9/12 email to congregation

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.** A 4 week small group cluster will start Sept. 13 at 4:30pm. **Menu for 9/13** is Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Macaroni & Cheese, Buttered Carrots

Special Thank You for an amazing Church Picnic and Ministry Fair: Many of you helped make Sunday a great success along with mother nature for gorgeous weather and a special thank you to Lee's Famous Recipe. IF you found a Ministry Fair of particular interest and would like more information or wish to become part of a Ministry, feel free to contact that Ministry's leader or call the church office.

Note from the Bazaar Ministry as to what the vintage apron was used for. No one guessed correctly for THIS particular apron, but the guesses were all great possibilities ranging from it would be useful for gardening or pictured someone seeding fields or could hold hankies maybe even an apron skirt. **THE WOMAN WHO WORE THIS APRON USED THOSE BIG POCKETS TO HOLD HER CLOTHESPINS WHILE HANGING HER CLOTHES IN HER BACKYARD.** Hmmm, that is vintage. Ha!

CALLING ALL CANNERS...We have been blessed with canning jars (see the display in the hallway). Please feel free to take some for yourself and then share a few of your bounty with the bazaar. We are grateful for any donations you are willing to make.

We invite all students in 6th-12th grade for a **Gameshow night, September 17 from 6-8pm.** Join us down in Blends for some fun and prizes! (If you would like a copy of the Youth calendar and have not received it from Aaron, please email him at dcegrube21@gmail.com)

Did you know we have Young Adult groups that meet regularly? From a Zoom Bible Study to breakfast to going out for a drink, we have multiple opportunities each month. To get on this list or find out more information, text Aaron at 269-271-2848

Small Group Harvest Festival is Sept. 24th! all the small group participants and those interested in being part of a small group are invited for a Harvest Festival at Prudential Nursery in Vicksburg Find more information including a sign up on the kiosk.

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.

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 book donations, 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 jen@zionkazoo.org.

Food Gathering for LOAVES and FISHES! September is canned meat. 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>

Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend Sept 29th—Oct 1st

Best Western Plus, Kalamazoo (Lodging, meals and program \$275/couple)

Gain new understanding of yourself, your spouse while growing in love for each other and your marriage. Resources for more information: GodLovesMarriage.org,

Mark & Jan Chilcott 269.998.6147 or 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

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!

Symbol in the Window: One of the symbols of Christianity is the fish. Our window has this symbol. You will find it on the New Testament side, second panel on the right. The work "fish" is an acrostic for a Greek word that stands for Jesus Christ Son of God the Savior.

Prayers: Special congratulations and wishes to Mary and Tom VandenBerg as they celebrate their 60th Anniversary on Thursday, Sept 14th.

Memorial Service: For Jan Davidson, Saturday, Sept 16th 1:00 followed by Visitation and Ice Cream Gathering from 2:00 – 4:00