

Email for August 23

Watch mail for a special letter that will be mailed to your home this week. It regards the next CALL MEETING which is scheduled for Sunday September 11.

Coming Events:

Tuesday, Aug 23rd is the next ZION PLAY DATE!!!

This Sunday, Aug 28th is annual fabulous Congregation Picnic. Games @ 4:30
Dinner @ 5:00 (AND THERE IS NO COST TO YOU!) This year we will again feature fried chicken from Lee's along with all the other goodies, just like last year. Come one! Come all. This is great fellowship and catching up with friends you haven't seen all summer! **If you haven't signed up yet, please call the office by Wednesday.**

Sept 7th Midweek dinner returns on Wednesday, September 7. Dinners are open to everyone beginning at 5:15pm with a suggested donation of \$4 for adults and \$3 for children. Join us for baked pork tenderloin with roasted mini potatoes, a vegetable dish and includes drinks and cookies. After that we will sample some international flavors leading us to our pork and sauerkraut supper on October 26th. Check the bulletin board in the hallway for the weekly menus coming soon. Also, **Dessert First** continues for you to gather and socialize beforehand for. Lights will come on an hour early and coffee and cookies will be ready. Please join us on the 7th!

Sept 25th AFTERNOON GOLF OUTING Details and sign-up are on the Kiosk. Please sign up or call church office soon! Come alone, bring a twosome or foursome ... a great time for all!

Sept 30th – Oct 2nd Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend -- Check the Bulletin Board for posted information or call Pete & Chris Wilkins 269.381.6324

Summer worship schedule (continues for August 27-28 AND September 4-5)
Saturday 5:30 pm / Sunday 8am / Sunday 10 am

Church Office hours:

Mon - Thurs 9am to 4pm 382-2360 / zion@zionkazoo.org

Sept 11 will begin our fall class schedule! Get ready for Sunday School / Confirmation / Adult classes details can be found in Harbinger AND on website, or call the church office or talk to Aaron or Pastor Tim.

Also on Sept 11 watch for an **email from Right Now Media**. Thanks to an endowment grant we are receiving this fantastic online library for one year! This streaming service is packed with Bible studies for personal use, small groups, or family time. There are also a number of kids shows/movies, as well as other Christian resources. Watch for this email on September 11!

Support for Helping Others Ministry has been OUTSTANDING!!! There is still time to help out over the next week, if you haven't had time yet. School supply collection is set up in the hallway and sales are happening at area retailers. The items collected will go to "Community In Schools Kalamazoo." Our members have been of great support every summer for children whose parents might not be able to afford all of the extras the schools can no longer provide. Thank you for your support!!!!

Music Ministry Assistance. Would you like to sing once in a while with a choir, ensemble, or to help lead hymns? Do you play a musical instrument well enough to assist with an ensemble or accompany organ? We are wondering if there are gifts in our midst that we have not been made aware of yet. If you have questions or are interested, call the church office, or talk to one of the staff.

Coffee Time: After Labor Day we will start having coffee & donuts between services and need some help, please. The coffee should be started by 8 a.m. The donuts are picked Sunday morning from Sweetwater's Donuts. It only takes a short time to clean up after 9:30 – 10:00. The goal is if we have enough volunteers that each person / couple will only do this once every couple of months. Contact me Bev Snow 345-2211 email: cakepan34@charter.net, or the office know if you can help!

Funeral Luncheons: We are ready to resume these special luncheons. We are looking for people to help organize, serve, and clean up. If you are willing to be on our "call list" for a food donation or able to assist in the kitchen on that day, please let us know. Email either Bev Snow at cakepan34@charter.net or Carol Rosin at rosredhen@charter.net.

PLEASE! Let us know of other email addresses in your household (in case not everyone sees these emails) We don't want to miss anyone with our information!!! (and husbands and wives don't forget to share these with each other! Ha!)

For pastoral assistance:

Pastor Seeber 501-3624 / Aaron 271-2848

Pastor Brelje 330-9538 / Pastor Couch 598-8167

LOAVES AND FISHES. We continue to feed the hungry in our community through Loaves and Fishes. Zion has supported this ministry for more than thirty years and we are gradually getting more food each week. Any canned and boxed food items are accepted, but the greatest need in August is whole grain pasta

Thank you for your financial support. Our members continue to be faithful in supporting our ministry and mission! 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>

RELIEF FOR PEOPLE OF UKRAINE! Anyone wishing to donate supporting relief efforts for the people of Ukraine should consider Lutheran World Relief:
<https://donate.lwr.org>. Another reliable agency is the International Red Cross:
<https://www.icrc.org/en/donate/ukraine>

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

Prayers: Dave Borak (unexpected death of his daughter)