6/27 email to congregation

In honor of Independence Day, the Church Office will be closed Monday & Tuesday, July 3rd & 4th.

In the midst this week of week of service and VBS. Watch for an update coming next week ... Thank you to everyone helping this week.

Kalamazoo Growlers game on July 15th. Tickets are \$20/adult and include dinner and drink tabs. Kids 18 and under are free (but are included in the 40 tickets). Sign up on the kiosk or call the church office. First come, first serve! **Deadline to sign up is July 5th!**

Appreciate everyone who has donated food recently. However, several dishes are still in the kitchen. PLEASE retrieve them, unless you intended to donate them to this year's Bazaar.

Art Ministry in BLENDS! May / June exhibit is now in BLENDS. Judy Finnegan shares her "When In Our Music God is Glorified" works. Stop in when you can to view Judy's series of paintings and learn more what inspires her. <u>Last chance as exhibit ends June 30th.</u>

"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! We continue to feed the hungry in our community through Loaves and Fishes. Any canned and boxed food items are accepted, but the greatest need is: **July is canned fruit no sugar added.**

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

Member looking for transportation assistance to Saturday night services:

Walter Mutz 269.348.2360 has moved to Brookdale Senior Living 3100 W Centre Portage #C3. As a condition of moving in he was not allowed to bring his car and has sold it. One of his greatest concerns with this transition was getting to church. If you can help out, please contact him.

SYMBOL IN THE WINDOW: Before the stained glass, the window was clear glass. Rains, dust and dirt soon became unpleasant. The congregation decided a stained-glass window would be appropriate. Dr. A.R. Kretzmann was chosen to be the designer. The window was then constructed by Gianini and Higart of Chicago, Illinois. Zion's stained-glass window was dedicated on July 16, 1955.

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!

Weekly Ministry: YWCA Domestic - The longest-serving YWCA association in Michigan, YWCA Kalamazoo provides individuals and families with victim-focused counseling and advocacy services as well as shelter for survivors of violence, transitional housing, and legal services. Pastor Mark and Solid Grounds have been providing a number of resources to children of domestic violence by connecting WMU students with these families. As well as fundraising against human trafficking.

Prayers: Jan Davidson (hospice), Duane Dean - recent surgery