

3/19/2024 email to congregation

**Please join us for Lenten Worship tomorrow at Noon and 6:30p < Livestreamed also.**

**Midweek Activities and Soup Supper on Wednesday, March 20th at 5:15p.** Menu: Creamy Chicken Noodle Soup and Butter Bean Soup followed by 6:00-6:30p Midweek Kids, and Confirmation Class. Midweek Kids and Confirmation will meet from 6–6:30pm on Wednesdays during Lent. **Reminder: No Meal or Midweek evening activities March 27<sup>th</sup>.**

**Memorial for Dorothy DeDee** Thursday, March 21 at Zion 10:00 visitation, 11:00 service with luncheon following.

**“March is Read-a-Thon month at Friends of Jesus Preschool!** This month-long fundraiser encourages a love of reading in children and helps raise funds for the preschool. If you are interested in pledging, please see the sign-up on the kiosk at the main entrance or contact Jen LaPorte for more information.”

**Helping Others Ministry** is collecting health aid items during March and April to distribute in our community. Please see the display in the hallway and pick up a list of items needed.

**Street Renovation Planned impacting surrounding routes to Zion. It Has Begun!** The city has notified us of upcoming construction planned from March – October. There is a link below and a map is located on the bulletin board:

<https://www.kalamazoocity.org/Community/Projects/2023/Inkster-Street-Bridge-Reconstruction>

**Food Gathering for LOAVES and FISHES! March is Canned Fruit (no sugar) month.** Donations can be placed in the gray tubs outside the office.

Zion’s young parents group will host a Basic Estate Planning discussion on Sunday, April 7 from 9:15 -10:15 AM in the old youth room which is located directly underneath Blends. Although this is primarily for parents of minor children, anyone may find this information of value.

The topics discussed will be Guardianships for minor children, Durable Power of Attorney, HealthCare Power of Attorney, Probate Court avoidance, Wills, Trusts, Gifting, proper Beneficiary Designations, Titling of Property, and real-life horror stories resulting from poor planning.

If you have any questions, please call John Buetow at (269) 599-8031

**Prayer Shawl Ministry** meets the third Saturday of every month from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at 5 Lakes Coffee on West Main. The next meeting is this coming Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. They would be grateful for more people to join this ministry. For more information contact Cynthia Cosgrove at clcosgrove81@hotmail.com.

**Weekly meditations** continue to be posted Mondays and Fridays on Zion’s Facebook **(On Wednesdays we share a preview of Sunday’s lessons to ready you for worship – feel free to share with friends!)**

**WKZO radio ministry / Sundays 9:30am / WKZO**

**Pastor Brelje Tuesday 10:00am, 1<sup>st</sup> Letter of Peter starts March 26th**

**Pastor Mike Wednesday 6:15 Bible Study Class (will return after Easter)**

**Pastor Tim Men's Study, Saturdays 8am, Book of Acts**

**Pastor Tim Sunday 9:15am, Gospel of Mark (in Gathering Area)**

**Church Office hours:**

Mon - Thurs 9am to 4pm

382-2360 / [zion@zionkazoo.org](mailto: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!**

**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>

**Easter is quickly approaching:**

**Lenten Services every Wednesday through March 20<sup>th</sup> at Noon & 6:30p including Soup Suppers at 5:15pm.**

**HOLY WEEK begins March 24**

**Palm Sunday / Sunday of the Passion (no Communion)  
8am and 10:30am**

**Maundy Thursday (3/28)  
Noon and 6:30pm / Holy Communion**

**Good Friday (3/29)  
Tre Ore: Noon - 3pm  
Good Friday Eve: 6:30 pm**

**Easter Vigil 5:30pm (3/30)  
(regular Saturday time)**

**EASTER (3/31)  
8am and 10:30 am  
Holy Communion and Special Music**