

# Weekly Announcements July 13 & 14

## MINISTRY OF THE WEEK ..... *Zion Lutheran 151st*

### *Anniversary*

In July of 1868 (twelve years after Abraham Lincoln spoke in Bronson Park) Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church was formed. The original sanctuary was located on Pine Street. Gradually the congregation grew and Zion became part of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod in 1917. English soon replaced German as the language of the congregation. In 1955, with no room to expand, Zion sold its property to Bronson Hospital and built our present sanctuary. Our educational wing was added in 1962. A building addition were completed in 2009, and our Prayer Garden in 2015. Zion has a long history of an ecumenical, multi-faceted, and energetic approach to ministry. We have always had a strong emphasis on worship, music, outreach, and spiritual growth for all ages. A variety of ministries such as Braille, Lutheran World Relief sewing, WKZO radio, Campus Ministry, State Hospital Worship, and Friends of Jesus Preschool all are evidence of the people of Zion's passion for outreach and human care. We are blessed to be a blessing now and into the future.

**GUEST PREACHER....**Brett Hartwig will be preaching on Sunday, July 28th. Brett was a son of the congregation and is currently serving Trinity Lutheran in Sabin, Minnesota.

### **Do you appreciate Zion's liturgical service, honoring centuries of tradition, but are interested in some of the newer Christian music?**

Zion's Praise Team is leading another special service on July 21st at 10:00AM. While we believe all Christian music is Praise, whether 17th Century hymns led by the organ or newer music led by guitar, this exciting approach maintains Zion's liturgical roots and brings a fresh style. This may be a time to ask your teenagers to invite some friends to church...and find their own, personal connection with God.

### **SOLID GROUNDS / HABITAT FOR**

**HUMANITY...**On Wednesday July 31st, we will have an opportunity to volunteer with Habitat for Humanity. Habitat for Humanity is building 6 new homes in the Kalamazoo area for low income families. The work that we will be doing could range from painting, siding, dry walling to landscaping. The event will be from 8:30AM-3:30PM. If you are interested, there is a sign up sheet on the kiosk.

## YOUTH NEWS

**HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER STUDY DATES** have been set. This summer, the group will discuss famous quotes and look at how the Bible addresses the same information. Aaron is willing to pick up/drop off the first 3 students that let him know they need a ride.

Dates, times and locations:

July 23, 3:30pm—Y'OPA in Portage

August 8, 3pm—Treat Street

**HIGH SCHOOL KAYAK TRIP ....**Our annual kayak trip for our incoming 9th graders all the way through departing 12th graders is coming up on Saturday, August 3rd. We will meet at Zion sometime around 3pm with our float/kayaking starting around 4pm in Otsego/Plainwell. We will then have a cookout up there before returning sometime in the evening (6:30-7pm??).

Please sign up via email to Aaron (dcegrube21@gmail.com) before July 28th so we can have an accurate count.

### **2001 FARMERS MARKET SEASON EXHIBITION**

Phil Kunze has installed an exhibition in Blends that tells the story of the 2001 Farmers Market season through a series of his photographs and commentary. The exhibit relates the Farmers Market season to our lives in Christ. Through Phil's photos, we see how our local growing seasons are metaphors for: *the life and ministry of Christ; the life of the Christian Church; and our individual faith lives*. We are now in the Season after Pentecost, called The Time of the Church. This is the growing season of the Christian Church.

### **HELPING OTHERS MINISTRY SCHOOL**

**DONATIONS** has started! These donations benefit schools in the Kalamazoo area as well as our Friends of Jesus Preschool. The sales are starting now! The items needed are: spiral bound notebooks, 2 pocket folders, scissors, rulers, pencils (regular and colored), erasers, crayons, washable markers, glue (sticks or bottles), regular boxes of Kleenex, dri erase markers, and dri erase erasers. 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.

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## THIS WEEK AT ZION

Sunday	8:00am	Worship / Communion
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Monday	9-12	FOJ Summer Camp
	5pm	Campus Ministry Meeting
	6:30pm	Board of Directors Mtg
Tuesday	5:30pm	Finance Meeting
	6:00pm	Worship Planning Meeting
Wednesday	8:30am	LWR Sewing
Saturday	2-4	Prayer Shawl @ Biggby
	5:30pm	Worship / Communion
Sunday	8:00am	Worship / Communion
	10:00am	Worship / Communion

## July 20 & 21 2019 Worship Support

### HEAD USHERS

(8:00) George Geissel (10:00) Dave Borak

### GREETERS

(5:30) Dee Wentzel  
 (8:00) Ted & Lucy Maxson  
 (10:00) Steve & Debbie Weber

### COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

(5:30) Mike Schlack  
 (8:00) Matt Simmons, Ken Toy, Jim Mayer  
 (10:00) John Roggow, Dan Seng, Linda Seng

### ACOLYTES

(8:00) Claire Alsvig, Kurtis Scheffler  
 (10:00) Curtis Chapman, Matthew Devine

### LECTOR

(8:00) Barb Nutsch  
 (10:00) Zion Praise Team

### ALTAR MINISTRY

(5:30) Marge Heath, One More Needed  
 (8:00) Carolyn Daenzer, Vicki Holt  
 (10:00) Toni Dembski-Brandl, Dee Wentzel

### SOUND

(8:00) Vicki Holt  
 (10:00) Nick Alsvig

## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS...9am-4pm

## ZION'S SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

May 26—September 1

Saturdays-5:30pm

Sundays-8 and 10am

No education hour on Sundays during the summer

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER** .....A marriage, like anything else good, can begin to get stale and be in need of refreshing. It can be a challenge to continue to give 100% to your spouse in today's world filled with jobs, kids' activities and other necessary busy-ness.

A **Marriage Encounter** weekend is a getaway for you and your spouse, at which you will learn communication techniques, and will discover new things about yourself and each other. If you have been Encountered in the past, consider going on an Anniversary Weekend to recharge your marriage "batteries."

*A weekend is coming up in Battle Creek, September 27 - 29.* Please take a brochure and register soon for this enlightening experience! **Pete and Chris Wilkins** will be happy to answer any questions you may have. You will never regret having done something great for your marriage, and to bring yourselves closer to each other and to the Lord!

**MUSICIANS AND SINGERS NEEDED** to serve Zion's Music and Worship ministry, we are looking for people who are interested in joining with others to sing and play various forms of music. New arrangements of beloved hymns, praise songs, gospel, and more styles need musicians who play bass, guitar, piano, and even mandolin, violin, dobro, etc! Vocalists will be singing in a more pop style. Reading music may not be necessary, but the ability to read chord charts, lead sheets, have an ear for harmony, and a willingness to rehearse and have fun are pluses! Interested? Questions? Please contact Neil Bremer at [dneilbremer@gmail.com](mailto:dneilbremer@gmail.com).

## Fiscal Update for fiscal year June 1, 2019 – May 31, 2020

Offerings received week of 7/7/19:	\$ 11,060
Needed to meet weekly budget:	\$ 14,513
Offerings received year-to-date:	\$ 73,230
Needed to meet year-to-date budget:	\$ 80,769

## Bible Readings for July 21

First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10

Psalm 15

Second Reading: Colossians 1:15-28

Gospel Reading: Luke 10:38-42