

Zion Tidings Serving Christ Through Serving Others

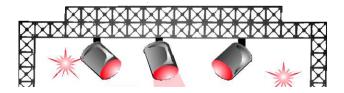
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DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ARTICLES FOR THE AUGUST "TIDINGS" IS NOON ON MONDAY. JULY 25



SPOTLIGHT ON MISSION OF THE MONTH

Family Abuse Shelter of Miami County

Located in Troy, the Family Abuse Shelter provides a safe haven for women and their children who are involved in an abusive relationship. The shelter provides a temporary home for these women until they are able to make it on their own. There can be as many as 22 people in the shelter at any time.

Following is a list of items needed to make life a little easier for them:

dishes
glassware
coffee mugs
knives, forks, spoons
pots and pans
kitchen chairs (they need 12; currently have 7)
batteries - AA and C
toilet paper
paper towels
Clorox wipes
cleaning supplies

If you are able to help by purchasing these items, please place them in the box in the lounge area.

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

FROM THE PASTOR



JULY 2016

In God's time is a phrase we probably all have heard of. Waiting for God is not easy! Because we may want God to hurry up and be on our time clock! After we lost our lovely daughter Jordan to a horrific car accident on August 6, 2009 Jackie and I did not know what to do with our lives for sure. We were numb and frozen in time for several years.

Then God's time came for Jackie and I and you called me to be your pastor. Jackie and I were very excited because we were coming back home and going to live on the family horse farm with family right here in Tipp City. I would also be able to make more trips to see my mom up in the Cleveland area.

And then we were blessed right away by the people of Zion who invited us in to be the new pastor family. Hospitality is definitely one of the strengths of Zion Lutheran and for that I am grateful. Then the beautiful church facility right in the center of town and all the different groups and organization that use our facility is awesome. This all happened in God's time!

Most of you know by now that I am from a suburb of Cleveland and a huge sports fan of the Cleveland sports teams. I am also an avid fan of the Buckeyes. Well since Jackie and I have been here with you the Buckeyes won a national championship and the impossible just took place a Cleveland sports team the Cleveland Cavaliers just won a championship the first time in fifty two years this has happened in the city of Cleveland. I let out some of the biggest yells and screams when the Cavaliers won the title.

Thank you people of Zion for inviting Jackie and I into your family! We have been surely blessed in so many ways in a short amount of time. It is all about God's time!



September 22 & 23 Mum Festival Garage

Once again, the Women of Zion will hold a garage sale during Mum Festival week. The sale will take place on Thursday, September 22nd from 9:00 to 5:00 and on Friday, the 23rd from 9:00 to 8:00 in the Fellowship Hall. In the past, proceeds from the sale have benefitted outreach projects and needed repairs on the church property. As you find yourself cleaning out closets, basements and garages, please look for any items you might want to donate to Zion's sale. We do not accept clothing, but do accept purses, jewelry and accessories. We cannot take television sets, but we can take electronics, as long as they are in working order. We will also need paper grocery sacks for the bag sale on Friday.

Please box up any donations and hold onto them until the week of September 18th. We will begin accepting items on that Sunday and during the week prior to the sale.



JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Michael Phillips, Donna Slyman
- Bill Nichols, Julie Sebastian,
 Kevin Thau
- 6 Sue Rambeau
- 9 Mary Sue Helke
- 12 Jack Byrd, Ralph Sager
- 14 Wayne Kauffmann
- 15 Kim Burns
- 18 Julia Helke
- 19 Carolyn Cundiff, Belia Parrish
- 21 Jackie Glawe
- 27 Patty Apple
- 28 Sue Cook
- 31 Joyce Zimmann



PRAYER . . . Gary & Kathy Groth's 1 year old grandson, Emery, who's tests came out fine. Thanks for all the prayers.

Pray for healing and recovery . . .

- for the family and friends of Pat Posey who passed away on May 29th. A funeral service was held on June 5 at Zion.
- for the Helke Family. Mark has been suffering with extreme back pain. Laurie will be having repair surgery on her shoulder in a couple of weeks. Mary Sue's health is at risk when spraying is done at Spring Meade.
- Jo Porter's brother, Bill
- Sue Sommerfield
- Rhonda Sauer, Terri Wert's sister-in-law

Home bound residents specially thought of: Mary Sue Helke, Ramona Watkins, Ruth Miller, John Kruse, Hap Johnson, Bob Kuhls, Patsy Furrow, Ahdele Young, Mary Jean King, Bill Posey.



Dear Women of Zion Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your gift of \$150.00 to Lutheran

Outdoor Ministries in Ohio. Your faithful support
is a blessing. Your generosity provides camping
opportunities that otherwise might be missed.

Our mission is to bring people together to
experience Christ through our natural settings and
programs. Sincerely, Penny Christensen
Executive Director

Dear Friends,

I write to thank you for your gift of personal needs items, school and recreation items, Campbell's UPC's, and GM Box Tops, which we have received at Osterlen Services for Youth. Your gift is an important contribution to our ministry of therapeutic services for emotionally, behaviorally, and psychologically troubles youth. God bless your ministry. Several of the gift items were put right to use. I love it when God does that.

Sincerely, Pastor Bonny Kinnunen Director of Church Relations & Development

A BIG THANK YOU goes out to Chuck Powder for his continued support of the office computers. He is in the process of setting up a computer that will be used for entering offering contributions by the financial secretary, Deb Keppel. His knowledge and expertise is an asset to Zion. Thank you Chuck.

THANK YOU TO Ina Crenshaw and Ruth White for helping to answer phones when Pastor Glawe is off and Linda has to go out of town on a Friday. We are thankful to have the office covered in case of an emergency.



THE FOLLOWING MEMORIALS WERE RECEIVED FROM:

- Dave & Sue Cook, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Beamish, Mary Thobe, Phil & Boots Elliott in memory of Ruth Miller.
- John & Dianne LeGros, Dave & Sue Cook, Dean & Kelly Ruwe, Phil & Boots Elliott in memory of Pat Posey.



Heroin kills at least 23 Ohioans each week. Sally Jason (the late Walt Jason's wife) phoned the office to inform us of an event taking place at the Miami County Fairgrounds on Friday, July 8 and Saturday, July 9. Ohio has one of the largest heroin problems in the U.S.A. A gathering of churches and concerned individuals in our community will be at the Fair Grounds to address this issue.

WHO ARE WE: Hope Over Heroin is a collaborative ministry led by Pastors in Ohio and Kentucky who came together to connect the Body of Christ in order to Break the chains of the Addicted! In 2014, Our Pastoral Team became heartbroken witnessing the losses from addiction like never experienced before. That realization led to mobilizing prayer warriors and compassion evangelism in the streets, specifically in areas that were most impacted and ravaged from the epidemic of Heroin, Opiates and Drug Related issues. The natural outflow of bringing the Holy Spirit to those that needed Him most, began the planning of the first of many Hope Over Heroin events across the country!

WHAT DO WE DO: Hope Over Heroin unites
Churches and cities to pray together. We begin
active street evangelism in areas most impacted,
raising real Kingdom awareness to collective
addiction problems that surround us. Our heart is
connecting people to practical redemptive
ministries by providing an outreach bridge for a
dying generation and bringing it Hope. Hope Over
Heroin is much more than a weekend outreach. We
unite regional faith-based, non-faith based,
addiction recovery and grief resources at one
place, most often for the first time, and connect
those hurting the most with long term support and
resources.

www.hopeoverheroin.com

COMMITTEE REPORTS



Highlights of the June 14 Meeting

- The treasurer's report was approved as presented. As expenses were quite high for the month, council suggested mentioning in the weekly bulletin that they included the annual insurance premium of approximately \$8,000.
- It was announced that Deb Keppel had assumed her duties as the Church Financial Secretary and would begin attending the monthly Financial Committee meetings.
- Council voted to approve holding worship service at 10:00 a.m. in the Tipp City Park, in the round building on the day of the picnic, August 28, 2016. The picnic will be held after worship, at around 11:30 a.m.to 12:00 p.m. A task group will be formed at the July Council meeting to carry out assignments, such as getting the chicken, setting up chairs, and whatever else is deemed necessary for a successful worship service and picnic.
- It was decided to hold a congregational meeting on July 3, following worship, in the

sanctuary, to vote on the repairs to the west and south walls of the original building, and possibly the roof area as well. Property contacted General Preservation Corporation in Columbus, and they are honoring the original quotation to complete the work. As the contract will be for \$15,000, congregational approval is needed, plus Council felt a decision this important needed to be brought before the congregation, in order to maintain full transparency of all major decisions. This vote will be by show of hands, and will be the only issue brought to the floor for this meeting.

- Council approved mounting a "Knox Box" outside the building, at the Walnut Street entrance, to allow the fire department access to the building in emergency situations. The cost will be \$336.
- Vacation Bible School is scheduled to take place the week of June 27th, and Jackie is still seeking volunteers to help.

Mike Merlo Council President

COMMUNICATIONS/WELCOMING- June 14

MEMBERS PRESENT: Miriam Comer, Sharon Byrd, Boots Elliott, Jill Greer, Pastor Glawe, Deb Keppel, Peggy McCoy, Debbie Turner, Tom Wesbecher

PASTOR OPENED WITH PRAYER

PERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS: BOOTS

Boots brought a very special Thinking of You card for Ramona Watkins. We all signed the card for Jill to deliver. Boots reported on the many additional cards she has sent this month, including Get Well, Graduation, Sympathy, Cheer, and Birthday. Thank You Boots!!

WELCOMING:

* With new families attending VBS during the week of June 27th, could we give a mug to each visiting family?

Deb Keppel and Jennifer Kauffmann will be at the Registration Table, so they will handle the mugging.

- * August 28th Church Picnic at the Roundhouse: John and Jill Greer will help with a write-up for a mailing, in addition to emails and Tidings invitations. The mailing could include a listing of activities and games.
- * Tom will take to Council the ideas we discussed for this year's agenda at the Roundhouse.

ZION WEBSITE AND EMAIL COMMUNICATIONS:

- * Chuck sent out email to Women Of Zion to remind them of Sunday night's meeting.
- * We need to regularly check out the Website for discussion at our meetings.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

* During the last week of August, we need to clean out mailboxes, re-organize, and re-alphabatize. Deb Keppel and Peggy will work on this.

OTHER:

Pastor presented a sampling of Guide Book
Publishing booklets, for discussion. Pastor will take
this to council. If we wanted to participate, there
would be no cost to the church; funding is provided
by advertisers. The samplings Pastor showed us
had pages of information about the church,
including church history, a listing of Council
Members, plus a Directory of Members' names and
addresses. If council approves, we would want to
feature Zion's 190 year History. We would need to
organize the contents, and define a group to
undertake the project. For further discussion.

NEXT MEETING TUESDAY AUGUST 9TH AT 5:00

PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT

The Property Committee met on Monday, June 6, 2016. The regular monthly checks were completed. Bob Keppel met with a representative from Enterprise Roofing on June 9th for an estimate for Zion's roof repair.

John Greer took information to church council concerning a "Knox Box" to be installed on the exterior of our building (Walnut St. Entrance) for the fire department to have emergency access to our building.

Due to the first Monday of the month falling on the 4th, the Property Committee will meet on Monday, July 11 at 7:00 p.m.



Look where we went this summer in VBS!!



As I am writing this we just finished our second evening of Everest VBS!

We started off the week with 26 children and have increased already to 30 and if you count all the wonderful youth helpers we are almost at 50!

We have not only been blessed with wonderful youth helpers but have had plenty of adult helpers as well.

VBS could not happen without all the great helpers which also include the food donations, decorators and helpers who prepared the food! Thank you Thank you!

We learned this week through various activities in Bible Expeditions, Imagination Station, Glacier Games and Base Camp Sing that "God has the power to Provide, Comfort, Heal & Forgive"! And we learned to "Hold On" to God!

Thank you again to everyone who helped make VBS a great experience!

Jackie Glawe

JULY YOUTH NIGHTS 6th - 12th grade

Wednesdays 7:00pm - 8:30pm

July 6th - Interactive Games at the

church

July 13th - NO YOUTH GROUP - Jackie

on vacation

July 20th - Pizza night at the Fox Den Tipp

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July 27th - to be announced

Contact Jackie for any questions or more information.

HAVE YOU LOOKED AT THE ZION WEBSITE LATELY CHECK IT OUT AT WWW.ZIONLUTHERANTIPPCITY.ORG