

# Zion Tidings

Serving Christ Through Serving Others

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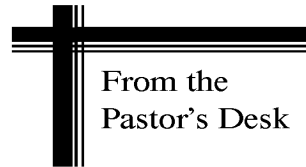
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**DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ARTICLES FOR THE August "TIDINGS" IS Friday, July 21, 2017.**



The Church office will be closed on Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup>.



From the Pastor's Desk



### Commemorating the 500<sup>th</sup> Year of the Reformation 1517

Pastor Glawe will lead a six week series starting on Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the Adult Education room. Please join him for this learning and growing experience.



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### SHOES 4 THE SHOELESS



Shoes 4 the shoeless collects pairs of New gym type shoes and socks and delivers them to disadvantaged children within the Dayton, Ohio region. Your donation of a brand new pair of gym shoes and socks or a monetary donation will greatly impact a child's life by giving hope, encouragement and comfort to children in need.

For further information about the program or to volunteer you can visit their website at [shoes4theshoeless.org](http://shoes4theshoeless.org) or contact Jackie Glawe.



**Newsletter DEADLINE**

**Please have articles in to the church office by Friday, July 21.**

Are you sometimes down in the dumps? Do you have questions like how, what, when, where, and the most important one why? Do you sometimes think you are all alone in this world? The Bible is full of stories about people who searched for God when they were at their weakest,

and through Him they were made strong. You are no less a child of God!

God promises that you are never alone. Whether you call it the Holy Spirit or your Guardian Angel or your Answer to Prayer, the Lord holds you in His hands and with Him you will **FIND JOY IN THE LORD!**

**Join us** for a presentation of music and stories about God's grace and love by the Lightreaders.

**WHEN:** Sunday, July 30  
**WHERE:** Zion's Sanctuary  
**TIME:** 10:00 A.M.

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



Home bound residents specially thought of: **Patsy Furrow, Mary Ann Gross, Mary Sue Helke, Hap Johnson, Herb Johnson, John Kruse, Bob Kuhls, Belia Parrish, Ramona Watkins, Ahdele Young. Mary Jean King** who is at Spring Meade Health Center in Room 403 with Hospice Care. Please

keep Stewart King in your prayers also.

**Susan Smith** who has been diagnosed with breast cancer. Please pray for her complete recovery.

**Sue Coon** who has heart issues.

**Ann Whitmer**, sister of Kim Jones, is undergoing tests to qualify for a liver transplant at OSU. Due to the weakened condition of her liver, her kidneys have also been in crisis.

**George Hudson**, Pat Cowan's brother-in-law, who suffers from cancer.

**Beth Wilburn** and baby

**Larry & Lil Nichols & Barb Kruse**, pray for healing

Frank, who is 88, and Rosemary, who is 87 and has Alzheimers. Please pray for understanding love.

Betty Borchers, mother of Jeffrey D. O'Brien. Jeff passed away on June 1<sup>st</sup> at age 58. Jeffrey was baptized at Zion and attended services with his mother and step-father, the late Nelson Borchers. He attended Riverside in Troy, OH.



**From the**

Thanks to the choir for a great season last year! Looking forward to another great year coming up! We are always looking for anyone who would like to join our choir. You just need to love to sing! Our famous warm ups are laughter.

We will be singing July 23rd. We will meet that morning for a warm up and practice. I will pick something we have sung before. *Any questions contact Terri Darrah 308-1617*



**BIBLE STUDY**

Women's bible study will start back in August. We will be using the book "The Shack". We will be watching the movie August 5<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm or Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>

@ 6pm. I will hang a sign up sheet on the board for the movie. Then the study will start the week after the movie. This study and movie will be open to anyone.

Looking forward to learning more about Gods grace and forgiveness through this study!

*Questions contact Terri 308-1617*

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **PROPERTY COMMITTEE: Monday, June 5, 2017**

Zion outdoor work day went well but we could have used a few more volunteers. There is still mulch that needs to be put down. The mowing charts are getting filled. Thanks to the generous donation by John and Dianne LeGros, the cemetery and church lawns are looking much better. EverGreen Landscaping is fertilizing and applying weed control.

This committee will be looking for a new preservation company to do the brick work on the west and south walls of the sanctuary building. General Preservation was scheduled to begin work in May, but committee chairperson, Bob Keppel, has been unable to contact them.

James Sebastian installed a portable AC unit for the quilters' area .

The committee decided that the refrigerator in the basement does not need to be replaced at this time. Two additional soap dispensers were installed, elevator was checked, bulbs and ballasts were replaced as needed and the VBS banner was set up on the church lawn on Main St. The sagging ceiling tiles in the sacristy were noted and future repair will be made.

**Next meeting: Monday, July 10, 2017**

### **CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS: June 6, 2017**

1. Approved May council minutes with slight changes.
2. Approved April financials.
3. Agreed to send first half \$3,600 to synod for benevolence. Second half of budgeted amount of 7,200 to be sent at a later date.
4. Council approved transfer of Birdie Kitchen who moved to Greenville.

5. A cooling unit has been installed in the quilting room. Council will monitor to make sure the quilters are comfortable to enhance their ministry.
6. Pastor will lead a six week series commemorating the 500<sup>th</sup> year of the Reformation beginning on Sunday July 9.
7. General Preservation Company was supposed to do brick repair work on our building in May. Property Manager Bob Keppel has left several messages for the contractor but they have not returned his calls. Council recommends to the property team that we receive new estimates from contractors since the brick work needs to be performed to keep the church properly maintained. Council member John Greer will relay this request from council to property team.
8. We received a \$1,000 grant from the City Of Tipp to use towards the brick repair work.
9. Pastor will be on vacation from June 22-27. Pastor Gary Groth will lead the Sunday service on June 25 and will also be available in case of a pastoral emergency. Kristen Zimmann will lead the Saturday service.

**Next Meeting: July 11, 2017**

### **WOMEN OF ZION MEETING: June 11, 2017**

Members present: 6

Old Business:

- Donna & Kathy took 98 pillowcases to Children's Medical Center, it is a beautiful new facility.

New Business:

1. Summer Lunch program begins Monday, June 12, 2017 at the Methodist Church. Zion has 9 people to work.
2. VBS starts Monday, June 12, 2017. Kitchen help is needed beginning Tuesday. The decorating for Cave Quest is fabulous.
3. Ruth asked for additional money (\$150) for fabric to make more walker bags and bed buddies for the VA. Kathy suggested that we may be able to get an additional \$250 from Thrivent. Deb K. will check into this.

A motion was approved for \$150.

4. Eagles Wings: WOZ donated \$300, the congregation donated \$252.67 and offering from VBS will be given to Eagles Wings. Sue will write one check to include all amounts.
5. \$416.00 has been received from The Clothesline. Kathy said more people are needed to help.
6. All ornaments from the Giving Tree for the Christmas in July party at Liberty Commons have been taken. Deb K. will make more ornaments for the tree.
7. Kathy is purchasing 48 backpacks for the school kits.
8. Ronald McDonald House tabs are ready to go and WOZ will give \$200 as well. Wanda will take them to RM House.
9. Kathy shared about donations to Wernle Youth Center. Kathy will speak to the pastor at Wernle about speaking here at Zion in 2018.
10. Good Sam fund is down. It will be mission of the month in November.
11. A Women's picnic was discussed.

**Next Meeting: Sunday, July 9 @ 7:00 p.m.**

#### **COMMUNICATIONS/WELCOMING COMMITTEE**

**NOTES: JUNE 20, 2017**

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

PASTOR OPENED WITH PRAYER

WELCOMING:

1. We decided not to schedule an ice cream social this summer.
2. We expressed our Thanks to Wayne and Alex for filling some more mugs recently!!!

ZION WEBSITE AND EMAIL COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Pastor and Chuck Powder will meet in July.
2. We discussed using newspapers to publicize events such as VBS.

Conclusion: Best practice in today's environment is to use the Zion Website.

PHOTO DIRECTORY:

1. A few more pictures have been taken.
2. The existing program needs to be updated.
3. Pastor and Chuck will meet with Deb K and Linda Short to determine the best methods to proceed.

OTHER DISCUSSION:

1. Tom reported that Council has discussed the issue of the poor quality of the existing signage on Route 571, currently posted at the edges of town.
2. Deb K will ask Bob to check into this with the city.

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 11, 2017 @ 5:00 p.m.**

★ Thank You! ★  
**THANK YOU!**★



Thank you to all who contributed to Eagles Wings Mission of the Month. We had \$252.67 in donations and Women of Zion will be adding \$300.00 to that amount.

Dear Friends,

Let's face it . . . kids do not want to come to the hospital. Thanks to your support, Dayton Children's is no ordinary hospital. Here we have warm blankets to welcome patients; activities and toys to distract them during procedures; playrooms and special visitors to keep kids occupied. Thank you very much for our recent in-kind gift. Your donation will brighten the spirits of children in our care.

*Gratefully, Jenna Pado, Chief Development Officer*

Dear Friends at Zion Lutheran Church,

Greetings from Lutheran World Relief! We're so thankful for your partnership, and for your energy and enthusiasm for this ministry. I'm excited to be able to share some details about where some of your items have traveled in the last year. Your donations departed our warehouse on April 27,

2017. Thank you for bringing hope to our neighbors in Peru and in need around the world. We thank God for you! Continued blessings on your ministry!

*Melanie W. Gibbons, Quilt & Kit Ministry Manager*

*THANK YOU ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH . . .*

Thank you for all the wonderful birthday cards and greetings. We had 100 people at the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday party for my twin and I. Thanks again for all your love and caring. *Lois Glawe, Pastor's Mom*

- Lois's complete thank you card is posted on the bulletin board right outside the sanctuary.

**Thank you** to everyone who helped make VBS a wonderful week for 28 children of Zion and the community!!! We couldn't have done it without all the food and monetary donations as well as all the helping hands, 45 volunteers to be exact!!! We learned that Jesus gives us HOPE, COURAGE, DIRECTION and LOVE in the darkness of the world and lights our way. He wants us to "BE THE LIGHT" in the world.

The total VBS offering collected was \$120.12 which will benefit the Eagles Wings Stable program. Thank you again!!! *God's Peace, Jackie Glawe*

who sewed 96 pillowcases that were donated to Children's Hospital in Dayton. All the pillowcases were made from fabric that depicted popular children's characters as well as interests a child might enjoy in order to make a child's stay in the hospital more comfortable.

## \*\*GRACE PLACE NEWS\*\*

### **\*\*YOUTH GROUP\*\* 6th - 12th grade**

Summer Youth Group will take place each Thursday evening 7pm-8:45pm (unless otherwise announced).

**July 13th** - Come join in on fun interactive games for our first of the summer youth group nights! This night will take place at church. We will meet in the high school room 7:00pm - 8:45pm.

**July 17th** - Special Service Event - WITH GOD'S GRACE mobile food pantry. We will meet at the church at 5:00 pm or you can meet us at the location, Vandalia Village Apts. We will distribute food to the needy of the community 6pm-7:30pm.

**July 20th** - **NO YOUTH GROUP** this night due to schedule conflict.

**July 27th** - Youth Group activity to be announced.

### **\*\*\*\*\*COMING UP\*\*\*\*\***

\*\*Watch for meeting date for August to be announced for those possibly interested in attending the National Youth Gathering in Houston 2018.

Any questions contact Jackie Glawe

The picture above shows Kathy Groth and Rhonda, representative from Children's Hospital. Women of Zion donated money to purchase fabric for six people

