

Zion Tidings Serving Christ Through Serving Others

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There will be no August Tidings – Please refer to the bulletin announcements for updates and the attached August Calendar.



MISSION OF THE MONTH

July's April's Mission of the Month is a Giving Tree for the Miami County Health Department's Baby Bucks Store. Expectant parents may shop for needed baby items using Baby Bucks at the Baby Bucks Store located at the Health Department in Troy. Baby Bucks are earned by attending parenting and child care classes taught by the Health Department staff. In the lounge area, there is a "Giving Tree" decorated with ornaments. Each ornament has a baby item that you may purchase and return to the lounge area by

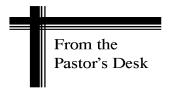
August 1. Please do not wrap these items. If you would rather donate money toward the purchase of a more costly item, please place your gift in the baby gift bag hanging on the tree. If you prefer to write a check, please make it payable to Women of Zion.



The Church office will be closed on Wednesday, July 4th.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE FOR September:

Please have articles in to the church office by Monday, August 20.



I have a passion for teaching Bible study. I am thoroughly enjoying the class on the gospel of Mark that is taking place at 9:00 am on Sunday mornings before worship. The active participation by you has produced some great questions, reflections and conversations among us. Through these classes and your active participation I have witnessed God's inspiring word moving and working in his people.

The gospel of Mark highlights several important characteristics about God. One of those is that God never stops teaching us about his inspired word. The original disciples in the gospel of Mark have numerous misunderstandings of the scripture but they keep asking questions and Jesus keeps giving them more learning and teaching so they can come to a better understanding of their faith.

The disciples many times just don't get what Jesus is trying to share with them, but that does not stop them from asking for more help from Jesus. The disciples want to grow in their faith. I am witnessing and seeing the same thing happen whenever I facilitate a Bible study. I can't wait to meet again to see God's inspired word at work among the people of Zion Lutheran.



July

- 2 Michael Phillips, Donna Slyman
- 3 Bill Nichols, Julie Sebastian
- 6 Nancy Clark, 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

August

- 1 Kim Jones
- 3 Laura Roeth
- 4 Nancy Bendickson, Shirley Delaplane
- 6 Bill Miller
- 7 Phil Elliott
- 11 Marianne Barnhart, Robin Wark
- 12 Eli Brooks
- 14 Anne Nicholes
- 17 Jill Greer, Judy Tritle
- 18 Kevin Stover
- 21 Jen Garvic
- 22 Amy Byrd, James Gray, Judy Mader
- 23 Dean Myers, Tom Replogle, Dan Schall
- 24 Daniel Frame
- 27 Jacquelyn Mitchell, Reese Clum



Home bound residents specially thought of:

Nancy & Darryl Bendickson, Freda Ferguson, Patsy Furrow, Mary Sue Helke, Hap Johnson, Herb & Joyce Johnson, Mary Jean King, Bob Kuhls, Belia Parrish and Barb Stafford. Pray for healing for: Larry Smith who underwent open heart surgery. Brian Grube, Cyndi Grube's brother in law, who is receiving physical therapy from being in a serious car accident. Diane Miller who suffers from cancer. Jim & Anna Hufford, who struggle with health issues. Dan Danielson, son of Billie Fisher, who is in the Burn Unit at Miami Valley Hospital and doing better. Jean Birtle who fell at home. Joel & Kathy Miller (Joel's caregiver) – Joel suffered a stroke several years ago, and they are in the Stroke Group at UVMC. Mike Werts dad who is currently at Stone Spring Nursing Home in Vandalia. Please keep he and his wife, Sylvia in your prayers.

Freda Ferguson passed away on Saturday, June 9. A memorial service was held on June 14th. Please keep her son, family and friends in your prayers.

Additional prayers for: Dusty & Patsy Warren and Piper Watkins.



FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

The office was told that Zion Lutheran had 100 lbs. in food donations during the month of May. We surpassed the Methodists by 20 lbs.!!!

We collect food the 1st Sunday of each month here at Zion. Please keep the donations coming. Our monthly donations are greatly appreciated by the Food Pantry. **Thank you!**

*** Quilters: We will continue meeting on Monday at 10:00 during the month of July but not on Thursday. We will resume both days each week in August.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PROPERTY COMMITTEE: Monday, June 4, 2018

 Restoration work, inside and out, was completed by Meyer Restoration at the end of May. They will be giving us an estimate for sanctuary painting and roof replacement.

- OGW has completed installation of new parking lot lights and building exterior lights using LED lights. They will be giving us an estimate for replacing the sanctuary lighting using LED lighting.
- Conference room will be painted before the new quilt racks are installed in that room.
 Women of Zion will be purchasing two racks in order to display more of the Quilters' masterpieces.
- Elite Sealcoat and Striping has completed the work on the parking lot.
- The monthly work list was completed including putting the air conditioner in the nursery and cutting down a dead arborvitae on Third St.

The next meeting will be Monday, July 2, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS: from June 19, 2018

- 1. Approved May council minutes.
- 2. Approved Financials for April.
- 3. Approved new members Kristen and Matthew Witwer. Matthew will be baptized on June 24.
- We will welcome eleven new members on Sunday June 24. We have added twenty seven new members since August 2017.
- 5. Chuck Powder is working on getting a new website for our church.
- 6. Pastor Glawe continues with Bible study at 9:00 AM on Sunday mornings on the gospel of Mark.
- 7. Council agreed to send \$ 1,800 at this time to Synod for benevolence.
- 8. Pastor will be on vacation July 24- August 5.

Our next council meeting will be on Tuesday August 7 at 7:00 pm.

WOMEN OF ZION MEETING: June 10, 2018

Discussion regarding monetary donations to the various missions of the month. It would be helpful if checks were made payable to the specific mission for example, Jeremiah's Letter) and not make payable to Zion.

We received thank you notes from Oesterlen from our donations to their programs and from LOMO for our \$300 donation for a campership. We also received a letter from Needy Baskets, asking us to support their fund drive.

Old Business:

- We continue to have discussion regarding the Brat Supper. We will discuss this further at a future meeting when Donna Slyman can be present. Some questions raised: should we continue having it; should we change the date, change the menu, etc.
- 2. Big Thank You to Rick & Judy Bailey for delivering donated items to Jeremiah's Letter. We will discuss Jeremiah's Letter at a future meeting when Maggie Powder can be present.
- 3. Susan Smith has agreed to chair our portion of the TMCS Summer Lunch program. In previous years. Zion has helped in June. But due to a conflict with VBS, we weren't able to take that week. Susan has arranged for Zion to take a week in August. She will let us know what we can do to help.
- 4. Women of Zion set aside \$150 to purchase quilt hangers for the conference room. Alice Replogle reported her brother in law could make them. Alice will let us know if she needs anything from us.
- 5. Sending College Care Packages will resume in the fall.
- 6. There have not been any local deliveries for Shoes 4 the Shoeless recently. There will be
- 7. a date in July when the youth will help.

New Business:

- The annual garage sale will be held Thursday and Friday, Sept. 27 & 28. Deb Keppel will request action team money from Thrivent to be used for advertising and printing in-house.
- 2. Kathy Groth reported on the Chrismon project. She passed around an "Ascension

Star" and "Crown of Bathsheba" that she made at a class she attended in North Carolina. She purchased beads and kits to make 9 more Chrismons for our tree. Women of Zion had allotted \$200 for this. Kathy actually spent \$223.92. It was decided to reimburse her for the overage. It was also decided to reimburse Kathy \$18.75 – the amount of overage when Kathy purchased fabric for pillowcases.

- 3. The July mission of the month will be the Baby Bucks Store. Deb Keppel will contact them for a list of items needed. The Giving tree will be set up with ornaments requesting items.
- 4. It was reported that quilters are getting low on fabric. If anyone has fabric they could donate, contact Alice Replogle.

Next Meeting: Sunday, July 8 @ 7:00 p.m. All women are invited to join us.

COMMUNICATIONS/WELCOMING COMMITTEE NOTES: JUNE 19, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pastor Glawe, Jill Greer, Deb Keppel, Peggy McCoy, Chuck Powder, Debbie Turner and Tom Wesbecher.

PASTOR OPENED WITH PRAYER

Zion Website: Chuck Powder

Chuck prepared, for our discussion, a comprehensive presentation, to illustrate our current website domain changes, calendar, mail, and content requirements.

HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR DISCUSSIONS:

- Current website is 8 or 10 years old. There are many limited options and many flaws.
- New website requirements currently independently owned by "Zion Lutheran Church".
- Open platform commonly used by big publishing companies. Register in Chuck's name and transfer.
- Domain change: ZIONTIPPCITY.ORG to be registered in Chuck's name.



Dear Women of Zion,

Thank you for your gift of \$300.00 to the campership fund of Lutheran Outdoor Ministries in Ohio. Your donation supports the ministry and those we serve. Your faithful giving helps LOMO continue to provide opportunities of change and renewal for campers and staff this summer.

Sincerely in Christ,
Penny Christensen, Executive Director

Dear Friends,

I want to acknowledge with gratitude your gift of \$25.00, which we have received at Oesterlen Services for Youth. Our programs of therapy for troubled children, youth, and their families are very dependent upon charitable contributions such as yours. God bless you! I am always willing to come to Zion to give an "update" on life at Oesterlen. Pulpit Supply is also a possibility!

Sincerely, Bonny Kinnunen, Director of Church Relations & Development

** CHILDREN & YOUTH OF ZION NEWS **

VBS - Maker Fun Factory was a great week! We had 30 children registered throughout the week.

We learned "God Made Us", "God is Always with us", God is For Us", "God Always Loves Us" and "God Made Us for a Reason".

I would like to say a HUGE THANK YOU to ALL the wonderful helpers who made VBS happen! It could not have happened without YOU!

God's peace, Jackie Glawe

YOUTH GROUP

Summer Youth Group will start July 11th and will be each Wednesday with various activities and locations through August. Please contact Jackie at email:christianed@zionlutherantippcity.org

or **call or text her at 937-478-3318** if you have a youth interested in attending and for further information.

Thank you for all who made it out to the Quarter Auction at the American Legion in Tipp City. We had at least 40 people from Zion including all the youth from the youth gathering and some of their friends. They allowed our Youth Group attending the Youth Gathering to be their charity for the evening. The Youth Group Gathering Fund received \$767.25!!

Additionally, Thank you so much to our Zion family for being so supportive in helping to send the youth and adults to the Youth Gathering!! More sharing from their experience will be coming in the future month. *God's peace, Jackie Glawe*