



# Zion Tidings

Serving Christ Through Serving Others

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**DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ARTICLES FOR THE JULY "TIDINGS" IS ON Wednesday, June 19.**



## From the Pastor's Desk

I am currently reading and studying the gospel of Matthew. One of the main themes in the gospel of Matthew is that God keeps his promises to us. Throughout the Old Testament it was shared that a Savior a king would come to save us. The gospel of Matthew continues to emphasize that God kept his promise to us by sending a savior Jesus to die for our sin who would rise again on the third day and through his death and resurrection the promise has been fulfilled and kept by God. The author of Matthew wants us to trust and have faith in a God that keeps promises.

As I read the gospel of Matthew it makes me reflect upon the importance of promises kept. And the many times I fell short in keeping promises I made. I believe as followers of Jesus we all made a promise to Jesus that we would come to church and participate in the ministry of the church. In fact when we join a church body we make this promise in front of the church by usually saying these words, I will and I ask God to help and guide me!

How are you doing in keeping this promise you made before God and before the community of Zion Lutheran Church? Are you asking God to help and guide you in keeping this promise you made before God and the people of God? Are you praying for God's help and guidance daily to help you fulfill this promise you made? There is still time to keep your promise!

The gospel of Matthew reminds us we can count on God because he keeps his promises to us in sending Jesus to save us. We are saved by God's promise kept and fulfilled and that is the good news proclaimed in the gospel of Matthew. May we respond by acting on our promise we made to the community of Zion and to God. Amen!



## VBS – Vacation Bible School

**When:** June 24<sup>th</sup> – June 27<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 5:30 p.m. optional dinner (no charge)  
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. VBS



**Attendees:** Preschool – 5<sup>th</sup> grade / All are invited!

Register online at:

<https://vbspro.events/p/events/ziontippcity> or

Registration forms will be available at the youth board.

You may also contact the church office or Jackie Glawe.

-  We will need LOTS of helpers to make the week of VBS happen.
-  Please check the sign up board located across From the youth board to see where you can help out.

Looking forward to this fun week with the children of Zion and the community!

Jackie Glawe, Christian Education Director



### Choir Sunday – May 19, 2019

Thanks so much to the choir for all their efforts this year! Recently at Choir Sunday, the choir delivered the following messages:

"Stay Strong", "Hope for the World", and "Go Ye Into All the World." Barb Turner videoed and took a couple of pics of the choir in action. Thank you Terri Darrah for leading our group!

With the choir winding down for the year, that gives congregation members the opportunity to play or sing during special music time. With the exception of few dates this summer and 1 in September, we have finalized an exciting array of talent and selections for you to hear. If you are interested in providing special music over the summer or during the regular year, please let

Lori Sebastian know:

**musicalsebastian@hotmail.com** Thanks to those who have provided or will be providing special music. Listed are the groups that we have arranged:

### Special Music – Sundays in 2019

May 26 Rachel Sebastian - Clarinet

June 2 Alyx Grube – Violin

**June 9 Western Ohio Tuba Quartet**

June 16 Trio – Jackie Glawe, Terri Darrah & Mike Werts

June 23 Solo – Mike Werts

June 30 Vacation Bible School Kids

July 7 Solo or Duet – TBA

**July 14 Brass Quintet – Linda Holt & Company**

July 21 Solo or Duet – TBA

July 28 Choir Returns

Aug. 4 Duet – TBA

Aug. 11 Solo – Susie Gray

Aug. 18 Linda Holt – Trumpet

Aug. 25 (Church Picnic Sunday)



### JUNE:

- 1 Emily Greer Gray
- 3 Abby & Annie Olt
- 4 Andrea Cooke, Freda Schmidt
- 6 Pam Sauls
- 11 Mike Werts
- 15 Peggy McCoy
- 17 Bill Jones
- 19 Wanda Lenehan
- 22 Jacob Smith
- 23 Melinda Schall
- 24 Linda Hood
- 26 Meghan Kauffmann
- 27 Rachel Sebastian, Erma Swanson
- 28 Gail Hotchkin, Linda Holt, Gavin & Lydia Reedstrom, Debbie Weprin
- 29 Addison Phillips, Ella Phillips, Brent Reedstrom



Home bound residents specially thought of:

**Nancy & Darryl Bendickson, Patsy Furrow, Mary Sue Helke, Hap Johnson, Herb & Joyce Johnson, Bob Kuhls, Belia Parrish and Barb Stafford.**

**Prayers for:** Tom Replogle who suffered a stroke. Susan Watkins who was diagnosed with a brain tumor, Sue Cook, Felicia Young.

**Comfort & Healing:** Katie Kessler, Gladys "Hap" Johnson, Pam Garvic, Linda Hood, Collin Cloffi, Debbie Turner, Roger & Cris Kister, Jan Lehman, Don Schneider, Bruce Goodwin, Katie Stephan, Wayne & Irma Slack, Chae Manning. Joel & Kathy Miller.

The family of Linda Hood whose husband passed away on April 18<sup>th</sup>.



### **THANK YOU TO ZION'S GARDENERS AND LANDSCAPERS!**

Many thanks to the crew who arrived on Saturday, April 27th to spruce up Zion's yard and beds. They weeded, raked, pruned, filled in holes with topsoil, mulched, pulled out old shrubs, and planted grass seed. They also enjoyed some yummy muffins and fruit brought in by Ruth White! Thank you Dennis Copeland, Kim and Bill Jones, Wayne Kauffmann, Bob and Deb Keppel, Mark, Kristy, Lynnette and Nicholas McKibbin, James Sebastian, Ruth White and Garry Yunker.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE: May 1, 2019**

On Wednesday, May 1, 2019, Worship and Music Committee met. Attending were: Terri Darrah,

Pastor Jeff Glawe, Deb Keppel, Kervyn Mach, and Lori Sebastian.

We reviewed past services. We will continue to offer 2 Ash Wednesday services; the 2 Easter Sunday services worked well, and by having the 8am service relieved some congestion and the 2 continuous communion lines at late service went smoothly. Lori thanked Susie for playing for Sunday service and Lenten devotional service in her absence. We are currently using - Setting 3 and will switch to Setting 10 in the summer

Vocal Choir has pieces chosen through rest of the year. Terri stated Choir Sunday will be – May 19<sup>th</sup> with the choir party – Weds. May 22<sup>nd</sup> – Terri's house. Thanks Terri for all you provided both the Easter breakfast and hosting the upcoming choir party.

Deb Keppel updated us with altar concerns. Starting in May we will shift to 2 lines for all Sundays where continuous communion is given. The first Sunday of the month, we will take communion by kneeling at rail. Deb is researching the possibility of purchasing new acolyte robes. Deb also graciously washed the confirmation robes and will fit the confirmands Sunday. Flowers are ordered for both confirmation corsages and Mothers' Day. Donna Slyman is handling the confirmation reception.

Summer Special Music will be from May 26<sup>th</sup> – September 1<sup>st</sup>. If you are interested in providing special music, contact Lori at [muscalsebastian@hotmail.com](mailto:muscalsebastian@hotmail.com). Linda Holt and their brass group will be providing music July 14.

Pastor updated us on the upcoming wedding Saturday. He also mentioned we are in need of a Saturday accompanist. If you are interested, please see Pastor Glawe.

We also talked through some other housekeeping issues. We are continuing to monitor bulletins and communion with larger attendance. We are working to incorporate newer members into the greeter / usher / reader schedule. We also have 2 pianos (one upstairs and one downstairs) that are sitting (and have sat for years) unused. We may consider putting them out for the rummage sale, if no one has interest in them. The sanctuary

keyboard also has some static on the bass notes. Lori will research if it is age related or connections just need cleaned. Susie Gray will be covering for Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> service.

**Our next meeting is Weds., Sept. 4, 2019 – 1PM**

### **PROPERTY COMMITTEE:**

**Next meeting is Monday, June 2, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.**

Much was accomplished during the April 27<sup>th</sup> outdoor work day at Zion. Additional pruning and mulching need to be finished. The committee recommends that a new freezer be purchased for the kitchen. With an increase in activities at Zion, six more folding tables need to be ordered. In addition to the monthly work list, the committee also replaced batteries in the remaining emergency lights, repaired the urinal in the upstairs boys restroom, and installed soap dispensers. Later in the week, Dennis Copeland and Bob Keppel installed the Knox Box, which will hold keys to the building for the Fire Department's use and fixed the door hinges on the Walnut St. doors.

**The next meeting is Monday, June 3, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.**

### **COMMUNICATIONS/WELCOMING: May 14, 2019**

#### **OPENING:**

Pastor offered a Devotional Reading from Colossians 3: 12-17, because he believes we are exemplifying this at Zion.

12 As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. 13 Bear with one another, and if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. 14 Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. 15 And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. 16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. 17 And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

### **PHOTO DIRECTORY**

1. 35 photo directory update forms have been put into mailboxes; several have been returned.
2. Bob Keppel has been taking pictures; several individuals/families have been photographed, including a few who already have their Lifetouch photo in the current directory.
3. Discussed: Do the new books in-house. Use Current Binder.
4. Debbie Turner suggested obtaining a Spiral Machine; she will investigate.

### **ZION WEBSITE**

1. VBS registration is available online at [vbspro.events/p/events/ziontippcity](http://vbspro.events/p/events/ziontippcity)

### **WELCOMING**

1. Blessing of the Pets: Saturday, June 1 from 10 a.m – 11 a.m. Pastor will bless each pet with specific prayers.
2. D.R.E.A.M. will be there with a booth, brochures, and 4 – 6 foster dogs. Cindy Hartnagle is the coordinator.
3. Debbie Turner will get Doggie and Cat Treats plus bottles of water at Sam's.
4. Bob Keppel will take pictures
5. We need a sign for the lawn. Put up by Monday, May 20th. Deb K will talk to Lil Nichols about this.
6. Deb K will do Press Releases to the Tippecanoe Gazette, Dayton Daily News, and Miami Valley News.

Also, Fliers, which Miriam will distribute. Pastor will do bulletin announcement. Chuck will add to website.

**Next meeting is June 11, 2019 AT 5:00**

### **COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS: May 14, 2019**

1. Council approved February and March financials.
2. Council approved April 9 minutes.
3. Council retreat will take place on Saturday, June 29. Pam Sauls will secure location of retreat.
4. Council agreed we need freezer and recommended that the Woman of Zion ministry will discuss what kind of freezer is needed to meet the needs of the church.

5. Council agreed that it is not in the best interest of Zion Lutheran to continue discussion with the home school that is looking for a new home to house their school.

6. Vacation Bible school is June 24-27 from 5:30 to 8:00pm.

7. Pastor will be at Synod assembly on June 6-7 at Wittenberg University.

**Next Council meeting is Tuesday, July 9<sup>th</sup>.**

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

May 19<sup>th</sup> was the last day of adult and children's Sunday School until fall.

Thank you to the following who led the children and youth during the Sunday School season.

<i>Jen Garvic</i>	<i>Terri Darrah</i>
<i>Kristen Witwer</i>	<i>Dennis Copeland</i>
<i>Melinda Schall</i>	<i>Katie Sonnenstine</i>

Thanks you *James Sebastian* and *Brad Kennedy* for leading the Adult Sunday School class. You are all greatly appreciated!

**VBS – Roar, God is good!** Coming June 24<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> for preschool – 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

Blessings, Jackie Glawe



### **College Graduation Celebrations:**

#### ***Lauren Frame Burns***

Graduated on May 4<sup>th</sup> with a Master's Degree in Occupational Therapy from the University of Findlay.

#### ***Daniel Frame***

Graduated Magna Cum Laude on May 11<sup>th</sup> with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sports Management from Ohio Wesleyan University.



### **To benefit the Zion Youth Gathering**

**Where:** American Legion in Tipp City

**When:** Tuesday, June 18, 2019

**Time:** 6 p.m. – doors open

7 p.m. – auction begins

Come on out! They are lots of fun!

Bring a friend!

Food and beverages available for purchase through the Legion.

# Confirmation

**May 12, 2019**

Allison Cartwright, Ethan Freitag,  
Alyx Grube, Elijah Johnson,  
Julie Sebastian & Katelin Smith

