



Zion Tidings

Serving Christ Through Serving Others

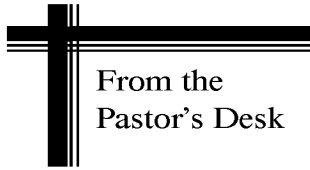
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From the
Pastor's Desk

I am totally blessed to be your pastor at Zion Lutheran Church in so many ways. This time period that the whole world has been exposed to has been taxing for all of us in different ways depending on our life situation. It has forced the church into unknown territory that could have made us say, "don't do anything let's WAIT until this pandemic goes away then everything will be good".

However that is not what the church body of Zion Lutheran Church did and I am very grateful for the assertive direction and leadership that stepped up to the plate to lead us forward in the middle of the pandemic. Zion Lutheran stepped up to the plate and has hit a home run in my eyes. I had to get a sport thought in here somewhere with a no sports time during the pandemic. I am so grateful for all of you who have taken assertive action to prepare Zion Lutheran to continue to do ministry in new ways which brings about challenges but also some new and exciting ways to serve Jesus.

Your pastor would have been lost at sea without you during this pandemic. The greatest part right now for me as your pastor is seeing and watching the heart of the people at Zion Lutheran. Jesus is

after our heart and I am blessed by you every day because your hearts rest in Jesus. Thank you for SERVING CHRIST THROUGH SERVING OTHERS! Amen!

MISSION OF THE MONTH For August 2020 LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SCHOOL KITS

These kits will be shipped overseas to help children learn, in disadvantaged areas. Each school kit needs the following items:

1. **One** 30-centimeter ruler, with centimeters on one side and inches on the other.
2. **Four** 70-sheet notebooks of wide ruled paper.
3. **One** pencil sharpener
4. **One** box of 16 or 24 crayons
5. **One** pair blunt scissors
6. **One** 2 ½ " eraser
7. **Five** black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secured together with a rubber band

Stop by the church doors on Walnut St. and pick up a *School backpack and a bundle of pencils* to get started, and fill the School Kit with necessary items above. Any questions, ask Action Team Leader Kathy Groth. Thanks for your help.



**Zion's Annual Mum Festival Garage Sale
HAS BEEN POSTPONED**

The Women of Zion decided to postpone the annual Mum Festival Garage Sale until the Community Garage Sale in the spring. ***If you have been collecting items to donate to the sale, please hang on to them until the spring of 2021.*** More information will be forthcoming in the months ahead. If you have any questions, please call Deb Keppel at 1 (937) 901-4461.

CLOTHESLINE HELP NEEDED

Do you have a couple of hours a month to help sort clothing at the Clothesline on N. 2nd Street? A group of Zion women meet on the 2nd and the 5th Mondays of the month to sort donated clothing at the store. There might also be a need for cashiers. The Clothesline is a non-profit organization run by several area church groups. The proceeds are divided among the churches depending on how many hours are volunteered by each group. Please call Miriam Comer at 1 (937) 667-3389 for more information.

WOMEN OF ZION ARE BACK

Women of Zion began meeting in person in June and have had two meetings so far since March. We are committed to keeping everyone safe by social distancing and wearing masks during the meetings. We hope you can join us for our next meeting to be held on Sunday evening, August 9th at 7:00 in the adult Sunday School room.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE RIZOTTE FAMILY

Rusty and Jessica Rizotte added another member to their family, Adam Rizotte. His big brother is Henry.



AUGUST

- 1 Kim Jones, Robin Wark
- 3 Laura Roeth
- 4 Shirley Delaplane
- 6 Bill Miller
- 7 Phil Elliott
- 10 Belinda Hannah
- 11 Marianne Barnhart
- 12 Eli Brooks
- 14 Anne Nicholes
- 16 Jamie Kennedy
- 17 Jill Greer, Judy Tritle
- 18 Kevin Stover
- 19 Gloria Bilbay
- 20 Elizabeth Hereford
- 21 Elijah Freitag, Jen Garvic
- 22 Amy Byrd, James Gray, Judy Mader
- 23 Dean Myers, Tom Replogle, Dan Schall
- 27 Jaque Mitchell, Reese Clum

F.Y.I.

Darryl & Nancy Bendickson have moved. They will no longer be able to attend church. If you would like to keep in touch with them I have their address as:

120 Rusk Rd.

Troy, OH 45373

Nancy's birthday is 8/4 and Darryl's is 9/13.



The following individuals are currently on the Prayer list:

Please say a special prayer for our STNAS, CNAS, Nurses and Doctors. May God watch over and protect these caretakers of the Covid-19 patients and their families.

Fred & Jan Aller, Norm Barnhart, **Laura Barnes (Pastor's sister)**, **Jean Colegrove (cousin of Kervyn Mach)**, Ina Crenshaw, Bruce Goodwin (Father of Melinda Schall), Roger & Cris Kister, **Mark Klare (son-in-law of Billie Fischer)**, Paul Knudson, Betsy Mason (mother-in-law of Cindy Moore's son), Larry & Lil Nichols, Carolyn Oaks, Carol Phillips, Trapper Phillips, Tom Replogle, Laura Roeth, Brian Sebold, Karen Simpson, Raymond Michael Stollmer Jr., Mason Turben (grandson of Pat Cowan), Kyle Watkins, Irene Watson, Jason Weprin, and Sophia Yarwick.

Pray for those who have lost loved ones:

The family of Bob Bilbay, who passed away on Monday, June 29th. A memorial service was held at Zion on July 18th.

The family and friends of Charles Dixon who passed away on July 6, 2020.

Pray for those who are homebound:

Patsy Furrow, Hap Johnson, Herb Johnson, Bob Kuhls and Belia Parrish.



Dear Church family,
Thank you for the book, card, and pencil. I miss all of you. Hopefully I can see you before I leave.

Thank you, Alex Kauffmann

Dear Zion family,
Thank you for the book as well as the card. I appreciate what we have both done for each other while growing up with the Zion family.

Thank you, Zach Kauffmann

Women of Zion:
Thank you for supporting Holy Walkamolies For The Cure with your \$100 donation to the American Cancer Society. Your donation will help ACS continue providing support for cancer patients and important cancer research.

Debbie Rudisill, Team Captain

Women of Zion:
Blessings and thank you for your kindness to the Wernle children. Our youth work hard, not only to overcome their past traumas and difficulties in life, but they work hard to succeed in school. I hope all of you and your families are well.

Blessings, Chris Parker

Women of Zion:
On behalf of Tipp Monroe Community Services, thank you for your generous donations of \$100 each to the *Lunch On Us Challenge* and *Christmas in July Fund*. As our motto says . . . "We can't do it without you!!!"

Carol English, Social Services Coordinator

Dear Women of Zion:
On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff of the Family Abuse Shelter of Miami County, Inc., we thank you for your recent generous donation of \$100.00 from your Mission of the Month project. Your contribution will provide support for our shelter services and expansion, and help us meet the increasing and changing needs of victims of domestic violence and homelessness in Miami County, especially in these challenging times during the Covid-19 crisis.

Sincerely,
Barbara Holman, Exec. Director

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PROPERTY COMMITTEE: More people are needed to volunteer to mow the church lawn and the Lutheran cemetery on Hyatt St. A sign-up sheet can be found in the Fellowship Hall hallway. An electrician is working on the electrical problem in the old building. The committee members moved an altar from the upstairs Sunday school room to the Fellowship Hall stage, in preparation for the in person worship services. The new Pentecost banners and the sanctuary keyboard were also moved to the Fellowship Hall. The members marked 6 ft. spacing on the hallway floor and also

marked where the chairs should be placed in the Fellowship Hall.

The next meeting will be held Monday, August 3rd, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:
from Tuesday, July 7

1. Council approved May financials.
2. The survey sent out by church council to members about in person worship indicated an equal distribution for participation at 5pm Saturday worship service, 10am Sunday service and those who will continue to watch services on live streaming on our church website when in person worship starts again on Saturday July 11 and Sunday July 12.
3. A sanitizing team has been assembled when we begin in person worship.
4. Two council members will be at each service to welcome all and make people feel safe and comfortable in the restarting of in person worship.
5. Council agreed that masks will be mandatory during worship services and all Zion team meetings. A form will be signed by all outside groups to adhere to sanitizing their meeting place when they are welcomed back into the church building starting July 13.
6. Worship services will be in the fellowship hall with chairs set up adhering to social distance requirements.
7. A letter was sent to all members of Zion Lutheran Church explaining and outlining the guidelines that will be followed starting July 11 when in person worship, events and activities happen inside the church building.

WOMEN OF ZION MEETING: July 12, 2020
Highlights:

- **Donations were made to** Wernle Youth & Family Center, Relay For Life, Tipp Monroe Community Services, Liberty Commons, Lunch on Us, and Oesterlin in Springfield.
- **Clothesline:** workers from Zion are needed to work the 2nd & 5th Mondays of the month. People should wear masks when working and masks are required when the store is open. Pam Sauls will put something in the Tidings asking for helpers and will let Miriam Comer know of our discussion.
- **Garage Sale:** After discussion, it was decided not to have a sale at Mum Festival time since the festival was cancelled. We will plan on having the sale the first weekend in May during the Community Garage sale.
- **Family Abuse Shelter:** It was decided instead of putting up a giving tree in July, We will make a \$100 donation to that mission of the month.
- **Socks for Seniors:** This project will continue through the month of July. Linda Holt will deliver socks the first week of August.
- **ELCA School Kits:** This is the August mission of the month. Kathy Groth will check in to how this will be handled this year and report back next meeting.
- **Relay for Life:** Debbie Rudisill reported that this will take place Sept. 12 in Piqua Mall parking lot. More details to follow. There is currently a fundraiser for Relay for Life – Tupperware and Pampered Chef Products can be purchased with a percentage of sale going to Relay for Life. See Debbie for details. Orders must be in by July 29.

Next meeting: Sunday, August 9 at 7:00 p.m. All Women are invited to attend. We wear our masks!

COMMUNICATIONS/WELCOMING COMMITTEE

NOTES: TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2020

This was our first meeting since the Covid-19 pandemic lockdown. Just a few minutes before the meeting was to begin, a thunderstorm blew in and kept some of our members at home. Jill Greer and Deb Keppel met and acknowledged the efforts of Chuck Powder who has kept the Zion website updated and has improved the site to make it easier to use. We also noted the following members who have been calling members of our Zion family to keep them connected and to check in with them - Pastor Jeff, Jackie Glawe, Maggie Powder, Jill Greer, Sharon Byrd, Peggy McCoy, Debbie Turner, Carol Phillips, Kathy Groth, Ruth White and Deb Keppel. The second annual *Blessing of the Pets* has been rescheduled for Saturday, August 15 from 10:00 – 11:00.

Our next meeting will be held Tuesday, July 14th at 5:00 p.m.

GRACE PLACE NEWS

Our first ever VIRTUAL VBS was completed last week July 13th – 16th!

We had 11 engaged participants! (This included 1 all the way from Guam, Matt & Pam Sauls grandson). We met each night on Zoom from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm with a break in between while they worked on their project individually at home.

The theme was Mystery Museum based on Matthew 5:1-15. We specifically learned about four women from the bible who had blessed attributes of the Beatitudes.

Esther – Merciful - (Courageous Queen)

(stood up for what she believed and for her family and people)

Mary Magdeline – Pure of Heart (blessed believer) (full heart wanting to share Jesus love)

Deborah – Meek (heroic judge) (meekness is

strength built from humbly putting your gifts to the best use)

Tabitha – Poor in Spirit (beloved servant)

(remained faithful to God in times of difficulty and a helper of those in need)

Thank you to all the parents who made it possible by connecting their children on Zoom with me.

Thank you to Lisa and Julie Sebastian and Katelin Smith for recording fun music videos and Julie for editing. I also want to thank John Sebastian, Jen Garvic and Donna Slyman who helped with several projects.

It was a fun week! God's love and faithfulness still shines through the pandemic.

In God's peace,

Jackie Glawe

Christian Education Director

COMPOSERS OF THE MONTH

By Lori Sebastian

APRIL: Robert Hobby is the composer of the month for April. One neat fact about Hobby: he was organist at our church (Zion Lutheran) for a short time when he was a college student at Wittenberg. Robert Hobby received his Bachelor's Degree in church music from Wittenberg; he received a Master's Degree in organ performance from the University of Notre Dame. Bob had several private instructors and coaches: Donald Busarow, Richard Hillert, Paul Manz, and Andrew Carter. I include these because for those of you familiar with Lutheran music, these names will likely be familiar!

Robert Hobby lives in Fort Wayne, Indiana and serves as the music director for Trinity English Lutheran Church. He has composed numerous organ, choral, and instrumental pieces. One of my favorite organ pieces is his Partita on Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven. In addition to being a composer, Bob also performs regularly and serves as clinician for

various groups across the United States. He presented an hour long organ improvisation session at a week long summer clinic I attended at Concordia Theological Seminary (LCMS) back in summer 2002. More recently, Susie Gray, Terri Darrah, and I all had the opportunity to see him as he was clinician at the Augsburg Music Clinic in Columbus during summer 2019.

On a personal note, Bob Hobby is married to wife Jennifer. The Hobby's have 3 daughters: Hannah, Lydia, and Elizabeth.

MAY: Anne Krentz Organ is a popular Lutheran composer. She has written countless arrangements for piano, choral, bell, and instrumental music. Anne received her Bachelors of Music in Piano Performance from Valparaiso University, her Masters of Music in Piano Pedagogy from the University of Illinois, and received a Certificate of Advanced Studies of Church Music from Concordia University (River Forest, IL).

She has been published by a wide variety of publishing houses: Augsburg Fortress, Choristers Guild, Hope Publishing, and Morningstar Music. She serves at St. Luke's Lutheran Church (Park Ridge, IL) as Director of Music. She has various responsibilities: directing various vocal choirs, working with instrumental ensembles, directing a hand bell choir, planning worship, and playing for services.

Anne has taught in various capacities during her career and has served as past president of Association of Lutheran Church Musicians (ALCM). She planned to teach piano primarily, but ended up service playing and during Communion recognizing a need for composition. Shortly thereafter her composing career was born. She wrote pieces that would become Reflections on Holy Communion subsequently published by Augsburg Fortress. Most years since, she has produced under Augsburg Fortress

Publishing some kind of "Reflections on . . ." for various hymn tunes. Some recent volumes include "Piano Reflections on Hymns of Healing", "Piano Reflections on Pentecost Tunes", and "Piano Reflections on Chorale Tunes". She is currently composing (for Augsburg Fortress) volumes of Four by Four which are designed for four hand bell ringers and piano.

If I had to select a favorite piece of mine by A. K. Organ, it would be one written relatively early in her composition career (1996): On Eagle's Wings. Her instrumental pieces are fun – I enjoy when Advent comes playing the piano parts to some of her dance-like compositions with a flute (or clarinet). She has written countless arrangements on hymn tunes (often multiple movements) for piano that are varied and interesting – sometimes shifting melody to the bass line, sometimes switching a familiar tune to a different (or unusual) meter, and often giving one a sense of peace and enjoyment. While many of her compositions focus on traditional hymnody, she incorporates new hymns into her works and has even published a collection of global hymn tunes. Probably the most common question I get when I play her pieces (for piano) - the confusion that her last name is Organ. And yes - she has been published for organ composition in the Augsburg Organ Library! Anne is married to husband Jim and they have three grown sons: Andrew, Daniel, and Paul.

JUNE: In June's monthly column we review Dale Wood – a composer, organist, conductor, editor, author, and lecturer. He served as choirmaster and organist at a few different California Lutheran and Episcopal churches during his lifetime. In addition, he wrote monthly columns for a Methodist journal for three years, conducted/led hymn festivals throughout the world, and was appointed as editor of The Sacred Music Press from 1975-1996 and served as editor emeritus from 1996-2001.

He won a national hymn writing competition at the age of 13 for the American Lutheran Church. A year later he had his first choir anthem published and began playing organ for church. While he composed an abundance of choral music and even headed the publications committee for Chorister's Guild from 1970-1974, I am most familiar with his organ albums titled Wood Works for Organ; he also has a comforting set of organ volumes (often used for funerals) called Softly and Tenderly. In 1990, he was commissioned by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) to write a Holy Communion setting for Lent. One article cited: "over eight million copies of his published works have been used in this country and abroad, with performances noted in 59 foreign countries."

Dale Wood was honored with the Exemplar Medallion from California Lutheran University for his significant contributions to the music world. Dale Wood was not only a prolific composer but also wrote a lot of fun music. You've heard a couple of those pieces – the June 7 prelude (A Gift to Be Simple) with the Zimbelstern and last week's (June 21) prelude on Jesus Loves Me – which favored summer carnival / carousel music. Dale Wood passed away in 2003 from cancer. His obituary reads: "His sparkling, exuberant and readily-identifiable style caused many to refer to him as Mr. Joy."

JULY: July's Composer of the Month is Joseph Martin. These Joseph Martin pieces were played for prelude: July 5 - *An American Tapestry*, July 12 – *The Road Home*, July 19 – *Be Thou My Vision*, and July 26 – *Still, Still, Still*. Martin received his Bachelors of Music degree in Piano Performance from Furman University (Greenville, SC) and his Master of Music in Piano Performance at the University of Texas (Austin). He taught for 5 years before becoming Director of Sacred Publications at Shawnee Press.

He is probably most known for his choral compositions, but his piano solo volumes (and recordings) have shown enormous popularity in both secular and sacred audiences. He has won numerous awards over the years. While he has performed solos throughout the U.S. and Mexico, he currently devotes his efforts to playing for churches and conferences of church musicians.

Joseph Martin has over 1,000 compositions in print across multiple publishing houses. One unique current opportunity Mr. Martin is offering is called Journeys with Joe. He has partnered with a tour group to offer a "Celtic Celebration" trip to NW Ireland for a week in 2021; and then a "Summer Sonata" series – originally scheduled for 2020 has been rescheduled for 2022 to explore Prague and Salzburg. Joseph is married to his wife Sue, and they have two children Jonathan and Aubrey.

Stay Safe and wear a mask!

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE FOR THE
SEPTEMBER TIDINGS:**

Thursday, August 20th
