

ZION TIDINGS

“Serving Christ through Serving Others”

March 2021

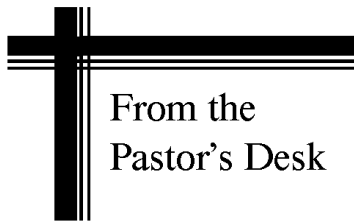
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DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ARTICLES FOR THE APRIL “TIDINGS” ON Monday, March 22, 2021



From the
Pastor's Desk

Hope has arrived vaccines for COVID-19 are being distributed to the public, thank the Lord. It seems every week now I hear about more and more people getting vaccinated. My brother, his wife, my sister, both my brother in laws and a sister in law have got the first injection and are in line for the second one.

It will be one year in March since the pandemic took over our lives. We all have been affected in one way or another from COVID-19. One of my biggest challenges and struggles has been the feeling of isolation. We are made to be relational people and the pandemic has caused me to feel isolated because so many activities at Zion Lutheran have been compromised.

I dearly miss shaking hands with people and getting hugs from you. I am so thankful that the mission and ministry at Zion has remained strong during the pandemic. However I miss seeing people and the personnel touch that is part of my relational being.

Hopefully during COVID-19 you have tried something different in “Serving Christ Through Serving Others”. Maybe it was something you never tried before or it could have been something you once did but have not done it in a while. I will be participating in the later as I will be giving blood at

the American Red Cross blood drive here at Zion Lutheran on March 16. I just recently read that blood donations are needed badly because about 70%-80% of blood drives were canceled in 2020.

You can schedule an appointment between the hours of 1:00 pm to 7:00pm on Tuesday March 16, by calling 1-800-RED CROSS or visit REDCROSSBLOOD.org and sign up, the sponsor code is Zion. I encourage us all to give blood to give life.



**of the month: OSTERLIN
in Springfield**

Since its founding in 1903, Oesterlen's single objective has been to serve children and their loved ones. We are a mental health treatment and social services agency serving youth and families. Our full range of services includes residential mental health treatment, foster care, outpatient counseling, in-home programs, and in-school programs.

Zion will be collecting gift cards for the youth at Oesterlin in Springfield like we have been doing for Wernle in February. Watch for the plastic bucket set out to collect donations.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS:

- 2 Paul Grube
- 4 Ava Coppock
- 6 Matthew Hannah
- 7 Patsy Furrow, Jen Kauffmann
- 12 Lisa Reeves
- 14 Janice Mach, Susan Smith
- 15 Bill DeVenzio, Lois Kauffmann, Lynnette McKibbin, Nicholas McKibbin
- 17 Bob Lenehan
- 19 Hannah Kessler
- 20 Anna Johnson, Karen Smeal
- 21 Billie Fischer
- 23 Dale Rudisill
- 24 Michael Hannah (father), Kervyn Mach
- 25 Heidi Coppock
- 27 Kelly Smith
- 28 Bob Keppel, Lori Sebastian
- 30 Mary Rogers
- 31 Christine Copeland, Debbie Fetters



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Since July 2019 our ministry team has delivered 13 shawls and 5 baby blankets. Each shawl or baby blanket is created with love and prayers. Thank you to those who have created (knitted, crocheted, or sewn) or donated shawls and baby blankets: Jill Greer, Kathy Groth, Cris Kister, Maggie Powder, Sue Rambeau, Debbie Rudisill, Ginger Schaefer, Debbie Turner, and Debbie Weprin. Thank you to those who have delivered the shawls and baby blankets: May Fischvogt, Jackie Glawe, Debbie Rudisill, Pam Sauls, Donna Slyman, Debbie Turner and Ruth White. You are serving Christ through serving others.

Thank you,
Debbie Rudisill

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Please pray for all health care workers – doctors, nurses, STNAs, CNAs and first responders and others on the front lines.

Prayers Work: Chris Badgley and Cathy Drake have recovered from Covid.

Also needing prayers are:

Jacque Mitchell, Joe Delaplane who has a bad back, Steven Staie, Brian Sebold, Sue Coon, Kim Schmidt, Dennis Copeland, Terry Rinker, Fred and Jan Aller; Marianne and Norm Barnhart; Tom Bowman; John Cavanaugh; Jerry Corbett, Sue Cook has begun her treatment for recurring breast cancer, Duane Eggers, Troy Greenwalt, Dawn Greenwalt, Diane Haines, Gary Herman; Maureen Holly, Ann Whitmer (sister of Kim Jones who is having liver issues), Barb Kruse's sister, Ruth, who is recovering from a stroke, David and Sandy Kothman, Sue and Mike Melody, Georgia Miller, Carol Phillips who has been placed on oxygen for COPD and has vision problems, Laura Roeth; Kim Schmidt; Raymond Michael Stollmer, Jr., Debbie Turner, Don Williams, Joyce and Kristen Zimmann,

Pray for those who have lost loved ones:

Ina Crenshaw's brother Bill passed away. Pray for Ina's sister-in-law Pam, Bills wife.

Pray for our homebound members of Zion:

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PROPERTY COMMITTEE – February 1, 2021

Church Council has approved Hinkle and Van Dine's proposal for the bell tower roof repair. Work will begin when weather conditions permit. H&S Plumbing found a blockage in the air intake for the water heater. They fixed that and also a leaky

connection in the area of the water heater. The committee discussed future installation of a light sensor for the Main Street door. The monthly work list was completed.

The next meeting will be Monday, March 1, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

WOMEN OF ZION – Highlights from the February 14 meeting:

Members Present: 7

Devotions: by Linda Holt – “God’s Box of Chocolates”

1. Thank you notes from Pastor and Tina Putnam for gift cards. Letter from Fred Allen asking for donations to his mission in Uganda.
2. Jeremiah’s Letter mission of the month for January was very successful.

Maggie Powder presented a check for \$119 from Zion members to Dennis Hawley, Director at Jeremiah’s Letter in Dayton. This money will help pay for birth certificates in their Passages program. In addition, Zion donated cleaning supplies, sheet sets and kitchen utensils.

5. The May mission of the month will be Socks for Seniors and the July mission will be Shoes 4 The Shoeless.

NEXT MEETING: SUNDAY MARCH 14 AT 5:00 P.M.
All Women are welcome.

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS – February 2021

1. Council approved year end December 2020 financials.
2. Council approved council minutes from January.
3. Ash Wednesday service will be Feb. 17 @ 7 PM
4. A Mid-Week devotional service will be on Wed. March 10 at 7 PM
5. Red Cross blood drive at Zion will be Tues., March 16 from 1-7 PM
6. A prayer blessing for baby blankets and prayer Shawls will happen at services on Feb. 27 & 28.
7. Pastor Dale Schaefer continues to assist Pastor Glawe in Pastoral Care/Outreach during the pandemic.



Easter plants can be ordered now through Monday, March 15th. Order forms are available in the bulletins on March 6 & 7 and on the table outside the fellowship hall.

3. Women of Zion Garage Sale (May 1st) to coincide with community garage sale. It has been reported that the Mum Festival will take place in September. We may have garage sale then. More discussion at the March meeting.
4. Judy Bailey will check into what is needed for Osterlin in Springfield for the March mission.

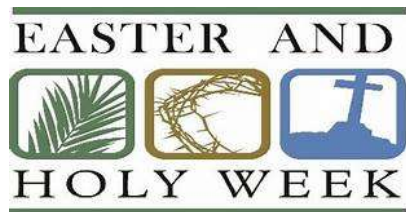


March 14 is Daylight Savings begins. Set your clocks ahead in the evening on March 13!



The April Newsletter

Deadline is: **Monday, March 22nd.**



- March 27 Saturday 5 PM worship
- March 28 Palm Sunday 10:00 AM worship
- April 1 Maundy Thursday 7 PM worship
- April 2 Good Friday 7 PM worship
- April 3, Sat. Easter Vigil 5 PM worship
- April 4, Sun. Easter 8 AM & 10 AM worship

event for all the children please wear a mask and have your child wear a mask).

Special Request:

Hello Everyone! My name is Julia Helke. I am a senior at Youngstown State University and I am an Event Lead for Guins Against Cancer. We are in a partnership with the American Cancer Society. Every year we put on an event for Relay for Life and this year it will be virtual. You will be able to stream our event April 17th on Facebook at Relay for Life of Youngstown State University. I relay for my aunt who passed away from Breast Cancer and two of my grandparents who are survivors. My goal this year is to raise \$1,000 and I am only \$200 away! I would greatly appreciate it if you could help me reach my goal. Here is a link to my Relay donation drive:

<http://main.acsevents.org/goto/julia-helke>

GRACE PLACE NEWS



TODDLERS TO 5TH GRADERS ARE INVITED!

- WHAT:** Hunt for Easter Eggs
- WHERE:** Zion Lutheran Church
 Front Lawn
- WHEN:** **Saturday, April 3rd, 10:00 AM**
- WEAR:** Everyone present is requested to wear a mask



(Due to covid we will not have the pancake breakfast again this year, however so that we can have a safe