

Zion Tidings

Serving Christ Through Serving Others

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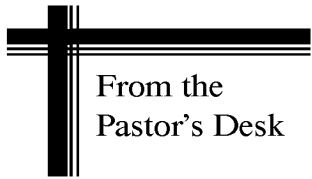
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DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ARTICLES FOR THE September "TIDINGS" IS Friday, August 20th

*The church office will be closed on Monday, Sept. 6th
in observance of Labor Day.*



From the
Pastor's Desk

Pastor is doing one of his favorite things! I have not done this in two years mainly because of the pandemic. Do you have a guess? Come on make a guess!

I am finally leading an in person adult Bible study on the book of Galatians on Sunday mornings at 9:00am, the final class is August 15. I am so thankful I have been able to share on-line devotionals that have been posted to the Zion website during this time. On-Line for Jesus has become an avenue for spreading and sharing the good news of Jesus to a hurting world.

My hope as we gather around God's inspired word during Bible study is that it changes us in day to day living. Bible knowledge is important but most important is taking that knowledge and transferring it into wisdom. Wisdom asks the question, "How is God calling me today through scripture to make the world a better place?" God is always calling you into a new you.

During this Bible study we have had some excellent discussion among the participants. Come join the fellowship and have God's inspired word work in your day to day living. Come and experience one of Pastor's favorite things!

MISSION OF THE MONTH: August 2021

Lutheran World Relief School Kits



INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING IN EACH LWR SCHOOL KIT:

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

- **One** 30-centimeter ruler, with centimeters on one side and inches on the other.
- **Five unsharpened No. 2** pencils with erasers; secured together with a rubber band.
- **Four** 70-sheet notebooks of wide ruled paper. No loose leaf paper.
- **One** pencil sharpener
- **One** box of 16 or 24 crayons
- **One** pair **blunt** scissors. (**no** pointed scissors).
- **One** 2 ½ " eraser
- **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* to get started, and fill the School Kit with necessary items above. Any questions, ask

Action Team Leader Kathy Groth. Thanks for your help.

A “**packing party**” will be held on Sunday, September 12. Thrivent Financial is sponsoring \$250.00 for our Action Team shoppers/packers of School Kits. The backpacks purchased by Women of Zion and Thrivent Financial are already here. Now we need to fill them up!



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 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
- 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

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Jeff Mitchell
- 4 Lil Nichols
- 7 Tim Garvic
- 9 Alicia Weprin
- 10 Fred Aller, Ethan Freitag, Jessica Lopez
- 11 Chuck Swanson
- 15 Mark Helke, Debbie Turner
- 18 Linda Short
- 19 Kathy Groth
- 26 Bryce Clum



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS . . .

If you need to add or take off someone on the prayer list, please call the church office at 1-937-667-3110 or e-mail prayers@ziontippecity.org.

Home bound residents specially thought of: **Patsy Furrow, Herb Johnson, Belia Parrish.** Prayers of comfort and peace for the family and friends of Steve and Judy Tritle’s grandson Isaac and the family and friends of Mary Rogers and Hap Johnson.

Prayers and comfort for Kyle Watkins, Jacque Mitchell, Anna & Andy Stroh, Debbie Turner, May Fischvogt, Cris Kister, Linda Andrico, Mark Gerhard, Aimee & Wasyl Terlecky, Dan Duncan, Tom Replogle, Tom Mach, Fred Rhoades, Gwen & Gary Herman, Joe Delaplane, Kim Schmidt, Fred & Jan Aller, John Cavanaugh, Jerry Corbett, Sue Cook, Sandy Kothman, Sue & Mike Melody, Georgia Miller, Raymond Michael Stollmer, Jr., Gary Coleman, Dorothy Summer, Larry Young.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PROPERTY – July, 2021

The new building roof replacement was completed by Hinkle and Van Dine in June. One of the sanctuary air conditioning units is no longer working. The sanctuary AC units have outlived their life expectancy and we will be looking at options for replacement. The thermostat in the kitchen was replaced. The elevator door safety edge was replaced.

The monthly work list was completed.

The next meeting is Monday, August 2, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

WOMEN OF ZION – July 11th

Old Business: Everything has been sold from the basement/furniture donations except 1 item with

will be put in the Garage Sale. \$585.00 was deposited.

New Business:

- July Mission of the Month is Shoes 4 the Shoeless.
- Prayer Shawls have been delivered. There are several available.
- Relay for Life / Holy Walkamolies team raised \$5,130.00. Over \$50,000 was raised for the entire event.
- Lunch on us volunteers needed at the Methodist church.
- Is there any interest in a Women's Bible Study? This would be held during the week.
- August Mission of the Month will be LWR School Kits. Kathy Groth will head this up. A packing party will be help in September.
- There will be a Mum Festival Garage Sale. Donations will be accepted starting Sept. 18. Deb K. will check the Tipp Gazette about an ad.

Next Meeting: Sunday, Aug. 8th at 7:00 p.m

COMMUNICATIONS & WELCOMING – July 13, 2021

The committee learned that Zion would be welcoming Jane Athey as a new member of our congregation in the near future. Several other visitors have expressed interest in joining Zion. James Sebastian and family continue to live-stream the Sunday morning worship service from the sanctuary. **The Sebastians need help in doing this important service.** Anyone who could help them, please contact Pastor Jeff or James Sebastian. Chairpersons of Zion committees are urged to get their meeting dates and event information to Linda in the office so these dates can be entered on the master calendar.

Blessing of the Pets will be held on Zion's front lawn (in case of rain – under the portico) on Saturday, August 14 from 10-11 a.m.

Deb Keppel thanked members of the committee for their participation in Celebration Weekend's

receptions following our first worship in the sanctuary since March, 2020.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at 5:00.

CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS – July 13, 2021

1. Approved May financials.
2. Approved June council minutes.
3. Blood drive on July 8 at church was very successful.
4. Zion Church returned to sanctuary the weekend of July 10-11.
5. VBS will be July 19-22 at the church.
6. Council approved transfer into membership for Jane Athey.
7. Council approved a planting of a tree on the church grounds in memory of Terri Darrah. Council will look into what type of tree would be ideal for planting and where to plant on the church grounds.
8. Pastor leading a six week Bible study on Sunday mornings at 9:00am on the book of Galatians. Last class will be August 15.



Tidings Correction / Worship & Music

For altar, Carla Frame welcomed Gary Groth and Kathy Groth to the communion preparers.

Request from Beth Shrake @ Miami County Hospice:

Are there any talented folks that could make these towels? Our gift shop told me that these sell very well. They would love to have some for various seasons/holidays. Please contact Ruth White or Beth at (937) 573-2115 if you would be interested in making the towels.



Zion Lutheran Church,
We can't thank you enough for the love you lavished on us. The choir, the bible study group and all gave us beautiful mementos that will be cherished for years to come. Please take this donation as a Thank you and use as best fits the church needs. *Pamela Hale*

Thank You so very much for your generous donation of 4 neck pillows, 6 clench pillows, 8 clothing protectors, and 24 written notes!!! Amazing. Thank you too for sharing your skills, for your great generosity and thinking of us. Your kindness is greatly appreciated. *Beth Shrake, Hospice of Miami County.*

Dear Good People of Zion,
Eagles' Wings is a small 501 (c)(3) with an annual budget of around \$75,000. We charge students \$35 per hour for therapeutic riding, while our cost per riding hour is around \$125. This gap exists because we believe student ridership should be based upon need and not on the ability to pay. We close this gap with gifts like yours. Your gift of \$500 helps provide opportunities for our riders to develop balance, strength, stability, social, emotional, and cognitive skills that will enrich their daily lives and their contribution to society. We accomplish these rider transformations through the multi-dimensional motion and personality of the horse as a therapist. You help make this possible – thank you!
Gary J. Kuziinsky
Eagles' Wings Board Member

The Relay For Life team, Holy Walkamolies For the Cure, thanks everyone who supported us this year. Thank you to those who helped us with our garage sale, gave donations or purchased luminarias. With your help, we have raised \$5130 for American Cancer Society. This money helps American Cancer Society fund cancer research, provide free lodging near treatment centers, operate a 24/7/365 helpline, and provide rides to treatment. Planning for Miami County's 2022 Relay For Life will begin in September. New team members are

always welcome. *Debbie Rudisill, team captain*

Members of Zion Lutheran Church:
Thank you so much for the many cards, well wishes, personal notes and especially your prayers during my treatment. I truly believe in the power of positive energy and prayer. With God's help, I hope to return very soon to my normal home and church activities.
Sincerely, *Jaque Mitchell*

VBS 2021 IS A WRAP!

We had a great week of ROCKY RAILWAY VBS July 19th - 22nd!
30 children learned about how JESUS' POWER PULLS US THROUGH!
Each day we had a Bible Point that went along with our Bible Adventure story and activities.
Day 1 - JESUS' POWER HELPS US DO HARD THINGS = we learned about prayer
Day 2 - JESUS' POWER GIVES US HOPE = we learned about how Jesus encourages us so we can encourage others
Day 3 - JESUS' POWER HELPS US BE BOLD = Jesus gives us courage to share the Gospel
Day 4 - JESUS' POWER LETS US LIVE FOREVER = Jesus died and rose again so we will live forever

Thank you to all the volunteers who made it possible to have VBS and a fun week! You are very appreciated!!

Check out the photo board display of VBS in the Walnut St entrance area!

*******GRACE PLACE NEWS*******

Sunday School will start up September 12th!

We need leaders for the following classes:

Preschool - Kindergarten

1st grade - 4th grade

5th grade - 8th grade

9th grade - High School

If you love Jesus and you love children you are qualified! All material and lessons will be provided for you. If you can't do every Sunday but can do some Sundays even please let me know, that will still help out!

God's peace,
Jackie Glawe



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Don't forget to check your mailbox each week. The mailboxes have been moved back to the hallway where they originally were now that we are back in the sanctuary.