



Zion Tidings

Serving Christ Through Serving Others

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DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ARTICLES FOR THE JUNE "TIDINGS" Monday, May 23, 2022



The shouts went from 'Hosanna' to 'Crucify Him' to 'He is Risen'! What an emotional journey this Lenten, Holy Week and Easter season provide for the followers of Jesus Christ, Us! Those events leave us breathless as we try to contemplate the magnitude of such a loving Savior and the cruel face of humanity. And, He did that for me, for us, and that indeed leaves me breathless. So, my only response can be humble thanks and endless praise for the One who offers new and eternal life, Jesus Christ. He is Risen Indeed, Alleluia!

Thanks to all the folks who have made this journey to the cross and empty tomb so meaningful. Folks who work tirelessly behind the scenes so that we can focus on the journey with the Savior. From staff, to readers, to communion preparers and assistants, to musicians, to the folks who simply come to hear the story again, Zion Lutheran Church is clearly a caring and compassionate out post for the message of the Gospel!

In other news; following our Pastoral Care information meeting, we now have three (3) new teams of folks who will be helping with the important opportunities for Pastoral care. What a blessing these folks will be. Also, the staff has begun meeting weekly at 10:00 am on Tuesdays in the conference room off the parking lot entrance. This provides opportunities to review what has already taken place as well as what is coming up, and to stay in touch with each other to provide mutual support.

As the Spring flowers and trees begin to bud with their individual beauty, I continue to see more and more the beauty of the gracious folks at Zion Lutheran Church. I am grateful for your partnership on the journey called Faith! God Bless You!

MAY MISSION OF THE MONTH SOCKS FOR SENIORS



Since 2002, Socks for Seniors hosts an annual sock drive

throughout the United States. Community organizations across America are becoming involved by collecting adult socks to be distributed to senior centers and nursing facilities. Many of the residents have no funds to purchase needed items and socks are one of those most needed items. What kind of socks should you collect? The funnier, funkier styles you can find - holiday themed, bright colors, animals, patterned. One recipient of socks replied, "We're just old, not dead and we still have a sense of humor!" Also needed are traditional tube socks. **Please avoid socks that have individual toes and high compression and diabetic socks.** One year when the socks collected by Zion were dropped off at Troy Care and Rehabilitation Center, the receptionist was astonished. "Nobody brings us socks – we need them so badly!" There will be a laundry basket and display in the area behind the sanctuary. If you cannot shop for socks, feel free to leave a donation and the shopping will be done for you. Socks should be placed in the laundry basket and monetary donations can be placed in the offering plate labeled "Socks for Seniors". Socks and monetary donations will be collected until May 31. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Holt.

MAY ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

In May, the Adult Sunday School will cover the following topics:

May 1 – What if Judas had lived?

May 8 – The Miracles of Jesus: A Faith-full Outsider/A Canaanite Woman

May 15 – The Miracles of Jesus: Grateful Outcasts/Ten Lepers

May 22 – This will be the last class until fall. We'll have a little celebration and recap the lessons we've had so far and discuss what you'd like to study in the fall.



A first Communion Class will be offered on Saturday, May 14th at 3:00 pm in the Adult Sunday School room. This class is being offered to those children in 2nd grade and above. At the 5 pm worship service on Saturday the 14th the class will take part in their first communion. A celebration will follow after the worship service. Please sign up on the sheet posted on the wall in the hallway leading to the fellowship hall.



The National Day of Prayer will be held on Thursday, May 5th at 12:00 noon down at the Tipp Roller in Tipp City. Anyone is welcome to attend.



Below you will find a list of dates that communion will be offered here at Zion. It is the 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month and the 4th Saturday of the month. You will also find this schedule in the bulletins.

Saturday: May 14th (First Communion students) & **May 28th**

Sunday: May 1st & **May 15th**



May Birthdays

- 2 Dale Schaefer
- 4 Laurie Helke
- 6 Faith Krum
- 7 Dianne LeGros
- 8 Elijah Johnson, Ruth White
- 13 Kate Pytel
- 17 Michael Hannah (son), Kristen Witwer
- 19 Maureen Holley
- 23 Matt Sauls
- 24 Cynthia Moore
- 25 Stephanie Weprin
- 26 Nathan Schall
- 27 Jan Aller, Susan Coon
- 28 Zachery Johnson
- 30 Ruth Stollmer
- 31 Pat Cowan



The first Saturday and Sunday of each month we continue to collect non-perishable

food items for the Food Pantry in Tipp City. We also collect a Thank Offering to assist those in need in our community.

Food can be dropped off in the green barrel placed at the Walnut Street entrance.

Thank offering can be put in the container on the table in the back of the church. Thank you for your participation in these projects.

thank you

Zion Sew-ers,

WOW! The clothing protectors are so colorful! Love those fun fabrics and prints.

Thank you for sharing your amazing sewing skills. We greatly appreciate you thinking of our patients!
Beth Shrake, Hospice of Miami County

Dear Friends of Wittenberg:

Thank you for your generosity to Wittenberg University. Your gift will have an immediate impact on our current students and will enable them to experience and exceptional liberal arts education. Your donations truly make a difference.

Sincerely, Kristina Devine / Assistant Vice President for Advancement



in Miami County

Relay For Life is only a few weeks away (June 18). Our team, Holy Walkamolies For the Cure, could still use a few more participants. The next team meeting will be May 15 at 3 pm in the adult Sunday school room. At that meeting, we will begin to schedule people to walk, work in our booth, and a few other jobs. Contact Debbie Rudisill for more information about how you can be a cancer fighter.

If you do not wish to participate, you can support us by making a donation. Our goal is to raise at least \$5,000. There are 2 ways to donate:

On-line – www.RelayForLife.org/MiamiCounty click on Donate

When asked who you want to support, select the team "Holy Walkamolies For the Cure" or **If you prefer, a check payable to American Cancer Society** may be given to Debbie Rudisill, team captain.

We are taking orders for luminarias that will be placed around the track during the event on June 18. The candles will be lit as it starts to get dark, and then all the names are

read. Luminaria may be given in honor of a cancer survivor, in support of someone battling cancer, or in memory of someone who had cancer. Cost is \$10 per luminary. For an order form, see Debbie Rudisill. Order forms and money need to be returned to Debbie by May 15.

We are also selling Pampered Chef products. If you would like a catalog and order form, please see Debbie Rudisill. There is a website on the catalog if you wish to order online. All products will be shipped directly to you. All orders, whether using the form or ordering online, must be placed by May 15. Our team will receive a percentage of the sales. All proceeds will go to American Cancer Society.



PLEASE KEEP THOSE NEEDING COMFORT AND HEALING IN YOUR PRAYERS:
Patsy Furrow, Herb Johnson

The family of Jean Turner who passed away April 11th. Per her request there will be no public service.

Prayer requests for Carolyn Cundiff, Lilo Myers, Joe Delaplaine, Larry & Lil Nichols, Laura Roeth, Debbie Turner, Dave & Sue Cook, AnnaMarie Stover, Fred & Jan Aller, Betty Jackson, Jane Athey, Tom & Shirley Rawlins, Adam Rizotte, Gloria Bilbay, Tom Replegle, Marianne & Norm Barnhart, Carol Phillips, Trapper, Phillips.

Please Note: In our attempt to keep the prayer chain up to date, we would appreciate being contacted with any updated information on the individuals listed on the prayer chain. If you would like an individual taken off or added please e-mail prayers@ziontippcity.org or call the church office at 1 937 667-3110. Thank you.

COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES

Property Committee Report / April, 2022

New front door locks have been installed. The Main Street entry can be used again. The lawn mowers are back from service and the signup sheets are up. Volunteers are needed for mowing the church lawn and/or the Lutheran Cemetery on Hyatt Street. The committee will be helping construct a cardboard mountain for this summer's VBS. The monthly work list was completed.

The next meeting will be Monday, May 2nd at 6:00 p.m.

WOMEN OF ZION / April 10, 2022

Thank you's were read from Zion Youth, Needy Baskets, Dayton VA Medical Center and Project Believe.

March mission – Eagles Wings \$275 raised; WOZ matched that amount and sent \$550 to them, plus \$50 private donation.

WELCA Spring Gathering was April 9th. 38 women attended, 16 were Zion members. Thanks to Denise Jacobs, Ruth White and Donna Slyman for helping with this. \$560 offering was received.

Thanks to Kathy Groth for getting tubs for cushions. Several people have been using them.

New Business:

- Carla Frame will send out new altar care Schedules.
- April Mission of the Month is tornado relief for Kentucky. WOZ will match up to \$300.
- May Mission is Socks for Seniors. Linda Holt will take care of announcing it.
- Clothesline update: Kathy shared a man came in and bought \$22 for items to be sent to Mexico.
- Prayer shawl update from Debbie Rudisill. All shawls have been blessed. There are 5 men's and 5 women's, and 6 baby blankets available.
- **Relay for Life** event will take place June 18th. Information in the bulletins & this Newsletter.
- **VBS** will take place this summer. No date yet.
- **Mum Festival Garage Sale** is a go. The sale will be September 22 & 23.
- **Brat Supper** will be held in October, possibly Oct. 8 or 15.
- Deb K. will check with Jessica about cleaning the nursery.
- Kathy Groth suggested doing something for Ukraine. A motion was made to give \$500 to Lutheran Disaster Response to help Ukraine.
- **Women's Retreat** may be done in the fall.

Next meeting: Sunday, May 15, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m.

COMMUNICATIONS/WELCOMING COMMITTEE / April 2022

The committee plans to revamp the black pew books in the near future. Pastor Dale reported that he hopes to begin a new member class after Easter. Combining the duties of the greeters and Welcome Center "muggers" was discussed.

There is a need for a technology team at Zion.

The outreach ministry board and the committee bulletin board will be updated.

A Blessing of the Pets has been tentatively scheduled in June. Other possible fellowship events were discussed for the summer. Our next meeting will be: **Tuesday, May 10th at 5:00 pm**



Important Dates

- **May 1** @ 11am Vacation Bible School first meeting
- **May 22** last day of Sunday School
- **May 31** last day for youth to sign up for Synod Day at Wittenberg (Replacing Youth Gathering)
- June TBD- Youth and Kid Pool Party
- **July 18-22** Vacation Bible School (VBS)
- **July 26** Synod Day at Wittenberg (replacing Youth Gathering)
- **September 11** Rally Day (First Day back at Sunday School)

Grace Place News

- The Children in K-5 will continue to learn about Jesus. Happy Belated Birthday (March) to Hannah.
- The Youth will continue to learn about how to read the bible via the Bible Project. Happy Birthday to Zach J!
- Thank you to all who brought in items and volunteered their time for the Easter Breakfast and Egg Hunt, along with those who came out to support it.
- **Synod Day**
- The Synod is offering a one day Synod Day on July 26. Chaperones and Youth (entering 8th grade and older) can sign up with the registration papers I placed in your mailbox. Additional registration papers can be found in the youth

director mailbox in the work room. Please feel free to invite friends to this. The cost is \$25 for each youth (chaperones are free).

- **Acolyte** sign up has been made. If your child age 8- not confirmed would like to be an acolyte please contact Jessica Dorn in order to set up training. If your child has already been trained, you can sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A054AA5AD2DA4FA7-zion> please contact Jessica for the passcode.



Vacation Bible School (VBS)

Please Pray for Christian Education and VBS, that we will have enough people to volunteer their times and talents in order for the community to get what they need out of Christian Education and VBS.

A message from your Christian Ed Director:

I truly want to thank everyone for being so graceful with me during my learning process this year. I know that I've shaken things up a bit this year, and I haven't always done things in a timely manner. But I am truly grateful to everyone who has helped me in both volunteering and words of encouragement. You will never know how truly blessed I feel to be a part of such a wonder group of people. – Jessica Dorn



If you have ever wondered about becoming a member at Zion Lutheran Church, here's the perfect opportunity:

New Member Inquirers Class

When: Sunday, June 12, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

Where: Adult Sunday School Class Room

See you there!

How Can We Pray For You?

**Monday – Friday: 9:00 – 11:00 am
on June 20 – 24 out on the corner of
the church lawn.**

**Please be praying about your willingness
to be a part of this outreach.**