ANNOUNCEMENTS

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH March 17, 2024

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AS WE GATHER: Our Bible Reading of the Day is Luke 3:15–22; 4:1–13. At Jesus' Baptism in the Jordan by John the Baptist, the heavens open, the Spirit descends, and the Father speaks, "You are My beloved Son." This pivotal moment marks the beginning of Jesus' ministry, and it creates an incredible connection to Jesus' life (and death and resurrection) and our own. Jesus goes from the waters of Baptism to the wilderness, where He faces a series of temptations from the devil. Jesus resists each as He speaks the truth of God's Word against the lies of Satan, remaining the perfect Son of God in our place.

LENTEN SERVICES will be held on Wednesday. Service times are 10:00 am and 6:30 pm. Our 6:30 Service will be Live-Streamed. Our Wednesday series this Lenten season is called "Guided to the Cross" and this week we will look at Guided to Perseverance (Ephesians 6:10, 18): In word and song, we contemplate how to live lives of perseverance in the midst of strife in the name of Jesus, who endured the cross to the very end for us all.

THE RUTH LWML GUILD Feminine Hygiene Ingathering will end NEXT Sunday. Drop off all your donations in the East Entryway. All items and cash donations will be taken to the St. Francis House.

2023 THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS: Just a reminder that your 2023 Thrivent Choice Dollars need to be directed to your favorite organization (like Zion Lutheran). The deadline to direct your 2023 Choice Dollars is **March 31.**

ZION'S CHOIR will be hosting our Lenten Supper from 5:30 - 6:15 on Wednesday. On the Menu is Pizza and Cookies. A Free-will Offering will be taken with the proceeds going to Main Street Living.

INCIDENT REPORTS

The Board of Elders has an incident report folder on the file cabinet by the kitchen. If you have an incident here at church be sure to fill out a report and return the report to the office.



THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR this morning are given in celebration of Gwendolyn Marilyn Scott's Holy Baptism by her grandparents, Mark and Cathy VandeBraak. We thank Mark and Cathy for providing the flowers for our services today.

BEING BAPTIZED during our late service today is Gwendolyn Marilyn, infant daughter of Jake and Rebecca Scott. We pray God's blessings upon Gwendolyn and her family.



WE HAVE A NEW FACE in the church office. Lisa May took over as Office Manager on Monday, March 11. Lisa is asking for your patience as she learns her new position.

Maxine has moved to a part-time position in the office.

WE ARE IN NEED of some help with the Easter Breakfast. If you would be willing to help with this, please contact either John Kritzmire (605-366-5126) or the church office (605-338-5226)

"WALK WITH JESUS"

Saturday, March 30 - 10:00 am

Practice for the Walk with Jesus will be at 5:30 on Wednesday March 27 with supper being cooked by Shelly. Please let Shelly know if you will be able to attend the practice or not. Her email is: gzuzfreaks@outlook.com

THE NEW PORTALS of PRAYER for April through June are available this morning in the back of the church and in the East Entryway. Be sure to pick yours up!

UPCOMING SPECIAL SERVICES

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICES - March 28, 2024

10:00 am and 6:30 pm

First Communion will be celebrated at the 6:30 Service. 5:30 - 6:15 pm - Supper will be served with proceeds going to VBS

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES - March 29, 2024 10:00 am and 6:30 pm

EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES - March 31, 2024

Sunrise Service - 6:30 am Traditional Celebration Service - 8:00 am Contemporary Celebration Service - 10:30 am

Easter Breakfast will be served from 7:00 to 10:30 am with proceeds going to Honor Flight





ZION FOUNDATION REPORT

The Zion Foundation is a separate nonprofit entity whose mission is to provide financial support for the missions and ministry of Zion Lutheran Church. The Zion Foundation has provided funds for many projects including most recently the playground equipment, the cameras and the livestream video system and the new atrium chairs. Please find the year end Endowment Statement for 2023 on the table in the back of the Sanctuary.

Members of the Zion Foundation

Paul Farmer, President Cindy Draisey, Treasurer Jill Powell

John Kritzmire

Jolene Hanson

Gordon Krause, Vice President

Valerie Strandell, Secretary

Don Sturzenbecher

Lyle Dabbert

Current Congregation President, Matt Stotts