

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**AS WE GATHER:** Our Bible Readings of the Day are Acts 20:1–12 and 2 Corinthians 11:22–28. After an extended stay in Greece, Paul sets off on another journey, finally arriving in Troas. There, as he preaches late into the night, a young man named Eutychus falls asleep on a window ledge and tumbles three floors to his death. Paul rushes to his side and restores Eutychus to life. Later, in his second letter to the Church at Corinth, Paul recounts in detail the numerous hardships he endured in his ministry.

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**OUR WEDNESDAY SERVICES** will be at 10:00am and 6:30 pm. The 6:30 Service will also be Livestreamed. This week's theme is "He Wants to Free Us."

**A LENTEN SUPPER** will be served from 5:30 to 6:15 pm each week. The Ruth Guild is hosting the meal this Wednesday and a Chicken and Rice casserole and desserts are on the menu. A free-will offering will be taken.

**LENTEN DEVOTIONS** from Lutheran Hour Ministries are on the table at the back of the church. This year's theme is "Servant of the Lord."

**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!

**WALK TO JERUSALEM** We need every mile, so please email, call, or fill out the form on the back table to submit your miles to Nurse Rachel. Remember as we journey through Lent, we walk as a Zion Family!

**A REMINDER** the LWML has boxed and individual Easter cards for sale in the Atrium. The payment box is on the wall next to the card rack.

**ZION WOMEN'S PAINTING PARTY** is on Saturday from 1-4. Spots are limited. Contact Leah Pidde to sign up. 605-216-4869

**THE FLOWERS** on the Altar this morning are given by Keith and Bonnie Boese in honor of their anniversary. We thank Keith and Bonnie for providing the flowers for our services this morning.

**THERE IS AN OPPORTUNITY** to provide flowers for our services on March 30th. The cost is \$53. Please contact the church office if you are interested .

**WE EXTEND OUR** Christian Sympathy to the family of Betty Marty. She passed away March 6. Services were held Saturday at George Boom Funeral Home.

**YOUTH ENVELOPE FUNDRAISER:** Zion Youth are holding an Envelope Fundraiser during Lent in the back of the sanctuary. Our kids and adult leaders designed 175 envelopes, each with an encouraging Bible verse to brighten your day! Here's how it works:

1. Grab an envelope off the wall
2. Put the given dollar amount in the envelope
3. Place it in the offering plate

It's that easy! All the money raised will go towards the 2025 National Youth Gathering in New Orleans in July. As the envelopes are removed from the wall, a THANK YOU from our youth, including pictures from the gathering will appear! We are so thankful for your continued support of our Youth Ministries!

**RESERVE A SPOT** at Camp Minneboji this summer. Registration is now open. Camp booklets are on the table at the back of the church.

**YOUR 2024 Contribution Statements** are available. Please contact the office if you would like a copy mailed or emailed to you.

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# KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE

## Why do we celebrate Lent for 40 days?

Don't forget what Lent is all about! It is a time when we are reminded of what Jesus gave up for us, and a time when we look forward to and prepare for His death and resurrection!



We celebrate Lent for six weeks, or 40 days, as we remember Christ's temptation in the wilderness in the Gospel of Matthew. There **Jesus was without food** for 40 days.



We remember the temptation of **the Israelites in the desert** after the Lord had delivered them from Egypt. This lasted 40 years.



Finally, we can remember the story of **Noah and his family**. After 40 days and 40 nights of rain, the Lord delivered them as He promised.

During these 40 days of Lent, we remember God's faithfulness to His people and how His faithfulness is complete in Jesus, our Savior. Jesus remains faithful to us, always being where He promises to be: in His Word and Sacraments. Wow! What a Savior!



**Parents:** Continue to encourage your children in their Lenten preparation. During worship, point out the places where our Lord comes to us (i.e. God's Word, Holy Communion, Holy Baptism, Absolution). Remember, being their example and companion on this Lenten journey makes a difference!

