# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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#### **AS WE GATHER:**

Jesus Christ, the Son of God, came from the Father and became flesh among us in order to rescue us, His sheep. He laid down His life for us and took it up again in order to give us eternal life. By the preaching of His Gospel, He calls His sheep to Himself and keeps them with Him forever. As they hear His voice and follow Him, "they will never perish" (John 10:28), for "no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand" (John 10:29). In the same way, faithful pastors (literally, "shepherds") "care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood" (Acts 20:28), "testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ" (Acts 20:21). Therefore, with all the company of heaven, the Good Shepherd gathers His flock in worship, as they cry: "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" (Rev. 7:10).



#### WALK HOME FROM JERUSALEM

**<u>UPDATE</u>** We are in Rome, Italy—4,537 miles from home. Please email, call, or fill out the form on the back table to submit your miles to Parish Nurse Rachel.

JOY (Just Older Youth) is volunteering at the "Lunch Is Served" program on Wednesday at 11:30 am. Sign up in the Atrium or email Parish Nurse Rachel if you are able to attend.

#### **DISCOVER THE BIGNESS OF GOD at**

Vacation Bible School. We will focus on exploring God's greatness through the details of His creation, encouraging kids to see Him as bigger, stronger, and more magnificent than they often realize. VBS runs July 13-16 and is open to kids from 3 years to finishing 4th grade. Register at: myvbs.org/zionkidsvbs

**ZION'S SOFTBALL TEAM** is back on the diamond this season. Cheer them on tomorrow night at Sherman Park. They are playing two games—one at 6:30 and the second at 7:25. Both are on field D.

THE FLOWERS on the Altar this morning are given by John Holeton and Jan Dallman in honor of their 43rd wedding anniversary last Thursday. We congratulate John and Jan on their special day and thank them for providing the flowers for our services today.

WE EXTEND OUR Christian Sympathy to the family of Arlene Welgraven. She passed away May 1st. Funeral services were held on Friday at Zion.

HOSTESS MEETING Zion has a hostess program to help with events in the Atrium and more ladies are needed. We are holding a meeting for current and prospective members on Sunday, May 18 after the late service in the conference room. Please let coordinator Kelly Loween know if you are able to attend. 507-476 -7191 or frog3\_16@hotmail.com

**DIAPER DERBY STARTS TODAY** The Ruth Guild is collecting diapers again Mother's Day through Father's Day. This year all the donations are going to The Teddy Bear Den. There will be a Tea Party/Baby Shower to wrap up the Diaper Derby on June 21st at 11am. A representative from The Teddy Bear Den will be the guest speaker.

<u>CONGRATULATIONS</u> to Madison Hofer who graduated from SDSU yesterday with a B.S. Degree in Animal Science and a minor in Animal Health. She will continue her education this fall and plans to become a veterinarian.

One Room Summer Sunday School begins June 1.

# GOD BLESS OUR CONFIRMANDS

The following young people will be Confirmed during our 10:30 Service today. Each of them had a Spiritual Gifts Project that they will be talking about during the Atrium Bible Study today.
This year's Confirmands are:



#### **Austin Michael Loween**

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.

Joshua 1:9

#### Norah Ann Nelson

For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline.

2 Timothy 1:7

#### Owen Michael Gilster

For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Ephesians 2:10

#### **Kylie Marie McMillen**

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Ephesians 4:32

#### **Brandon Thomas Aamold**

Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails.

Proverbs 19:21

## Ryan Aaron Halbakken

You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.

1 John 4:4

#### Lauren Helen Huber

I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.

John 16:33