# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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AS WE GATHER: I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. Jesus prays. Jesus reveals that his greatest glory is to enter into suffering with us and for us. And not only on the cross as he did when his hour came. But also, to join us in our present day suffering, to shine the glory of his death for us as we walk through this journey of life. Even now, he glorifies you in his Word. He glorifies you in his gift of eternal life, that you know the only true God and Jesus Christ whom he has sent. You are glorified in Jesus. Right now. Today. And forever.

THE LEAD ELDER TODAY is Matt Graff. Please contact him if you have any questions about Zion Lutheran and he will be glad to help you out. Matt's favorite Bible verse is Colossians 3:23.

## WALK HOME FROM JERUSALEM

<u>UPDATE</u> We are in New York City today and have 1,362 miles to go to get back home. Please email, call, or fill out the form on the back table to submit your miles to Parish Nurse Rachel.

A NEW MEMBER CLASS will be held Saturday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Lunch will be provided. If you would like to become a member or have recently transferred your membership to Zion Lutheran - this Class is for you. Please contact the church office (605-338-5226) to sign-up for the Class and arrange a time to pick up the materials.

<u>CONGRATULATIONS</u> to Lauren Aamold who is the winner of the National History Day Documentary in South Dakota. Her topic was the Berlin Wall. She now heads to Washington DC to present at the National History Day competition in June.

<u>CONGRATULATIONS</u> to Madelyn Meyer, granddaughter of Dr. David and Val Ohrt on earning a degree in Health Administration from Creighton University.

<u>THE LWML</u> has boxed and individual cards for sale in the Atrium, including for Father's Day. The payment box is on the wall next to the card rack.

<u>THE FLOWERS</u> on the Altar this morning are given by Craig and Gail Eichstadt in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary they are celebrating today. We congratulate Craig and Gail on their special day and thank them for providing the flowers for our services today.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS to prepare our Communion trays for the month of July. Please call the office (605-338-5226) if you are able to help with this vital ministry.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held next Sunday to go over the results of the Self-Survey that was filled out as part of the call process. The meeting will be in the Atrium between services.

**DONATE DIAPERS** The Ruth Guild is collecting diapers through Father's Day. Our total so far is **2,620** diapers. 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>CALLING ALL GARDENERS!</u> When you are putting in your garden this year— add a few extra plants and share your harvest with your Zion church family!

## **DO YOU NEED A STURDY WORK TABLE?**

Zion has thirteen 6-foot and 8-foot tables to give away. Contact the church office if you are interested. (605-338-5226)

**YOUTH FAMILY BBQ** is Thursday at Spellerberg Park from 6-8 pm. Come for games and great food!

<u>YOU SEE THEM EVERY SUNDAY</u> but how closely do you really look at Zion's stained glass windows? This summer we will be taking a closer look at the panels. We start on the North side of the Sanctuary with the Old Testament.



#### Window #1—Creation

Beginning at the front on the north side, we see the open hand pointing downward, symbolizing God the giver and preserver of life. Scripture begins, "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth." "All things were made by Him and without Him nothing was made."

### Window #2—Fall of Man

Our second window reminds us of man's fall into sin. In the Garden of Eden, God gave Adam and Eve the privilege of eating of every tree but one. This was called the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. If they ate of this tree, they would lose their relationship with God and die. They disobeyed God and thus death entered the world. Yet God promised to send a Savior born of woman to crush the tempter's head.

#### Window #3—Noah

As history progressed, we find man deserting his God more and more until God called Noah to build an ark. God was to send a great flood that would destroy everything. Noah, his three sons and their wives found grace in the eyes of the Lord and were saved. The rainbow is God's promise that He would never again destroy all mankind by flood.

#### Window #4—Abraham

God now calls Abraham to become the father of many nations and through him all God's children would be blessed. God tested Abraham's faith by asking him to sacrifice his son on an altar. Abraham obeyed God, but God stopped him and provided a lamb. God sent His Son, the Lamb as a sacrifice for the sins of the world—a sacrifice for all mankind.

