

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**AS WE GATHER:** Daily we hold fast to the wonderful news that the battle has been fought and the price has been paid by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, that we may have freedom from sin, eternal death, and the devil. Today we hear the Spirit-inspired words of the apostle Paul from Galatians and learn more about what real freedom is, guidance for lives lived in that freedom, and the fruit freely given to us through the Holy Spirit.

**THE LEAD ELDER TODAY** is Joe Simonson. Please contact him if you have any questions about Zion Lutheran and he will be glad to help you out. Joe's favorite Bible verse is 2 Timothy 4:18.

**ZION IS SERVING BREAKFAST** at The Banquet downtown on Monday, July 28. A Sign-Up sheet is at the back of the church.



**SIOUX FALLS LUTHERAN SCHOOL** will host it's Annual Book Sale on August 13 - 16. It will be held at Memorial Lutheran Church (5000 S Western Avenue) from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm Wed-Fri and from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm on Saturday. Donations are now being accepted at Memorial and the Lutheran School. Proceeds will go to Tuition Assistance.

### CONTRIBUTION OPTIONS

#### \* Church Envelopes

\* Simply Giving (Automatic Withdrawal)

\* Text to Give by texting to 605-220-5417

Please contact the church office (605-338-5226) or ([zion@zionlutheransf.com](mailto:zion@zionlutheransf.com)) if you have any questions concerning these options.

**THE FLOWERS** on the Altar this morning are given by Jim and Cheryl Bosley in praise and thanksgiving for all God's blessings.

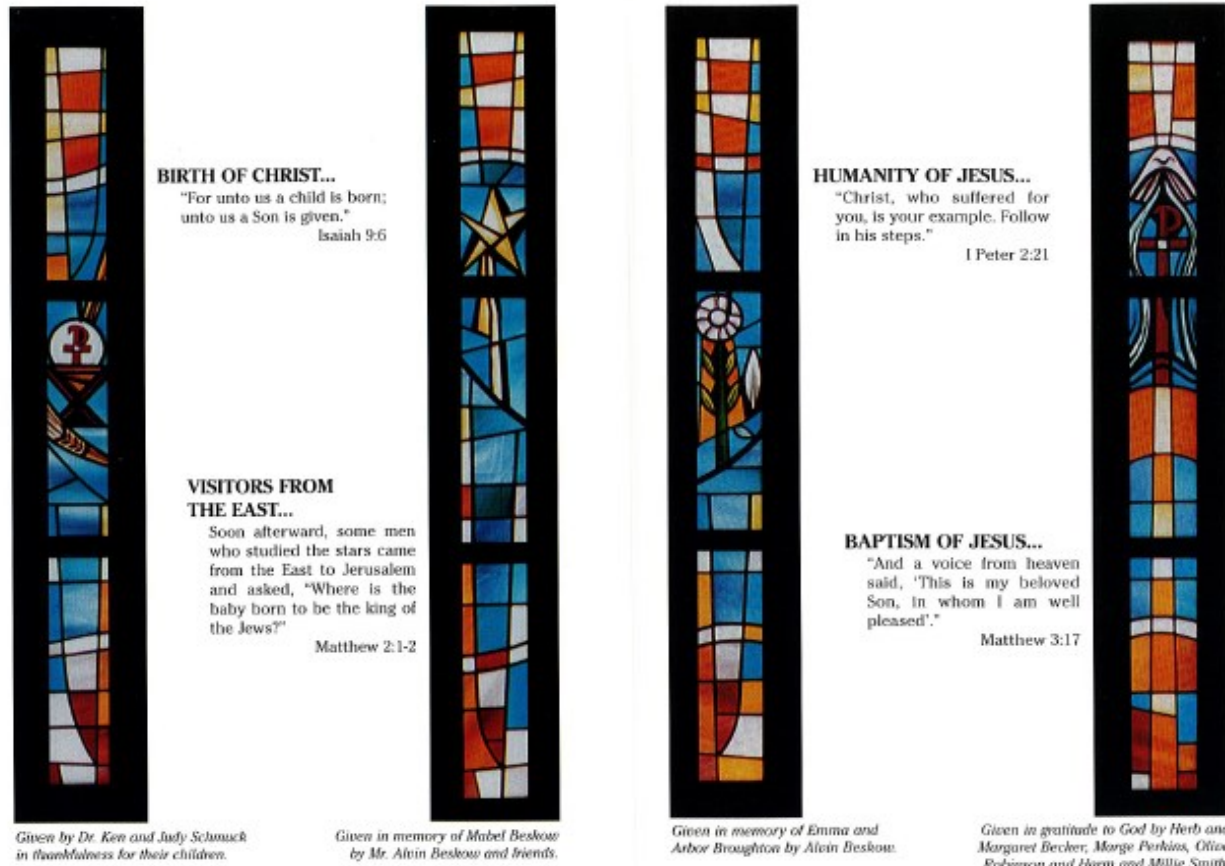
And by Lu Otten's children in celebration of her 90th birthday tomorrow. We thank Jim and Cheryl for providing the flowers and we wish Lu a very "Happy Birthday!"

**GIDDY UP!** The Dr. Vaughn and JoAnn Meyer Memorial Golf Tournament is going country. Help support Christ-centered education with a day full of fellowship, fundraising and fairway fun. It's Monday, August 4 and begins at 8:00am with a Shot-Gun Start at Bakker Crossing.

**OUR CHURCH DIRECTORY** is a great resource when you need to find a phone number or address of a member. Simply go to the App Store, search for **Instant Church Directory** and download the FREE app to begin. You will use your email address listed in the directory to CREATE A LOGIN the first time you use the directory app. If you are a member and are not listed in the directory, OR if you have trouble logging into the app, please contact the church office.

**THE NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING** is just a couple weeks away. Come and help us send off Zion's group on Thursday, July 17th at 6:45 am in the Zion parking lot. The bus will arrive in New Orleans on the 18th. The group will take part in Bible Studies, Gathering Activities and mass events at the Superdome each day. They will also hop on a riverboat ride, and head out on a Ragin Cajun Airboat Tour. Watch for pictures of their activities on our Facebook page. We pray the event will be a joyous and meaningful experience for all.

**YOU SEE THEM EVERY SUNDAY** 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. Today we move to the South side of the church and the New Testament.



### Window #1—Birth of Christ

Beginning at the front of the south side of the Sanctuary, we have the works and life of Christ in symbols. It begins with his birth. The creche with Chi Rho in the form of a cross reminds us of the Christ born in a manger. One can never separate his coming from the purpose of His coming. The Angels said, "Your SAVIOR is born, who is Christ the Lord.

### Window #2—Visitors From the East

Matthew wrote of visitors from the east—wise men who followed the star that they might worship Him, the King of the Jews. Thus we celebrate Epiphany, the Gentile Christmas. The star reminds us that Christ is the Savior of all, Jew and Gentile alike.

### Window #3 The Humanity of Jesus

Jesus Christ was both God and man. The third window reminds us, however of his humanity and innocence. The flower reminds us that God became flesh and dwelt among us. He was tempted as we are, yet he remained without sin. God's law must be kept and Jesus kept it perfectly in our stead.

### Window #4—The Baptism of Jesus

Jesus began His ministry with his baptism. The Father, with a voice from heaven, announced this was His beloved Son. The spirit was present in the form of a dove. Jesus had no need for baptism because He was sinless, yet He needed to keep God's law, and thus asked John the Baptist to baptize him in the Jordan River. We see the Baptism shell pouring water over the Christ (Chi Rho) to signify His baptism.