## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

**July 20, 2025** 

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AS WE GATHER: This week it's all about listening ... to God's word ... and to living it out in compassion, integrity and mercy ... which requires listening to others. This can be harder than it sounds with all the noise that bombards us each day. That's why the discipline of worship is so important. It gives us the time and the space to learn the practice of listening well. As we listen to God's message and implement God's saving reconciling word through simple acts of mercy, compassion and a commitment to truth and integrity, that we find ourselves living out the reality of God's reign in our lives and our world. May your listening abilities be enhanced by your worship this week.

**THE LEAD ELDER TODAY** is Jeff Sebesta. Please contact him if you have any questions about Zion Lutheran and he will be glad to help you out. Jeff's favorite Bible verse is John 3:16.

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

**ZION'S SOFTBALL TEAM** plays tomorrow night at 7:25 and 8:20 on Field "D" at Sherman Park. The League tournament is Saturday at Harmoden Park.

**INTERESTED IN A GREAT MISSION** 

**PROJECT?** Consider volunteering at Blessed Emmanuel during the 85th Sturgis Motorcycle Rally August 1-10! We serve about 2000 breakfasts and suppers during the rally. That's 2000 opportunities to witness! Call Blessed Emmanuel at 605-423-5870 for more information.



**TEXAS FLOOD DONATIONS** can be sent to the South Dakota District office. Please make your checks out to "SD District LCMS" and put "Texas Flood Relief" on the memo line. The address is: 3501 S. Gateway Blvd, Sioux Falls, SD 57106. <u>THE FLOWERS</u> on the Altar this morning are given in honor of Zion's Youth and adults at the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans this week. "Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith." Hebrews 12:1b-2a

<u>**THANK YOU</u>** for all the cards, phone calls, and messages I received for my 90th birthday. I feel very blessed and loved by my Zion family. ~ Lu Otten</u>

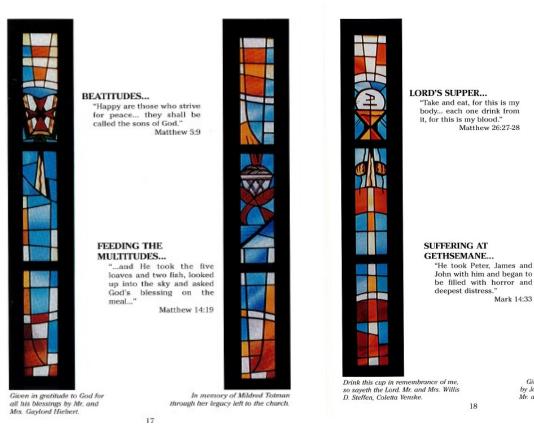
<u>**THANK YOU**</u> The family of Dean Hammond would like to express our sincere thanks to everyone who made cakes for our dad's funeral. We are especially grateful for everyone who set up, served and cleaned up afterwards. Your willingness to help during this difficult time is deeply appreciated.

<u>VBS BACKPACK MISSION PROJECT</u> The children brought their offerings to buy BackPacks for hungry children here in Sioux Falls. Feeding South Dakota needs just \$6 to fill a pack so students don't go hungry over a weekend. The kids raised \$1158.25 and were able to supply 192 backpacks!

**<u>SHARE YOUR HARVEST</u>!** If your garden is overproductive and you would like to share your harvest, we have a table set up in the atrium. If you don't have a garden and like fresh summer fruits/veggies – check it out! ~ Nurse Rachel

**YOU CAN FOLLOW** our Youth and adults at the 2025 LCMS Youth Gathering in New Orleans. Watch for pictures of the group on our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/zionlutheransf) and Livestream the Mass Events tonight through Tuesday from 8:30-10:30 at www.lcmsgathering.com. Click on the "*At the Gathering*" tab.

<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. Today we are on the South side of the church and the New Testament.



Window #9—The Beatitudes

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Jesus is remembered for the Beatitudes. In the Gospel of Matthew, we read who man can have a happy, blessed life. Christ must be the center of our lives and we must have His Attitude and follow His example. He assures us that "Happy are those who are humble, for they will receive what God has promised.

Window #10—Feeding the Multitudes Another of Jesus' miracles was the feeding of the thousands. In once instance He used the lunch of a small boy, a loaf of bread and a couple fish. He multiplied these things at His disposal and fed the five thousand. Afterward, they gathered up far more than was there to begin with. Jesus still feeds the Multitudes, though we often fail to see His providing hand in nature. Window #11— Lord's Supper Jesus gathered His disciples in the Upper Room to celebrate Passover. He took the unleavened bread, and gave it to his disciples saying, "This is my body given for you." He then took the cup and said, "take, drink, this is my blood shed for the remission of sins." This means every time you eat this bread and drink from this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Given in gratitude to God John M. Kleinsasser and

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Window #12— Suffering at Gethsemane Jesus took Peter, James and John aside and went to pray. Jesus asked that the Father would remove the cup of suffering if it be His will. God's will was that He must suffer and die to redeem the world. The cup with a cross is a reminder of this suffering and prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane.