

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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AS WE GATHER: To live for earthly things “is vanity and a striving after wind,” and work that is driven by such vanity “is an unhappy business” (Ecclesiastes 1:13–14). The man who lives like that has nothing to show for “all the toil and striving of heart with which he toils beneath the sun ... all his days are full of sorrow” (Ecclesiastes 2:22–23). So, too, your “covetousness, which is idolatry” (Colossians 3:5), makes a god out of that which cannot give you life or happiness. For “one’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions” (Luke 12:15). But “Christ who is your life” (Colossians 3:4), in giving you Himself, gives you all the wealth of heaven. Instead of striving to lay up treasures for yourself, be “rich toward God” in Him (Luke 12:21).

THE LEAD ELDER TODAY is Eddie Aamold. Please contact him if you have any questions about Zion Lutheran and he will be glad to help you out. Eddie’s favorite Bible verses are Philippians 4:6-7.

POTLUCK AND SERVICE ACTIVITY Eve Group invites you to join us for a family potluck and a service activity following the second service next Sunday. We will begin eating at 11:45. Please bring a main dish and a side dish or a dessert to share. We ask all Thrivent members to help us get supplies for the servant activity. Thrivent is offering one “Cause Kit” per member free of charge. As soon as possible, please order as many “Cause Kits” as you can for your household and bring them with you on or before August 10. You can choose from the solar light, which provides 7,300 extra hours of light over three years, or the water filter, which helps provide clean water to 12 people for ten years. Order your “Cause Kit” today. Follow this link: <https://www.thrivent.com/about-us/membership/thrivent-cause-kit> and click on "Request a Kit."

THANK YOU to Zion’s VBS Kids for choosing Feeding South Dakota as the recipient of your offering. We’re honored and grateful for your support. We’ll make sure the \$1,177.26 goes directly to support kids through the Backpack Program. Every dollar provides 3 meals, so your gift will help provide over 3,500 meals to children in need. Thanks again for your generosity. ~ Feeding South Dakota

THE FLOWERS on the Altar this morning are given by two couples—LeRoy and Karen Voegeli in honor of their 55th wedding anniversary coming up on Thursday, and Chuck and Sharon McCarthy who celebrated their 61st anniversary last Friday. We congratulate LeRoy and Karen, and Chuck and Sharon on their special days and thank them for providing flowers for our services today.

ZION OFFICE ASSISTANT POSITION We are now accepting applications for the new position. It will be up to 8 hours a week and the person hired will help with preparations for Sunday worship and updating financial records. A copy of the job description is available in the office. Please send your resume to zion@zionlutheransf.com if interested.

BRING IN SCHOOL SUPPLIES Families in Faith is asking you to help provide school supplies to the schools in some of Sioux Falls’ needful neighborhoods. A list of needed items is on the “Welcome Board “ today. Pick up the supplies and drop them off over the next two Sundays in the boxes at the back of the church.

ALL TEACHERS AND STUDENTS are invited to bring their backpacks to worship on Sunday, August 17. They will receive a special blessing as they head back to school for the new year.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to everyone who helped prepare and serve the breakfast meal at The Banquet last Monday. Your dedication to this Ministry is very much appreciated. We served 243 adults and 6 children.

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 are on the South side of the church and the New Testament.



CRUCIFIXION...

"And they put a sign above His head. 'This is Jesus, the King of the Jews'." Matthew 27:37

RESURRECTION...

"Aren't you looking for Jesus? He isn't here! He has come back to life!" Mark 16:6

In memory of Harry J. Renken by Alisa Renken and friends.



Given in gratitude to God by Pastor Melbourne and Dorothy Helting.

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Window #13—The Crucifixion

Jesus was betrayed by Judas into the hands of sinners. He was tried and found innocent and yet the mob cried out, "Crucify Him." He was led to Calvary. The three crosses depict the truth that He died among sinners.

Scripture tells us all our sins are nailed on the cross with Jesus. Our debt is paid in full through His death.

Window #14— The Resurrection

The butterfly is the symbol of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Like the cocoon and the butterfly, we too will rise to a more glorious life in His glorious body. The resurrection of Christ is proof of God's acceptance of the sacrifice of His Son. Death has been conquered. Because He lives, we also will live, now and forever.



FISHERS OF MEN...

Jesus said to them, "Come with me, and I will teach you to catch men." Matthew 4:19

ASCENSION...

After the Lord Jesus had talked with them, he was taken up to heaven and sat at the right side of God. The disciples went and preached everywhere, and the Lord worked with them and proved that their preaching was true by the miracles that were performed.

Mark 16:19-20

Given in memory of Martin, Lena, Louie and Alonzo Schwetgen by Floy Schwetgen.

In memory of Raymond L. Roth, Leonore Koorich Dyson and Wallace S. Steele. Given by Richard, Laurel, Chrys, Libbie, Lincoln and Abbie Roth.

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Window #15— Fishers of Men

After Jesus called his disciples, some who were fishermen, He told them he would teach them to catch men. Thus, the net wrapped around the cross reminds us that we are to be fishers for Him. It is only through the cross of Christ that men can be saved. Jesus says, "I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man comes to the Father but by me."

Window #16— The Ascension

The risen Jesus was seen by many for 40 days. He then asked His disciples to meet Him outside the city on a mountain. He commissioned them saying, "In His name, the message about repentance and forgiveness of sins must be preached to all nations." Then He raised his arms in blessing and ascended into heaven.

SIoux FALLS LUTHERAN SCHOOL will host it's Annual Book Sale August 13 - 16. It's 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. Proceeds go to Tuition Assistance.