

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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AS WE GATHER: Our Bible Reading of the Day is Genesis 42:1–28; 43:11–30; 45:1–15. Joseph's siblings journey to Egypt hoping to find food for their family. Failing to recognize Joseph, the brothers head home with sustenance and supplies. Heeding Joseph's early warning, the brothers bring Benjamin when returning to Egypt for food. After testing and trying his brothers, Joseph finally reveals himself to his astonished siblings. Joseph relocates all of Jacob's family to Egypt, promising to care for them. God salvaged the brokenness of Jacob's family, bringing Joseph into a position where he could preserve them. God has salvaged the brokenness of this world, bringing Christ through death to new life to offer forgiveness to His people today.

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.

WEDNESDAY PROGRAMS

5:30 to 6:15 pm - Supper

Roast Beef and Baked Potato

6:00 pm -Choir

6:30 pm - Owl, Hoot, Confirmation
Middle School and High School Youth
and Adult Bible Studies

ZION LUTHERAN FOOD DRIVE continues during the month of November. This week we are asking for canned fruits and vegetables. Next week it will be canned tuna/chicken and then the week of the 23rd Pasta/sauces and Mac & Cheese. These are the items most in need right now at area food banks.

The 2026 Proposed Budget is available on the table at the back of the church.

Next Sunday: 2026 Budget Q&A—9:15 am

November 23: Annual Meeting - 9:30 am

THANKSGIVING EVE COMMUNION SERVICE and PIE SOCIAL

Wednesday, November 26- 6:30 pm

A Pie Social Sign-up Sheet is on the table in the back of the Sanctuary.

THE FLOWERS on the altar this morning are given by the Scott and Lisa Raabe family in honor of Jody's heavenly birthday. We thank the Raabes for providing the flowers for our services today.

WE EXTEND OUR Christian Sympathy to Eddie and Rachel Aamold and family at the passing of Rachel's Dad, Rueben Schaeffer on October 31. Funeral Services were held Wednesday in Eureka.

BEING BAPTIZED following our 10:30 service today is Lily Evelyn Powell, infant daughter of Alex and Brooke Powell. We pray God's blessings upon Lily and her family.

VETERANS DAY BRUNCH Please join us in honoring our Veterans and First Responders at brunch today starting at 8:45. A free-will offering will go to Midwest Honor Flight and you will be able to experience a flight! We are also hosting an in-gathering of clothing items: Stocking caps, Gloves, Socks, and Sweatshirts/Sweatpants (L, XL) A table is set up in the East Entryway for donations.

VETERANS DAY CHAPEL Pastor Greg will be leading the service at the Lutheran School's Chapel on Tuesday—Veterans Day. It begins at 8:50 am. Everyone, and especially Veterans, are invited to attend.

THE CALL COMMITTEE will be available to answer questions about the two men they are putting forward as potential Pastoral candidates next Sunday during Bible Study. They are Pastor Jason Letsche, currently at Kingsley, Iowa... and Pastor Paul Winckler, Assistant to the District President.

Zion's ADOPT-A-CHAPLAIN

Lt. Colonel Jon Smithley ~ Ellsworth AFB

Hello friends,

Once again, we thank you for your support and prayers. Things have been going well here at Ellsworth AFB. Sometimes people like to hear what being a chaplain is like. Here's what Jon says:

When I first came back to active duty as an Air Force Chaplain, I mostly did the chapel services every Sunday, some counseling, visits to the different units on base, and my most unfavorite- EMAILS. I also did all the trainings every year. As I have increased in rank the duties have changed. Some things stay the same. I only do occasional preaching on the base now. I still visit the units, LOTS of counseling of airmen and their families, and still LOTS of EMAILS, and now I also do all the things the person in charge has to do. In addition, I occasionally do weddings and funerals. Our chapel runs an airmen activity center on the base and holds functions for the airmen and their families. We hold a VBS, single airmen retreats, family retreats, married couple retreats, suicide prevention and training classes, and resilience and new parent classes. I attend change- of- commands, retirements, and other functions and say a prayer when I am asked. I also attend meetings with the base commander and other commanders weekly. Chaplains are a visible reminder of the unseen (God Almighty).

We hope this gives you an idea of what being a chaplain is like. Jon has not had to deploy recently, but that is always a possibility when someone is in the Armed Services.

Thank you for keeping us in your prayers. I have always believed prayer is powerful. Come, LORD JESUS!

God's peace and blessings,

Jon and Amie Smithley

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jon & Amie". The script is cursive and fluid, with the names joined together.