

The Messenger

The Monthly Newsletter of Zion Lutheran Church, Columbus, WI



Ever Wonder?
Answers to
Important Questions.



Why are there so many different Christian churches?

Why are there so many different kinds of cereals? It is all too confusing. There are cereals with marshmallows. Cereals that turn the milk chocolaty. Cereals that have fruits, nuts, or raisins. Cereals that even go snap, crackle, and pop.



How is a person ever supposed to decide? Do I choose my cereal because I like all the sugar? Do I choose my cereal because I like the tiger or honeybee or leprechaun? Or should I choose my cereal based on the nutritional value?

The cereal aisle at your local grocery store is filled with different kinds of cereals. The street corners in your town are filled with different kinds of Christian churches. How are you ever going to decide which church is best for you?

I would encourage you to choose the church that is the most spiritually nutritious.

Choose a church whose teachings are filled with the “milk” and “meat” of God’s Word. The Bible says about itself: “Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation” (1 Peter 2:2,3).

Choose a church that isn’t giving you just what you “want” to hear but what you “need” to hear. “For the time will come when people...will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear” (2 Timothy 4:3). You and I need to hear that we have led unhealthy, sinful lives. We need to hear that Jesus died for our sins and has made our lives wholesome and healthy again.

I could eat all kinds of cereals that may fill me up, but they may not always be the best physical food that I could put into my body. In the same way that I want the best physical food for my body, I definitely want the best spiritual food for my soul. I want you to find a church that has the very best spiritual food there is—God’s truth. Again, the Bible says, “God wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth” (1 Timothy 2:4).

Come and share God’s truth with us. Come and be spiritually nourished.

WORSHIP WITH US!

Thursdays 6:30 pm
Sundays 8:00 and 10:30 am



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

October 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>8:00 AM Worship, Communion</p> <p>8:00 AM Online Worship Posted</p> <p>9:15 AM Bible Study, Sunday School</p> <p>10:30 AM Worship: Communion</p>	<p>3</p> <p>BLAC CC Meet</p> <p>LPS Visit</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Zion Picture Day</p> <p>7:00 *WELS Wind Ensemble Practice</p>	<p>5</p> <p>K4-2nd Field Trip</p> <p>VB at St. John's, Juneau</p> <p>4:00 6-7, 8 Catechism</p> <p>6:00 Bell Choir</p> <p>7:00 Zion Choir</p>	<p>6</p> <p>7:45-11 Sanctuary Cleaning</p> <p>2:00 Ladies Aid</p> <p>6:30 Worship</p>	<p>7</p> <p>6:00 Bible Breakfast</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Sanctuary Reserved: Wedding</p> <p>8</p> <p>BLAC/LLHS VB Tourn</p> <p>LSA State CC Meet</p>
<p>9</p> <p>Grades 1-4 Sing</p> <p>8:00 AM Worship</p> <p>8:00 AM Online Worship Posted</p> <p>9:15 AM Bible Study, Sunday School</p> <p>10:30 AM Worship</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <p>6:30 Zion Forensics</p> <p>7:00 WELS Wind Ensemble Practice</p>	<p>12</p> <p>4:00 6-7, 8 Catechism</p> <p>6:00 Bell Choir</p> <p>7:00 Zion Choir</p>	<p>13</p> <p>7:45-11 Sanctuary Cleaning</p> <p>6:30 Worship, Communion</p>	<p>14</p> <p>6:00 Bible Breakfast</p>	<p>15</p> <p>LPS VB Tourn</p> <p>9:00 Zion Craft Group</p>
<p>16</p> <p>Grades 5-8 Sing</p> <p>8:00 AM Worship, Communion</p> <p>8:00 AM Online Worship Posted</p> <p>9:15 AM Bible Study, Sunday School</p> <p>10:30 AM Worship: Communion</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Pastors Conference</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Pastors Conference</p> <p>6:00 PATZ</p> <p>7:00 *WELS Wind Ensemble Practice</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Pastors Conference</p> <p>4:00 6-7 Catechism</p> <p>6:00 Bell Choir</p> <p>6:30 Council</p> <p>7:00 Zion Choir</p>	<p>20</p> <p>7:45-11 Sanctuary Cleaning</p> <p>6:30 Worship</p>	<p>21</p> <p>6:00 Bible Breakfast</p> <p>District Forensics Meet</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Trunk/Treat Deadline</p> <p>National CC Meet</p>
<p>25</p> <p>8:00 AM Worship, Communion</p> <p>8:00 AM Online Worship Posted</p> <p>9:15 AM Bible Study, Sunday School</p> <p>10:30 AM Worship: Communion</p> <p>K4 & K5 Sing</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Sanctuary Monthly Cleaning</p>	<p>25</p> <p>7:00 *WELS Wind Ensemble Practice</p>	<p>26</p> <p>End 1st Quarter</p> <p>4:00 6-7, 8 Catechism</p> <p>6:00 Bell Choir</p> <p>7:00 Zion Choir</p>	<p>27</p> <p>No School: Teachers Conference</p> <p>7:45-11 Sanc. Cleaning</p> <p>6:30 Worship, Communion</p>	<p>28</p> <p>No School: Teachers Conference</p> <p>6:00 Bible Breakfast</p>	<p>29</p>
<p>30</p> <p>8:00 AM Worship, Communion</p> <p>8:00 AM Online Worship Posted</p> <p>9:15 AM Bible Study, Sunday School</p> <p>10:30 AM Worship: Communion</p> <p>4:00 Trunk or Treat</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Reformation Halloween</p>					

News from the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS)

100 Missions in 10 Years

WELS Home Missions is launching a new initiative to start 100 home mission congregations in 10 years as well as support 75 enhancements to help existing congregations reach more souls. This initiative isn't as much about planting more churches but about sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ with more people. It's about reaching lost souls. It's about Christ's mission to his church: "Go and make disciples of all nations." Learn more about this plan to spread the saving message of Jesus and learn how you can help at wels100in10.net.

WELS National Conference on Lutheran Leadership

The second WELS National Conference on Lutheran Leadership will be held January 16-18, 2023, at the Hilton Chicago. This conference is not only for those who serve in formal leadership positions in their congregation: called workers, church council members, school board members, and the like. This conference is for anyone who is passionate about the mission of the church. It is for everyone who, by encouragement and example, wants to lead others to engage in that mission. So, all are welcome—called workers and laity, men and women, retirees and high school students, lifelong WELS members, and those new to the church. Learn more and register at lutheranleadership.com.

Calling all college-bound students!

Are you heading to college this fall? Do you know someone who is going to college? Don't leave your faith life at home! Sign up with WELS Campus Ministry to get connected with the local campus pastor near your school and to

receive free copies of *Meditations* devotions and *Forward in Christ* magazine. Sign up at wels.net/college.

Get even more from *Forward in Christ*

Need a weekly boost from your favorite Lutheran magazine? Get previews, updates, and extra content with the *Forward in Christ* FREE weekly e-newsletter. For more inspiration, more stories, and more photos, sign up at forwardinchrist.net.

Follow *Forward in Christ* on Facebook

Get more from *Forward in Christ*, the synod's official magazine, by following it on Facebook at facebook.com/ForwardinChristMagazine. Join the community and join the conversation.

WELS Together e-newsletter

Do you know what's happening with WELS ministry and mission work? Subscribe to the WELS Together e-newsletter to stay connected with the people of your synod and the ministry they serve. Also, don't miss the twice-monthly videos that cover important and exciting synod news. Go to wels.net/together to read more and subscribe today.

Connecting WELS members

Connection is more important now than ever. The Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod offers many ways for members to connect through social media. Join the WELS online community at facebook.com/welslutherans, instagram.com/welslutherans, and vimeo.com/wels.



WELS

Christ's Love, Our Calling.

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Our Mission

The mission of Zion
Evangelical Lutheran Church
and School is to preach and
teach God's saving Word in
all its truth and purity.

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Thanks
be to God
for his
indescribable
gift!
2 Corinthians 9:15

USHERS FOR OCTOBER

October 2nd & October 9th

8:00am - Team E4	10:30am - Team L1
Mark Lindell (C)	Tom Schultz (C)
Remington Lindell	Aaron Larson
Roger Weiland (C)	James Kopfer
Bryce Weiland	Brandon Lee
Brett Weiland	Max Larson
Norman Weiland	Andy Tratar
Eric Turnquist (C)	

October 16th & October 23rd

8:00am - Team E5	10:30am - Team L2
Kim Schilling (C)	Dale Schultz (C)
Ronald Knudson	Daniel Schultz
John Zandler	Dylan Schultz
Andy Neuman	Michael Hallberg
Matt Vosberg	Nathan Hallberg
	Henry Tews

October 30th & November 6th

8:00am - Team E6	10:30am - Team L3
John Brey (C)	Jim Kluetzman (C)
Jim Greiling	Gabe Uttech
Rick Gentz	AJ Uttech
Hunter Sommer	Michael Uttech
Jordan Crave	Gary Schuhmacher
Christian Bagocius	Jadon Schwartz

If you have any questions about the usher schedule, would like to be added as an usher or won't be able to serve any longer as an usher, please call Randy Koehn at (920) 296-4333.

WORSHIP WELCOMERS

October 2nd

8:00am	10:30am
Delmar & Carol Vick	Rick & Lisa Gentz

October 9th

8:00am	10:30am
Emily Henning & Nancy Huebner	Marcia Rewolinski & Arlene Sennhenn

October 16th

8:00am	10:30am
Jim & Jenny Greiling	Otto & Sheree Mattke

October 23rd

8:00am	10:30am
Dale & Joyce Gajdosik	Bev Herold & Nicole Henning

October 30th

8:00am	10:30am
Delphine Schaefer	John & Sarah Brey

If you are interested in being added as a greeter or need to be removed from the schedule, please contact Melody Krakow at (920) 210-6323.



Church Attendance August

Date	Total
4/7	261
11/14	216
18/21	381
25/28	275

Membership Changes

Transfer In:

None

Transfer Out:

None

Released:

None

Ministrations

Baptisms:

None

Deaths:

None

Marriages:

None

Confirmations:

None

Affirmations of Faith:

John & Gabrielle, Kaitlyn & Brooklyn Loeffler

Youth event for our Teen Group at Zion!

WELS Youth Night provides a series of youth-focused events, three times a year, not only for the youth of Zion Lutheran, but also the youth from area congregations.

Experience an inspiring evening of games, music, God's Word, small group discussion, and fun with fellow high schoolers (7th–12th grade) from all over the area.

This event will be hosted by Peace Lutheran Church and School, 1007 Stonehaven Drive, Sun Prairie, WI 53590 on Sunday, October 23, 2022 from 6-9 PM.

Peace asks that you register for this event at <https://forms.gle/kWFcSptLMUeAf4Eb9>. More information will be shared as it becomes available.

A Zion Facebook post will be available with the link for registration. Any teens who wish to carpool to this event should contact Mrs. Gretchen Asmus at gasmus@zioncrusaders.com.



Gertrude Stilson	6th	82 years
Norman Stilson	9th	84 years
Wayne Powers	15th	88 years
Adeline Voss	16th	93 years
Harold Beitz	23rd	86 years
Larry Fischer	26th	83 years
Marilyn Beitz	29th	82 years

Messenger Deadline

Please submit your Messenger articles by October 21st.

Contact Sue Henning at (608) 225-4853 or

suehenning25@gmail.com if you have any questions.



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
Income and Expense Statement
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	Current Period	Year to Date	Current Budget Percentage
INCOME			
CONTRIBUTION INCOME			
UNRESTRICTED	\$60,316.55	\$111,016.42	0.00%
DONOR RESTRICTED	14,430.60	26,361.29	0.00%
Subtotal Contribution Income	74,747.15	137,377.71	0.00%
<i>Budgeted</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00%
<i>Non-Budgeted</i>	74,747.15	137,377.71	
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME			
	35.00	60.00	0.00%
TOTAL INCOME	74,782.15	137,437.71	0.00%
<i>Budgeted</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00%
<i>Non-Budgeted</i>	74,782.15	137,437.71	
EXPENSES			
FIXED EXPENSES			
CALLED WORKER PAYROLL	\$29,120.06	\$58,176.57	94.10%
SUPPORT STAFF	2,682.63	5,064.87	64.37%
BENEFITS	10,872.69	21,422.31	59.20%
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE	1,214.90	1,890.73	74.38%
BUILDING & GROUNDS	13,542.79	18,583.27	143.93%
Subtotal Fixed Expenses	57,433.07	105,137.75	89.01%
<i>Budgeted</i>	45,114.35	89,320.93	69.92%
<i>Non-Budgeted</i>	12,318.72	15,816.82	
DEPARTMENTS/COMMITTEES			
OUTSIDE SUPPORT	8,680.00	17,430.00	101.09%
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	196.70	571.70	59.01%
WORSHIP/MUSIC	401.09	480.76	36.32%
EVANGELISM/OUTREACH	0.00	0.00	0.00%
ELDERS	0.00	0.00	0.00%
STEWARDSHIP	278.50	524.76	101.27%
FAMILY MINISTRY	217.08	505.03	81.40%
Subtotal Departments/committees	9,773.37	19,512.25	87.92%
<i>Budgeted</i>	9,496.37	19,235.25	85.43%
<i>Non-Budgeted</i>	277.00	277.00	
OTHER EXPENSES			
CONVENTIONS & SEMINARS	510.00	510.00	408.00%
TOTAL EXPENSES	67,716.44	125,160.00	89.38%
<i>Budgeted</i>	55,120.72	109,066.18	72.75%
<i>Non-Budgeted</i>	12,595.72	16,093.82	
TRANSFER ACCOUNTS			
TRANSFER TO OTHER FUNDS	-\$11,126.32	-\$23,435.24	0.00%
TOTAL TRANSFERS	-11,126.32	-23,435.24	0.00%
<i>Budgeted</i>	0.00	0.00	0.00%
<i>Non-Budgeted</i>	-11,126.32	-23,435.24	
EXCESS INCOME/EXPENSES	-\$4,060.61	-\$11,157.53	5.36%

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	Current Period	Year to Date	Current Budget Percentage
<i>Budgeted</i>	-55,120.72	-109,066.18	72.75%
<i>Non-Budgeted</i>	51,060.11	97,908.65	

Zion Lutheran Church - Estate Funds Report

Report for the Month of:

August 2022

Previous Month Assets	\$138,947.94
Total Transactions	-\$5,427.57
Total Current Assets	\$133,520.37

	\$125,576.24
New Church/School Total	
<i>checking/savings</i>	

Accounts	Undesignated Checking		Undesignated Savings		NEW Church/School Fund Savings		NEW Church/School Checking		
	Transactions	Explanation	Transactions	Explanation	Transactions	Explanation	Transactions	Explanation	
Previous Balance	\$596.28		\$7,497.74		\$77,391.35		\$53,462.57		
Monthly Transactions*	(\$149.89)		\$0.00		(\$9,828.08)		\$4,550.40		
Current Balance	\$446.39		\$7,497.74		\$67,563.27		\$58,012.97		
----- Monthly Statements -----									
Transactions	(\$150.00)	Joan Marks			\$615.00	Vanco Dpt	\$1,476.16	Deposit 8/11	
	\$0.11	8/3 Int			(\$5,425.00)	Mort Pmt 8/2	\$2,106.16	Deposit 8/25	
					\$3,771.46	Vanco Dpt	\$968.08	Deposit 8/30	
					(\$5,425.00)	Mort Pmt 8/26			
					\$1,860.46	Vanco Dpt			
					(\$5,425.00)	Mort Pmt 8/30			
					\$200.00	Vanco Dpt			
Monthly Transactions TOTAL	(\$149.89)		\$0.00		(\$9,828.08)		\$4,550.40		
TOTAL TRANSACTIONS	(\$5,427.57)								

Notes:

\$20,000 in New Church/School Savings is designated for New School Building seed money.



Aggressively reaching lost souls

My gift to 100 Missions in 10 Years

Together with you, we kick off this initiative trusting God to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine.

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