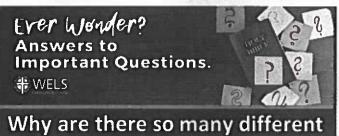
# The Messenger







# 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	utheran Monday	Church Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	October 2022 Friday	Saturday
						Sanctuary Reserved: Wedding
8:00 AM Worship, Communion 8:00 AM Online Worship Posted 9:15 AM Bible Study, Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship: Communion	2 BLAC CC Meet LPS Visit	Zion Picture Day 7:00 *WELS Wind Ensemble Practice	K4-2nd Field Trip VB at St. John's, Juneau 4: 00 6-7, 8 Catechism 6:00 Bell Choir 7:00 Zion Choir	6 7:45-11 Sanctuary Cleaning 2:00 Ladies Aid 6:30 Worship	6:00 Bible Breakfast	8 BLAC/LLHS VB Tourn LSA State CC Meet
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# 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 wels 100 in 10.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 collegebound 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 <u>Meditations</u> devotions and <u>Forward in Christ</u> 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 <u>Forward in Christ</u> FREE weekly e-newsletter. For more inspiration, more stories, and more photos, sign up at fowardinchrist.net.

### Follow Forward in Christ on Facebook

Get more from <u>Forward in Christ</u>, 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 enewsletter 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.



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### **Council Names and Numbers**

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Andrew Tratar, Education	920-296-1485
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Nils Johansson, Outreach	608-239-5123
Aaron Larson, Property	608-220-6906
Otto Mattke, Stewardship	608-516-5279
Craig Lathrop, Family Ministry	608-770-2498

### **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.

### Get in Touch

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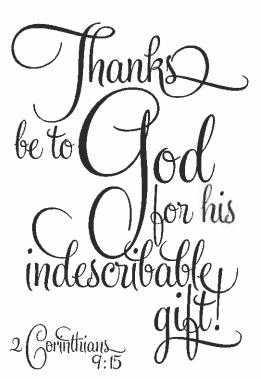
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### **USHERS FOR OCTOBER**

### October 2nd & October 9th

8:00am - Team E4 Mark Lindell (C) 10:30am - Team L1

Remington Lindell Roger Weiland (C) Tom Schultz (C) Aaron Larson

Bryce Weiland

James Kopfer Brandon Lee

Brett Weiland Norman Weiland Max Larson Andy Tratar

Eric Turnquist (C)

8:00am

10:30am

10:30am

**WORSHIP WELCOMERS** 

Emily Henning & Nancy Huebner

Delmar & Carol Vick

Marcia Rewolinski & Arlene Sennhenn

Rick & Lisa Gentz

October 16th

October 9th

October 2nd

8:00am

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.

### October 16th & October 23rd 8:00am - Team E5 10:30am - Team L2

8:00am - Team E5
Kim Schilling (C)
Ronald Knudson
John Zandler
Andy Neuman

Dale Schultz (C)
Daniel Schultz
Dylan Schultz
Michael Hallberg
Nathan Hallberg

Henry Tews

### October 30th & November 6th

8:00am - Team E6 John Brey (C)

Matt Vosberg

10:30am - Team L3

John Brey (C) Jim Greiling Jim Kluetzman (C) 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.



### 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



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 <a href="mailto:suehenning25@gmail.com">suehenning25@gmail.com</a> if you have any questions.



### 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 <a href="https://forms.gle/kWFcSptLMUeAf4Eb9">https://forms.gle/kWFcSptLMUeAf4Eb9</a>. 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.

	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%
Budgeted	0.00	0.00	0.00%
Non-Budgeted	74,747.15	137,377.71	
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	35.00	60.00	0.00%
TOTAL INCOME	74,782.15	137,437.71	0.00%
Budgeted	0.00	0.00	0.00%
Non-Budgeted	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%
Budgeted	45,114.35	89,320.93	69.92%
Non-Budgeted	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%
Budgeted	9,496.37	19,235.25	85. <b>43</b> %
Non-Budgeted	277.00	277.00	
OTHER EXPENSES			
CONVENTIONS & SEMINARS	510.00	510.00	408.00%
TOTAL EXPENSES	67,716.44	125,160.00	89.38%
Budgeted	55,120.72	109,066.18	72.75%
Non-Budgeted	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%
Budgeted	0.00	0.00	0.00%
Non-Budgeted	-11,126.32	-23,435.24	2.22.0
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EXCESS INCOME/EXPENSES	-\$4,060.61	-\$11,157.53	5.36%

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### Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church Income and Expense Statement Consolidated - August 2022

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

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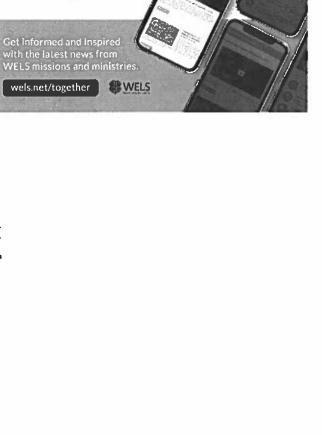
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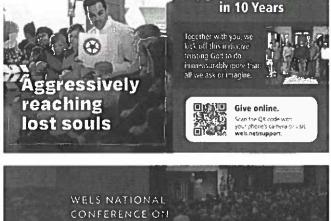
Report for the Month of:

August 2022

TOTAL TRANSACTIONS	Monthly Transactions TOTAL												Transactions	Current Balance	Monthly Transactions*	Previous Balance	Accounts		Total Current Assets	Total Transactions	Previous Month Assets
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