



Zion Lutheran Church, Wausau + Pentecost 7 + July 7 and 8, 2018

PRAYING

In Our Prayers This Week

Persecuted Christians in:

China

Sri Lanka

Azerbaijan

Sister Congregation

Lehurutshe Parish, South Africa

Missionaries

~ **Elliot and Serena Derricks,
Lutheran Bible Translators**

Studying at Seminary

~ **Vicar Joe Pinzl**

Those who need our on-going prayers

~ **Kr. Irene Beethe**

~ **Jim Bittner**

~ **Les Broliar**

~ **Bill Deneen**

~ **Carol Edelburg**

~ **Barbara Ellen**

~ **Rita Falk**

~ **Ben Fiedler**

~ **Barry Gilbert**

~ **Rick Jones**

~ **Avery Kluck**

~ **Carl Koch**

~ **Sally Lewitzke**

~ **June Mueller**

~ **Tina Parker**

~ **Barb Ramker**

~ **Krista Salas**

~ **Renee Shorey**

~ **David Skola**

~ **Nancy, godmother of Sue Hafemeister**

~ **The island and the people of Dominica**

~ **Zion's homebound members**

Please submit your prayer requests to the church office (715-848-7286). We can print prayer requests that you make for yourself or immediate family members.

WORSHIPING

The Liturgy This Week

Matins + Wednesday, 10 AM

A liturgy of morning prayer to praise God for the day. (*Chapel*)

Vespers + Wednesday, 6:30 PM

A liturgy of evening prayer to praise God for the light of Christ. (*Chapel*)

Midweek Sermon Series: Creation

What does God say about the world that He has made, and what does it tell us about God and ourselves? *This week: Humankind, Male and Female*

Word of the Week: Sanctuary

People often use the word “sanctuary” (from the Latin *sanctus*, for “holy”) in relation to church buildings, and particularly the place where we gather for worship – and for sure, the whole place is holy because you, holy people, gather here with the Holy One. But within church architecture, “sanctuary” refers to the space immediately around the altar, behind the Communion rail. That space is the “sanctuary” wherein Christ’s body and blood come to us by His own command.

Next Sunday:

Pentecost 8: *Amos 7:7-15; Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:14-29; Psalm 85:1-7*

LEARNING

Nourished by God’s Word

Sundays, 10:15 AM: “Who Are We?”

The Story of Lutherans in a America

Come hear the stories of Lutherans in America this summer. Throughout the next couple weeks, Vicar Pinzl will be running through colonial Lutheranism and it’s road to an established Church within the newly formed United States of America. Come and freely exercise what God has given you, through his Son Jesus Christ!

Tuesdays at 9 AM: “I AM” Statements

In the Gospel of John, Jesus makes seven classic statements about himself that begin with *I am*: “I am the good shepherd,” “I am the bread of life,” and others.

What promise is He speaking in each of these statements? What is He teaching us? How do these statements shape the Christian life? This study will not only focus on the seven statements themselves, but also other Biblical passages that shine a light on their imagery and purpose. *This week: “I am the way, the truth, and the life.”*

Thursday Men’s Breakfast at 7:00 AM: The Gospel according to Matthew

Some call this gospel, written by the tax collector, Matthew, “catechism of the Christian life.” It tells the story of Jesus in a way that teaches how the followers of Jesus live by Jesus’ life alone. *Continuing at Matthew 27:1.*

REMEMBERING

Heroes of the Faith in July

Saint Elijah

July 20

The image of St. Elijah carried heavenward in a chariot led by fiery horses recalls the end of his earthly ministry, when God carried the prophet in this manner to His celestial abode. It was a fit conclusion to a fiery ministry, in which Elijah opposed King Ahab of Israel and his wife, Jezebel, for worshiping Baal and living unjustly (1 Kings). Elijah did so amid much danger to himself, yet he was protected by God's grace and permitted to pass on his ministry to a successor, St. Elisha (June 14)

Saint Ezekiel

July 21

A priest of the Lord at the temple in Jerusalem, St. Ezekiel was among the Jews taken into exile by Babylon in 597 B.C. It was there, by the Chebar River, that he had visions of God and was called to prophesy both the destruction of Jerusalem and the creation of a new temple in which God would dwell with His people. Thus God spoke through Ezekiel to comfort the exiles with the promise of His earthly arrival, fulfilled in Jesus Christ. Ezekiel's tomb is maintained near Kefil, Iraq.

Free cards commemorating these holy brethren and others are available in the narthex.

REACHING

Zion's Monthly Mission Emphasis

Monthly Mission Emphases:

- **Habitat for Humanity, Wausau – Goal: \$1,000**
- **Open Door, Wausau – Goal \$1,000**

Habitat for Humanity: One of the most successful projects ever initiated by our local HFH affiliate is the partnership with the construction trades classes at our local high schools. Twenty-six families presently own homes built by high school students. The number of HFH houses in Wausau is 62. We are quite proud of our collaboration with local school districts, community businesses, and volunteers from many organizations and churches. The recycled building materials (RMB) is a resource using building materials that are to be discarded and we incorporate them into our building efforts.

The Open Door of Marathon County Inc. The Open Door is a safe destination for offenders released from jail at 5:00 a.m. Opened in November 2010, they offer a place out of the elements, coffee, clothing, and hygiene products. They are one-half block from the jail. There is a phone and computers to do job and housing searches and resume writing. Marathon County Community Resource lists are available. Clothing contributions are on-going and utilized to the max. Financially, they need cash for rent

and operating supplies. Please help them continue this valuable outreach.

For more information on these missions, refer to our mission board in the church hall.

SERVING

Embodying the Love and Life of Christ

Traveling this Summer?

Remember to worship where you go – the Lord’s day is the Lord’s day! If you need assistance finding a faithful Lutheran congregation near your destination, contact the church office and a minister will help you. Also, please keep your bulletins from other churches and share them with the ministers; they enjoy seeing and learning from what other congregations do.

New Piano

The piano in Zion’s choir loft is used to accompany the choir, children’s choir, and guest instrumentalists as well as lead Saturday worship. It has passed the typical number of years that a piano lasts and has become less effective as an instrument. Kantor Beethe has researched and identified a new piano to replace it; the new piano will cost \$8500 (this includes a church discount). Contributions to this project will be gratefully accepted.

Parish Nurse

Lenore Grosinske, Zion’s parish nurse, is available for assisting you with Blood Pressure, understanding your medica-

tions, and getting you to appointments. She will assist with issues regarding medical bills that you may be having a hard time understanding. Also, if you need to dispose of outdated medication, she is able to do that for you. You may contact Lenore directly at 715-848-5112; or email: lenor72@yahoo.com.

Keeping in Touch With College Kids

Do you have a son or daughter going to college? Zion wants to stay in touch! Please advise the church office the student’s name, school, and address. The Zion Elders thank you.

Donations to Zion’s Building Fund

Thanks be to God, He has provided Zion church with a place to worship and minister to the community that proclaims the faith of Jesus Christ. Zion’s building fund, the Hansen Fund, helps to maintain and improve this property so that it may continue to serve God’s mission for years to come. Please consider directing donations and memorials to this helpful fund.

Quarterly Voters Meeting

... Tuesday, July 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall. The agenda includes Zion’s Call Committee presenting information on a candidate’s name and profile, for a call to serve as Zion’s next associate pastor.

Kantor Quest V for July

... will focus on Easter hymns. During the Easter season, we sing lots of Easter hymns, not just on Easter Day! There is

reason for much rejoicing! Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

Kantor Quest for July 8:

Stanza 1 of hymn #132 in *Lutheran Book of Worship* refers to a special Old Testament event. Is it: a) the story of creation, b) the story of Moses as a baby; c) the story of the crossing of the Red Sea?

Burden Bears

A project of the Women of Zion is Burden Bears. These small, stuffed toy bears are decorated with each bear holding a quilt and an attached poem with comforting words. These are to be given to someone who is in need of comfort. Call the church office, or stop in if you or someone you know, would like a Burden Bear.

Quilting

... Mondays: July 9 and 30, from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. in the church hall. This project supports Lutheran World Relief. Quilters: Please label the items you bring to identify them as quilt tops, backs, or fillers. Each item should be 64" X 84". Volunteers are welcome! We need you to sew quilt tops, which you can do at home. Please call the church office if you would like to volunteer.

Bowls and Platters in Church Kitchen

There are a number of leftover bowls and platters in the church kitchen, which were used for the Salad Buffet. If you brought your salad in a bowl, or used a platter, please find yours and take it home.

Portals of Prayer

... for July through September are available in the narthex and by the church office reception area. Large print copies are also available.

Free Paper for Copies

There are a number of reams of paper that were stored in the attic in the school building. The paper has become a little bit discolored, but is useable for crafts, or could be used in your printer. Call the church office if you would like some of this paper.

Homeless Mats

The Women of Zion are working on homeless mats EVERY Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. in Zion's church hall. Please join us for a good cause and good fellowship.

Requesting Cowboy Boots

Craft items for Strassenfest are being made from cowboy boots. If you have any boots you would care to donate, we would accept any sizes or colors. Please bring your donations to the church office. Thank you.

**Set your Sights on Strassenfest:
Saturday, October 13, 2018**

With an annual event that is as far out-reaching, multifaceted, anticipated and volunteer-reliant as Zion's annual Strassenfest, we like to keep it in your thoughts throughout the entire year. One of the main reasons this event is so successful is the generosity of our congregation. Your talents, donations, ideas, support, volunteer assistance and attendance help grow the event year after year. We encourage

you to reach out to the Strassenfest committee and ask what is needed to make this year's Strassenfest a success. Do you have a talent? Are you good at crafts, enjoy baking/gardening/canning? Do you have antiques or collectibles you'd like to donate? Do you have free time or are looking for a committee to join in order to assist the planning, coordination and execution of this amazing event? We'd love to hear from you. Our Strassenfest chairs, Dave and Lori Torkko can be reached at 715-551-0566 or dtorkko@pcpros.net.

Ideas for Action Teams

Refer to the bulletin board posting at the northwest entrance of Zion for the many ideas from Thrivent Financial's action teams across the country that have accomplished service projects. You can strengthen Zion by organizing a team. You will receive up to \$250 in "seed money." If interested, Thrivent members may call the church office if they are not sure how to get started.

"Zion Easter Service"

... is **telecast** on Monday nights at 6:30 PM and Tuesday nights at 7:00 PM, Channel 980 on Charter; <https://waam.viebit.com/player.php?hash=hO2aitAufqLZ> and YouTube: <https://youtu.be/dlzZkBD2hPA>

IN THE COMMUNITY

Events around Central Wisconsin

Attention: Medicare Recipients in Marathon County

The Uniform Addressing Project in Marathon County began in April, as was the mailing of the new Medicare cards. Marathon County will inform the US Postal Service of your new address. You will need to change your address with Social Security Administration and Medicare. You can change your address at www.medicare.gov. Your card should be forwarded to your new address by the US Postal Service. If it is not, and you do not receive your card by the end of the year, please contact Medicare.

Ultrasound Models Needed

Hope Life Center is looking for female ultrasound models to help their Registered Nurse become certified in limited obstetric ultrasounds. The exam is supervised by a Registered Diagnostic Medical Sonographer. If you are 7-20 weeks pregnant, and would be willing to come to Hope Life Center for an ultrasound, please contact Sarah for an appointment. Text or call: 715-843-4673; or email: sarahc@hopewi.org.

Faith in Action

- Are you age 60 or older? Do you need a little extra help with transportation to medical appointments or grocery shopping? Friendly volunteers from Faith in Action of Marathon County are ready to deliver food from The Neighbors' Place to your doorstep.
- Also, volunteer drivers are needed to help with transportation.

- To request assistance, or to volunteer as a driver, please contact Krista at 715-848-8783; or email: wausaufia-info@gmail.com.

Lifest 2018

... Thursday through Sunday, July 12–15 at Sunnyview Expo Center, Oshkosh. This 20th annual “party with a purpose” features live music and activities that celebrate spirituality, in a family-friendly, drug- and alcohol-free venue. Purchase tickets online at: www.lifest.com.

Hospice Volunteers Needed

Aspirus Comfort Care & Hospice needs volunteers to provide a comforting presence and emotional, social support to their patients and families in their Hospice Program. Volunteers help patients in their end-of-life journey, to live in dignity and peace while helping to offer a pain-free and comfortable environment. Call Samantha Stroik or Tasha Stencil at 745-847-2424; or visit the website: www.aspirus.org/volunteers. Training is based on the volunteer’s schedule and needs.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Upcoming events at Zion

- **Tuesday, July 24 – 7:00 pm:** Voter’s Meeting in church hall
- **Sunday, July 29 – 10:00 am Fellowship:** Sundaes on Sunday hosted by Women of Zion in church hall

- **Sunday, August 26 – 10:00 am Fellowship:** Sundaes on Sunday hosted by Women of Zion in church hall
- **Saturday, September 15 – 11:00 am:** Women of Zion Brunch for all women of Zion in church hall
- **Sunday, September 9 – 9:15 am:** Sunday School begins
- **Wednesday, September 12 – 6:30 pm:** Confirmation Classes begin
- **Saturday, September 22 – 9:00 am to 1:00 pm:** Women of Zion Rummage Sale in Zion’s gym
- **Sunday, October 7 – 3:00 pm:** Organ Concert in nave, featuring Kiyo and Chiemi Watanabe playing organ duets
- **Saturday, October 13 – 9 am to 4 pm:** Strassenfest in Zion’s gym
- **Sunday, October 14:** Abendessen at Jefferson Street Inn

Attendance: June 27, 30 & July 1:

<u>Wednesday:</u>	
10:00 am	12
6:30 pm	7
<u>Saturday:</u>	
5:15 pm	34
<u>Sunday:</u>	
9:00 am	134
11:00 am	35
Total:	222

Zion’s Financial News

Income last week:	\$ 15,947
Year-to-date income:	\$293,730
Year-to-date expenses:	\$322,280

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday • July 8

- 9:00 am Holy Communion;
WSAU Radio
- 10:15 am Bible Study/Fellowship
- 11:00 am Holy Communion

Monday • July 9

- 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm: Quilting in
church hall

Tuesday • July 10

- 9:00 am Bible Class in church hall
- 10:30 am Staff Meeting
- 1:00 pm Homeless Mats in
church hall

Wednesday • July 11

- 9:45 am Benedictine Devotions
- 10:00 am Matins
- 10:45 am Colonial Manor Devotions
- 1:00 pm Jail Ministry
- 6:30 pm Vespers

Thursday • July 12

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Class in
church hall

Saturday • July 14

- 5:15 pm Holy Communion

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