



**ZION
LUTHERAN
CHURCH • SCHOOL**
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Mission Statement

Zion Lutheran Church, Cologne, MN is a branch of Christ's family saved by grace alone, rooted in God's love, and growing in faith through worship, teaching, fellowship, and service as we reach out to others with the good news of Jesus. with the good news of Jesus.

FREE, INDEED!

Summer grants us a lot of freedoms. Among them is the freedom to travel. School is out. The weather is agreeable. If we can get away from the daily routine, many will travel to see family or friends and enjoy what there is to see. That said, the freedom to travel is there, if there is the interest and desire.

Real freedom relies upon at least three things: Desire, Ability, Opportunity. A person really isn't free to fulfill a dream unless the desire is wed with ability and opportunity.

Our American freedoms were born not only of the Desire to be free--it also required the Ability and Opportunity to do so without interference or penalties that would bring regret. The American freedoms that were expressed in the Declaration of Independence (and later codified in our US Constitution) were not possible until the young nation had broken free from the laws and authorities of Great Britain.

Our nation was founded upon the idea that God created human beings to be free. The Declaration of Independence states that people "are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." That said, even as America gained its independence, it was apparent that not everyone was free. Human slavery was very much a part of the fabric of colonial life--and it while it was nice to SAY that freedom existed, it would be a long time until our nation provided the ability and opportunity for all.

Theodore Sedgwick was the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives at the beginning of the 1800s, and he had a female slave named Mumbet. One day she heard the Declaration of Independence being read out at a town meeting. The next day she went to see Sedgwick in his office. "Sir," she said, "I heard that we are all born equal, and every one of us has the right to be free." Sedgwick was so impressed with her simple statement that he promptly set her free. She was free, indeed!

Jesus reminded his people that we are ALL SLAVES to something. The heart of it is this: we either serve God or the world—and the world belongs to the Prince of this world, Satan, who wants to destroy all that God has given. We are born into the slavery of sin; and there would be no chance to be freed from the power of sin or death or the power of the devil.

God desired our freedom; and even though we were yet sinners, Jesus opened the door for our salvation: "You shall know the truth and the truth shall set you free." The Holy Spirit calls us to believe and trust in him, so we have the ability and the opportunity.

Freedoms abound for you, in Christ,
Pastor Eric Zacharias

LADIES AID/LWML

Nine members were present at our meeting on June 8, 2023. Bev Rolf was our hostess, providing wonderful treats. Roxanne Pieper gave the devotion entitled "Patience is a Virtue." Pastor Zacharias led the Bible Study from the Lutheran Women's Quarterly (page 17), entitled "Proclaiming Christ, Simply and with Urgency." Juliene Klaustermeier chaired the meeting and welcomed us. We recited the LWML Pledge, and the meeting was called to order. The minutes of the previous meeting were noted, and a motion was M/S/C to approve them, there was no Treasurer's report at this time.

Correspondence received included items from the American Bible Society, Lutherans for Life and Trinity First. A motion was M/S/C to give our monthly donation to Lutherans for Life. We then dedicated our Mites with a prayer from our booklet.

Committee Reports included discussion from the **Kitchen Committee**. We will be cleaning the kitchen Wednesday, June 28, beginning at 9:00 am. A note will be put in the bulletin asking for volunteers. There were no reports from Christian Life or the Funeral Committee.

Unfinished Business the **LWML National Convention** will be held in Milwaukee, WI June 22-25. Roxanne explained that, in addition to the selected grant recipients, three non-grant recipients will receive specific offerings collected during the convention.

Roxanne passed out a paper listing these recipients that were selected in January. After discussion, a motion was M/S/C to send \$50 for the LCMS Mission Goal and \$25 for each of the selected offerings: "We Are Called to Care," (a foster care system in Plano, IL), Wolf River Lutheran High School (Shawano, WI), and Milwaukee Area Crisis Pregnancy Centers (through Concordia Gospel Outreach).

The Fall Women's Retreat will be held at Camp Omega in Waterville on Sept 16, held in the Omega Lodge & Conference Center. The theme is "Promised Rest," led by speaker Michelle Diercks.

New Business Juliene plans to give the Carver County Historical Society the information we have collected for our veteran's display. She asked for help contacting families for pictures of those still living, which will be scanned and archived. The originals will be returned to the families, along with any other stories they wish to share. Veterans can send this information via text to Roxanne Pieper: 952-393-5973.

Our next meeting is July 13 (9:30 a.m.) with Laurie Rowland as hostess. There were no June birthdays.

Many thanks to the Ladies' Aid and spouses who cleaned the kitchen on Wednesday. You made a big task go smoothly and quickly!

Respectfully submitted, Mary Zacharias,
Secretary.



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ZION LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Even though school has been dismissed for the summer, that doesn't mean that there is nothing going on at school. Mr. David Galchutt, is our new kindergarten/preschool teacher, and he has already begun getting his classroom ready for students arriving in September.

Mr. Galchutt, his wife, and two daughters live in Chaska. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Concordia University in St. Paul. He has worked with preschool students in the Eastern Carver County Public School system and with kindergarten students in the Edina Public Schools. Mr. Galchutt's father was a Lutheran minister, and his wife is currently a teacher at St. John's in Chaska. As a result, Mr. Galchutt understands the blessings that church work brings. Mr. Galchutt is excited about his new position and looks forward to meeting and getting to know his new students.

Anne Traver is our new Administrative Assistant; she is getting acquainted with the business side of Zion Lutheran Church and School. Anne has an Associates of Applied Science degree in

Business Management with an emphasis on Business Administration and some training in graphic design. Anne also has experience as an administrative assistant that will blend well with her duties and responsibilities in Zion's office.

Anne will be revising Zion's 2023-2024 School Calendar. Zion's students have January 22nd off to commemorate Martin Luther King Day and to give our teachers a day to work on report cards for the second quarter of school. The problem is...nobody (me) noticed that MLK Day is January 15th. We will be adjusting the calendar accordingly which will result in the second quarter being a little shorter and the third quarter being a little longer. January 22nd is also the beginning of Lutheran Schools' Week which is another good reason to make the change.

As your summer activities continue to move along, we at Zion Lutheran School pray for God's blessing on you and your families reminding you, that as of July 1st... there are only 66 days before school starts!!!

Finances

Salary:

Beginning Balance (1/1/2023)	\$33,877.65
YTD Income	\$168,225.00
YTD Expenses	\$221,956.60
Current Balance (6/29/23)	\$ -19,853.95

Missions:

YTD Total (2/20/23)	\$650.00
Budgeted	\$9,830.00
Non-budgeted	\$0.00
2023 Pledged	\$6,500.00
2023 Goal	\$15,000.00

LHS:

Year to date total (3/20/23)	\$14,422.66
2023 Commitment	\$19,250.00
Per communicant member	\$55.00

Building/Repair Fund:

Account Balance (4/26/23)	\$3,099.91
Suggested household contribution	\$750.00

ZION SCHOOL 2023-2024 SUPPLIES LISTS

PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN

- Watercolor Paints
- Dry Erase Skinny Markers (1 pack colored)
- Package of Computer Paper for Art Center
- 2 Pack Double Stick Tape
- Extra Set of Clothes (to keep in the locker)
- Backpack (standard size)
- Water Bottle (labeled with child's name)

1ST & 2ND GRADE

- Folders (2)
- Spiral Notebooks (2)
- Ruler with inches and centimeters (flexible ones are great because they don't break)
- Dry Erase Markers (at least 8)
- Crayons (24 pack)
- Markers (1 pack classic colors; other colors optional)
- Scissors
- Glue Sticks (to be shared with class and no set number but we use these a lot!)
- Elmer's White Glue Bottle
- Pencils (2 boxes to be shared with class)
- Extra erasers (the kind that can be placed on top of pencils)
- Art box (Needs to be big enough to hold all their art supplies.)
- Water Bottle
- Headphones
- Pencil Sharpener (optional)

**Please label as many things as you can with your child's name.

3RD & 4TH GRADE

- Headphones (these don't have to be new; you can use what you had last year if they are still in good condition)
- 1 Large Eraser
- Colored Pencils
- Colored Markers (1 pack washable classic colors; not fine line)
- Crayons (24 or 48 pack) (Crayola, not Rose Art)
- Elmer's White Glue (1 bottle)
- Glue Sticks (4-5 sticks)
- Pencils (1 box of yellow #2, please note Target dollar aisle pencils don't sharpen well and leads break easily)
- Pencil Sharpener
- Pencil Box or Bag
- Pen (1-2 red)
- Scissors
- Pocket Folders (3)
- 12" Ruler (with both inches and centimeters)
- Wide Ruled Notebook Paper (1 package)
- Composition Notebook (NOT spiral; you can use the same one from last year if you are in 4th grade)
- 4th Grade – Student Bible and Dictionary

5TH & 6TH GRADE

- Crayons
- Markers
- Elmer's White Glue
- Glue Sticks
- Pencils
- Pencil Sharpener
- Pencil Box
- Pens

- Scissors
- Folders (2)
- Metric/Standard Ruler
- Wide Ruled Lined Paper (either loose-leaf or notebooks)
- Black Sharpie (fine line)

7TH & 8TH GRADE

- Protractor
- Metric/Standard Ruler
- Pencils
- Pens
- Loose-Leaf College-Ruled Lined Paper (1)
- Notebooks (3)
- 8th grade - Scientific Graphing Calculator (ex: Texas Instruments TI-84 Plus)
- 7th grade - Scientific Calculator
- Pack Graph Paper (1) Luther's Small Catechism (1991 translation) (Can purchase from office for \$14.)
- NIV Bible

7TH & 8TH GRADE ART SUPPLIES (SEPARATE FROM REGULAR SUPPLIES)

- Glue Sticks or Elmer's White Glue
- Fine Point Felt-Tip Markers (non-permanent)
- Scissors
- Pencils
- Eraser
- Pencil Box
- Ruler

Zion Lutheran Church & School—Pastor's Report * Second Quarter 2023

"Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28)

Events of Second Quarter (April, May, June)

April 2 Confirmation HOLY WEEK: * 6 Maundy Thursday (7pm) * 7 Good Friday (7pm)

2 Baptism: Stella Mae Sibert

9 Easter

10 Council Meeting (Voter's Meeting on April 16, 2023)

12-14 NLSA Accreditation Team

30 Pr Zacharias on vacation (Pr Wismar at Zion)

May 7 Live & Silent Auction*Food Court 8-10th Spring Pastor's Conference

24 Play Day at St. John – Young America

26 End of Zion's Academic School Year

28 Graduation Recognition

29 Memorial Day (9:30)

June 10 Wedding: Amelia Kahle & Alex Lenzen

25 Wedding: Lisa Cooper & Byron Menke

Events of Third Quarter (July, Aug, Sept)

July 10 Council Meeting

16 Voter's Meeting

Aug 13 Baptism: Caleb Dean Salonek

Sept 5 Zion School Resumes

10 Re-dedication of our teaching ministry

30 Wedding: Lori Zacharias & Matthew Bernard

Baptism

Salonek, Caleb Dean; b. 4/29/23; bap 8/13/23; Parents: Chris & Emily (Miller) Salonek.

Sponsors: Sarah Miller, Josh Salonek.]]

Weddings

Amelia Kahle & Alex Mark Lenzen, at Zion, 6/10/2023.

Lisa Marie Cooper & Byron Mark Menke, Downs Farm, Chaska, 6/25/2023.

[[Lori Elizabeth Zacharias & Matthew Robert Bernard, at Zion, 9/30/2023.]]

Activity for Quarter

LCMS Vote: June 17-20th * Zion's Voting Delegate: John Bruesehoff

Upcoming—Weddings

Megan Bingham & Brandon Hoen, 10/6; Katie Rolf & Alex Klaustermeier, 10/14

Mayer Lutheran High School * School Phone Number: 952-657-2251 * MayerLutheran.org

MLHS Class of 1973: 50th Class Reunion is July 22!

Mayer Middle School will be opening in the fall of 2024. They are seeking a principal; if you know of a candidate for this position, contact Joel Landskroener (MLHS Executive Director) via email at joel.landskroener@mayerlutheran.org, or by 952-657-2251 ext. 1007. Staffing—Looking for substitute teachers and substitute van & bus drivers.

Knights/Crusader Coaching Camps/ Knights Activity Camps * You can still sign kids up for camps, which provide ways for young people to sharpen skills, try a new activity, meet new friends, and have fun! Visit the Knights page mayerlutheran.org/youth-programs/knights/ on Mayer's website and view the listing of sports, art, music, drama, and robotics. Contact: Barb Christopherson.

MEMBERSHIP NOTES

JULY BIRTHDAY LIST

- 2 Brandon Brueggemeier
Steven Leistiko
Angela Richardson
Russell Sauter
- 3 Austin Buetow
Dawson Molnau
- 7 Jon Dose
Philip Radde
Sawyer Traver
- 8 Linda Bierstedt
- 9 Wayne Klaustermeier
- 10 Maxwell Herrera
Mike Bergs
- 11 Logan Radde
- 12 Wyatt Klaustermeier
Beverly Rolf
- 13 Helen Buetow
Corey Hodgin
Matthew Traver
- 15 Charles Dietzel VI
Kyle Klaustermeier
Christophe Morschen
Reagan Sauter
- 16 Isaac Bones
- 17 Ava Dose
Sam Dose
Ralph Herrmann
- 20 Roger Buetow
LuAnn Traver
- 21 Nancy Buckentine
Roxanne Pieper
- 22 Abby Moen
- 22 Emma Dose
Clare Stuewe
- 23 Stephanie Gustafson
- 25 Courtney Bruesehoff
- 26 Colby Brueggemeier
Canton Vinkemeier
- 27 Lydia Brueggemeier
Megan Olson
James Ische Jr.
Joshua Way
- 29 Sarah Perry
- 30 Fern Lindemeier
Kristi Pexa
Brooke Sauter

AUGUST BIRTHDAY LIST

- 1 Patrick Arndt
Richard Buetow
Jennifer Sauter
- 2 Beverly Eggers
- 4 Austin Kehr
- 7 Peter Erickson
Sawyer Traver
- 8 Jeanne Friske
- 9 Michelle Hoen
Sawyer Behn
- 11 Kelly Dose
Reid Stacken
Carsen Ulrich
- 13 Thomas Marcsisak
- 14 Angie Block
Kendall Brueggemeier
Maia Klaustermeier
Eric Lenzen.
- 19 Dustin Bones
- 20 William Gruenhagen
Audrey Morschen
Erica Richardson
- 22 Jason Carlson
- 25 Nathan Haller
- 26 Kimberly Bones
Kindra Ghostley
Neil Gruenhagen
Nicholas Vinkemeier
- 27 Tim Sauter
- 29 John Bones
- 30 JoAnn Herrmann
Renea Lindquist

JULY ANNIVERSARY LIST

- 7 Ronald & Gail Arndt
- 8 Eric & Lisa Sauter
- 12 Darcy & Mary Kroells
- 15 Scott & Kasey Pitstick
- 18 Robert & Kateryna McCloskey
- 20 Robert & Janice Pechonick
- 22 Ben & Jenny Ische
- 23 Richard & Susan Buetow
Adam & Krista Behn
- 24 Logan & Eliana Radde
- 26 Brandon & Lisa Brueggemeier
- 29 Jeff & Bev Rolf

AUG. ANNIVERSARY LIST

- 2 Allen & Jeanne Friske
Edward & Lois Roufs
- 10 Ed & Dixie Brueggemeier
- 12 John & Mickey Haller
Dennis & Ruth Vinkemeier
Luke & Erin Rolf
- 13 Caleb & Darcy Coder
- 16 Zach & Kendra Rhodes
- 18 Todd & Brittany Moen
Kevin & Ellen Rolf
Jay & Natalie Koepp
- 21 Jon & Kelly Dose
Loren & Stephanie Morschen
- 22 Ryan & Jill Rolf
- 27 Mark & Patricia Lenzen
- 28 Steven & Jennifer Buetow
Jared & Stacy Dose
Jared & Stephanie Gustafson
- 29 John & Kimberly Bones
- 30 Christopher & Jenna Buetow
- 31 Mike & Roxanne Pieper

VISITATION LIST

Belle Plaine

Marjorie Wolter

Crystal

Joycelyn Rolf

Cologne

Marville Schmidt
Dixie Brueggemeier

Green Isle

Marlys Lenzen

Norwood Young America

Ellen Arndt

Lila Rolf

Barb Scholz

Waconia

JoAnn Herrmann

Darrell Knorr

Maple Plain

Harriet Tellers

REMEMBERING OUR

SOLDIERS

John Michael Bones

Eben Karnitz

Eddie Karnitz

2023

JULY

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29	30	01
02	03	04	05	06	07	08
Church Service 9:30 AM				Chapel at the Harbor 10:00 AM		
09	10	11	12	13	14	15
Church Communion Service 9:30 AM	Council Meeting			LMWL Meeting 9:30		
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Church Service 9:30 AM Quarterly Voters Meeting After Church						
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Church Communion Service 9:30 AM				Cologne Glad Days		

2023

AUGUST

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	01	02	03	04	05
				Chapel at the Harbor 10:00 AM		
06	07	08	09	10	11	12
Church Service 9:30 AM						
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Church Communion Service 9:30 AM				LMWL Meeting 9:30		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Church Service 9:30 AM			School Orientation 6:30 PM			
27	28	29	30	31	01	02
Church Communion Service 9:30 AM						



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Firehouse
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