

# Voice of Zion & Peace

A NEWSLETTER FOR YOU

Zion Lutheran Church  
Caroline, WI

Peace Lutheran Church  
Split Rock, WI

## October 2012

### Happy Reformation



Oct. 4-7 is Colorama in Caroline! We will switch worship times at Peace and Zion that morning, with Zion at 8:30 am. We are making the attempt to invite more Colorama attendees to worship at Zion. Be sure to invite those you know or meet. We are also having a float for the parade and are looking for people to help out.

### Reformation Sunday



We will be holding our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Reformation Worship and Dinner on Reformation Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup>. We will begin with holding a combined worship service at Zion with Peace, having a hymn sing set to Luther's words on the 7 marks of the Church (trust me, it will be neat).

Immediately following the service a meal is planned with a German theme. Plan on bringing your appetites! The menu pea soup (because that was Martin Luther's favorite), spatzel, sauerkraut with sausage, pork loin, coleslaw gravy, green bean casserole, bread, Apple bars, German chocolate cake, apple juice/coffee The sign-up sheet is in the narthex for contributions of goods/or money.

This is the fundraiser for the Outreach Committee, allowing us to do the things we are doing throughout the year. Please help out in anyway you can-it is so very appreciated.

**Kids!-Dress up for Halloween as your "favorite" Reformation character! If you come trick-or-treating to the parsonage and say "Happy Reformation Day," you will get twice as much candy. If you dress like as a reformer, you will get 4 times as much!**  
For ideas, talk to PC!



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### NALC Convocation

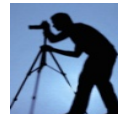
Our Wisconsin/Upper Michigan Mission District Convocation will be held on **Sat. Oct. 13** at Ascension Lutheran in Navarino. Bp. Bradosky will be our featured speaker. The Convo starts at 11:30, with Ascension providing lunch. Cost is \$15/person and Zion & Peace can send one official delegate, along with as many guests as wanted. If you are interested in attending, please see PC.

We will also begin to discuss the recent actions of the national convocation around the LWF, as Z & P will need to vote whether to accept or reject the applications. Look for more info in the bulletin and the churches in the coming weeks.

The pictures for our new church directory at Peace & Zion take place this month.

**Pictures will be taken at Peace on Oct. 16 and at Zion on Oct. 17-18.**

Please sign up if you have not does so already.



### In Our Prayers

Jordan Bliss, Jason Cor, Terry & Pam Blankschien, Sharon Smith, Roger Prey, Bruce & Char Breitenfeldt, Jill Verg, Elroy Mehlberg, Maryann Wendt, Nathan Redman, Deloris Seefeldt, Ryan Schultz, Mike Rohloff, Dennis Kruzicki, Lorna Allberg, Orland Kissingner, Lisa Matson, Jean Fritz, Carl & Margaret Westphal, Chris Kahl, Charles Liechi, Tom Thorn, Pam Parsons, Chris Zernicke, Becky Grueninger and her baby, Teresa Parvin and her baby, Brittany Sperberg and her baby  
.....and our nursing home and shut in members: Dolores Fietz, Mae Ankerson, Diane Meyers, Ervin Buss, Jeanette Miller, Florence Bossell, Andrew Buss, Lila Menzel, Howard & Deloris Seefeldt, Harvey Krueger, Ken Verg





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*Yes, we know the Packer game starts at noon so there will still be time to join us for lunch and get to the TV before game time!*

**Colorama Float** – This year’s theme is **The Old Faith in a New World**  
The float is almost completed! Parade walkers/rider please meet in Mike and Linda Fritz’s driveway at 12:30 on Sunday.

**Friends Night Out** - Looking ahead to December there is a free concert in Green Bay in Dec. 1. "Brass, Organ and Choral Christmas Spectacular" at the St. Norbert Abbey, at 7 pm.

**Bulletin Boards** - Be sure to check the bulletin boards at Zion and Peace often for news from the Outreach Committee!



**Meetings in October**

Zion Council – Sunday, October 14 @ 11:15 am  
Peace Council – Sunday, October 14 @ 7:45 am  
Outreach Comm. @ Zion – Sat Oct 20 @ 9 am



We welcome Deb Retzlaff as a new member at Peace!

We welcome Brandi Wuske, Kyle Griepentrog and Daisy Rickert as new members at Zion!



**Sunday Youth Studies**

We will begin (since circumstances led to our cancellation) our monthly Bible study for the youth of the parish this month. It is open to those beginning in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade and up. Once a month we will meet at Zion from 11:30-12:15 pm to study a particular subject. This is intended to continue to help you in your spiritual growth as you meet the demands of the world. We will meet on **Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup>**.

Pastor Craig will be gone October 22-24 to attend the ILT theological conference in Brookings, SD. Pastor Matthew Uttenreither at St. John’s Lutheran in Tigerton will be on call @ 535-2282



**COME JOIN OUR BIBLE Study** This month, we continue our Bible Study on the Gospel of Study John. **We meet on Sunday’s at Zion from 4-5 pm and on Wednesday’s @ 10-11 am.**

Our Adult Education class continues our work through the Book of Concord. We will begin with the Small & Large Catechisms. **We meet at Zion on Sunday’s at 5:00 pm & Thursday’s at 10 am.**



Choir practice at Zion is on Monday @ 6 pm All who are interested in singing (and we want you all), please join us for practice or speak to Yvonne Schoen

**Pastoral Acts in September**

Baptism of Allison Breitenfeldt- Sept. 23  
Funeral of Jan Huebner- Sept. 27



## October Birthdays & Anniversaries

### Zion

David Buss – October 2  
 Janice Malueg – October 5  
 Jane Malueg – October 5  
 Bonnie Haas – October 6  
 Lee Verg – October 13  
 David Malueg – October 16  
 Terry Verg – October 26  
 Melissa Buss – October 27  
 Gary Grunewald – October 30

### Peace

Jessalyn Krueger- October 16  
 Val Natzke- October 18  
 Rosie Marquardt- October 24  
 Tyler Hammons- October 31

### Anniversaries

Dennis & Dawn Kersten- October 3  
 Darold & Julie Seefeldt- October 5  
 Lee & Linda Kreklow-October 13  
 Doug & Karin Seefeldt- October 23  
 Dave & Kathy Malueg – October 23  
 Jeremy & Brenda Brady- October 23  
 Joan Schampers – October 26  
 Mike & Linda Fritz – October 29

We are in need of blank cd's and sleeves to continue to provide copies of the services to our shut-in's. If interested in providing, speak to Pastor Craig

### Prayer Shawl Ministry



Through September, we have had 21 shawls and lap robes made and delivered. Please join us, or stop at church and pick up some yarn to knit/crochet. Our next meeting will be on Oct 8 at 9 am



### Lay Readers:

Oct 7: Open, Open  
 Oct 14: Open, Open  
 Oct 21: Janet Arndt, Open  
 Oct 28: Reformation Day @ Zion

Fellowship servers: Open

Zion Ushers: Open

Peace Janitors: Pastor Craig & Wendy

Zion Altar Guild: Lori Egdorf & Ramona Mehlberg



Baptism of Allison Lauren Breitenfeldt  
September 23, 2012



- ... to our lay readers in September: Henry Hoeksema, Janet Arndt, Maxine Williams, Ramona Mehlberg, Wally Breitenfeldt, Chad Lundt
- ... our ushers in August: Ron & Michael Wuske
- ... to on Altar Guild at Zion: Janice Malueg & Jean Fritz
- ... for cleaning Peace in September: Scott & Marilyn Bauman
- ... for providing fellowship at Peace: Scott & Marilyn Bauman

...to Kathy Malueg, Kristy Crum, Char Breitenfeldt, Peg Krueger, Linda Fritz, Judy Grunewald, Judy Rohloff, Wendy Nehring, Dorothy Lundt, Lynn Grunewald, Sara, Megan & Emily Steinke for setting up and cleaning up for the SS Potluck Picnic on the 9<sup>th</sup>!

...to all who brought a dish to pass for the SS potluck

...to all who provided the lunch for the Huebner funeral on September 28

Zion Council Meeting Minutes

September 16, 2012

Members present for the meeting after church were Pastor Craig, Lori Egdorf, Ron Malueg, Dale Klitz, Al Buss, Ellen Mehlberg, and Ron and Judy Grunewald. Dale called the meeting to order. Pastor led us in prayer. The minutes of the last meeting were read. MSC Ron Malueg/ Alan Buss. The treasure's report was received and accepted. MSC Ron Malueg/ Ron Grunewald.

**Pastor's Report:** There will be a deer hunter's service at Peace Church on November 15. Confirmation classes will be held at 5:30. The NALC Convocation will held at Ascension Church in Navarino on October 13<sup>th</sup>. Allison Lauren Breitenfeldt will be baptized at Zion in September 23.

**Old Business:** The gas meter was installed by Doug Malueg. Copper pipe for this was installed. The old chairs are available for church members to use. There will be a sign out sheet.

**New Business:** The council accepted the transfer of Brandi Wuske from Emanuel LC in New London to Zion.

Our next meeting will be on Sunday, October 14 after worship. MSC to adjourn. Closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectively Submitted,  
Judy Grunewald, Secretary



There was no council meeting for Peace in September. Our next meeting will be on Oct. 14.

Start making plans to attend our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual **Deer Hunters/Thanksgiving service on Thursday, November 15<sup>h</sup>**. This year, it will be held at Peace, with the time to be determined this month.

We will be giving thanks for all that the Lord has given to us this past year as well as praying for and sending off our deer hunters for another safe year.

We will also be collecting food for the area pantries during November.

We would like to thank our family, friends and the EMT crew for being there when help was needed. The calls, cards, gifts and prayers were very much appreciated. To Pastor Craig: your trips to Madison and visit at home were just what was needed and we thank you.

With faith, family and friends, Ray is doing great. Thank you and God Bless each of you!

-Ray & Nancy Faehling

### **Operation Christmas Child**

Last year, over 8.6 million shoe boxes were delivered, of which 22 were donated from Z & P. Let's seek to at least double that number this year! Brochures will be at the church in a couple of weeks and will guide you into what to do and what to give.

National Collection Week is November 12-19. If you have any questions, pick up a flyer or ask PC.



### **Care Package for Alexis**

In June 2012, Alexis Depaoli became a member of Zion through baptism and is now a private in the United States Army. She is through basic training and stationed in Ft. Lee, Virginia. The Outreach Committee is putting together a package to mail to Alexis and would like your help in making this package special. There is a list of donation suggestions posted on the bulletin board at Zion. There is a basket located in the narthex for your donations. Thank you for your help in making this care package special! The goal is to mail the package in early December so please have your contributions by **November 17<sup>th</sup>**

Lutherans believe in prayer, but would practically die if asked to pray out loud.

Lutherans like to sing, except when confronted with a new hymn or a hymn with more than four stanzas.

Lutherans believe their pastors will visit them in the hospital, even if they don't notify them that they are there. Lutherans think that the Bible forbids them from crossing the aisle while passing the peace.

You know you're a Lutheran when:

\*You hear something really funny during the sermon and smile as loudly as you can;

\*When you watch a 'Star Wars' movie and they say, 'May the Force be with you,' you respond, '**and also with you**'.

For us in the Lutheran tradition, October is our month to "shine," since this is when we remember the work of Martin Luther effectively beginning the Reformation. We no longer call October 31 "Halloween," since we know that this was the day that Luther nailed the 95 Theses to the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg. We take the final Sunday of the month to, with gusto, sing "A Mighty Fortress is our God," while listening to Jesus speak about the freedom He gives in John's Gospel.

So I thought I would spend a few moments to discuss what exactly did happen on that day in 1517. The set up for the event started in Rome, where the current pope Leo X sought to complete the building of St. Peter's Cathedral. But to finish, Leo needed money and lots of it. Also at this time, the bishopric of Mainz opened up and Albert, the current archbishop of both Magdeburg and Halberstadt, wanted it. However, like Leo, he was cash short so he went to the premier bankers of Europe at the time, the Fugger family.

This is where the politics and wheel-n-dealing began, as in order to raise the funds to pay back the loan from the Fuggers, Albert sought to allow the selling of indulgences in his territories. He needed the pope to allow such a thing and, in return, Albert was required to send part of the sales to Leo. So, Albert got his loan and Mainz and Leo found the money to finish St. Peter's. Enter in John Tetzel, one of the greatest indulgence sellers of all of Germany, who began selling them in Saxony in 1517.

Now, an indulgence was a letter that one could buy in order to have time taken off in purgatory. You see, as one lived in this world you end up sinning. In the theology at the time, there were two types of sin-venial and mortal. Venial were "minor" sins, such as jaywalking and were generally covered in ones repentance and confession to a priest. A mortal sin, however, were those "greater" sins which required more than one's own repentance could cover. So, if you died without having enough merit, enough "good works" done to cover the mortal sin, you ended up in purgatory, a place where Christians ended up to "work" off the penalty of those sins. However, one could purchase an indulgence, an announcement from the pope that took time off from one's, or your relative's, time.

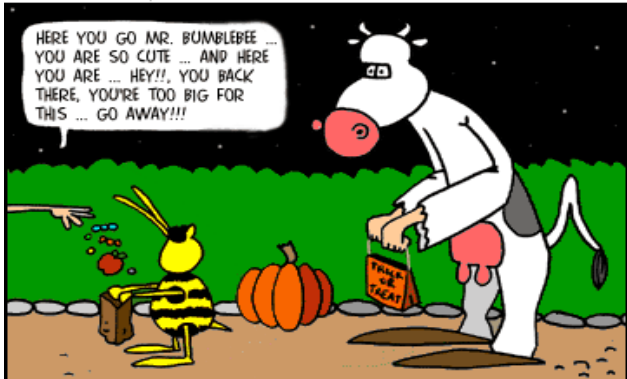
Martin Luther was at this time a professor at the new university in Wittenberg, teaching the Bible. As he worked through the Psalms, Galatians, Hebrews and Romans, he had his "reformation" discovery. That the righteousness that man must have for forgiveness was not something by which God judged mankind, but was a gift from God to man-thus it was God who made sinful man righteous through His own righteousness, all through faith in Christ. One can see why indulgences caused a problem here-for an indulgence was one seeking to purchase God's righteousness, while Luther discovered that the Bible spoke of it as a free gift from God.

So, on October 31, 1517, Luther nailed a set of 95 theses-95 statements meant to begin academic discussion on the nature and role of indulgences according to the new theology he was teaching. One can see where Luther was heading in the first theses-"When Christ calls one to repentance, He calls one to a lifetime of repentance"-that is, repentance isn't a one-time event, but is a life-long confession that one needs the grace of God all their life. This was completely antithetical to indulgences, since an indulgence could be bought for sin-even sins that one had not even committed! What happened then someone took the Theses, translated them into German and printed them for the common people to read. From there, Luther's theology took off and the rest (including us) is history.

So I hope that you take time out this month and (re)discover our Reformation heritage and history. By doing this, I know you will realize just how great our theology is. Happy Reformation Day!

In Christ's grace & mercy, Pastor Craig

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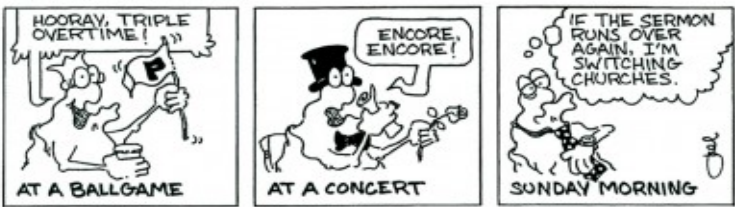
YOUNG GOLIATH ALWAYS ENDED UP COMING HOME WITH MUCH LESS CANDY THAN THE OTHER KIDS

### Church Mice

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### Pontius' Puddle



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### Peace Financial Report-August

Income: \$2526

Expenses: \$6671.20

Notations:

1. Paid 4 months of shared expenses to Zion (\$1,050.65)
2. Paid 2 months electric bills in August
3. Paid annual insurance (\$2,079)
4. \$350 spent on basement project (maintenance category)



### LUTHER ON...THE REFORMATION

Ah, God, if we had an understanding of Scripture, my books would be of no importance! God knows that I do not lie when I say that if my condemnation harmed only me, I would, if possible, not free one hair of mine from shameful abuse; for I have staked my honor and my life on this cause, nay, I would then most heartily and gladly bear in silence the condemnation of this shameful papal abuse. But because Christ says: "Whoever shall confess Me before men, him will I confess also before My Father which is in heaven; but he that denieth Me before men shall be denied before the angels of God," I am in duty bound to further the salvation of every one of my fellow men and to protect him from danger. Therefore since I am now certain that the sacrilegious pope and his followers are acting against Christian truth without cause and reason, yes, out of pure folly and delusion, I can and dare not be silent, permitting the truth to be slandered and souls seduced, no matter what, according to the will of God, may happen to me.

**-In response to the papal bull  
excommunicating Luther in 1520**

### Zion Financial Report

#### Receipts in August (Portion)

Current Expenses: \$5355

Loose offering: \$51

Benevolence: \$370

Transfer from Memorial: \$3200

Thrivent Choice funds: \$128

Shared expenses from Peace: \$1050.65

**Total: \$10,161.87**

#### Disbursements (Portion)

Pastor salary: \$2704.62

Phone: & internet: \$255.17

Electricity: \$280.95

Organists, Janitors, Sectr.: \$257.57

Pension: \$652.58

Michael Miller-Pars Electric: \$1454.51

Baumgart Mechanical (louvers): \$3200

Church Mutual (Work Comp): \$1012

Malueg Heat-gas meter: \$398

NALC benevolence: \$555

Shawano K-9 (outdoor offering): \$100

Outreach Comm. (outdoor offering): \$81.11

Heifer International: \$120

Caroline Sanitary District: \$198

**Total: \$11,485.72**

**Balance on hand (Sept. 15): \$10,551.82**

Need each month for budget: \$6196.79

Received 2012: \$56,417.05 (excludes transfers)

Expenses 2012: \$44,424.17 (excludes improvements)

### Zion and Peace on Facebook

Have you "liked" the Zion and Peace Lutheran Parish page on Facebook?

This is our church newsletter and we want to hear from you! If you have a community, personal, or congregational event or story you would like to share, please contact Pastor Craig at [cnehring@yahoo.com](mailto:cnehring@yahoo.com) or Peg Krueger at [pkreegs@gmail.com](mailto:pkreegs@gmail.com). Thanks!



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