

Voice of Zion & Peace

A NEWSLETTER FOR YOU

Zion Lutheran Church
Caroline, WI

Peace Lutheran Church
Split Rock, WI

May 2019



Peace will now be holding their annual spring cleaning day on Saturday, May 4, starting at 9 am. All those able to help out please come.



Sunday, May 19 marks the day of Confirmation for Peace & Zion. We will welcome Colby Wanta (Peace) & Nathan Ahlers (Zion) into our midst as a confirmed member of our congregation. Please be sure to be at worship that day as we celebrate this milestone!



On Mother's Day, we will be handing out corsages before worship. We need your help on making the corsages at Zion on Saturday May 11th @ 9:00 am. Bring your talented fingers if you are available! Pass this message on to anyone you can think of that might like to join us.



We will be celebrating and recognizing the graduation of our members this month. This year, we congratulate Kendra Barrow graduating from Marion. Baccalaureate Sunday will be held in May.



We will be closing out the Sunday School year on Sunday, May 5. Zion will be holding a Picnic Potluck after worship.

We will also be welcoming our new members at Zion that morning.



The Outreach Committee is planning on host a dinner in honor of our more "senior" members-age 80 and up. This will be to simply to allow us to get together and to say our thanks to those who have taught us the faith for so many years.

We are currently planning for a September 22 meal, likely starting around 4 pm. We will be asking our confirmation students to help out, along with any SS or adult members as well. We will be needing a RSVP so to plan for the meal. Look for more information in the next few months, and start your plan to attend.

Thanks for all who work hard and who help teach our young members.

Prayer Concerns of the Parish

Bev Redman, Jason Kor, Dennis Pockat, Sharon Smith, Teresa Boysen, Megan Zirik, Rosie Marquardt, Colby Wanta, Carri Wanta, Ken Raether, Kathy Scherneck, Kathy Krueger, Bruce Breitenfeldt, Curt Clifford, Pastor Sachs, Dan Brandenburg, Ron Rindt, Alice Laufenberg, Angela Steinbeck, Mary Martin, Carey Krouth, Joy Murray; Terri Graham, Kylie Heinz and their babies, Courtney Stricker in Army & Kelsey Gast in the Air Force and our nursing home residents and shut-ins: Diane Meyers, Bernice Begrow, Deloris Seefeldt, Gladys Wichmann, Paul Heger, Leonard & Ila Grunewald, Bernice Uecker



Pastoral Acts

Funeral of Dolores Dietz-April 9
Baptism of Bryce Koptizke- April 28





Outreach Activities

- May 12-Mother's Day flowers
- June 16-Father's Day event
- July-TimberRattlers-looking at Friday, July 19
- September 22-"Honor our Senior Members Dinner" @ Zion

The Pastor's Corner

Starting on May 26, I am going to do something I've never really done before in my weekly sermons. While in past summers we have focused more on a particular book (I believe we did Ephesians one year) and I've preached on your submitted favorite hymns, this year I will attempt to preach on the entire Bible over a course of 10 weeks.

One of the podcast's I listen to very regularly is Truth for Life, which are sermons preached by Alister Begg of Parkside Church in Cleveland. His style of preaching is called expository, which is simply using a text for the day, and preaching either on the theme presented from a number of verses, or to preach "verse-by-verse." This is a bit different than what I attempt-using the Lectionary and letting the 4 texts direct my thoughts

Just this past March/April, I listened to Pastor Begg do a study on the entire Bible and it inspired me to try something different and to try this. So, I have sketched out 10 weeks of themes (with one for an introduction) that will seek to show how the Bible is ultimately one continuous message of "Justification by Faith Alone."

I would invited you to bring your Bible to worship each week, as I will (hopefully) be using particular texts to speak to what I am saying. We will not be using, then, our weekly text inserts.

In the end, my hope will be for you to gain a deeper appreciation for the unifying message the Bible is truly revealing to us, and be drawn into a fuller devotion to Christ Jesus who accomplished God's appointed work as creating, saving and sanctifying His beloved creation.

Tentative Schedule

- May 26-Introduction***
- June 2-Creation***
- June 9-Creation/Fall***
- June 16-Flood/Babel/Abraham***
- June 23-Exodus***
- June 30-History & Prophets***
- July 7-Christ: Birth/Life/Death***
- July 14-Christ: Parables/Miracles***
- July 21-Theology of the Church***
- July 28- End Things***



Meetings in May

Zion Council- Sunday, May 12 @ 11:15 am



Remember to check out and advertise our sermon's on 92.3 every Sunday morning at 6:45 am. We had to raise the sponsorship cost to \$50, due to raise from the radio station.

We had not past on the previous rise in cost (\$45) two years ago. This price will be locked in for the next 2 years.

Our services are also being streamed both live and recorded on our YouTube Channel. Let your friends and family know they can keep in contact and worship with us from wherever they are in the world!



Our updated contact information is now available at Peace & Zion. Please take a copy for your use.



First Communion @ Zion
-Jorja Karst

May Birthdays & Anniversaries

Zion

Justin Malueg – May 1
 Alexis Wright- May 7
 Ron Wuske- May 7
 Rick Wuske- May 9
 Caroline Handrich- May 10
 Jesse Blum – May 13
 Dalton Williams- May 13
 Angie Koeppel- May 14
 Brittani Handrich- May 15
 Ron Grunewald – May 20
 Kathy K. Malueg- May 20
 Rose Malueg- May 20
 Jorja Karst- May 21
 Ellen Mehlberg – May 23
 Arlene Wuske – May 26
 Mason Breitenfeldt – May 27
 Kaylee Mijal- May 28

Peace

Andrew Tiller- May 15
 Debra Seefeldt- May 23
 Delanie Tiller- May 24
 Larry Pringnitz Sr.- May 26
 Benjamin Hammond- May 27
 Amanda Olson- May 31

Happy Anniversary

Robert & Sandy Olson- May 1
 Cody & Summer Verg- May 7
 Rick & Jill Grunewald- May 7
 Rod & Vicki Riska- May 7
 Rory & Melanie Mehlberg- May 16
 Elroy & Janice Malueg - May 18
 Ray & Nancy Faehling- May 20
 Lee & Kayla Verg- May 20
 Chase & Brittany Sperberg- May 21
 Ted & Gina Jobe- May 21
 Jack & Kay Krueger- May 24
 Steve & Val Natzke- May 27



Lay Readers:

May 5: Open, Open
 May 12: Open, Open
 May 19: Open, Open
 May 26: Open, Open

Fellowship servers: Open

Zion Ushers: Bruce & Char Breitenfeldt

Peace Ushers: Open

Zion Altar Guild: Brittany Sperberg & Lynn Grunewald

Radio Sponsorship

May 5: Open
 May 12: Dennis & Yvonne Schoen
 May 19: Maxine Williams
 May 26: Maxine Williams

Congratulations...to Bethany Kreklow, Nathaen Wanta, Mary Kreklow for making "A" honor roll at Tigerton in 3rd quarter.

...to Allen Jobe, Bethany Jobe, Colby Wanta, Loghan Wanta for making "B" honor roll at Tigerton in 3rd quarter.

...to Nathaen Wanta & Bethany Kreklow on their undefeated Quiz Bowl season

...to Allen Jobe being named to National Honor Society

... **Thanks** to all who helped at Easter! **Thanks** to Mary Rades, Bethany Kreklow & Rhonda Laatsch for playing for all our services. **Thanks** to Janice Malueg for printing all the bulletins! **Thanks** to Alan Buss, Colby & Loghan Wanta & Ryan Malueg for helping with the Easter Vigil service. **Thanks** to Dave Fritz, Ryan Malueg & Nathan Ahlers and the choir for playing and singing for us at the sunrise at Zion. **Thanks** to Nathaen Wanta & Mary Kreklow for the special music at Peace. **Thanks** to the men of Zion for preparing and all who donated toward the Easter breakfast. **Thanks** to all at Peace who donated to the Palm Sunday brunch. **Thanks** to the women who decorated Zion and Peace. **Thanks** to Dennis & Dawn Kersten, Dorothy Lundt & Liz Reissman & for setting up communion at Peace & Zion on Maundy Thursday, Holy Saturday (Zion), and Easter Sunday.

... to our lay readers in April: Henry Hoeksema, Natalie Ahlers, Rachel Wudstrack, Danika Tiller, Jaelyn Brady

... for serving on the Altar Guild at Zion: Liz Reissman & Dorothy Lundt

...to Dawn Kersten for setting up Communion @ Peace

... for ushering at Zion in April: Darryl Erdmann & Bruce Breitenfeldt

...to Maxine Williams, Leroy & Bernice Uecker & Jane Marquardt for sponsoring the radio broadcasts in March



Zion Monthly Meeting-April 14, 2019

Our meeting was called to order by President Ron Wuske. Members present were: Dennis Schoen, Ron Wuske, Al Buss, Rod Riska, Bruce and Char Breitenfeldt. MSC Rod/Dennis to approve the secretary's report as read. MSC Al/Bruce to approve the treasurer's report as printed. Rod discussed the fact that offering receipts have been lower the last few months.

Pastor's Report: MSC Rod/ Bruce to approve the Confirmation of Nathan Ahlers on May 19. We will have a potluck after church on May 5 for the end of the Sunday School season. Cheri Klapste and Joan Hanson will be welcomed as new members. June 15 is Justin Malueg's wedding. June 23 is the Baptism of Emily Malave's baby

Old Business: The new front doors will be installed April 15

New Business: Ron said the vacuum cleaner isn't working very good. Ron will get quotes for a commercial-type vacuum. Our next meeting is May 12. MSC Char/Dennis to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,
Char Breitenfeldt, Zion Council secretary

Joint Council Meeting @ Zion-April 14, 2019

Our joint meeting was called to order by President Ron Wuske at Zion. Members present were: Al Breitenfeldt, Steve Natzke, Paul Kersten, Dennis Kersten, Scott Bauman, Larry Pringnitz, Dennis Schoen, Ron Wuske, Al Buss, Bruce and Char Breitenfeldt and Pastor Craig. MSC Al Breitenfeldt/Rod Riska to approve the secretary's report as read.

Pastor's report: PC will be taking a little vacation June 11-13. He will also be attending to Dean's business on May 9.

New Business: The cost of the radio broadcast has gone up from \$40 to \$50. MSC Dennis Schoen/Larry Pringnitz to continue supporting the weekly broadcasts at \$50/week. Our Joint Outdoor service will be Sunday, July 14 at the ballpark. Please let PC know if anyone knows of a speaker for this service. MSC Rod Riska/Scott Bauman to give the loose offering to House of Hope. Peace no longer has to pay a share of the parsonage utilities since PC and Wendy aren't using the parsonage anymore.

Our next joint meeting is August 11 at Peace around 11:30AM. MSC Rod/Dennis to adjourn. We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Char Breitenfeldt, Zion Council Secretary

Dear members of Zion Lutheran Church, On behalf of the House of HOPE I want to thank you for your generous donation of \$420.00 toward our efforts in maintaining a House of HOPE in the Marion area. The House of HOPE has four Christian ministries that are supported through donations like yours. These areas are: The Resale Shop (Clothes Closet), subsidizing HOPE Counseling, The Marion Food Pantry, and Back Pack Program. To help continue all of these ministries, any further donations may be directed to House of HOPE. We appreciate your generosity and financial support for the House of HOPE ministries.

In Christ's peace, Jacqueline



Zion Backpack Packing



Palm
Sunday



Maundy Thursday





Good Friday



Holy Saturday



Easter Sunday



Peace Financial Report

Zion Financial Report

Receipts in March (Portion)

Current Expenses: \$4980
Loose offering: \$164
Benevolence: \$122
Thrivent Choice: \$117
Church Improvement: \$97

Total: \$5603.10

Disbursements (Portion)

Pastor salary, benefits & professional : \$1983.38
Maintenance: \$351.96
Organist & Janitor: \$110.82
Shared Expenses: \$112.25

Total: \$2611.75

Year to date: Receipts: \$12,266.84

Expenses: \$10,507.94

Checking Balance: \$18,700.57

Receipts in March (Portion)

Current Expenses: \$5474
Loose offering: \$140.25
Benevolence: \$800
Sunday School: \$507
Backpack program: \$65
Radio: \$120
Building Fund: \$100
Thrivent: \$656
Shared Expenses (3 months): \$380.32

Total: \$8293.65

Disbursements (Portion)

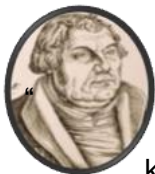
Pastor salary: \$3118.28
Pension: \$863.76
Phone, internet, webpage: \$180.76
Electricity/Heat: \$764.74
Organists, Janitors, Sectr.: \$291.83
WTCH: \$180
Church Mutual: \$3866
Caroline Sanitary Dist: \$640
Steve Verg: \$315

Total: \$10,054.53

(2019 Benevolence donations: \$1710)

Zion, thanks to donation of Dale Klitz, has purchased a new Carillion system (you may have heard it play!), One of the neat things, is that we can program specific songs for each day of the year (if we want). So, it was thought to open it up to you all. If you would like a particular hymn played on a particular day (say birthday, anniversary, etc), let PC know and it will be programmed to play at noon and 6 pm that day! There are lots of choices to choose from, so likely it will be available. We will have slips in the back for your submissions.

Luther on...Scripture



You should diligently learn the Word of God and by no means imagine that you know it. Let him who is able to read take a psalm in the morning, or some other chapter of Scripture, and study it for a while. This is what I do. When I get up in the morning, I pray and recite the Ten Commandments, the Creed, and the Lord's Prayer with the children, adding any one of the psalms. I do this only to keep myself well acquainted with these matters, and I do not want to let the mildew of the notion grow that I know them well enough. The devil is a greater rascal than you think he is. You do as yet not know what sort of fellow he is and what a desperate rogue you are. His definite design is to get you tired of the Word and in this way to draw you away from it. This is his aim.

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 or Peg Krueger at pkreegs@gmail.com. Thanks!



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