



# For You

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Zion Lutheran Church, Wausau + Pentecost 10 + August 12 and 13, 2017

## PRAYING

*In Our Prayers This Week*

*Persecuted Christians in:*

**Iraq**

**Iran**

**Yemen**

*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*

~ **Les Broliar**

~ **Bill Deneen**

~ **Vicki Dennis**

~ **Hazel Eckel**

~ **Carol Edelburg**

~ **Rita Falk**

~ **Maggie Gengler**

~ **Barry Gilbert**

~ **LouAnn Gille**

~ **Chris Hilber**

~ **Lynell Huber**

~ **Rick Jones**

~ **Dan Kasten**

~ **Avery Kluck**

~ **Delores Kottke**

~ **Ray Kurth**

~ **Sally Lewitzke**

~ **Betty Machel**

~ **Roni Novitzke**

~ **Tina Parker**

~ **Mary Plautz**

~ **Barb Ramker**

~ **Mike Renken**

~ **Junior Ricci**

~ **Krista Salas**

~ **Johanna Schultz**

~ **Aaron Steffen**

~ **Anna Tanck**

~ **Evelyn Werth**

~ **Darlene Westcott**

~ **Jayne Zilisch**

~ **Nancy, godmother of Sue Hafemeister**

## FUNERALS

**Rodney Zahrt** fell asleep in the Lord on August 4 and now awaits the return of Christ and the resurrection of all flesh. Rodney was given Christian burial from Zion on August 11.

**Nancy Burgoyne** fell asleep in the Lord on August 4 and now awaits the return of Christ and the resurrection of all flesh. Nancy will be given Christian burial from Zion on Monday, August 14 at 4:30 p.m.

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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**

#### **No Vespers this week, August 16**

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

### **At Home**

How do you deal with the storms that your sin and the world whip up in your life? How about returning daily to the calm waters of your Baptism, the time when your life changed, your sins were forgiven, and the Creator of the universe united His life to yours? There is enough love, mercy, and power there to bring peace to the most violent storm.

### **Worship Notes**

When the pastors approach or cross in front of the altar, that stop and bow. This small act is one of adoration for the cross and the anticipated and real presence of Christ on that altar in the Lord's Supper. You also are invited to make use of this gentle act of devotion to the cross and our Lord.

### **Next Sunday:**

Pentecost 11: *Isaiah 56:1, 6-8; Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32; Matthew 15:21-28; Psalm 67*

## LEARNING

*Nourished by God's Word*

**Sundays, 10:15 AM:** The study, **Why Lutherans Sing What They Sing**, will conclude on August 13. The discussion will continue this week with a more in depth look at the theology of the cross in regards to hymns.

### **Tuesdays at 9 AM: Hebrews**

Following the death and resurrection of Jesus, all things in the Old Testament take on a new light, teaching us to see all of our life in the light of Jesus and His grace. (Church Hall). *Continuing at Hebrews 10:1.*

### **Thursday Men's Breakfast: Matthew**

Most of our gospel readings this year will come from the gospel according to Matthew. The tax collector called by Christ, Matthew writes a gospel that some have called a "catechism of the Christian life." He tells us the story of Jesus in a way that teaches how the followers of Jesus live by Jesus' life alone. Come and let Matthew renew your own living of the Life. *Continuing at Matthew 8:28.*

## REMEMBERING

*Heroes of the Faith in August*

### **Saint Johann Gerhard**

*August 17*

When 14 years old, St. Johann suffered from a severe illness. During this time, he found solace in the writings and thought of theologian St. Johann Arndt, and dedicated himself to study theology for the church. By the time of his adulthood, Johann was regarded as the greatest theologian in Lutheran Germany, and he wrote extensively, expounding the Lutheran faith and demonstrating its catholic truth. His devotional writing, Sacred Meditations, is still used to this day.

### **Saint Bernard of Clairvaux**

*August 19*

Of this man, St. Martin Luther (Feb. 18) once said, "He was the best monk that ever lived, whom I admire beyond all the rest put together." An abbot of the Cistercian order 400 years before the Reformation, St. Bernard is especially remembered among Lutherans for his hymns: "Jesus, the Very Thought of You," "O Sacred Head Now Wounded," "Jesus, King Most Wonderful," and "Wide Open Are Your Hands." Frequently embroiled in church politics during his life, it is Bernard's devotion and song that endure after his death.

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

## REACHING

*Zion's Monthly Mission Emphases*

### **Bishop's Resource Fund**

*Goal \$1,000*

**The Bishops Resource Fund** helps pastors, associates in ministry, and diaconal ministers and their families when they are faced with emergencies, unusual needs, or requests that the bishop deems worthy and important to supporting the health, wholeness, and spiritual well-being of our leaders. The Bishop's Resource Fund has provided support to many leaders, and this help has been critical to them. Your dollars are precious, administered in confidence and make a big difference in times of need to our church family.

### **The Neighbor's Place, Wausau**

*Goal \$1,000*

**The Neighbors' Place** (TNP) is located at 745 Scott Street, Wausau. TNP is a unique, locally-supported nonprofit organization with a strong multi-cultural and multi-faith heritage. Their mission is a simple one: to help people in need. In order to meet their mission, they provide a number of programs and services to members of the Marathon County community. These include: a food bank, furniture & basic needs bank, community learning center, youth education, community gardens, and Christmas assistance. They are able to provide sup-

port to people in need with the help of businesses, organizations, and individuals who donate their time, money, and other resources.

## SERVING

*Embodying the Love and Life of Christ*

### **Sunday School Begins . . . .**

. . . on Sunday, September 10 during the 9:00 AM service! If there are children or young families whom you may invite, tell them now and call the church office to pre-register.

### **VBS 2017: A Great Blessing!**

Four days of learning how God is “A Mighty Fortress” blessed both teachers and students this past week at Zion! Students from both inside and outside the congregation learned about Jericho, King Hezekiah, King Josiah, and “King Jesus”; they also learned a bit about Matins, the Gloria Patri, the Doxology, playing chimes, and the hymns “A Mighty Fortress,” “Have No Fear Little Flock” and more! Thanks be to God for everyone who helped with this event through volunteering, donations, attendance, and prayer.

### **Reformation 2017: Celebrating 500 Years**

This October marks the 500th anniversary since holy Martin Luther published his 95 theses. Several events will mark this occasion in October, from the Reformation Hymn Festival with full choir on Sunday, October 1, and the Reformation Chorale Service with organ, choir, and brass on

Sunday, October 29, at both 9 and 11 AM. October will also feature a sermon series, “What is the Lutheran Church *Really?*” Watch for more!

### **If You Are Hospitalized through the Emergency Room**

Zion staff calls area hospitals each weekday (Monday – Friday) to receive the names of Zion parishioners who are admitted there. Your name will be given if you have told the hospital, when you are admitted, that you are a member of Zion. However, please know that, if you are admitted through the emergency room of the hospital, your name will usually not appear on Zion’s list, even if you have given Zion as your congregation. This has been the case for almost 20 years, and has not changed despite inquiries from our congregation. So, if you are admitted to the hospital through the emergency room, and you desire a pastoral visit, it’s best to give the church office a call.

### **Quilting in Church Hall**

... Mondays, August 28 and September 18, from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. This project supports Lutheran World Relief. Volunteers are welcome! Quilters: Please label the items you bring to identify them as quilt tops, backs, or fillers. Each item should be 64” X 84”.

### **Kantor Quest**

**The Epiphany season is longer than the Christmas season and yet, those hymns aren’t as well known. So in August, Kantor Quest IV will “examine Epiphany” hymns! You may find a new favorite!**

**Kantor Quest for August 13:**

In hymn #646 in *With One Voice*, what three gifts did the "three kings" bring Jesus?

Several of the Epiphany hymns refer to Jesus' baptism. In what river was He baptized? In how many hymns did you find this information?

**Young at Heart**

... next meeting on Wednesday, August 23 at 1:00 p.m. in the church hall.

**Baby Shower for the Pinzls**

The Women of Zion are hosting this baby shower on Monday, September 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall. Dessert, coffee, and punch will be served. All Zion members are invited to attend. Samantha and Joe Pinzl are registered at Target.

**Mats for the Homeless**

Come and help! The mats are being worked on every Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. in the church hall. Help is needed! We need more people to cut the plastic bags and also people to crochet the mats. You can take the project home to work on it!

**Plastic Bags Needed**

The Women of Zion are making mats for Wausau's homeless persons. These mats are crocheted from plastic bags which have been cut into strips. We need bags, such as those from grocery stores, department stores, and big-box stores. NO dry-cleaning bags, please. Bring your donations to the church office.

**Personal Care Kits**

Towels are the only item we need more of

to make the kits. We need light-weight bath-sized towels (20 x 40 inches or 52 x 27 inches), dark color preferred. The kits will be assembled and mailed out with the quilts to help needy people through Lutheran World Relief. Bring your items to the conference room by the church office. Thanks for your help!

**Bread and Pie Baking on August 25**

Phyllis Bliese will be baking French bread (\$3 each) and whole wheat bread (\$4 each), and lemon meringue and pumpkin pies (\$6 each), and apple and pecan pies (\$8 each) in Zion's church kitchen. If you can be a kitchen helper, call Phyllis at 715-675-2630. For bread and pie orders, sign up using the order sheet in the church office; or you may call the church office at 715-848-7286. Proceeds benefit Zion church's roof.

**Bread and Pie Baking Report from July 28**

57 loaves white bread at \$3.00:	\$171.00
12 loaves of whole wheat at \$4.00:	48.00
15 blueberry pies at \$8.00:	120.00
1 small blueberry pie at \$5.00:	5.00
29 pies at \$6.00:	174.00
2 Jam Sales:	8.00
Donations:	<u>12.00</u>

Total Profit: \$538.00

All expenses were paid by a Thrivent Financial Action Team. Profits designated to: Zion Missions: \$80.00; Church Roof Fund: \$458.00. *Thanks to my kitchen helpers, Jeff and Steve. ... Phyllis Bliese*

**Lectors: Reading Lessons at Worship**

Would you like to read the Scripture les-

sons at worship? A clear voice, good reading skills, and a love of God's Word and liturgy serve this task best! If you are interested, please contact Pastor Gjerde at the church office.

#### **Ushers Needed**

Please consider volunteering to help with ushering for Zion's services. Training will be provided. Call the church office if you would be willing to help.

#### **Altar Guild Volunteers Needed**

Our next meeting will be held in September, and we are asking women, and men, if they would like to join Zion's Altar Guild. You will be trained by the members of the Altar Guild, and work on a team to set up the communion services, and also care for the communion linens and the garments worn by the pastors and communion assistants. We have a rotation of five teams, where you would work every fifth month. If interested, call the church office.

#### **Please Note**

Articles for the weekly bulletin are due at the church office on Wednesdays each week. The bulletins are then printed on Thursdays to ensure that Zion's homebound members may receive the bulletins in the mail by Saturday. Also, articles for the Newsletter are due to the church office by the third Friday of each month.

#### **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.

#### **"All the Earth With Joy Is Sounding"**

Kantor Beethe's recital from January 29 is now available for viewing on YouTube. The link is: <https://youtube/jFyxoAe9tJ0>

#### **"Michael Hey Concert"**

... **will be telecast** on Channel 980 on Fridays at 12:00 noon, and Sundays at 11:30 a.m. It is not yet available on YouTube. You may check the channel 980 schedule guide for other interesting programs at: <http://www.ci.wausau.wi.us/Portals/0/Departments/PublicAccess/Documents/WeeklyProgramGuideCH98.pdf>

#### **Calling All Lay Ministers: Past, Present, and Future! Or Anyone Interested in Volunteering!**

Greater Wausau Christian Services is in need of Lay Ministers or those that have recently graduated from Lay School Ministry, OR anyone interested in volunteering, to help with our Nursing and Elder Care Service Rotation. Days, facilities, and times that we need volunteers are: Tuesdays - Mount View at 2 p.m.; Atrium (formerly Kennedy Park) at 3 p.m.; Wednesdays - Benedictine Manor at 9:45 a.m.; Colonial Manor at 10:45 a.m.; Wausau Manor at 2 p.m. If you are able, or know someone that is able, please contact GWCS at 715-842-5635.

#### **A Volunteer Coordinator of Music**

... is needed at Kennedy Park on Fridays from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. If interested, call Cheryl at 715-803-0067.

### Burden Bears

A new 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.

## IN THE COMMUNITY

*Events around Central Wisconsin*

### Coffee and Conversation Support Group

... first Monday of each month, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Hardee's Restaurant, 2609 Stewart Ave., Wausau. First 10 participants get a free meal. Presented by NAMI Northwoods [www.naminorthwoods.org](http://www.naminorthwoods.org) and sponsored by a grant from the Aspirus Foundation.

### Faith in Action

Are you age 60 or older? Do you need a little extra help with groceries? Friendly volunteers from Faith in Action of Marathon County are ready to deliver food from the Community Center of Hope food pantry or from The Neighbors' Place to your doorstep. To request assistance, please contact Kelly at 715-848-8783.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

*Upcoming events at Zion*

- **Sunday, September 10 – 9:00 a.m.:** Sunday School starts
- **Monday, September 11 – 7:00 pm:** Baby Shower for Pinzls in church hall
- **Saturday, September 30: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.:** Women of Zion Rummage Sale in gym
- **Sunday, October 1 – 3:00 pm:** Organ Concert in Nave: "Hymn Festival Celebrating the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation" by Robert Hobby, Organist and Michael Costello, Hymn Commentator
- **Saturday, October 14 – 9 am to 4 pm:** Strassenfest in Zion's gym
- **Sunday, October 15:** Abendessen at Jefferson Street Inn

### Attendance: August 3, 5, 6 and 9:

#### Thursday (VBS Closing Service):

11:00 am 31

#### Saturday:

5:15 pm 36

#### Sunday:

9:00 am 138

11:00 am 47

#### Wednesday:

10:00 am 6

6:30 pm 9

Total: 267

### Zion's Financial News

Income last week: \$ 19,961

Year-to-date income: \$354,955

Year-to-date expenses: \$341,157

# CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

## Sunday • August 13

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

## Monday • August 14

- 4:30 pm Nancy Burgoyne funeral
- 7:00 pm Mission Team

## Tuesday • August 15

- 9:00 am Bible Class
- 10:30 am Staff Meeting
- 1:00 pm Homeless Mats —  
church hall
- 6:00 pm Elders Team
- 6:30 pm GWCS Board meeting
- 7:00 pm Church Council

## Wednesday • August 16

- 10:00 am Matins
- NO Vespers

## Thursday • August 17

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Class

## Saturday • August 19

- 5:15 pm Holy Communion

## Sunday • August 20

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

## Next Sunday:

Pentecost 11: *Isaiah 56:1, 6-8; Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32; Matthew 15:21-28; Psalm 67*