



Mt. Zion Lutheran Church

April 2018 Newsletter

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Mt. Zion has new Mutual Ministers!

Our Mutual Ministers for the next year are Bill Olson, Aaron Adams and Nicole Gelina. Now, you may be asking, what are mutual ministers?

God has entrusted the gospel to the church and given the church on earth the task of proclaiming the gospel to all. All of God's baptized people have been given the church's ministry—to proclaim the gospel through word and deed—and all of God's baptized people are therefore rightly called "ministers of the gospel". It is the whole people of God who have been called to ministry and who are accountable to God.

The term "mutual ministry" recognizes that the ministry of the church is a mutual concern of both laity, pastors and other staff. It reminds us that the pastor alone is not responsible for the ministry of the church, but the entire congregation.

The model constitution for congregations of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America urges the establishment of a Mutual Ministry Committee. The job of the Mutual Ministry Committee is to evaluate how effectively the goals of the congregation are being met, to give advice on how to more effectively minister to the world, to address conflicts and to dialogue about perceptions and concerns within the congregation.

The Mutual Ministry is not a personnel evaluation committee or a complaint committee, but a group that seeks to find ways for the entire congregation to work together for the sake of the ministry of the church.

Besides the pastor and the church council, mutual ministers are members you can go to if you have suggestions, concerns or encouragement to give about the ministry of Mt. Zion.

Blessings,

Pastor Erin

Bill Olson



Aaron Adams



Nicole Gelina



Youth & Milestones

9TH GRADE CONFIRMATION

SUNDAY, APRIL 8

8:15 Service

Photos and Rehearsal Monday, April 2 at 5:00 pm Photos in the Sanctuary 5:00 pm along with Rehearsal and Picking Hymns for the April 8 Service. Please bring a list of your favorite hymns with you so we can choose which will be sung at the Confirmation Service.

SUNDAY, APRIL 8 Confirmation Sunday – At the 8:15 am service we will celebrate with as they confirm their faith Nathan Becker, Daniel Brown & Sam Johnson.

1ST COMMUNION

SUNDAY, APRIL 22

10:30 service

Mt. Zion Youth Receiving Their First Communion on this Sunday Are:

David Brown, Arabella Campana, Nils Dreier, Ian Flattum, Hunter Oswald, Kaitlyn Sanders

1st Communion Class/Acolyte training

Sunday, April 8

11:45 am – 1:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall

MUFFIN BUNCH

SUNDAY, APRIL 15 & 29

9:10 am

ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

As always – friends are welcome!

1ST GRADE BLESSING BOWLS

Sunday, May 6

10:30 Service

On May 6, the 1st Graders will be given their Blessing Bowls during the 10:30 am service.

Please contact the church office to let them know what service your child will be attending. Making of the Blessing Bowls will take place on Saturday, May 5 at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall with a parent. [You will need to attend Saturday to receive your bowl on Sunday.] Sophia Adams, Cariana Hurt, Jackson Lockwood, Wyatt Matzek, Liam Mulfort, Sven O'Connell Beard, Kasen Schletz, Lydia Spence, Amelia Stojan, Nadia Yarrington & Olivia Yarrington

SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION

April 1 (Easter Sunday) No Sunday School

April 29 10:30 Service - Sunday School Sings

May 6 Last Day of Sunday School



MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

SAINTS GAME

Sunday, June 10

5:00 pm

\$14/person

*Sign up by May 13 with Pastor

VALLEYFAIR

Saturday, July 21

ALL DAY

\$30/person

Let Pastor know if you are interested.

MINI MISSION TRIP

Students finishing 8-12 Grade this year (2018)

July 31-Aug. 2

Information and signup sheets were mailed out in March. If you need one or would like one for a friend, pick them up at the information center or send Anna a request and she can email you one.

YOUTH GRANTS AWARDED

The following students were each awarded \$800.00 through the Post-Secondary Grant to support their continued education.

Parker Jahns & Isabel Nemitz

VBS IS NOW OPEN FOR REGISTRATION!

Vacation Bible School will be held at

Mt. Zion July 9 – 13

PreK – K 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Grade 1-6 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Registration Forms can be found at the Information Center and online

www.mtzionhudson.com

Outreach



MEN OF MT. ZION

Our April meeting will be

Saturday, April 14

8:30 – 9:30 am in Fellowship Hall

Everyone is invited! We would be happy to have you join us for breakfast and fellowship.

If you have any questions, please see Jim Letourneau

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

SPRING EVENT

There are 3 open spots for anyone who wishes to attend.

Saturday, April 7

2:00- 4:00 pm Eagan, MN

A group of 60+ adults and youth from Mt. Zion will be heading to Eagan on April 8 to pack meals to be shipped to starving children all over the world!



OUR MISSION & PURPOSE

As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world.

DEBORAH CIRCLE

Tuesday, April 3

7:01 pm

Hosted by Katie Jones

JOY CIRCLE

Thursday, April 12

9:15 am at Church

Host: Nancy Weeks

WELCA TREASURER NEEDED:

Mt. Zion's WELCA is looking for someone to take over as treasurer.

If you are interested, please see Carol Kriegl or contact the church office.



2018 WELCA MORNING OF RENEWAL

Saturday April 7, 2018

Mt. Zion Lutheran, Hudson

WE are CALLED ... to recognize the image of God in every person. Jesus Christ calls the whole church to love and show compassion to all individuals. We strive "to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God." Micah 6:8

Mikayla Swanson, the Domestic Violence Services Coordinator, has worked for Turningpoint for 4.5 years and will be guiding us through the ins and outs of Domestic Violence through statistics and client stories. Mikayla will also share how Turningpoint helps victims and what services they have to offer.

REGISTRATION/COFFEE 8:15—8:45am. Session begins at 8:45 a.m. and concludes by noon.

OFFERING: 1/2 will go to the Synodical Women's Organization, 1/4 to Turningpoint, and 1/4 to the Hudson Outreach Meals for Everyone (HOME).

BRING GIFTS IN KIND for Turningpoint:

Hygiene supplies (new and unopened) body wash, toilet paper, toothpaste, mouthwash, baby wipes, diapers sizes 4 & 5, deodorant, body and hand lotion, hair conditioner
cleaning supplies all-purpose cleaner, bleach, dish soap, paper towels, laundry detergent, disinfectant wipes
Hear about the Second Chances Thrift Store, SWO Convention and news, and conference news.

COME... LEARN how we can bring healing and hope to victims of Domestic Violence.

Saturday, April 7, 2018

Mt. Zion Lutheran Church

505 13th Street, Hudson WI 54016

Registration and coffee: 8:15-8:45 Cost: \$5.00 at the door

Outreach

PRAYER REQUESTS



One of the privileges of being part of the body of Christ is the opportunity to share in the joy and the sorrow of others. If you have a special prayer request

or would like to place someone on the prayer chain, please call the church office at (715) 386-5409 or the Prayer Chain Leader: Joyce Johnson and we will make sure to add that person to our list

MT. ZION BOOK CLUB

April Book "The Moth"

By Catherine Burns & Others

Monday, April 9 6:00 pm

May Book "The Martian"

By Andy Weir

Monday, May 14 6:00 pm

June Book "Into the Beautiful North"

By Luis Alberto Urrea

Monday, June 11 6:00 pm

THANK YOU TO ALL THE PEOPLE WHO SHOVELED FOR MT. ZION THIS WINTER!



We would like to thank everyone who shoveled snow at the church this winter, whether you were signed up to help or whether you just grabbed a shovel and dug in. We ended up having someone

signed up for every week this winter which was great. We had some big dumps of snow, so it was really appreciated. We have a lot of people in and out of the church all week, and many of our members and guests are elderly and have a challenge with the snow sometimes, so keeping our entrances and emergency exits clear is very important. So hopefully we will be on to other things soon, like mowing! Again, thank you to everyone who was involved with a shovel this winter, it was appreciated.

Mt. Zion's Property Committee

2018 HABITAT FOR HUMANITY



The planning for the 2018 Habitat Mission trip is underway.

Dates and location have been selected – now all we need is YOU!!

Anyone who is 14 years of age or older is welcome to join us.

This year the group will be going to Barron, Wisconsin. The family is a Grandmother and her 17-year old granddaughter, who is in a wheel chair, so the house will need to be handicap accessible. We will be leaving on Sunday June 24th and returning the afternoon of Friday June 29th.

We have some that stay the whole week and there are always a few volunteers that attend for just a part of the week. Please consider joining us, whether it's for the entire week or just a few days!

If you are interested in attending or have any questions, please contact Gary Baribeau (715-386-9231) or Robin Arneson (612-718-7597). Or you can plan to attend our next meeting on April 8th at 9:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Come and learn more about the trip!

Our group will also be doing some fund raising the next couple of months and planning a wall build in the parking lot. If you can't join us in Barron, we encourage you to come help build the walls on June 7th. Watch for more information to come. All ages are welcome to come help, no experience necessary.

UPCOMING DATES:

APRIL 1 – Easter Breakfast fundraiser 8:00 – 9:15 am

APRIL 8 – NEXT MEETING

9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall

MAY 9 – Bayport BBQ Fundraiser
more information to come.

JUNE 7 – Wall Build
(rain dates if needed: June 13 or 14)
More information to come.

JUNE 24 – Leave for Barron, WI

Outreach

HOME AND HOSPITAL VISITATION NOTICE

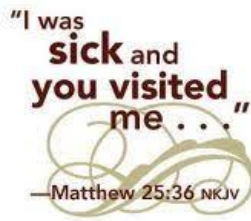
Pastor Erin is always more than happy to visit anyone who is homebound or in a hospital or a nursing home (or for any other reason). Just let her know!

Pastor Erin isn't always aware of who is ill or homebound and would appreciate your help. If you would like a visit for any reason, please contact Pastor Erin and ask for one.

For privacy reasons, Pastor Erin asks that you or an immediate family member request a visit. Please do not rely on a friend or neighbor. Lots of people are private about their medical concerns. For that reason, Pastor Erin would appreciate a personal request for visits.

Please, let Pastor Erin know if you need a visit! She would love to serve in any way possible.

Please contact the church office (715) 386-5409 or send Pastor an email at pastor@mtzionhudson.com



CARD MAKING Sunday, April 22

11:30 am

If you would like to come make cards for our Free Card Display, we will be getting together in the Fellowship Hall on April 22 at 11:30 am. If you wish to bring a dish to pass, we will have a small lunch "potluck" for all who attend.

We supply all the card making materials. The only talent you need is to know how to cut, paste, tape and fold!

Please RSVP to secretary@mtzionhudson.com if you are interested in coming or have any questions.

To all Members and Friends –

The cards in the Commons are there for you to use. They are free and there for anyone. If you need addresses of Members you would like to send a card to, please see Anna Peterson, Church Secretary.



SUNDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY

Christian Fellowship on Sunday after worship service is a long-standing tradition at Mt. Zion. It's a time for us to come together in

Christian friendship, have a cup of coffee (maybe a treat) and talk about what's happening in our lives. There always seems to be a lot of laughter and joy during this time. We would like to thank all the individuals who provide the Sunday morning fellowship treats.

Here are some thoughts for serving:

- *Keep it simple. A small item that can be held on a napkin is all that is needed.*
- *Provide a juice.*
- *Fruit and cheese are great healthy choices.*
- *Cups, napkins, creamer and sugar are provided. There is also a supply of plastic, silverware and paper plates if needed.*
- *The coffee machine always has coffee ready.*

To see what Sundays are available – visit our website at www.mtzionhudson.com under "Volunteer Opportunities"

GRACE PLACE MEAL Monday, April 30

Mt. Zion is providing the Grace Place meal for April.

Kristen Johnson as graciously volunteered to make the entire meal. Mt. Zion will cover the cost of the meal so if you would like to help, please place your donation in the offering plates on Sundays in April (Memo Grace Place) or drop off during office hours (Tuesday – Friday 10:00 am – 3:00 pm).

We have found this is a much easier way than to find a person or two to make a main dish for up to 50 people.

We will also need someone to deliver the meal to Grace Place in New Richmond on Sunday after noon or Monday before 2:00 pm.

All "Undie Sunday" donations during the month of April will also be donated to Grace Place.

- New Underwear & Socks (all sizes and ages)
- Personal Hygiene Products
- First aid supplies (bandages, rubbing alcohol, Advil, cough drops, etc.)
- Pillow Cases

Worship

SUNDAY, APRIL 1

EASTER SUNDAY

7:00 am Sunrise Service

8:00 am – 9:15 am Easter Breakfast

9:30 am Easter Service

SUNDAY, APRIL 8

9TH GRADE CONFIRMATION

8:15 am Service

HOLY HUMOR SUNDAY

10:30 am Service

Bring your funniest Church jokes to share during worship that Sunday.

SUNDAY, APRIL 15

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY

10:30 am Service

New Member Sunday will be Sunday, April 15 at the 10:30 am Service. If you would like to become a member of Mt. Zion, you are invited to talk to Pastor Erin about being a part of our next New Member Sunday. Even if you aren't sure about joining, talk to Pastor Erin. Associate memberships are also available, and she is always willing to answer any questions!

SUNDAY, APRIL 22

1ST COMMUNION SUNDAY

10:30 am Service

SUNDAY, APRIL 29

BAPTISM CELEBRATIONS

8:15 am Service (Erin Gerth)

10:30 am (Amos Grangaard)

The Sunday School Youth will also sing at the 10:30 service!

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED!

We are looking for members who would like to join one of our Hospitality teams as: Ushers, Greeters, Readers or Communion

Helpers (We especially need people willing to help at the 10:30 worships, roughly once every other month).



MUSIC SCHEDULE FOR APRIL

April 1 EASTER SUNDAY

7:00 am Sr. Choir

9:30 am Sr. Choir

April 8

8:15 am Jr. Choir

10:30 am Jr. Choir

April 15

8:15 am Sr. Choir

10:30 am Sr. Choir

April 22

8:15 am Sr. Choir

10:30 am Jr. Choir

April 29

8:15 am Tone Chimes

10:30 am Tone Chimes

TONE CHIMES REHEARSALS

Monday's, April 9 and 23

7:30 pm – 9:00 pm

If interested in learning how to get started in Tone Chimes, please see MaryKay Mahler.

JUNIOR CHOIR REHEARSALS

Wednesdays, April 4, 11, 18 & 25

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

All Youth 3rd – 8th Grade are welcome to join in the fun!

SENIOR CHOIR REHEARSALS

Sundays, April 8, 15, 22 & 29

9:20 am – 10:30 am in the Choir Loft

New Voices are always welcome!

SCV Community & Beyond

SECOND MILE HAITI UPDATE

Mt. Zion's donation(s) are making a difference!!

- Phase 1 of the Strong Start Maternity Center is complete! The prenatal building includes 4 consultation rooms, 3 offices, a supply room and power room. The education building, an outdoor kitchen and a water tower are also finished.



- 22 goats have been sent home with graduates of the community program. The 6-week program brings people of all ages and genders together to discuss household and community issues while learning about health, malnutrition prevention, family planning and much more. To support the income-generating capacity of the local community, each graduate is honored with the gift of a pregnant goat.



- 3 Haitian midwives have been hired to create the Maternity Center team. A group of visiting midwives helped host a 4-day training and extended interview for 5 initial candidates. Emergency drills were also conducted, and key community leaders were introduced to the centers' policies and procedures during training week.



- Pregnant women from the community visited the center during the training week to receive free care and see their babies on the ultrasound screen. 12 women received prenatal care and 8 others received family planning services. There is excitement in the community!

- Second Mile is looking for 15 additional recurring donation partners so Strong Start Maternity Center can officially open its doors. 35 of the 50 sustainers have signed on.
- Our Mt. Zion team has committed to provide curtains for the windows in the new prenatal/education building. If you would like to sew curtains or donate material, please contact Karen McConville.



Hospitality Teams for April

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 1

7:00 am Hospitality Lead: Nicole Gelina

Ushers: Jim & Nicole Gelina

Greeters: Holly & Sven O'Connell;
Kristen & Jack Johnson

Reader: Jim Eral

Communion Helpers:

Don Kriegl, Karen McConville & OPEN

Basket Holder: Sven O'Connell Beard

Replenishing Trays: Mike Yde

Acolyte: Nora Beard O'Connell

9:30 am Hospitality Lead: Andrea Dreier

Ushers: Tim & Nils Dreier

Reader: Andrea Dreier

Greeters:

Prawalsky Family

Adams Family

Communion Helpers:

Andrea Dreier, Norm Maser

Paula Saunders

Basket Holder: Lillie Prawalsky

Replenishing Trays: Kendra Margl

Acolyte: Brooke Dreier

SUNDAY, APRIL 8

8:15 am **Hospitality Lead:** Jim Eral

Ushers: Dennis & Cindy Saathoff

Greeters: Confirmation Students

Reader: Robin Arneson

Communion Helper: Renee Eickstadt

Acolyte: Kaitlyn Prawalsky

Fellowship: Karen McConville

10:30 am **Hospitality Lead:** Karen McConville

Ushers: Earl Monson & Colin McConville

Greeters: Mark & Paula Saunders

Readers: Barb Walczak & Chris Gustafson

Communion Helper: Paula Saunders

Acolyte: Tara Sanders

SEARCHING FOR LEAD

We are also looking for 1 more lead to take over the 10:30 am worship on 3rd Sunday of the month. If you are interested or would like more information on what leads are asked to do, please contact Kristen Johnson or see Pastor Erin.

SUNDAY, APRIL 15

8:15 am **Hospitality Lead:** Kristen Johnson

Ushers: Randy Prawalsky & OPEN

Greeters: Carol Gustafson & Janel Heifort

Reader: Jim Letourneau

Communion Helper: Mic Hanson

Acolyte: Abigail Romzek

Fellowship: OPEN

10:30 am **Hospitality Lead:** OPEN

Ushers: John & Nora Flavin

Greeters: The Adams Family

Reader: Paul Melzer

Communion Helper: Bev Schletz

Acolyte: Reece Sundeen

SUNDAY, APRIL 22

8:15 am **Hospitality Lead:** Jim & Linda Letourneau

Ushers: Mike & Linda Yde

Greeters: Katie Jones & Lola Scott

Reader: Dave Miller

Communion Helper: Nicole Gelina

Acolyte: Nora Beard O'Connell

Fellowship: OPEN

10:30 am **Hospitality Lead:** Andrea Dreier

Ushers: Henry & Art Okerlund

Greeters: Andrea Goltz, David & Danny Brown

Reader: Karen McConville

Communion Helper: Florence Hopp

Acolyte: Noah Flattum

SUNDAY, APRIL 29

8:15 am

Hospitality Lead: Jim Eral

Ushers: Lily & Abigail Romzek

Greeters: Dennis & Kathy Opland

Reader: Linda Yde

Communion Helper: Jim Eral

Acolyte: Henry Nemitz

Fellowship: OPEN

10:30 am

Hospitality Lead: Karen McConville

Ushers: Tim & Nils Dreier

Greeters: OPEN

Reader: Andrea Dreier

Communion Helper: Nora Flavin

Acolyte: Art Okerlund

Celebrating Milestones



BIRTHDAYS IN APRIL

April 1 – Mark Bungum
April 3 – Collin Rayome
April 5 – Olivia Lockwood
April 7 – Cariana Hurt,
Kendra Margl, Shaina

Spence

April 8 – Gary Hauschildt, James Johnson
April 10 – Ava Anderson
April 12 – Diane Veenendall
April 13 – Gracie Schletz
April 15 – Lisa Anderson, Dusty O'Connell,
Carl Sandberg
April 19 – Deb Hauschildt, Randy Prawalsky
April 20 – James Meincke, Cali Steingraber
April 21 – Jack Flattum, Karen Gigure
April 23 – Danny Brown, Isabelle Oswald
April 24 – Greg Wahlberg
April 25 – Lynne Baker
April 26 – Christopher Gustafson, Deb Tonsager
April 27 – Jacqueline Johnson
April 29 – Anne Dombrock



MARRIED IN APRIL

April 7 – Bill & Laurie Johnson
April 11 – Paul & MaryKay Mahler
April 19 – Phil & Karen McConville
April 22 – Stan & Kendra Margl
April 28 – Les & Lori Rayome
April 30 – Matt & Valerie Lardinois



BAPTIZED IN APRIL

April 1 – Mark Bungum, Carol Kriegl, Emily Melzer,
Holly O'Connell
April 2 – Tyler Anderson, Lorrie Jeske
April 7 – Rosa Gigure
April 9 – Joyce Johnson
April 10 – Haiden Matzek
April 15 – Melody Wahlberg
April 16 – Todd Johnson
April 17 – Colin McConville, Abigail Romzek, Lily
Romzek
April 18 – Angie Adams, Larry Veenendall
April 19 – James Gerbozy
April 22 – Nathan Matzek, Wyatt Matzek, Kaitlyn
Sanders
April 23 – Bill Olson
April 24 – Judy O'Connell, Tara Sanders
April 25 – Noah Flattum
April 26 – Don Flatt
April 28 – Valerie Lardinois
April 29 – Alexis Eickstadt, Tracy Fredrickson

If we have missed your special day or have the wrong information, please contact the church office at 715-386-5409 and let us know!

MT. ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH



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Sr. Choir Director ~ Craig Gustafson

Treasurer ~ Robin Arneson

Financial Secretary ~ Joan Christopher

Parish Nurse ~ Eileen Wymer

Council President ~ Paula Saunders