



MT. ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Every night when I pray with Rosie, she starts her prayers by saying "Dear Jesus, Thank you for my day. The best part of my day was..." Rosie then talks about the best thing that happened to her that day. This prayer time is my favorite part of my day! I love hearing what Rosie's joys are, what things that happen to her lead her to say thank you to God. Some days it's big things and Rosie is thankful for seeing a friend or relative we don't often see. Sometimes it's little things; the other day she said the best part of her day was eating pancakes for breakfast. Regardless, I love hearing what she is thankful for every day.

This year I have so much to be thankful for! I'm thankful for my family, my health, our home and our church home. The people of Mt. Zion do so much to serve God and the world around us and so much to care for and serve each other. This November, I'd like to celebrate that!

We are asking for "Notes of Good Tidings and Thanksgiving"! These notes are just a line or a paragraph or two offering thanks and praise for people connected with Mt. Zion. It's a way for you to thank publicly your child's Sunday School teacher, or members of our staff or council members or people you see ushering or serving on the altar guild or someone who is just always loving and friendly! It's a way to lift-up all the many people who serve our congregation. You can submit these notes with your name attached or anonymously. It's up to you! They will be printed as a bulletin insert on our Thankoffering Sunday, November 19.

Notes can be submitted to Pastor Erin either by email or just stick the note in her mailbox! Please get the notes in by Sunday, November 12.

Thank you to all who serve and love God's people as a part of Mt. Zion!



Blessings,

Erin Nelson

Pastor Erin



OUTREACH

NEEDED

It's that time of year when we look to restock our Kleenex supply. If you would help stock our "TISSUE SHELF" please feel free to drop your donations of in the Workroom whenever is convenient for you.

STUFF-A-TRUCK

**FRIDAY,
NOVEMBER 3**

11:00 am – 3:00 pm



During the month of November, St. Croix Valley Area residents and businesses take donations for the Hudson Area Food Shelf and deliver them to St. Pat's on that day. Feel free to come any time during the drop-off time above to help!

During November there will be a brown laundry basket in the Commons to collect needed items for the food shelf - **COFFEE & CLEANING SUPPLIES**

CHILI COOK-OFF/SILENT AUCTION/BROWNIE BAKE-OFF

Supporting 2nd Mile Haiti



**WEDNESDAY,
NOVEMBER 8**

Mt. Zion will host its 5th CHILI COOK-OFF during the Wednesday Evening Dinner in the Fellowship Hall 5:30 – 7:00 pm.

Cost: A Good Will Donation

Money raised at the chili cook-off, basket Auction and brownie bake-off will go to 2nd Mile Haiti.

Along with the silent auction baskets, we will also have jewelry, double vanilla bourbon peaches and the very special Haiti bead Christmas ornaments for purchase. This will be our major fundraising effort for Second Mile Haiti this year. They are excited to be starting construction on a birthing center on the property to further the health care of the Haitian people.



Food, Faith & Family

As many of you know,

November is Mt. Zion's month to work the **ST. CROIX VALLEY FOOD SHELF**. We, as a church family, have taken on the responsibility for volunteering and operating the Food Shelf, and many members step forward to make this possible! Our giving does NOT stop there...

BACKPACK MINISTRY

On Thursday, November 2, our Backpack Ministry will be delivering backpacks to E.P. ROCK. The food in the backpacks is distributed that week-end to families in need in the Hudson community. This year the need has risen to nearly 60 families per week.

STUFF-A-TRUCK

During the month of November, the Hudson Community takes donations for the Food Shelf and delivers them to St. Pat's Church. On November 3, Mt. Zion will send MANY hands to help unload and organize the donations our community graciously donates.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

A group of 35 people representing Mt. Zion will be going to Eagan, MN on November 18 to pack food that will be delivered all around the world, feeding God's Children who might otherwise go without.

CHILI COOK-OFF

On November 8, Mt. Zion will host its fifth Chili Cook-off during the Wednesday Evening Dinner in the Fellowship Hall. The goodwill donation will be taken and money raised will be donated to 2nd Mile Haiti

THANKSGIVING IS NOVEMBER 23.

As you prepare for your family gathering, look within your community and see if there is someone you could invite who otherwise would be alone this holiday. Consider bringing a warm meal to a special neighbor.

OUTREACH



RED CROSS

On October 7, Mt. Zion hosted the Red Cross with a Blood Drive.

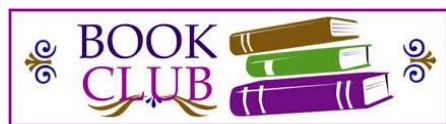
I would like to thank David Miller, Andrea Goetz, Linda Letourneau, Paula Saunders, Kendra Margl, Karen McConville, MaryKay & William Mahler and the Property Committee for volunteering your time during the event!

We collected 15 pints of blood which will help up to 45 people.

(Which was great considering there were 2 other Blood Drives in Hudson that day).

So far in 2017 we have collected 71 units (which equates to up to 213 lives!!).

Our next Blood Drive will be Friday, December 15. Need two people who would be able to work the 4-6 Shift. See Anna Peterson in the Church office if you are interested.



UPCOMING BOOK CLUB BOOKS

NOVEMBER 13

Hillbilly Elegy by
J.D. Vance

DECEMBER 11

The Handmaid's Tale
by Margaret Atwood

Discussion on the book will be Mondays at 6:00 pm at Hudson Bagel.



2017 GIVING TREE

Please check out the Giving Tree for items for the Men spending Christmas at Exodus House in Hudson and our College-Age Students.

Giving Tree & Give Tags will be available on November 27 in the Commons.

MT. ZION CIRCLES

DEBORAH CIRCLE

Monday, November 7

7:00 pm at the home of Katie Jones

JOY CIRCLE

Thursday, November 9

7:00 pm at the Church

Hosted by Mary Ellefson



Need help Christmas shopping? The Habitat group at Mt Zion has the perfect gift ideas. They are offering engraved cake pans, cutting boards and a variety of other products. You can choose to have the items delivered to Mt Zion or shipped directly to a recipient. All items can be viewed and ordered online

at <http://www.thatsmypan.biz/MtZion>.

Orders will also be taken at church.

The order deadline is Sunday November 19th. Enjoy stress-free shopping while helping others.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & ACTIVITIES



SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION

November 26
No Sunday School

December 17
Sunday School Christmas Program,
during the 10:30 worship

December 24
No Sunday School

December 31
No Sunday School

Confirmation

CONFIRMATION NEWS:

4th -5th Grade

What

Upper Elementary aged youth meet for four weeks in October and November, with an additional night for Bible Late Night. Parents and mentors alternate taking turns attending classes with students. The material taught is on a two-year rotation.

The focus this time around is on the Sacraments.

When (Here is the Wednesday night schedule):

6:00 – 6:30 pm Conversation and Meal in Fellowship Hall

6:30 – 7:30 pm Confirmation Class
October 25 [Parents and Mentors]
November 1 [Mentors]
November 8 [Parents]
November 15 [Mentors]



7th GRADE TOOLBOX MILESTONE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

5:30 pm

Gather for the Wednesday Night Meal

6:00 pm

Milestone Event

The youth will meet as a group to build their "TOOLBOXES" and learn how they can take that "TOOLBOX" into the community to help others.

A Milestone celebration will be held on **Sunday, November 13.**

The toolboxes made by the 7th grade students will be dedicated for use. Please join us in celebrating with:

Arabella Campana
Art Okerlund
Tara Sanders
Henry Nemitz
Kaitlyn Prawalsky
Lily Romzek
Reece Sundeen

and their families on this day. Keep them in your prayers as they add to their "spiritual toolboxes" during their confirmation journey.

Thank you to Mark Arneson & Bill Peterson for leading the group in this milestone.

DONUTS AND DISCUSSION



MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH & FRIENDS!

Join us for Donuts and Discussion this fall during the Sunday school hour 9:20-10:15 am in lower level of the church.

There will be new exciting games, activities and discussions coming this fall including food!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & ACTIVITIES



HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS MUFFIN BUNCH

*"For where two or three
Gather in My Name, there am I
with them."*

We haven't forgotten about you! Muffin Bunch will continue this fall.

We will gather in the Commons at 9:10, and as a group, we will travel to Hudson Bagel for some Bonding and Bagels.

November 5 & 19

WANTED:

As you are getting ready to set up your Christmas decorations, please set aside any ornaments that you no longer want. We continue to collect ornaments to give out to our Sunday School kids after the Christmas program either this year or next year. They can be placed on the piano downstairs. Thank you!



**FEED MY
STARVING
CHILDREN**

November 18 from 11:30a – 1:30p

Eagan, MN

A group of 35 adults and youth from Mt. Zion will be heading to Eagan on Saturday, November 18 from 11:30a - 1:30p to pack meals to be shipped to starving children all over the world! If you would like to join the group – please sign up at church or contact Anna Peterson and reserve your spot today.

secretary@mtzionhudson.com



YOUTH GRANTS

Please go to the Mt. Zion webpage at www.mtzionhudson.com and download your application.

Applications are found under *TRENDING*.

<http://www.mtzionhudson.com/trending.html>

The deadline for applications is Sunday, December 31 with recipients being presented their educational grants in late January 2018. If you need an extra copy, please pick one up in the Commons, or call the church office to have one mailed to you.

All Mt. Zion grants are for persons currently enrolled in a post-secondary education program and are to be used to finance second term expenses in the year received. Selection criteria are outlined on the application form.

NETWORKS

NETworks meet each Wednesday night at the Crossing Point

4:30 -5:50 for Middle High

6:00-9:30 for High School

UPCOMING NETWORKS EVENTS

Nov. 5 - Bethel Youth Mega Rally
(grades 6-8)

Nov. 15 - NETworks Thanksgiving Dinner

Dec. 7 - 3:00-7:00PM Operation HELP
Distribution and Clean-up

Dec. 20 - NETworks Christmas Parties-
Separate party for Middle High and Senior
High

WORSHIP & THANK YOU FROM PROPERTY COMMITTEE



ALL SAINTS DAY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

All Saints Sunday celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape around us, the reading and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At the Lord's table, we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem

If you have a name you would like included on this list – please send the information to secretary@mtzionhudson.com.

THANKOFFERING SUNDAY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19



Join us for our annual Thankoffering service on Sunday, November 19 at our normal worship times of 8:15

and 10:30. This service is a day of celebrating and thanking God for the numerous blessings in our lives and the many gifts he gives us! We will also be thanking and celebrating our fellow Mt. Zion members for faithful service by blessing the quilts, prayer shawls and 2nd Mile Haiti donation as well as sharing good tidings of thankfulness!

If there is a Mt. Zion member you would like to see thanked this November, send Pastor Erin a note lifting up who deserves some thanks! These notes will be printed in a bulletin insert at the Thankoffering service!



HELP DECORATE FOR CHRISTMAS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

TIME: 11:30 am

Meet in the Commons area at Church!

We will be "*Decking the Halls*" at Mt. Zion for our Christmas celebrations.

All ages are welcome!

There is something for EVERYONE to do!

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

**Wednesday, November 22
7:00 pm**

Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service at Bethel Highlands in Hudson.



Mt. Zion's Property Committee would like to thank Bill & Laurie Johnson for their gift to have our perennial gardens winterized, Tim Dreier and the members of the congregation who volunteered to mow the church lawn while Tim had surgery this summer and to all who helped with the Fall Cleaning in October.

We couldn't do it without your support!

Bless you all!
Jason Gigure
Property Chair

OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED:

November 9 & 10
November 22-24



FOR NOVEMBER 2017

MISSION:

To provide a welcoming experience for all who walk through our doors

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Hospitality Lead: Nicole Gelina

8:15 am Hospitality Team:

Greeters: Samantha Keyes & Mike Yde

Ushers: David & Deb Miller

Reader: Linda Yde

Communion Deacon: Joan Christopher

Acolyte: Sam Johnson

Fellowship: Anne Dombrock

Hospitality Lead: Olive Olson

10:30 am Hospitality Team:

Greeters: Mark & Paula Saunders

Ushers: Henry Okerlund & Jack Flattum

Reader: Ella Adams

Communion Deacon: Olive Olson

Acolyte: Noah Flattum

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Hospitality Lead: Jim Eral

8:15 am Hospitality Team:

Greeters: Lola Scott & Katie Jones

Ushers: The Nemitz Family

Reader: Katie Jones

Communion Deacon: Cheryl Maser

Acolyte: Henry Nemitz

Fellowship: Kristen Johnson

Hospitality Lead: Karen McConville

10:30 am Hospitality Team:

Greeters: The Adams Family

Ushers: Deb & Tara Sanders

Reader: Barb Walczak

Communion Deacon: Mic Hanson

Acolyte: Nora Beard O'Connell

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Hospitality Lead: Kristen Johnson

8:15 am Hospitality Team:

Greeters: Jim & Nicole Gelina

Ushers: Harley & Joan Saathoff

Reader: Nicole Gelina

Communion Deacon: Ellie Johnson

Acolyte: Kaitlyn Prawalsky

Fellowship: Sandy Huppert

Hospitality Lead: OPEN

10:30 am Hospitality Team:

Greeters: Bev Schletz & Kendra Margl

Ushers: Bill Peterson & Art Okerlund

Reader: Claire Hoier

Communion Deacon: Henry Nemitz

Acolyte: Reece Sundeen

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Hospitality Leads: Jim & Linda Letourneau

8:15 am Hospitality Team:

Greeters: Don & Linda Flatt

Ushers: Mike & Linda Yde

Reader: Katie Jones

Communion Deacon: Karen Gigure

Acolyte: Lily Romzek

Fellowship: OPEN

Hospitality Lead: Andrea Dreier

10:30 am Hospitality Team:

Greeters: Bill & Olive Olson

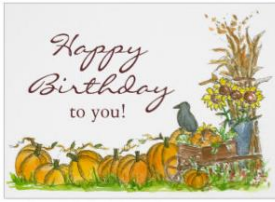
Ushers: Jim & Gwen Paulson

Reader: Stella Stanton

Communion Deacon: Kendra Margl

Acolyte: Tara Sanders

MILESTONES



BORN IN NOVEMBER

- 1 – Alex Arneson
Bill Olson
Linda Yde
- 3 – Evan Page
- 5 – Jim Hallen
Milly Jungbauer
Hunter Oswald
- 6 – Gene Stahnke
- 7 – Nora Beard O’Connell
Sabrina Keyes
- 9 – Keelan Tepper - Engh
- 10 – Cindy Beckman
Jon Walczak
- 11 – Jonathan Jahubek
- 12 – Mary Ellefson
- 14 – Anna Runck
Aiden Tepper-Engh
- 15 – Kevin Anderson
Nova Griffin
Jack Johnson
Mark McConville
- 18 – Dan Hallen
- 19 – Nathan Becker
- 20 – David Brown
MaryKay Mahler
- 21 – Audrey Miller
Jake Walczak
- 22 – Wyatt Wilcoxson
- 23 – Peter Beard
- 24 – Nancy Weeks
- 25 – Jackie Anderson
Madilyn Jahubek
Scott Pechacek
- 27 – Mark Arneson
Paul Dombrock
Jessica Hines
Kelsie Hines
Terry Teschner
- 29 – Erin Prawalsky
- 30 – Samantha Lockwood
Sarah Schletz

*If we have missed your special day, please contact the church office (715) 386-5409.

BAPTIZED IN NOVEMBER



- 1 – Kristin Solberg
- 3 – Michaela Arneson
Don Kriegl
- 4 – Debra Miller
- 7 – Travis Bungum
- 10 – Florence Hopp
Levi Lockwood
- 11 – Andrew Stanek
- 12 – David McLaughlin
Hunter Oswald
- 13 – Alex Meincke
- 15 – Nova Griffin
- 16 – Cory Spence
- 17 – Alyssa Tonsager
- 19 – Roger Christopher
- 20 – Kathy Halberg
- 24 – June McLaughlin
- 27 – Andrea Dreier
Sandra Gillis
Linda Yde
- 28 – Aiden Tepper-Engh



MARRIED IN NOVEMBER

- 9 – Scott & Christine Jahns
- 12 – Martin & Diane Halversen
- 25 – Ken & Rose Holman
- 26 – Dave & Jackie Anderson
- 28 – Dennis & Dusty O’Connell

UPCOMING MILESTONE

1-year old - Bible Song Book/CD

Children love to sing and we encourage that at Mt. Zion! We have a strong Music ministry and put the Songs of the Lord into the hands of our youngest members.

November 26, 2017 10:30 am Service

Hannah Adams, Brantley Feyereisen,
Harrison Jungbauer, Elliana Lardinois,
Mason Matzek, Hugo Melzer, Gracie Schletz
& Lauren Spreeman.

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Organist ~ Deb Tonsager

Jr. Choir/Tone Chime Choir ~
MaryKay Mahler

Sr. Choir Director ~ Craig Gustafson

Treasurer ~ Robin Arneson

Financial Secretary ~ Joan Christopher

Parish Nurse ~ Eileen Wymer

Kid's Club Coordinator ~ Amanda Stojan

Custodian ~ Gary Johnson

Council President ~ Aaron Adams

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5
ALL SAINTS SUNDAY
8:15 & 10:30 Worship
9:10 Muffin Bunch

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12
8:15 & 10:30 Worship

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19
THANKOFFERING SERVICE
8:15 & 10:30 Worship
9:10 Muffin Bunch

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26
8:15 & 10:30 Worship
1-Year Old Milestone at 10:30