



2019 MT. ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Hello dear people of Mt. Zion!

I've so enjoyed meeting with many of you - through the cottage meetings, committee meetings, one-on-one chats, and in worship on Sunday mornings. What gifts you bring to the ministries of this church! Thank you for sharing your passion and insight with me and helping me learn all about this wonderful church.

The "big question" that I asked of folks at the cottage meetings was "What are your hopes and dreams for Mt. Zion"? I've received some great answers, about the family energy of this congregation, welcoming new folks to church, our worship life, deepening your faith and the faith of your families, and giving life to a central mission and vision for the church.

Many tangible hopes and dreams have to do with the incredible ministries this church hosts. And I am looking so forward to kicking off the program year soon! Between the worship schedule with two services, Rally Day, Sunday School, Bible Study, choirs and music, Confirmation, Kids Club, Milestones, property (I really need to learn more about the fun Jim and the committee have with this place), and all the outreach this community has, we are touching the lives of so many beloved children of God. Your passion and joy for these ministries allows the love of God to reach people more than we can ever know.

If you haven't yet shared with me what your hopes and dreams are, I'd love to hear them!

Amidst the hopes and dreams, I've also heard a lot of grief in this community as of late. We've had some significant losses and transitions in the last year, and I want you to know you're not alone. Where we go, Christ goes with us. I'm planning an upcoming pastoral care group for grief support, so if you have anything you'd like to see as part of that new group, please reach out and let me know. We will let you know when and where we will hold the group soon.

With the excited frenzy of the program and academic year beginning, sometimes we forget to give ourselves time and space to breathe and rest, and simply be human. As we begin planning our schedules and routines for this upcoming year, how can you incorporate sabbath into your life? Where can you exhale and rest to revive your spirit? How can the church help you in finding balance?

As we join in making our hopes and dreams reality, I pray that with God to guide us in love, we find what makes us whole. Whether that wholeness comes from the support and involvement within your church community (there are so many great opportunities!), time for holy Sabbath rest, or engaging in prayer and Scripture, know that I and your family here at Mt. Zion are here to help make that happen. We are all together the body of Christ in the world, called to love God and love our neighbors in the grace and peace of our Lord.

Peace be with you,
Pr. Carolyn

RETURN TO FALL SCHEDULE
Beginning Sunday,
September 15
Mt. Zion returns to two services
8:15 am & 10:30 am

Office hours beginning
September 16
Monday - Friday
10:00 am – 3:00 pm

PRAYERS/ CAPITAL CAMPAIGN /THANK YOU!



THE POWER OF PRAYER

The purpose of this ministry is to provide a means for those with an immediate or pressing concern to engage fellow Christians in corporate prayer for their situation.

We invite your requests for prayers ... for yourself ... for your family ... for your friends. Your prayer requests can be for times of concern, times of celebration, times of thanksgiving, or anything you wish.

You can call our Prayer Chain Coordinator: Joyce Johnson or contact the church office by email or phone.

We welcome you to join our prayer chain so you can pray for the requests that we receive. We have two active prayer chains: A phone chain and an email chain.

Please see Joyce Johnson or Anna Peterson if you are interested in learning more.

"Therefore, I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours."
Mark 11:24

A special thanks to all the people, from our youngest to our oldest members of Mt. Zion, joining together to welcome Pastor Carolyn on her Installation Day. From everyone the helped decorate, prepare food, banners, flags, yard work, helping within the service, the music was beautiful and to the Sr. High youth for helping set up, serve and clean up!

Worship & Music Committee

Our next Capital Campaign is starting this fall:

THE JOURNEY CONTINUES

Our Foundation, Our Faith, Our Future

Watch for more information in the next month.



THE GIFT OF MUSIC

Thank you to the following people who provided music this summer during our Sunday Worship...

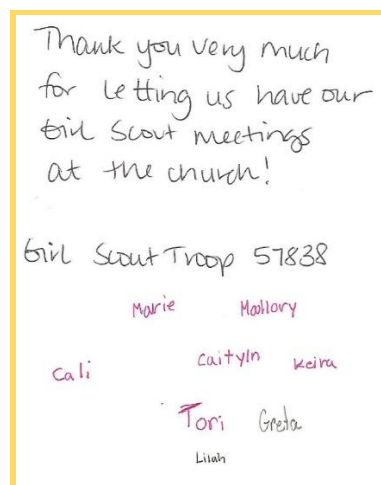
Carl Meincke*, Maggie Gustafson, Deb Fristad, Michaela Arneson, Robin Arneson, Craig Gustafson, Steve Gerdts, Nicole Gelina, Einar Hanson, Paul Hoff, Chris Gustafson, John McConville, The Psalmodikons, Linda Yde, Sean Maysack, Dennis Opland, Mark Romzek, Ella Adams, Amelia Grabe, Sophie Adams, Claire Hoier

*A HUGE thank you to Carl Meincke who also organized the musicians for Summer 2019!

A Big Thank you from the congregation for lending your talents to our Worship services!

Thank you to all the members that donated school supplies for the youth at EP Rock School for 2019-20. The students and teachers greatly appreciated it!

A Thank You Note from the Girl Scouts –



YOUTH HAPPENINGS



DONUTS AND DISCUSSION IS BACK!

Hey Middle School Youth & Friends!

Donuts and Discussion has some NEW and EXCITING things for you this year! This year we will be working on leadership! This will come in many forms! Some of these events include; helping with milestones, creating & leading kids church, writing the Christmas program, creating a media presentation, creating a wall of honor, t-shirt design contest and so much more! You won't want to miss out! As always, friends are welcome!!!



SUNDAY SCHOOL KICK-OFF & RALLY SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 15, 2019 "S'MORE FUN WITH JESUS"

What: Rally Sunday! Kick off to Sunday school!
Theme: Let's have S'more fun with Jesus!
When: September 15 during the Sunday school hour – 9:20 am-10:15 am
Where: Mt. Zions church yard - if it rains, lower level of church

Come and join us! There will be s'more making, graham cracker & marshmallow relay races, building a graham cracker house, face paint, marshmallow toss and so much more fun! You won't want to miss it! Come and join us, Let's have s'more fun with Jesus! We look forward to seeing you!



SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERING

Sunday School offering for 2019-20 will go directly to the Hudson Area Food Shelf. The Youth found a connection through VBS this year and are excited to raise money to help feed families in the St. Croix Valley!

GODSTOCK November 8-10, 2019

***Watch for more information soon!**

High School Youth Gathering
Metropolis Resort - Eau Claire, WI

KINDERGARTEN BACKPACK BLESSING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

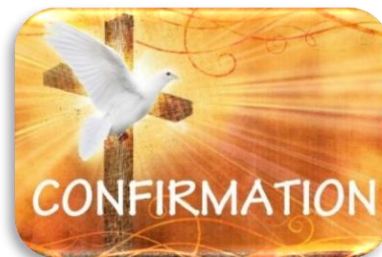


9:00 am Service
Lillian Ahren, Milly Jungbauer,
Sullivan Nelson, Keelan Tepper-Eng &
Sydney Thorson

2ND GRADE MILESTONE PILLOWCASE BLESSING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2019

10:30 Service
Wyatt Matzek, Lucy Stanton & Aylah Tepper-Eng

Prep: Saturday, September 21 @ 10:00
(Youth Only)



**6th, 7th & 8th
Grade**

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS, PARENTS AND MENTORS

Middle school aged youth meet for five weeks in September and October. Parents and mentors alternate taking turns attending classes with students. The material taught is on a three-year rotation. The focus this time around is on the apostle's creed and sacraments

MEAL & CONVERSATION 6:00 – 6:30 PM

CONFIRMATION CLASS 6:30 – 7:30 PM

September 18 [Parents and Mentors]

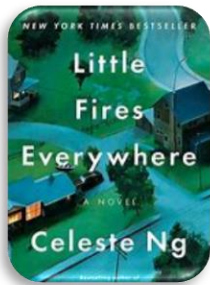
September 25 [Mentors]

October 2 [Parents]

October 9 [Mentors]

October 16 [Parents]

OUTREACH



SEPTEMBER BOOK CLUB BOOK THURSDAY, SEPT. 5

Little Fires Everywhere
by Celeste Ng

Discussion on the book will be Thursday, September 5 at 6:00 pm at Hudson Bagel.

Plot Summary. *Little Fires Everywhere* is a New York Times bestselling novel by Celeste Ng published in 2017. In the town of Shaker Heights, Ohio, Elena Richardson rents her family's property on Winslow Road to Mia and Pearl Warren, a mother and daughter duo who inspire her sense of charity.



LET'S GIVE AWAY SOME MONEY!

Our congregation has set aside, \$5000 per year, capital campaign money to donate to missions and ministries

that further Mt. Zion's mission to spread the word of God and serve God's people.

The Outreach Committee would like you to identify candidates we could donate to. If you know of an organization that would benefit from our support, submit a one (1) paragraph proposal to Kendra Margl or Deb Miller outlining what the organization does and why you think Mt. Zion should support it. You can place your suggestion in either one of their mailboxes, located in the workroom, just outside of the Pastor's office. It can be organizations Mt. Zion has supported in the past, organizations we are currently supporting, or new organizations, they are all eligible.

The Outreach team will accept suggestions until September 29. They will meet shortly after and then make a recommendation to the church council in October.

"Each one must do just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."
2 Corinthians 9:7



MT. ZION'S BACKPACK MINISTRY

Mt. Zion partners with the United Methodist Church, the Hudson School District and E.P. Rock Elementary to provide a backpack of food items one Thursday a month throughout the school year to ensure families have enough food to feed their children over the weekend when they don't have access to school food programs. Last year the Backpack Program provided weekend nourishment for 50+ EP Rock households every week.

The first backpacks from Mt. Zion will be delivered to E.P. Rock in October. Please watch for more information in your email and bulletins as there will be a new menu for the families this year.

If you are interested in volunteering to help pack and distribute these backpacks, please get in touch with Carol Gustafson or Eileen Wymer (Backpack Coordinators)

Please contact the church at (715) 386-5409 or secretary@mtzionhudson.com if you need Carol or Eileen's contact information.

PRAYER SHAWLS AND QUILTS FOR THOSE IN NEED OF COMFORT

Prayer shawls and quilts are available for those in need. If you know someone in need of one – please let Pastor Carolyn know.

PASTORAL CARE

Pr. Carolyn is happy to provide pastoral care in your times of need, such as pre- or post-surgery, medical diagnosis, loss of a loved one, or other challenging moments. If you or a close loved one needs a pastoral care call or visit, please let Pr. Carolyn or Anna know directly. We don't always know when folks are in or out of medical care, and we want to protect the privacy of the folks in our community. You can reach us by calling the church office at 715-386-5409 or emailing Pr. Carolyn at pastor@mtzionhudson.com.

OUTREACH / VOLUNTEERS / BLESSINGS



**WELCA for
SEPTEMBER**

Deborah Circle

Tuesday, September 3

7:00 pm hosted by Katie Jones in her home

Joy Circle

Thursday, September 12

9:15 am hosted by Linda Flatt

Fellowship Hall

BLESSING OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Sunday, September 15 at the 10:30 am worship!

We invite all Sunday School teachers to come to worship on Sunday, September 15 for a short blessing to start the 2019-20 year.



MEN'S GROUP
Saturday, September 14
KICK OFF

Mt. Zion's Men's group meets the 2nd Saturday of the month at 8:30 - 9:30 am in the fellowship hall.

Men's Group Goals - "To Do Good" for our congregation, our church, and our community.

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.

Volunteers Needed



Milestone ministry is a way for Mt. Zion Lutheran Church to celebrate the promises made in baptism, provide learning opportunities for families, and recommit ourselves as a congregation to nurture one another in the body of Christ as we mark "milestones" in a person's life as a child of God and a person of faith. The Milestones take events in a person's life and remind them that God is there with them.

If you are looking to help our youth, in an intentional way, to grow in their faith journey now is your opportunity! We currently are looking for individuals to lead or assist with several milestones, for example:

- 1st Grade Blessing Bowls
- 2nd grade Bible Themed Pillowcase
- 3rd Grade Bible Story Stones
- 7th Grade Toolbox Co-leader w/ Mark Arneson

If you are interested in this exciting opportunity, please contact MaryKay Mahler.

Hudson Heritage Quilters present
Patchwork Harvest 2019
Quilt Show

November 2 - 3
Saturday 9 am - 5 pm
Sunday 10 am - 4 pm
Daily admission \$6

River Crest
Elementary
School

535 County Road F
Hudson, Wisconsin
From I-94 take Exit 2 -
Carmichael Road.
Turn south on Carmichael
and follow our signs.

Raffle baskets, raffle quilt and boutique
proceeds benefit local food shelves.
Lunch available.
Quilt awards - vote for your choice!

2019 Raffle Quilt
94" x 104"
\$1 per ticket

MUSIC AND WORSHIP

YOU ARE INVITED!

TONE CHIMES

Ring, Eat and Be Merry!

Looking for an opportunity to be part of a ministry? Join Tone Chime members in their fall kick off, PROGRESSIVE EXTRAVAGANZA, on Tuesday, September 17 at 7:00 pm.

We will begin in the Lower Level music room with a short introduction of the chimes, followed by great conversation, laughter, hors d'oeuvres and dessert at two of our tone chime members' homes. Hope to see you there.



JR. CHOIR

Calling all 2nd -8th Graders! Singing, friends, puppets, games, musical

instruments, parties and projects. What could be a more fun way to spend your Wednesday evening from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Jr. Choir will begin Wednesday, September 11 in the lower level music room.

If interested or have any questions, please contact MaryKay Mahler.

TONE CHIMES (open to all ages)

Tuesday, September 17

TONE CHIMES EXTRAVAGANZA

*see invitation on this page for details

SENIOR CHOIR

(9th Grade – Adult)

Rehearsals start at 9:20 am in the Choir Loft on September 15.

New voices, 9th Grade to Adult, are always encouraged to join us!

If you have any questions about Mt. Zion's Music Ministry, please contact:
MaryKay Mahler *Jr. Choir & Tone Chimes
Craig Gustafson *Sr. Choir

SUNDAYS DURING WORSHIP

September 1 – 9:00 am

Mark & Lily Romzek

September 8 – 9:00 am

Claire Hoier & Amelia Grabe,
Ella & Sophia Adams

September 15

8:15 am Sr. Choir
10:30 am Sr. Choir

September 22

8:15 am Sr. Choir
10:30 am Jr. Choir

September 29

8:15 am Sr. Choir
10:30 am Sr. Choir



125TH ANNIVERSARY IN 2020

Next year marks the 125th anniversary of Mt. Zion. We have a small committee that is looking for ways to celebrate this milestone. We are thinking that it would be fun to celebrate several times with several events or activities throughout 2020. If you have ideas, please contact one of us.

Olive Olson, Stacie Nelson, or Judy Meincke

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY



On Sunday, September 29 we will be welcoming new members and celebrating those you have joined Mt. Zion these past months.

If you would like to be included in this group of new members or would like more information on membership, please contact the church office at (715) 386-5409.

CELEBRATING MILESTONES



CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN SEPTEMBER

September 1 - Paul Mahler
September 2 - Sierra Keyes
September 3 - Jim Gelina
September 3 - Cory Spence
September 4 - Dennis Saathoff
September 5 - Mason Keyes
September 5 - Andrew Stanek
September 6 - Zoey Runck
September 10 - Daryl Jones
September 11 - Matthew Lardinois
September 11 - Diwaine Larson
September 11 - Paul Melzer
September 12 - Richard Claybaker
September 12 - Nancy Larson
September 12 - Aylah Tepper-Engl
September 13 - Mykel Eickstadt
September 15 - Chuck Studelska
September 16 - Floyd Johnson
September 16 - Jeff Magnuson
September 17 - Judy Meincke
September 19 - Einar Hanson
September 19 - Nate Mulfort
September 19 - Lois Tervo
September 21 - Cody Hines
September 22 - Stacy Tepper
September 22 - Alyssa Tonsager
September 23 - Alexis Eickstadt
September 23 - Brantley Feyereisen
September 23 - Lori Griffin
September 23 - Katie Jones
September 23 - Dylan Nitti
September 25 - Bill Peterson
September 26 - Lola Scott
September 28 - Dan Egan
September 29 - Dennis Opland
September 29 - Abigail Romzek
September 29 - Howie Schletz
September 30 - Jason Gigure



BAPTIZED IN SEPTEMBER

September 2 - Henrik McConville
September 11 - Amelia Stojan
September 12 - Joan Christopher
September 18 - Christopher Matzek
September 18 - Karen McConville
September 19 - Avery Anderson
September 19 - Bill Johnson
September 23 - Emily Gerdts
September 23 - Noah Gerdts



MARRIED IN SEPTEMBER

September 1 - Carl & Judy Meincke
September 15 - James & Jeanna Hayes
September 16 - Jason & Lori Griffin
September 18 - William & Tracy Oswald
September 24 - Jacob & Kylee Jungbauer
September 25 - Ken & Donna Revoir
September 26 - Tyler & Kellie Feyereisen
September 27 - Cory & Shaina Spence
September 28 - Jonathan & Allie Jakubek
September 30 - Chris & Kristen Johnson

**If we are missing your milestone or have incorrect information, please contact the office and let us know.*

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SEPTEMBER HOSPITALITY TEAMS

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

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Leads: Jim & Linda Letourneau
Ushers: Jim & Linda Letourneau
Greeters: Gary & Deb Hauschildt
Reader: Judy Meincke
Communion: Shelley Hallen
Acolyte: Kaitlyn Sanders
Special Music: Lily & Mark Romzek
Fellowship: Judy Meincke

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Lead: Karen McConville
Ushers: Mike & Linda Yde
Greeters: Karen McConville & Lucy Larson
Reader: Mic Hanson
Communion: Bev Schletz
Acolyte: Nora O'Connell Beard
Special Music: Claire Hoier & Amelia Grabe,
Ella & Sophia Adams
Fellowship: Karen McConville

RALLY SUNDAY – BACK TO TWO SERVICES!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

8:15 am Lead: Kristen Johnson
Ushers: Kristen & Sam Johnson
Greeters: The Prawalsky Family
Reader: Mary Ellefson
Communion: MaryKay Mahler
Acolyte: Arabella Campana

Fellowship: **OPEN**

10:30 am Lead: Andrea Dreier
Ushers: Dana & Art Okerlund
Greeters: The Dreier Family &
The Stanton Family
Reader: Barb Walczak
Communion: TBA
Acolyte: Henry Nemitz

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

8:15 am Lead: Jim & Linda Letourneau
Ushers: Scott & Sandy Johnson
Greeters: Mike & Linda Yde
Reader: Bill Fristad
Communion: Linda Yde
Acolyte: Lily Romzek

Fellowship: **OPEN**

10:30 am Lead: Andrea Dreier
Ushers: Tim & Nils Dreier
Greeters: Bev Schletz & **OPEN**
Reader: Dana Okerlund
Communion: Bev Schletz
Acolyte: Art Okerlund

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

8:15 am Lead: Jim Eral
Ushers: Dave & Deb Miller
Greeters: Katie Jones & Lola Scott
Reader: Judy Meincke
Communion: Katie Jones
Acolyte: Tara Sanders

Fellowship: **OPEN**

10:30 am Lead: Karen McConville
Ushers: Scott & Christine Jahns
Greeters: Mark & Paula Saunders
Reader: Barb Walczak
Communion: Paula Saunders
Acolyte: Marnie Zea

- THIS SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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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	Andrea Goetz
Council President	Olive Olson

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1
9:00 AM WORSHIP W/ COMMUNION
Special Music provided by The Romzek Family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
9:00 AM WORSHIP W/ COMMUNION
KINDERGARTEN BACKPACK MILESTONE
Special Music provided by
Claire H., Amelia G., Ella A., & Sophia A.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
RALLY SUNDAY
8:15 & 10:30 AM WORSHIP W/ COMMUNION
10:30A –BLESSING OF OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22
8:15 & 10:30 WORSHIP W/ COMMUNION
10:30A – 2ND GRADE PILLOWCASE MILESTONE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
8:15 & 10:30 WORSHIP W/ COMMUNION
10:30A– NEW MEMBER SERVICE