

Zion Lutheran Church

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Announcements, Prayer Concerns and Calendar Sunday, January 14, 2017

LUTHER QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"If I set up any savior except this child, no matter whom or what it is or is called, then he is not the Savior. But the text says that he is the Savior. And if this is true - and it is the truth- then let everything else go."

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

The attendance on **January 7th** was **18** at **8:00 am**; **55** (pre-opening) and **30** (post-opening) at **9:15 am**.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers were given to the glory of God in honor of Paul Litwiller's "Big Birthday" by Vi Muriello, and in honor of Ellen Blaine by Laura Hamilton.

2017 YEAR-END GIVING STATEMENTS

The year-end "giving statements" will be available on Sunday in the Narthex. Please pick them up at your earliest convenience. If you have any questions, please call **Barbara Schulz** at **(201) 787-7460** or email her at **barbaralschulz@gmail.com**.

OFFICE HOURS NEXT WEEK

The office and LVCNS will be closed **Monday, January 15th** in observance of the Federal holiday honoring **Martin Luther King**. Also, Laura will be away from the office on **Thursday** and **Friday, January 18** and **19**. If you can volunteer for any length of time to check the mail and answer the phones on Thursday or Friday, please let Laura know. The Pastor will be keeping his normal schedule Tuesday through Friday.

FINANCIAL REVIEWS AND ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The **Annual Congregational Meeting** is scheduled on **Sunday, January 28th**. The **Annual Report** to the congregation was released Friday through email and is available in hard copy in the Narthex. The Council will conduct two financial review sessions on **Sunday, January 21st** after the **8:00 am** and **9:15 am** services. This will help us confine the annual meeting to a reasonable time frame. (The event originally scheduled today during coffee hour after the **9:15 am** service has been rescheduled to **January 21st**). Please plan to attend one of these sessions if you have questions about the finances. There will be a light lunch **after the 9:15 am** service on

January 28th before the Annual Meeting. Please be sure to attend – input from all our Zion Members is valued and important. We do need a Quorum of members to conduct Zion business. If you have any questions please see council **President Fred Humcke**.

5TH/6TH GRADE ASSISTANT TEACHER NEEDED

We are looking for a 5th / 6th grade Assistant Sunday school teacher. If you can help, please contact **Marie Strebel** at mlstrebel@aol.com or **Laura Hamilton** in the church office.

LVCNS TRICKY TRAY ADS AND TICKETS

The **LVCNS** is offering advertising in the *“Tricky Tray”* fundraiser program to friends and families who own or run their own family businesses. **All ads are due by tomorrow, January 15th for printing.** Please see the forms in the Narthex to purchase tickets for this event. **Tickets sell out fast! For questions, please contact the pre-school.**

LONG VALLEY CHRISTIAN NURSERY SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registration for the **2018-2019** school year is underway! LVCNS has a new session of **First Friends** (2 1/2 -3 years old) which began **January 4th**, and **Mommy and Me** (19 months -2 1/2) beginning on **January 16th**. Both are great programs to gently introduce your child to school. There will be an **“Open House”** on **January 18th** at **9:45am** for anyone who would like to come take a tour of the school, meet the Director, **Meghan Bridge**, and have questions about the program answered. Applications will be available that day as well as at www.longvalleychristian.com. Church members get priority registration on **January 23rd**. If you come that day you will get your first choice of classes and do not have to wait in line to register.

BIBLE STUDY THIS TUESDAY

The **Tuesday Bible Study Group** will meet on **January 16th**. Our study focuses on the lectionary passages for the coming Sunday. **All are welcome to join in!** The group meets at **12:00 pm** at **Pezzo Pizza**, in Long Valley, for lunch before our study begins at Zion at **1:00**.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES THIS WEDNESDAY

Confirmation instruction will take place after school on **Wednesday, January 17th** at **3:40 pm**. **Our topic of conversation is: *If Jesus was God, why did he have to die?*** If you would like to sign up to be the “second adult” during the confirmation classes, or can volunteer to bring snacks email Pastor Dan at **DRSchroeder-54@gmail.com**.

2018 ELCA YOUTH GATHERING SHAREHOLDER DINNER THIS SATURDAY

Make your reservations for the **2018 Youth Gathering Roast Beef Shareholder Dinner NOW!** We are taking reservations for the dinner to be held on **Saturday, January**

20th. Suggested donation is \$25 per person for this fine, served meal, accompanied by appetizers, salad, dinner and dessert. **Bring a friend!** Payment not due until the evening of the event. Reservations are needed so we make the proper amounts of food. Reservations can be made by emailing, calling or texting **Jance Denzler** at jance.denzler@experian.com or (908) 672- 9747. **Thanks for your support of the 10 high school students attending this trip!**

TRANSITION NEWS MEETINGS

The **Transition Team** held an evening of open discussion on **January 10th**. A second session will be held at **2 PM** on **Tuesday, January 23rd**. The information gathered from these discussions will give us the information needed to pass to the synod office, so that pastoral candidates can be informed of our needs and vetted by the synod staff. Please plan on participating – your opinion matters!

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES AND PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICANTS

Invitations have been sent to all fifth grade students enrolled in our Sunday school program to join Pastor Dan for two special classes to prepare them for their first communion in the church. The classes will be held at **10:00 am** on **Saturday, February 3** and **Saturday, February 10th**. Parents are also invited and urged to attend. The congregation will then welcome these students to the sacrament with a special ceremony on **Sunday, February 11th** at our **9:15 am** service. If you know of someone who we may have missed, or a student of any age who has a solid understanding of the sacrament who would like to join us for the classes and celebration, please call or text **Pastor Dan** at (860)539-3478, email him at drschoeder54@gmail.com, or simply stop by the office and have a conversation with him!

Worship Assistants

Please let **Laura Hamilton** in the office know if you cannot, or don't want to serve in the slot you have been assigned. You may also contact **Malainie Hibler** with questions about worship assistants at best-omaha@live.com. Malainie is the council member in charge of "Worship and Music".

Coffee Hour Hosts/Hostesses:

January 7: Betty Rush and the "Red Hatters"; **January 14:** Judy Samuelson; **January 21:** Deena Salvatore; **January 28:** Annual Meeting luncheon.

Eucharistic Ministers:

January 14: The Bumpus, Denzler and Tucker families. **TBD**; **January 21:** **TBD** ; **January 28:** **TBD**.

Singers:

January 7: Doug Koeppen and Malainie Hibler; **January 14:** Linda Tucker and Betty Rush; **January 21:** Ann Rahmann and Jeanne Howell; **January 28:** Christine Stabile and Marcia Horner.

This Week at Zion

SUNDAY: The Second Sunday After the Epiphany

(1/14/17)	8:00 AM	Contemporary Worship Service
	9:15 AM	Traditional Worship Service
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Adult Forum
	3:00 PM	GS Troop 96346
	4:15 PM	GS Troop 95641

MONDAY: Martin Luther King Day—Office and LVCNS Closed
4:30 PM Worship and Music Committee

TUESDAY: 9:00 PM LVCNS Chapel
1:00 PM Bible Study
7:00 PM Council

WEDNESDAY: 9:00 AM LVCNS Chapel
9:30 AM Boost Your Mind
11:30 AM Adult Gentle Yoga
12:30 AM Adult Gentle Yoga
12:30 AM LVCNS Chapel
3:40 PM Confirmation Class

THURSDAY: LVCNS Open House
3:00 PM GS Troop 95640
4:00 PM GS Troop 96086
6:00 PM Hand Bell Choir
6:00 PM Pack 136—Den 6
7:00 PM Choir

FRIDAY: 8:00 AM Shareholder Dinner Prep
4:00 PM GS Troop 96761
5:00 PM GS Troop 96762
8:30 PM AA Meeting

SATURDAY: 8:30 AM Praise Choir Rehearsal
8:00 AM Shareholder Dinner Prep
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21	John Zeier	Emily Wallace	Marcia Horner	Ryan and Christine Stabile	Dave and Kerri Bataille
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Margie Muller
Vi Muriello

Courtney Derr
Anna Secka
Charlie Burd

Sue Koeppen
Rachel Sauer
Annie Clay

Joyce Shakespeare
Pearl Tauscher
Barry Blaine

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Walker Walker and Nancy Walker
Anna Kennedy and Emmett, Craig Bercaw
and family, all family of JudyBumpus
Sally Young, sister of Rob Johnson
Kevin Dean, nephew of Kerri Bataille
Rhonda Smith and Vicky McIntyre, sister
and aunt of Cheryl Fritsch
Tom LaPointe, friend of Marcia Horner
Joy Carducci, former Zion member
Carol Johnson, cousin of Dottie Weis
Katie Antonaccio, LVCNS teacher
Carter Manley, Peter Jensen, William von
Minden, Amy Vincent, family and
friends of Jeanette Baker
Emily Mancuso, granddaughter of Betty
Rush
Ron Guzinski and Gwen Long, friends of
Ellen Miller
Lori Biernacki and family, daughter of Vi
Muriello
Barbara Macholz, Mary Beth Bocksel, Jack
Steffen, family and friends of Jeanne
Howell
Joseph Vacca, friend of the Koeppens
Wilma Weiss and Irma Koeppen, mothers of
Sue and Doug Koeppen
The Mancuso Family, Justin Fogarty, Charlie
and Sue Burd, Karen, and Eleanor
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Great-nephew of Barbara Gunderson
Rennie
Mary Janeski, mother of Karen Sauer
Stu Gutman, friend of Yeong Jan
Allie Henkel and Andy Ellmann, friends of
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Barbara and Joseph Seewald Sr., parents of

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Tauscher
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