

Zion Lutheran Church

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Announcements, Prayer Concerns and Calendar Sunday, January 28, 2017

LUTHER QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“The blessing of this sacrament is fellowship and love, by which we are strengthened against death and all evil. This fellowship is twofold: on the one hand we partake of Christ and all saints; on the other hand we permit all Christians to be partakers of us, in whatever way they and we are able. Thus, by means of this sacrament, all self-seeking love is rooted out and gives place to that which seeks the common good of all; and through the change wrought by love there is one bread, one drink, one body, one community.”

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

The attendance on **January 21st** was **36** at **8:00 am**; **45** (pre-opening) and **25** (post-opening) at **9:15 am**. Average attendance at the **8:00 am** service is **27** and **9:15 am** service is **50** (pre-opening) and **27**(post-opening) through **January 21st**.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers were given to the glory of God. We hope you will use the sign-up sheets in Fields Hall to sponsor and dedicate flowers this coming year. Many thanks to all who have done so in 2017! The price for our lovely arrangements remains unchanged at **\$13** each. You may place your checks in the collection plate or donate online through Simply Giving. For questions please see **Dottie Weis**.

DECEMBER GIVING NUMBERS

- **December** Actual Giving was **\$26,204** vs. **December** Budgeted Giving **\$24,868**.
- **YTD** Giving is **\$211,841** vs. Budgeted **YTD** Giving **\$214,400**.
- **Average** monthly giving to date was **\$17,674**; **Average** needed to achieve budget is **\$17,866**; **Average** needed to achieve breakeven is **\$21,464**.

2017 YEAR-END GIVING STATEMENTS

The year-end “giving statements” are available 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**.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY AFTER WORSHIP AND LUNCH

A light lunch will be served after worship and before the Annual Meeting today. Please be sure to attend – input from all our Zion Members and Friends 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**.

DIRECTORY UPDATES

You will have an opportunity to update the information published in the **Zion Directory of Members and Friends** at the Annual Meeting. Please be sure to review and change your information. For questions please see **Laura Hamilton**, or if you cannot attend the meeting, please email or call Laura in the office with any changes you have. We are particularly interested in contact information for all of our youth,

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.

LONG VALLEY CHRISTIAN NURSERY SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registration - LVCNS is currently registering for the **2018-2019** school year. Applications are available at www.longvalleychristian.com. For questions please contact **Meghan Bridge** at info@longvalleychristian.com.

BIBLE STUDY THIS TUESDAY

The **Tuesday Bible Study Group** will meet on **January 30th**. 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**.

STAMPING ANGELS NEXT TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH

Please join the **Women's Ministry** to learn how to make beautiful stamped cards - no experience necessary! The event will take place on **February 6th**, from **6:00 to 9:00** in **Fields Fall**. Contact **Jance Denzler** at jance.denzler@experian.com for more information.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES THIS WEDNESDAY

We look forward to seeing our Confirmation students next **Wednesday, January 31st** after school at **3:40 pm**. **Our topic of conversation will be:** *Why did Jesus get baptized?* 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.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES AND PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICANTS

First Communion classes for fifth graders 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. Please see Pastor Dan for questions.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

February 4, 2017 is the Souper Bowl of Caring!! The **Souper Bowl of Caring** empowers youth and unites communities around the time of the "Big Game" to help those in need. For the 10th year, Zion will join this nationwide food drive on Super Bowl Sunday to collect food and monetary donations for local food banks. In 2017, we donated \$220 and 450 food items to Long Valley Community Assistance Program. For additional information please contact Sarah Scudese at sjpolley2@hotmail.com or Mary Ellen Zwingle at meczwingle@gmail.com, or visit www.souperbowl.org. To get the congregation and Sunday School students into the spirit of the big game, we are going to have a little competition! We will have collection barrels located in the Narthex - each "decorated" for the teams playing in the super bowl. Folks will "vote" who they want to win the super bowl by placing their donation on their team's side. In the end the local food banks are the big winners!

SUNDAY SCHOOL BELLS

As a special treat, the Sunday School students will be ringing the bells at the beginning of the 9:15 am service on **February 11th** during the opening and children's song. Bell ringing is open to all age groups, any children who do not want to ring could watch or sing along. There are 14 small bells for younger,/smaller people, and 7 bells which are bigger and heavier. The students will be rehearsing during Sunday School and be ready for parent pickup at the normal time (10:30 am). **Mark your calendars for February 11th!**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper** is **February 13th at 6 pm**. The **Ash Wednesday Service** is **February 14th at 7 pm**. More details will follow in upcoming Happenings emails and the February LVL Newsletter.

Eucharistic Ministers:

We thank the **Bumpus, Denzler and Tucker families** for serving communion to our hospitalized and homebound members and friends each week. If you would like to help. Please contact **Linda Tucker** at bluberryboo1@gmail.com

Coffee Hour:

Please contact **Vi Muriello** at gingermom123@aol.com if you can help with coffee hour on Sundays. She is making the schedule for the next few months.

This Week at Zion

SUNDAY: The Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany

(1/28/17)	9:15 AM	Traditional Worship Service
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Lunch and Annual Meeting

MONDAY: NO EVENTS

TUESDAY: 1:00 PM Bible Study

WEDNESDAY:	11:30 AM	Adult Gentle Yoga
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	3:40 PM	Confirmation Class
	6:00 PM	Pack 136—Den 3

THURSDAY:	3:00 PM	GS Troop 95640
	4:00 PM	GS Troop 96086
	6:00 PM	Hand Bell Choir
	6:00 PM	Kids 4 Kindness
	6:00 PM	Pack 136—Den 6
	7:00 PM	Choir

FRIDAY:	7:00 PM	LVCNS Tricky Tray Fundraiser
	8:30 PM	AA Meeting

SATURDAY:	8:30 AM	Praise Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 AM	Frist Communion Class

SUNDAY: The Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

(2/4/17)	8:00 AM	Worship Service/ Tortorello Baptism
	9:15 AM	Sunday School
	9:15 AM	Traditional Service
	10:30 AM	Lunch and Annual Meeting

January Worship Assistants—8:00 AM

January	Communion Assistant	Acolyte	Lector	Ushers	Greeters & Presenters
7	Marge Scudese	Luke Scudese	Marge Scudese	Tom and Sarah Scudese	Ann Rahmann and Linda Tucker
14	Joe Seewald	Catherine Stabile	Burt Horner	Jance Denzler and Rick Kohler	Ann Rahmann
21	John Zeier	Emily Wallace	Marcia Horner	Ryan and Christine Stabile	Dave and Kerri Bataille
28	No service	No service	No service	No service	No service

January Worship Assistants—9:15 AM

JANUARY	Communion Assistant	Acolyte	Lector	Ushers	Greeters & Presenters
7	Brian Bumpus	Zion Member	Judy Bumpus	Malainie Hibler And TBD	Martina and Sarah Frommeyer
14	TBD	Zion Member	Paul Litwiller	Larry Salvatore and Malainie Hibler	Dottie Weis
21	Yeong Jan	Zion Member	Peggy Humcke	TBD	Vi Muriello and Paul Litwiller
28	Brian Bumpus	Catherine Stabile	Jeanne Howell	Malainie Hibler and Bob Motylenski	Emily and Diane Rochotte



We Remember In Our Prayers

Those who are in nursing homes: Kenneth Winterfeldt

ONGOING NEEDS:

Amanda Seabeck
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
Kirk Klien, 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
Smith, former Secretary at Zion, family
& friends of Betty Rush
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
Courtney and Corey Derr
Barbara and Joseph Seewald Sr., parents of
Joseph Seewald

Trevor & Rebecca Weiss, friends of Reg
Tauscher
Michael Derr, uncle of Corey Derr
Dolores Davidson, sister-in-law of Charlie
and Marcia Davidson
Laura Glowincki, friend of Meghan Callow
William Cross, Mandy Brunkow, the
Bordner family, Randy, Karen, &
Sarah, family & friends of the
Tauschers
Blanca Oliveras, mother-in-law of Jeff
Naglestad
Judy Friend, mother of Diane Domareki
Ruth Dise, mother of Craig Dise
William Holloway, brother of Annie Clay
Ryan Sullivan, friend of Malainie Stoma
Luke Senner and Jane Lee Forrester,
friend of the Hiblers
Wally & David Kreutzer, mother and
brother of Pam Meling
Rosalee Carroll, friend of Vi Muriello
Wayne Carter, Ray & Michele Kramer,
Susan Robinson, Lori Larsen, Mark &
Kara Pfunke, Jerry Edelen, friends
and family of the Horners
Charlie Noll, friend of Helga & Reinhard
Schwartz
Don Winkler, brother-in-law of Rob & Mickey
Johnson
Ann Marie Simpson, friend of the Staadas
Hannelore Seitz, family of the Stabile family
Bill Friedrich, brother-in-law to Rick Kohler
Geraldine, Jamie & Joseph Capodiferro,
Valerie Patitucci, Peter & Linda
Cooper, Rose Vaz, Gary & Kevin
Brenner, family and friends of Ed &
Rose Galandak

If you have prayers you would like included on this list, or if there are updates needed, please contact the church office.