

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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May Pastoral Article - Pastor Scott Strachan

Liturgy Of The Ordinary

Every Wednesday Evening June 5th-August 14th
(Except July 3rd).



The book can be found on Amazon.com by simply searching for Liturgy of The Ordinary by Tish Harrison Warren or by clicking the link below. A few copies will be supplied for those who are unable to get one.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, 2 looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Hebrews 12-1-2

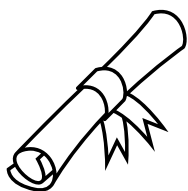
*God Bless and Thank you!
In Christ. Pastor Scott*

Have you ever wondered how we can worship throughout the week outside of Sunday services? How are we to worship God in our daily lives?

This Summer I will be offering a family-style Bible study for all ages on Wednesday evenings. Our discussions will be centered around this very topic, worship every day.

A potluck-style meal will take place beforehand at 5:30pm with the study starting at 6:30pm in the fellowship hall. The main meat dish will be provided.

Dates are June 5th-August 14th. No meeting on July 3rd. On Wednesday June 12th we will combine dinner with the VBS crowd! All are welcome to join and all ages are invited, invite a friend!



happy GRADUATION

The Congregation is invited to an Open House for June Volding's high school graduation.

June Volding's Graduation Open House
Sunday, May 12 from 4:00-7:00 pm
At Zion Lutheran Church



The Congregation is invited to an Open House for Tanner Laube's high school graduation.

Tanner Laube's Graduation Open House
Friday, May 24 from 4:30-7:00
Laube Home: 19855 180th St., Holland, IA

THANK YOU ...

To Cindy Appleton, Molly Volding, Karen Wulf and Fidei Whitehead for teaching the Sunday School classes. We appreciate your time and ideas.

YOGA CLASS

Please join us Monday, Wednesday & Friday morning at 7:00 for Yoga Class.

FOOD BANK

Lyle Wulf will deliver the food bank donations on the last Sunday of the month. Please remember to contribute to this giving opportunity. There is a grocery cart in the narthex.

COFFEE BAR AND PRE-SERVICE PRAYERS

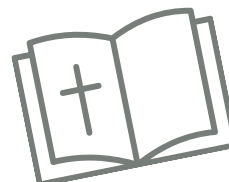
Join us in our coffee bar in the fellowship hall for those who want coffee before and during church. There is also a prayer group gathering at 8:30 for 15 minutes of sharing and prayers. Please meet in the pastor's office for pre-service prayers, sharing, and fellowship before Sunday worship time.

CEMETERY

The Zion cemetery will be cleaned on May 1st. Please remove the items you wish to keep by then. Thank you.

“PURSUE THE
LORD AND HIS
STRENGTH;
SEEK HIS FACE
ALWAYS!”

• 1 Chronicles 16:11



PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYER

Each month, we will publish a list of people who have requested prayers. Please remember them in your regular prayer time:

Judy Shirley
Pam Degener
Dan & Tammy Bern
Joanne Nicklaus
Sharon Dufel
Dianne Bascom
Eunice Neil
Carol Weaver
Anaya family on the death of Violet

Please let us know if wish to add someone to our Prayer list.

Vacation Bible School

June 9th-12th

The education committee including all the Sunday School leaders and myself, recently met to discuss VBS for this Summer. We are excited to announce that VBS will be June 9th-12th in the evening. We are adding one day to the VBS schedule to align with the Summer family-style Bible that I will be leading in June through August. Our theme for this year is Creation as seen in Genesis 1 & 2. Be on the lookout for more information soon!

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Dan Bergman
- 1 Russ Pedersen
- 3 Evelyn Andorf
- 4 Gabi Petry
- 7 Lucas Gutknecht
- 8 Nathan Hunt
- 10 Jennifer Brandhorst
- 10 Sue Gibson
- 11 Cindy Paige
- 15 Hope Heckenlaible
- 18 Bridget McCulley
- 20 Gayle Juhl
- 23 Brad Dufel
- 23 Amber Laube
- 23 Sammy Ohrt
- 25 Jennifer Weitzell
- 26 Greg Bergman
- 28 Marissa Woomer
- 28 MacKenna Brandhorst
- 30 Craig Dufel
- 30 Mallory Laube
- 31 Holly Appleton



MAY ANNIVERSARIES

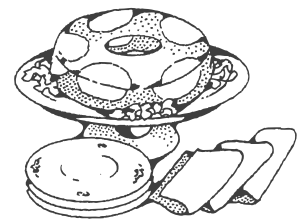
- 19 Elwin & Stacy Lee
- 30 Dan & Jane Miller

MAY USHERS / ACOLYTES

- 5 Brett & Sam G. / Madeline
- 12 John & Teri Neil / Claire
- 19 Confirmation Class / Anna
- 26 Ed & Gayle Juhl / Ames

MAY REFRESHMENTS

- 5 Dan, Jane, Jamie Miller
- 12 Strachan Family
- 19 Potluck
- 26 TBD



ZION CONNECTIONS

- Pastor** Scott Strachan - 505-249-0096
- Pulpit Supply** - Bill Gutknecht, 319-404-5081
- Sunday School** - Cindy Appleton, 319-231-3857
- Music** - Lyle Wulf / 319-988-4536
- Church Secretary** - Marilu Degener / Karen Wulf
- Call Committee** - Sammy Gutknecht, 563-528-9450
- Parsonage** - Marian Grover, 319-231-7459
- Facebook** - Jenn Brandhorst, 641-799-4321
- Bulletins, Newsletter**
Cindy Paige - 319-429-1548, egiap@aol.com

Council Meeting Minutes from March 17th, 2024

ATTENDEES: Edward Juhl John Neil, Teri Neil, Bill Gutknecht, Marian Grover & Pastor Scott, observing – Marilu Degener

Ed called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM

Pastor Scott opened the meeting by prayer.

1. The agenda was reviewed and finalized. Marian made the motion to approved the agenda. Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried.

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Recording Secretary (Jenn): reviewed minutes for February meeting
2. Financial Reports (John & Teri): Teri presented financials through 02/29/2024.
3. **Description 02/01/2024:**

Total Income	9,032.50		\$43,690.93
Total Expenses		6,843.10	
Totals as of 02/29/2024:	\$9,032.50	\$6,843.10	\$45,535.93
4. Worship & Parish Life Committee (Bill): Nothing new to report.
5. Education Committee (Marian): Marian had a meeting with the SS teachers & Pastor Scott, will be taking a survey on when to have VBS, VBS will be 4 days this year. Pastor Scott will be getting together a child protection policy. May 5th will be the last day of SS.
6. Missions Committee (Stacy): Nothing new
7. Finance Committee (Edward): Doing well
8. Building & Grouds Committee (Ed): Working on getting heat in the pastor's office
9. Pastor's report – Pastor Scott Strachan: Pastor has been making sure the doors are locked in the church. He has also meet with the Sunday School teachers about VBS and Karen about confirmation. He has also meet with Stacy & Gayle about the outreach sharing of responsibility. They will be setting up a Google document sheet so they can know who has been seen, what day and if they received communion. Pastor Scott will also be meeting with Andy & Karen about getting a new copy machine.

Bill made the motion to approve reports and Marion seconded the motion. Motion carried.

C. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Annual Meeting follow-up. Well received. May need to look at getting a PA system down stairs.
2. Lenten Season: Holly Week & Easter Sunday Preparations. Everything will be ready.
3. Scout follow up: It was a great experience. It was mentioned that a PA system down stairs would have helped to hear things better.

D. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Pastor Strachan's ongoing orientation. It is going well. Pastor will have varied office hours Tuesday – Sunday.
2. Proclaim software: Ben, Sam & Pastor presented the Proclaim software that we have had the past 2 weeks in church. The cost would be \$3479.99 a year for this software along with a \$80.00 a year streaming license. After much discussion, Marion made a motion to accept the usage of the Proclaim software and the streaming license, Teri 2nd the motion, Motion carried Along with this, there is a Domino for the churches website so it can be watched on the website of \$30.00 a month, Sam Gutknecht is covering that cost.
3. Online giving implementation. It has been noted that on the church's website, there is an option to donate to the church. Ben and Sam have now received the information need to implement this option. Pastor Scott made a motion to have Ed the signer of the PayPal donation account, Marion 2nd the motion, motion carried
4. Blessing of the Seeds and Soil will be April 14th.
5. Parsonage & church insurance: Marilu will do some checking to make sure things are insured correctly and update at next meeting.

E. NEXT MEETING DATE:

1. Sunday, April 21st at 11:00 AM. Council Meeting.

F. ADJOURNMENT:

1. Teri made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. The meeting was adjourned at 12:55 AM with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marilu Degener,

Please send offerings to Zion Lutheran Church, 5831 Grundy Rd, Hudson, IA 50643

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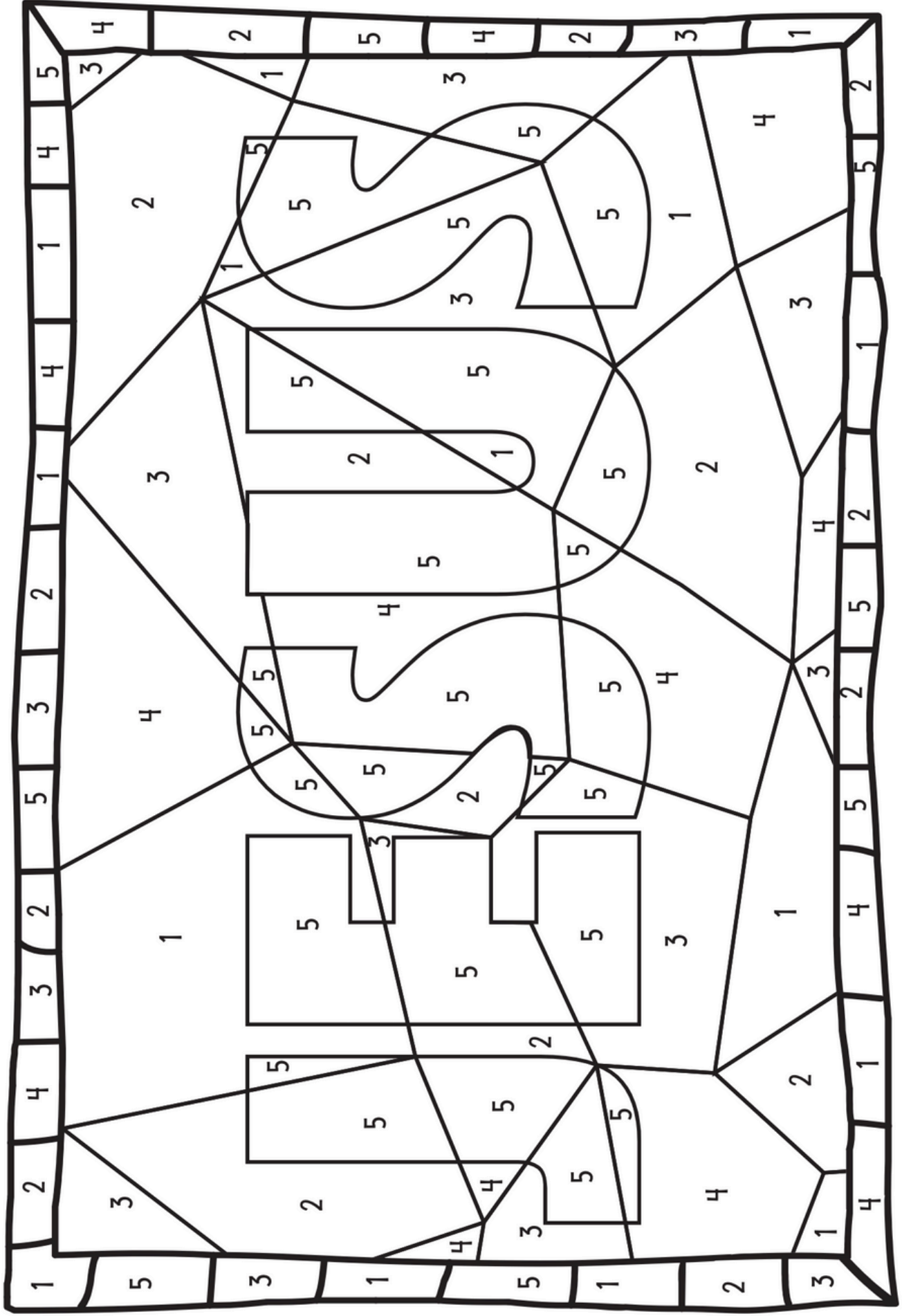
Church and Parsonage phone: 319-988-4534

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
9:00 a.m. Worship and Facebook Live Streaming						
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
9:00 a.m. Worship and Facebook Live Streaming 4-7 PM Graduation Open House June Volding at Zion						
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
9:00 a.m. Worship and Facebook Live Streaming Potluck Gathering					4:30-7 PM Graduation Open House for Tanner Laube 19855 180th St, Holland, IA	
26	27	28	29	30	31	
9:00 a.m. Worship and Facebook Live Streaming						
						Colors: May 5 - White May 12 - White May 19 - Red May 26 - White

My Best Friend ...

Use the code to color the shapes and find a mystery word.

1: Blue 2: Green 3: Orange 4: Purple 5: Yellow



I am with you always.