

Zion Tidings

Serving Christ Through Serving Others

August 2017

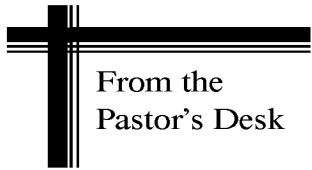
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DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ARTICLES FOR THE September "TIDINGS" IS **Thursday, August 24th.**



From the
Pastor's Desk

Zion Lutheran Church got some on hands experience with one of our causes of the month. With God's Grace Mobile Food Pantry is a mobile traveling food pantry that comes to Vandalia the third Monday of the month to provide groceries to families in need.

Seven adults and ten of our youth unloaded the food truck and then individuals were assigned a food station to distribute the food in grocery style fashion others served a light meal. This was a very rewarding experience for us.

It was a hot and humid day and I was amazed how much food was distributed to a lot of people in need. We served 126 families which included 319 people also 31 of the families were new families as they received food from With God's Grace Mobile Food Pantry for the first time.

With God's Grace Mobile Food does not turn any families away if you register when you come you will receive groceries. I want to say thanks Zion Lutheran Church family for serving others in need and supporting this wonderful mission and ministry in our community. *The next opportunity for us in Vandalia is Monday August 21. Serving Christ through serving others!*

MISSION OF THE MONTH for August 2017 LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SCHOOL KITS

Imagine having to choose between a meal or purchasing a notebook. Pencils and paper can help write a positive future for children in other countries. If you want to help donate the items required for each school kit, here is the list to go shopping with:

1. **One** 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other.
2. **5 unsharpened** No. 2 pencils with erasers; secured together with a rubber band.
3. **4** 70-sheet notebooks of wide-or-college ruled paper, approximately 8"x10 1/2"; **no loose-leaf paper**
4. **One** pencil sharpener
5. **One** box of 16 or 24 crayons
6. **One** pair blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
7. **One** 2 ½ " eraser
8. **Five** black or blue ballpoint pens (**no gel ink**); secured together with a rubber band

A "packing party" will be held on Sunday, September 10. Thrivent Financial is sponsoring \$250.00 for our Action Team shoppers/packers of School Kits. The backpacks purchased by Women of Zion and Trivent Financial are already here. Now we need to fill them up! **Any questions, ask Action Team Leader Kathy Groth. Thanks for your help.**



**September 21 & 22
Mum Festival Garage Sale**

Once again, the *Women of Zion* will hold a garage sale during Mum Festival week. The sale will take place on Thursday, September 21st from 9:00 to 5:00 and on Friday, the 22nd from 9:00 to 8:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Proceeds from the sale benefit outreach ministries. As you find yourself cleaning out closets, basements and garages, please look for any items you might want to donate to Zion's sale. We do not accept clothing, but do accept purses, jewelry and accessories. We cannot take television sets, but we can take electronics, as long as they are in working order. We will also need paper grocery sacks for the bag sale on Friday.



August Birthdays:

- 1 Kim Jones
- 2 John Kruse
- 3 Laura Roeth
- 4 Nancy Bendickson, Shirley Delaplane
- 6 Bill Miller
- 7 Phil Elliott
- 11 Marianne Barnhart, Freda Ferguson, Robin Wark
- 12 Eli Brooks
- 14 Anne Nicholes
- 17 Jill Greer
- 18 Kevin Stover
- 21 Jen Garvic, James Gray
- 22 Amy Byrd, Judy Mader
- 23 Dean Myers, Tom Replogle, Dan Schall
- 24 Daniel Frame
- 27 Jacquelyn Mitchell
- 28 Jerry Strawser



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS....

Home bound residents specially thought of: **Patsy Furrow, Mary Sue Helke, Hap Johnson, Herb Johnson, John Kruse, Bob Kuhls, Belia Parrish, Ramona Watkins, Ahdele Young.**

Mary Jean King who is at Spring Meade Health Center in Room 403 with Hospice Care. Please keep Stewart King in your prayers also.

Cris (Shoup) White, who has breast cancer. Surgery is scheduled for July 11th. Cris is a beautician at Guys & Dolls.

Richard Turner who is recovering from surgery.
Neal Sonnanstine

Mary Ann Gross who is at Koester Pavillion.

Susan Smith who will begin chemo soon.

Sue Coon who has heart issues.

Ann Whitmer, sister of Kim Jones

George Hudson, Pat Cowan's brother-in-law, who suffers from cancer.

Beth Wilburn and baby

Larry & Lil Nichols, pray for healing

Barb Kruse, pray for healing



Dear Women of Zion & Church Members:

Grace and peace to each and every one of you! Your recent donation dated June 16 has been received and is greatly appreciated. The staff and volunteers at Jeremiah's Letter are grateful for the continued caring support of your congregation, which is making a difference in the lives of the individual we have been called to serve. Project Blessing provides a hot meal twice a week with case managers on hand to assist those transitioning from homelessness to stable housing. We provide a

clothing room (no cost clothing), Community Blessings (household items), Passages Program (birth certificates/id) and hygiene packet distribution. Our Food Pantry also works directly with case managers to provide food/cleaning supplies through the transition to new housing and in immediate need situations. Thank you on behalf of the more than 2000 individuals we are able to help each year.

*Your brother in Christ, Pastor Terri O. Burns
Executive Director, Jeremiah's Letter, Inc.*

To: The Zion Lutheran & Women of Zion:

Thank you so much for your generous donation to Eagles' Wings Stable. We so much appreciate your support as we keep our students in the saddle. Wonderful work, achievements, progress and joy is witnessed in our arena everyday and you have helped to make that happen.

Yours thankfully, Eagles' Wings Stable, Inc.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PROPERTY – JULY 10, 2017

Rieck Services repaired the sanctuary AC and the northwest corner unit in the upstairs of the new building. The thermostat in the high school Sunday school room was also replaced.

A handle on a toilet in the women's restroom was replaced and problem with continuous running water was fixed.

Contractors will be contacted for estimates in tuck pointing and sealing of the bricks on the south and west walls of the old building. General Preservation, who was scheduled to begin work in May, has not started the work nor have they returned our calls.

The committee completed the elevator check, replaced bulbs and checked the folding door in the adult Sunday school room. Damage was checked on the automatic door opener railing on the Walnut St. entrance to the church. Spouting and gutters were reattached on the Main St. side of the sanctuary. Kitchen roof drains were cleaned.
The next meeting is Monday, August 7th at 7:00 p.m.

WOMEN OF ZION

Women of Zion met on Sunday, July 9.

Members present: 7

Devotions by: Sue Rambeau

Treasurer's Report: Current balance: \$9,255.51

Correspondence:

1. Thank letter from Jeremiah's letter
2. Thank you from Dayton Children's

Old Business:

1. TMCS Lunch Program went well – between 30-80 kids.
2. We had plenty of help for VBS in the kitchen.
3. Christmas in July donations for Liberty Commons were taken to TMCS on 6/30.
4. Zion is continuing meals for Susan Smith.

New Business:

- There was discussion on how to simplify the fund request & check disbursement. Deb handed out a sample form.

- Mum Festival Garage Sale - will be held on Thurs. & Fri. – Sept. 21 & 22. Deb K. will submit a Thrivent Action Team funding request for advertising and food costs. Articles will need to be placed in the August & September Tidings. More info. and planning will be at the Aug. & Sept. WOZ meetings.
- There will be a Women's bible study on Aug. 5 & 6. It will be based on the movie "The Shack". More details to come as to time when the movie will be shown.

Deb K. made a motion, Deb Turner seconded to purchase plastic shoe boxes for the Operation Christmas Child mission.

August school kit collections will be assembled at the Sept. WOZ meeting.

Next Meeting: Sun., Aug 13, 2017 @ 7:00 pm

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Church Council met on Tuesday, July 11, 2017

1. Approved June council minutes with slight changes.
2. Approved May financials.
3. Zion Lutheran will have the opportunity to work With God's Grace Mobile Food Pantry in Vandalia on July 17.
4. Stewardship Team will be meeting on Wednesday July 26 at 3:00 PM.
5. Light Readers will be here on Sunday July 30 to share and give their message during worship.
6. The Property team has been in contact with contractors to get estimates on the brick repair work that needs to be done on the church.
7. The Church picnic will be on Sunday, August 27 at the Tipp City Roundhouse. Worship will be at 10:00 followed by lunch.

Next Meeting: August 8, 2017 @ 7:00 p.m.

COMMUNICATIONS/WELCOMING – July 11, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Miriam Comer, Sharon Byrd, Pastor Glawe, Jill Greer, Deb Keppel, Debbie Turner, Tom Wesbecher

PASTOR OPENED WITH PRAYER

WELCOMING:

It has been decided not to have an ice cream social this summer. We will concentrate on the church picnic Aug. 27.

Pastor asked if we could think of any ideas to be more welcoming as a church. We do a good job but we're always open to new ideas.

WEBSITE COMMUNICATIONS:

Pastor has scheduled a meeting with Chuck Powder for Monday July 17 to discuss the website. More pictures are needed – we want to show activity of the church. It needs to be updated more regularly. Deb K and Jackie Glawe will meet with them also.

PHOTO DIRECTORY:

Chuck is still working on this, trying to use the old directory. It has not been successful. It was suggested that we get a whole new program. Deb K has most of the pictures taken. She will need helpers to put this together – typing, proof reading, etc. Sharon, Jill and Peggy have already said they can help.

OTHER:

Tom asked about the signage on Rt 571. Bob Keppel received something in the mail about this.

LOW PRIORITY.

We feel the Website would be more effective.

NEXT MEETING TUESDAY, AUGUST 8, AT 5:00 pm

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY - July 19, 2017

Attending: Jen Kauffmann, Heidi Coppock, Melinda Schall, Susan Pytel, Jackie Glawe

- 5:45pm Jackie began the meeting with a devotion.
- Sept 10th will be the first day of Sunday School for children and adults. We discussed releasing balloons again since the children really enjoyed it last year. Jackie will look into finding out about biodegradable balloons.
- July 13th Summer Youth Group met with 3 youth and 1 adult and played interactive games with a faith lesson.
- July 17th 10 youth and 6 adults helped set up and distribute food for "With God's Grace

Mobile Food Pantry" at the Vandalia Village Apts. We will do this each month on the 3rd Monday.

- July 27th - Melinda checking into possible pool party at her house for the youth, otherwise TBA.
- Jackie advised she is working on ideas for the Youth nights for Aug 3rd, 10th & 17th.
- Aug 21st - With God's Grace Food Pantry
- Aug 26th - Faith and Family Night through Thrivent Financial/Columbus Crew vs. FC Dallas game 7:30pm in Columbus.
- Sept 18th - With God's Grace Food Pantry
- Sept 27th - Positive Hits Tour Concert
- Jackie shared that VBS went great with 32 children attending and 45 volunteers over the course of the week. The 6th - 12th grade helpers as well as adults did an awesome job helping decorate and with VBS all week.
- Still working on a date for a fall Sunday School room cleanup day.
- Aug 20th - Jackie will host a National Youth Gathering 2018 information meeting at church approx. 11:30am.
- We discussed taking children grades 2 - 5 to Camp Mowana Oct 13th - Oct 14th. Jackie will email parents to find out the interest.
- Jackie shared that she contacted the Dayton Dragons about youth working concessions for fundraisers however they must be 16 yrs old and commit to at least 10 games for the season. We didn't feel this was really feasible for our group. Hobart arena at this time does not offer any type of group money earning program.
- Susan shared that the Quarter Auction will possibly not be held at the Tipp City legion each month so we discussed having one ourselves at the church in Oct. We checked the calendar and found that Dream is having one at our church in Oct so we hope to advertise at Dream and will hold our Quarter Auction on Nov 2nd.
- We discussed the flamingo fundraiser and Melinda Schall stated she will be in charge of this fundraiser and will start some time the end of July beginning of Aug.
- Melinda also brought up an idea about a car raffle that she offered to check into.
- Other Youth Group ideas that were offered up were Ducky ice cream, Wiffle ball, Giant Jenga.

The meeting ended at 7:00pm and we closed with a prayer.

Minutes reported by Jackie Glawe

GRACE PLACE NEWS

Aug 3th, 10th, 17th - Youth Group interactive games at the church. (check your email or with Jackie for possible changes to the location).

Aug 20th - National Youth Gathering 2018 information meeting.

Aug 21st - help set up and distribute food at "With God's Grace Mobile Food Pantry" Vandalia Village Apts. 6pm-7:45pm. Meet at church at 5:00pm or at the location at 5:20pm.

Aug 26th - Columbus Crew vs. FC Dallas soccer game/Faith and Family Night - see Jackie for info and tickets.

Sept 10th - First Day of Sunday School for children and adults.

Sept 18th - help set up and distribute food at "With God's Grace Mobile Food Pantry" Vandalia Village Apts. 6pm - 7:45pm. Meet at church at 5:00pm or at the location at 5:20pm.

Sept 27th - Positive Hits Tour Concert / The Rose Center Huber Heights - see Jackie for info and tickets.

Feel free to contact me anytime for questions or information by calling or texting me at:

937-478-3318. In Christ, Jackie Glawe

2018 ELCA YOUTH GATHERING INFORMATIONAL MEETING

If you are a Parent of a youth who will be going into 9th grade in 2018 through graduating seniors and you have an interest in sending your youth to the 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston Texas please attend this important

informational meeting. The past Youth Gathering's have been wonderful faith growing experiences for the youth and adults who have attended.

Date: Sunday, August 20th

Time: 11:30am (after Sunday worship service)
(about an hour meeting)

Where: Fellowship Hall, Zion Lutheran Church, Tipp City

If your youth is interested but you are unable to make the meeting let me know and I will send you information.

In Christ's peace, Jackie Glawe



On Monday, August 21 there will be a solar eclipse from 1-2:30 p.m. The Tipp City Library will be on the front lawn of Zion handing out special glasses to individuals who want to view the eclipse safely.

Zion will also be the location for a free Dome Theater on Friday, August 18 from 1:00 until 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Individuals are welcome to experience the Dome Theater presentations for public movie viewing. The Tipp City Library will be hosting this event.

NewsLetter
DEADLINE

Please have articles in to the church office by Thursday, August 24 for the September Tidings.



Jeremiah's Letter was started by a group of churches in Dayton's urban center as a community ministry to support people living in poverty. Today they provide direct service, support and educational opportunities to over 20,000 men, women, and children in need each year. *If you would like to help, trips are scheduled the first & third Wednesday's of the month. You can sign up on the poster in the hallway or contact Maggie Powder 430-3070.*

Pastor and Jackie helping Donna Slyman and Maggie Powder at Jeremiah's Letter.

