



Zion Tidings

Serving Christ Through Serving Others

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DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ARTICLES FOR THE MAY "TIDINGS" IS **Monday, April 24.**

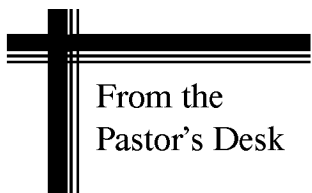


Jeremiah's Letter

Our mission at Zion for April is to help Jeremiah's Letter care for those in need. This organization is located in downtown Dayton in the facilities of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, and with the assistance of volunteers, operates as a resource for families and individuals in crisis or moving out of homelessness. Jeremiah's Letter serves hot meals twice weekly, distributes clothing, hygiene, and household goods.

They help get birth certificates that are essential for securing housing and jobs and registering children for school. They also provide a site for contact with other service agencies .

You can help. This month we will be collecting new and used household items for Jeremiah's Letter such as--Blankets, pillows, sheets, bath towels, sleeping bags, silverware, pots and pans, cleaning supplies including dish soap and sponges. Cash donations will also be accepted.



From the
Pastor's Desk

April 2017

I attended the Southern Ohio Synod Bishop's conference on March 13. Leaders in the

Catholic Church attended along with leaders in the ELCA Lutheran Church. The highlight of the conference was the ending as Catholics and Lutherans joined together in a worship service. This was a very spiritual experience for me as we joined together as one to worship Jesus.

This year is the commemoration of the 500th year of the reformation that began in 1517 when Martin Luther nailed the 95 statements of concern that he had with the medieval Catholic Church. There was a lot of conflict between the reformers and the medieval church.

But since Vatican II which took place from 1962-1965 in the Catholic Church Lutherans and Catholics have started to build on unity instead of conflict and division. Pope Francis is not only leading the Catholic Church but the whole church. Pope Francis is committed to building on our unity not our differences in leading the Christian Church.

The ELCA Lutheran Church and the Catholic Church have agreed on these imperatives to build up the church not divide the church. The agreement states that these five things will be our principles. 1. We will build on unity for the whole church. 2. We will be willing to learn and grow from each. 3. We are committed to each other for the good of the whole church. 4. Our foundation is Jesus Christ. 5. We build together based on the mercy and grace of God which propels us to serve the world.

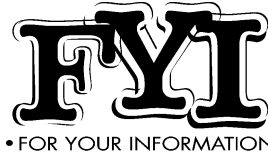
We have come a long way in 500 years when Lutherans and Catholics were divided. And Martin Luther exclaimed to the Pope "Here I Stand". We now can joyfully proclaim Catholics and Lutherans "Here We Stand Together as One".



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 2 John Sebastian
- 3 Katie Kessler
- 5 Sharon Knick
- 9 Ramona Watkins
- 12 Mark Browning
- 14 Gary Groth, Alex & Zach
Kauffmann, Lisa Kinsman,
Roger Kister, Lisa Sebastian
- 17 Bob Kuhls
- 18 John LeGros, Trapper Phillips
- 19 Neil Sonnanstine
- 23 Randy Turner
- 24 Alyxandria Grube, Logan Phillips
- 26 Scot Coppock, Tyler Fetters,
Debbie Keppel
- 28 Judy Bailey

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



Mary Jean King has been assigned to Hospice at UVMC.

Barb Kruse is home now after another visit to the hospital. She will be having home health care come in.

Ramona Watkins is at Caldwell House, 2900 Corporate Drive, Room 104, Troy, OH 45373



The family of David & Sue Cook on the passing of Dave's mother, Alberta (Cook) Polley.

Hazel Furlong who is recovering from a second hip surgery.

Brian & Lindsey Copeland who are dealing with issues in raising a family.

Ann Whitmer, Kim Jones' sister, who suffers from liver & kidney disease.

Theresa, Pam Sauls sister, for complete healing.

Frank who is 88 and Rosemary who is 87 and has Alzheimer's. Pray for understanding love. Continue prayers for: Cathy Cline (niece of Wayne and the late Judy Fronczak) who suffers from cancer. Craig Collins, health, Katie Keppel, Mary Jean King.

Ladies,

I was present at both services and lunch for both Bill & Pat Posey. The services were God honoring - they would have been pleased. The meals you prepared were delicious and provided great comfort. Many thanks to you all.

Vickie Marker

Dear Friends at Zion Lutheran Church,

On behalf of the many campers and retreaters who benefit from the programs of Lutheran Outdoor Ministries – Thank you! We would not be able to provide this Christ centered ministry without the financial support from congregations like yours. Thank you for your financial and prayerful support.

Sincerely, In Christ,

Penny Christensen, Executive Director

God Bless the ladies who planned the "Woman's Retreat" on March 11. It was awesome! There was such a variety of activities that the day flew by. If this is an annual event, you do not want to miss the next one. *Wanda Lenehan*

My favorite quote was given to me by a longtime friend in Florida. I pass it on to all of you who supported us during my illness in many ways . . . *“We are each of us angels with only one wing . . . and we can fly only by embracing each other.”* My added thanks to the congregation for your recognition of my Altar Care years of service to my church homes. Carla will do well in her service to Zion. *Marianne Barnhart*

Brat/Kraut Dinner

Zion had another successful brat/kraut dinner. We were able to raise over \$750.00 for missions and enjoyed a time of fellowship. A special thank you to all our hard working Zion members, adults and youth, who were involved in the preparation, serving, and clean up. Thanks to all who purchased tickets and gave donations of food or money. *Donna Slyman – WOZ member*

Women’s Retreat

The Women of Zion held their first Women’s Day Retreat on March 11th. The theme was “A Valued Woman”. There were 31 women who came out and enjoyed a relaxing Saturday morning of worship, fellowship and bible study. We enjoyed a delicious catered lunch followed by an afternoon of crafts, yoga and hand massage. We hope to make this an annual event for the Women of Zion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PROPERTY COMMITTEE / March 6

- The heating system in the old building seems to be functioning properly after Rieck’s work done on February 4th.
- The kitchen faucet repair was a temporary fix and the faucet will be replaced.
- Interior and exterior floor mats have been ordered. These will be rented and cleaned on a regular basis.
- A trial soap dispenser will be ordered and installed in the women’s restroom.

- Right hand speaker in the Fellowship Hall does not appear to be working. System will be checked.
- Pastor’s wireless microphone will be replaced as the current one has static issues.
- Mowers will be sent out for spring tune-ups and the sign-up for mowing will be in place by the end of March.
- **Church grounds spring clean-up day will be Saturday, May 13th with a rain date of May 20th.**
- Elevator check, light bulb replacement, draining of boiler and application of epoxy to the dishwasher leak was completed.

The next Property Committee meeting is Monday, April 3 at 7:00 p.m.



Zion’s “**outdoor beautify your church day**” will be held on **Saturday, May 13 from 9:00 a.m. – noon**. The rain date will be Saturday, May 20. If you have them, please bring wheelbarrows, shovels, rakes, brooms, etc. A sign-up sheet is posted on the wall at the main entrance of the church. Sign-up posters are also available for those who can help with the **Zion Lawnmowing** and the **Cemetery Lawn mowing**. A trailer is available in the Zion garage for transporting equipment to the cemetery. If you have any questions, please contact Bob Keppel at 667-2228 or 689-3892. See Linda in the church office or Bob for the garage key.

WOMEN OF ZION / March 12

Members present: 10

Treasurers Report: \$10,677.61

Old Business:

1. Ruth reported 30 pillow cases have been made or are in process for Children’s Medical Center.

2. Brat Supper – Sales seem to be down this year. We will ask Donna for a report next meeting. \$1,134 has been deposited so far with some money possibly still to be deposited. Some bills still need to be paid as well. Discussion about possible selling any leftovers.
3. Women’s Retreat – Very nice event. Flowed very well. 29 women attended. A great day.
4. Kathy reported that she received the \$250 Thrivent funds to purchase sports balls for the Oesterlen Services for Youth. Shopping will take place March 30th.

New Business:

1. Graceworks Women’s Council luncheon is on April 18. Jackie, Kathy, Miriam & Maggie will attend.
2. Update on altar vases. Carla will be in contact with Dayton Church Supply. Carla supplied a small bowl for the grape juice now used during communion.
3. Bob Keppel will purchase a new soap dispenser to try in restroom.
4. Lenten meditation Wed., March 15 at 6:00 p.m. A light snack will be available; service will begin at 6:15 pm.
5. Michelle from Jeremiah’s Letter will come to our April meeting to speak to us. this will coincide with our April Mission of the month.
6. The Missions of the Month schedule is set for the rest of the year. Deb K. will check with Maggie about needs for Jeremiah’s Letter.
7. Deb Turner brought up that the Good Samaritan Fund is really down. We could publicize this more and have a push at Thanksgiving.

Next Meeting: April 9 @ 7:00 p.m.

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS / March 14

1. Approved February council minutes and January financials.
2. The property team will look for a portable cooling unit to cool down the quilting room during the summer time.
3. Pam Sauls contacted the city and reserved the Tipp City Roundhouse for our youth led

worship service on May 7. After the worship service we will have a carry in lunch. The church will provide a meat tray, coffee and waters. Each family will bring a dish to share their own tableware and favorite drinks.

4. Wayne Kauffmann will work on posting a list for people in the church to sign up and share their passion with others. This community experience will hopefully cross all generations as children through adults are encouraged and invited to sign up and share their passion with others. These experiences will help form and build relationships and bonds across all generations.



Council Members:

John Greer, Susan Smith, Pastor Glawe, Carol Phillips, Pam Sauls, Tom Wesbecher, Mike Merlo, Sue Rambeau, Wayne Kauffman, Melinda Schall and James Sebastian.

COMMUNICATIONS & WELCOMING / March 14

Pastor opened with prayer

Welcoming:

1. Game and pizza night was attended by 30 people.
2. May 7 – the youth will lead worship at the Roundhouse in the Park. There will be a meal after the service. Church could provide a meat tray, coffee and water. Everyone should bring a covered dish, their own beverage (if other than

coffee or water).

Website:

Chuck continues to send out timely information via email.

Photo Directory:

60 Information Sheets have been returned. Deb K. had several she had to mail. Ina Crehshaw, Sharon Byrd, Peggy McCoy and Deb will work on contacting members who haven't returned theirs. Deb will begin taking pictures this weekend, and asked for others to help take pictures. We are a little behind on this project.

Additional:

Discussion was held about people mentoring others at church. Wayne brought up at the Council Retreat that it would be a good idea for people to "share their passion" with others. There will be a sign-up sheet where people could list what they would like to share with others. Examples would be: square foot gardening, fishing, cycling, needlework and others. Pastor will bring this up at a Council Meeting.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 11 @ 5:00 p.m.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY / March 22

In attendance: Heidi Coppock, Jen Garvic, Jackie Glawe, Melinda Schall.

Started meeting at 5:30pm with prayer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Prek - 4th grade

- Jackie discussed will be teaching them a new song for the youth service in May.

7th - 8th grade

- Confirmation w/Pastor continues with Confirmation Sunday to be May 14th.

9th - 12th grade

- "Breakthrough" bible study is 1st & 2nd Sunday, 3rd Sunday lesson preparation, 4th Sunday they teach 1st - 4th grade class with leader mentor.
- We discussed having a one time birthday party each SS year to celebrate our baptism as children of God.
- May 21st will be the last day of SS which will be a fun game day for Prek - 8th grade.

Youth Group

- Jackie shared the Quarter auction was a great night with 6 youth attending who also brought friends as well as 18 members of the congregation. We made over \$600.00.
- 18 youth/adults attended the Toby Mac Hits Deep Concert.
- Jackie shared that the youth did a wonderful job

helping with the Brat Supper event as she received many compliments about how courtesy, respectful and helpful they were.

Jackie shared the following events that will be coming up:

- April - We discussed attending the movie "Case for Christ" together. Date TBA.
- Apr 15th - Easter Pancake Breakfast & Easter Egg Hunt/lots of helpers needed
- May 7th - Youth will lead worship service/Pastor will help work with youth.

Miscellaneous

- **VBS - will be JUNE 12th - JUNE 15th, 5:30pm - 8pm.** Theme to be announced. Jackie free vbs being offered by ELCA/LOMO to review.
- Jen Garvic suggested with the children/youth lending library we could post a summer reading list and start the library in the fall.
- Discussed getting the young involved in a packing day for Hands against Hunger outreach. Jackie will check further into this.

Youth Gathering 2018 fundraisers

- Bob Evans - Oct 13th - 15th - payment has finally been received.
- Parents Night Out had 7 children and 4 youth helpers we will look again in future if this is a need in the church.
- Apr 15th - Easter Pancake Breakfast by free will donation.
- Jen G. suggested an idea of helping at sporting events cleanup/concessions etc. for fundraising. (Nutter Center, Dragons games, OSU Basketball, UD arena, etc.) Jen G. and Jackie will call for more information.

Closed meeting with the Lord's prayer at 6:25pm

PARENTS OF COLLEGE STUDENTS

If you have a youth that is currently in college, the Women of Zion would like to send out a small care package to the youth of Zion currently attending college whether local or out of state. Please

e-mail Jackie Glawe at:

christianed@zionlutherantippecity.org or
im4song@aol.com

with their address. You may also drop it off in Jackie's mailbox or call and leave a message with Linda.

