

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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How can I be an integral part of worship?

Worship & Music

Linda Klopp, Director

Chris Messner, Choir Director

Worship Servants: If you are interested in reading the lessons, being a part of the altar guild, serving as a communion assistant or usher, please contact the church office.

Holy Communion: All baptized Christians are invited to share faithfully in Holy Communion. At Zion Lutheran, Holy Communion is celebrated weekly. Children receive Holy Communion for the first time at fourth grade. Younger children are invited to come forward for a blessing. Classes are held twice a year for those desiring instruction on communion in the Lutheran Church. In this sacrament, by the power of God's Word and the Holy Spirit, we receive the body and the blood of Jesus Christ, along with the bread and wine. Communion can be received by eating the bread and drinking from the cup or by dipping the bread into the wine.

February 13 & 14, 2010 Important News & Happenings at Zion



FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Given by Kathy & Mike Petruzzello
In Honor of Their Anniversary &
Amanda's Birthday

Zion's Calendar of Events for the Week of Feb. 14 to Feb. 20

- Sat 2/13 Saturday Worship 4 p
AA Meeting at Zion 8-9 p
- Sun 2/14 Sunday Worship 8a & 10:15a
- Tue 2/16 Council Meeting 7 p
- Wed. 2/17 Ash Wednesday
Distribution of Ashes 7 a.m. to 8 a.m.
Ash Wednesday Services 7 p.m.
- Thurs. 2/18 Lenten Bible Study—*Life Without Limit*—7 p.m.
- Sat 2/20 Saturday Worship 4 p
AA Meeting at Zion 8-9 p
- Sun 2/21 Sunday Worship 8a & 10:15a
(Early confession/Absolution begins 7:45 & 10 a)



Special Congregational Meeting
February 28, 2010 at 9 am
Vote on proceeding with expansion of
worship space under the balcony.



Welcome To Zion Lutheran

Make this worship experience better for everyone
by helping with the following:

WORSHIP ETIQUETTE

Please do not use vacant seats for personal items. ` During prayer please wait for completion of prayer before being seated.

Electronic devices should be turned off at all times.

Food & beverages are prohibited in the sanctuary.

Children are welcome in worship. Pick up a children's quiet bag, when entering the sanctuary. Encourage them to try Angel Choir or Hand Chime Choir.

SEATING

You may sit anywhere, but we ask that you sit in the middle of the pew to maximize space.

**SERVING IN WORSHIP
THIS SUNDAY—February 14, 2010**

Leading Worship:	Rev. James Debner 8 A.M.	Organist: Chris Messner 10:15 A.M.
Lectors:	Lois Garafola	John Kjellson
Communion Asst:	Lisa Gentile	Reed Kroll
Acolytes:	(No one as of 2/8)	Sydney Kroll
Ushers:	Robert Steindl John Darling	Steven & Nicholas Tosta
Sound Board Operator:		
Altar Guild:	Nancy Benoit & Barbara Welton	

**SERVING IN WORSHIP
NEXT SUNDAY—February 21, 2010**

Leading Worship:	Rev. James Debner 8 A.M.	Organist: Chris Messner 10:15 A.M.
Lectors:	Laura Webster	Meghan Graham
Communion Asst:	Karen Thompson	Bonnie Zownair
Acolytes:	(No one as of 2/8)	
Ushers:	Mike & Jacob Webster	Russ & Ashely Christensen
Sound Board Operator:		
Altar Guild:	Nancy Benoit & Barbara Welton	

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Our prayer list is updated weekly. Let us remember these people as we pray daily.

Members of Zion

Lord in your Mercy — Jean Sullivan, Jerry McKenney, Dawne Cappellino, Ruth Kurtz, Ruth LaLonde, Sonja Kaschke, Yvonne Safford, Beverly Clark, Kate Michaud, Dorothea Czarnota, Noel Schneider.

THOSE IN CARE CENTERS (and HOMEBOUND) — David Yeske, Emilie Beal

PEACE For Iraq, Afghanistan, Israel & Palestine,

DEATH: Karin DeManche, Sandra Luther, Marcel LaLonde, Carol Carlson, Russell Kitchin, Lucy Stakey

Thanks be to God —

New Members: Lynn Lafontaine (Sava, Sean, Jack), Brian & Katherine Reeves (Natalie, William), Paul & Beth Rogala, Lois Serafino, Barbara Shanly, Kerri Begin (Shawn), Raymond & Rebecca Cormier (Abigail, Joshua), Kyle & Shannon Dobratz (Taylor), James & Janis Lowrey (Kiana, Kevin, Kaitlin), David & Sandra Schneider (Amber, Megan, Sarah Schneider; Tyler & Austin Cambone; Alexa, Joshua and Hannah Schneider)

BIRTHS: Coraline Lily Judd, born 12/8/09 to Sara Judd.

BAPTISMS:

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: Anna Dudac, 02/18; Gavin Stakey, 02/20

WEDDINGS:

WEDDINGS and ANNIVERSARIES

Anniversaries: Gordon & Lynn Reed, 02/07; Fred & Elke Kuhr, 02/12; Mark & Sarah Carrier, 02/14; Michael & Kathryn Petruzzello, 02/16; John & Sandy Darling, 02/20; Todd & Rebecca Isaacson, 02/22; Eric & Cathy Watson, 02/23; Richard & Karen Mowatt, 02/24.

(Please call the office with your Anniversary date to be added to our prayers).

Family & Friends of Zion

Lord in your Mercy —

Cecelia, mom of Joyce Suess, **Daniel**, nephew of Heather Levesque; **Elsa**, aunt of Karin Thompson; **Jennifer**, niece of Bill and Michelle Gibbs; **Sara**, cousin of Lisa and William Doucette; **Kevin**, grandson of Grosky's; **Ridah**, uncle of Heather Levesque; **Robert**, father of Robyn Kroll; **Daniel**, grandson of Claudia Crooker; **Sally**, sister of Nancy McCormick; **Lynelle**, friend of Frieda Fries; **Jenna**, mom of friend of Sarah Crampton; **Ruth**, friend of Ruth Buchanan. **Walter**, husband of Bonnie Bertrand, Nursery School Teacher. **Chris**, friend of Lynn McCormick, **Joan**, mother of Kristin Olschefski & Missy Jannetto, **Harold**-Father of Lorna Stakey; Leigh and Little Baby Boy Vincent, daughter and grandchild of Fran Gudelski.

SERVICE :For the men and women in the military serving our country. **Aaron Reed**, son of Gordon and Lynn Reed, **John Szylobryt**, friend of the Reed's; **Josh & Jake Phillips**, friends of Sarah Crampton & Yvonne Safford; **Kevin, Kirsten Swanson**, niece of Karin Thompson; **Matt Currao**, friend of the Gentile's; **Robert Salerno**, son of Nick and Claire Salerno; **Russell Karshis**, cousin of Dawne Cappellino; **Michael Policki, Jake Knight & Seth St. Amand**, friends of the Sirotnak family, and friends of the Sirotnak family; **Jonathan Norton**, nephew of Christine Renn, **Nicholas Rubin**, son of Etta Rubin, **Guy Ingham** and his company; **Master Sergeant Conan Mauro**;

DEATH Carol Greiner, friend of the George Family, Marjorie Garrett, mother of Roger and Paul Garrett, Larry Olsen, Father of Laura Olsen (Intern at Zion 2007-2009).

Thanks be to God —

MISSIONARIES & CLERGY WE SUPPORT Judith Perry in China, Bishops: **Rev. Mark Hanson**—Presiding Bishop ELCA, and **Rev. Margaret Payne**—New England Synod; Companion Synod: The **ELCJ churches in Jordan and Palestine**; **Central CT Conference** of the New England Synod. Rev. Titos Logotu Laroya - Lutheran Town Church, Arusha, Tanzania.

Wittenberg College Choir Coming to Zion



The Wittenberg Choir will be coming to Zion on Tuesday March 9, 2010. Forty eight members of the choir will be on their Spring Tour and we are hosting one of their performances here at Zion. We will provide a meal

before the concert, enjoy the concert and then provide homes for the college students to spend the night. They will be leaving Wednesday morning for Massachusetts. **If you would like to help with this event, please see Beth Long. Many beds are needed, so please consider opening your home for the night.**

Uprising a Lenten Bible Study on Character, Feb. 18



It seems like anyone you talk to these days desires change. They wish they looked different, had a different job, or were better at this thing or that thing. What you've

probably discovered is that you can change your appearance, your habits, your friends, your job...but you can't change your character. At least, not on your own.

In this small group Bible study, Erwin teaches us that there's one thing you can't change about yourself and that's your character. Only Christ can transform us from the

inside. In this six video sessions, Erwin provides Biblical and practical teaching that will challenge you to allow God to transform your character to be more like His. The six week themes:

- Life Without Limit
- Transformation
- Humble Courage
- A Generous Heart
- Perseverance
- Path of Servant hood

We'll meet on Thursdays beginning Feb. 18 until March 25 at 7 pm in the Gathering Place.

To assist in your Lenten discipline at 7:45 and 10:00 a.m. each Sunday, there will be a time for corporate confession and individual absolution at the altar. This early beginning will give more time for prayer and preparation for worship. Start your Lenten journey a little early at Zion on Sunday, February 21 until March 21 at 7:45 and 10:00 a.m.

Lenten emails will used this year in place of midweek worship. I will be reflecting daily on the book: *One Month To Live. Thirty Days to A No-Regrets Life* by Kerry and Chris Shook. If you are on the email list and receive emails from Zion using Constant Contact you are all set. If you do not, call the church office and share your email. **It's time for us to stop living like it doesn't matter.**

How can I get to know more about Zion's community?

Welcome ! Today is the birthplace of all hope, peace and joy. **It is a joy to have you worship with us today.** Christ The Lord is risen today! Alleluia! Today we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Visitors are asked to sign the guest book by the front door. You will find prayer cards in the pews.

New Members: If you would like to join our Christian community, please speak to Pastor Debner. We worship on Saturdays at 4 p.m. and Sundays at 8 & 10:15 a.m.

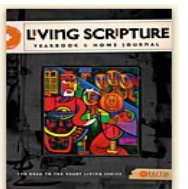
Maintenance Projects Moving along

1. The high efficiency, propane boiler for the Gathering Place was installed this past Tuesday (2/9/2010).
2. This Monday, (2/15/2010) The new glass doors will be installed to replace the wooden doors at the Gathering Place Front door.
3. Doors for the sanctuary are being ordered.
4. The boiler for the church proper will not be installed until April, unless an emergency requires that we install it before the April break. The building will be without heat for three days, when this boiler is installed.
5. One more Stained Glass Window (Moses leading the people of Israel through the Red Sea) has been installed on the right side of the sanctuary. Only one more Old Testament Window is left to be built.
6. The Special Congregational Meeting on February 28 will be convened to allocate \$15,000 of memorial funds and/or Apple Harvest funds if necessary, to re-support the front of the choir loft, remove walls inside the entry, and replace the ceiling and carpet in that area and repaint. This will open the area to the left (the old cry room) for further seating. The \$15,000 is in addition to \$6,000 that was given for this project.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

Confirmation begins at 5:30 for 8th graders and 6 pm for 5 and 6 graders. This year we will be exploring the Bible. *Upcoming classes include:*

- February 21 *The Teachings of Jesus*
February 28 *The Miracles of Jesus*



Lectors Needed

Are you interested in reading the lessons on Sunday mornings at the 8:00 a.m. or 10:15 a.m. service? If so, please call the church office to let us know. We especially need lectors for the 8:00 a.m. service. Thank you.



We had a great response from the congregation, for those willing to lead and plan this year's 30 hour famine. Karin Thompson, Jeanne Garrett, Heather Levesque have stepped forward. There is still room on the team for more. Do you have passion for the hungry in the world? Do you want to help our youth enter into an event where they begin to experience hunger? Then come and join this team as it develops a 32 hour adventure in hunger awareness. Do the Famine! Call or email pastor if you would like to be a part of the planning and leadership team.



Ash Wednesday is February 17.

We begin our Lenten Journey with a smudge of ash and the words, "Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return;" whispered in our ears. Ashes will be available from 7– 8 am at the church. Our community will gather at 7 pm for our evening service of ashes, corporate confession

and Holy Communion. On each Sunday in Lent, 15 minutes before the service begins, a time of confession and absolution will be offered at the altar.

We often attempt to give up something for Lent. This year, as you give up something, add something new to your discipleship, to help you focus your faith.

Holy Week Schedule

March 28 Palm Sunday Men's Breakfast—Zion hosts

Worship Services 8 & 10:15 a.m.

Sunday School Easter Celebration 9a

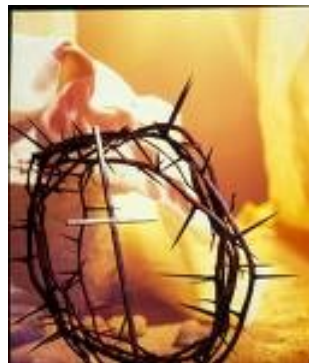
April 1 Maundy Thursday Worship Service 7 p.

April 2 Good Friday Worship Service 7 p.

April 3 NO Saturday Worship

April 4 Easter Sunday Sunrise Worship 6 a.

Easter Sunday Worship Services 8 & 10:15a



SOUTH CENTRAL MISSION AREA ASSEMBLY **God's Work. Our hands. In Action!**

Interested in getting involved in the ministry of the greater church? Join with others of the South Central Mission Area. Register today and bring your energy, ideas and gifts to:

St. Andrew Lutheran Church
1125 Stafford Avenue, Bristol, CT
Saturday, February 27th

Beginning at 8:30 and concluding at 4:00 with a lively worship service.

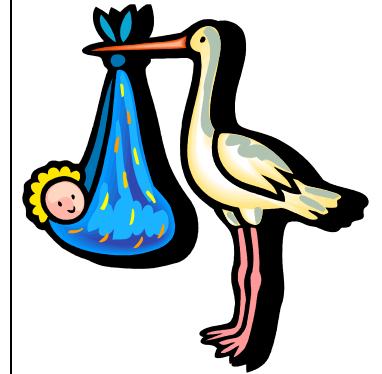
Registration Fee: \$10 per person/\$50.00 max per congregation
(all inclusive) registration deadline, February 17th

Action Sessions: What's Music's Role in Worship?
Advocating for a Cause
Lay Leadership Development

There will also be a Bible Study based on The Book of Faith initiative.

Look for the colorful flier displayed on a bulletin board in your church for more information.

For a registration form talk to your pastor or call Sarah Brisson, Mission Area Team member, 860-882-4253.



**BIRTHRIGHT OF
GREATER MERIDIN,
INC.** needs gently worn maternity and baby clothing and books on pregnancy and baby and child care.

BIRTHRIGHT is an emergency pregnancy service staffed by volunteers dedicated to offering the alternative to abortion. Birthright offers free pregnancy tests, friendship counseling, and caring and practical support. Bring items to the Gathering Place and Zion will bring the donations to Birthright.