

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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How can I be an integral part of worship?

Worship & Music

Linda Klopp, Director
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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.

May 1 & 2, 2010

Important News & Happenings at Zion



NEW 2010 FLOWER CHART

If you'd like to have flowers placed on the altar, simply sign the chart in the Gathering Place for your week of choice and Kathy Petruzzello will contact you. Prices range from \$25—\$40. Plenty of dates are still available.



Zion's Calendar of Events for the Week of May 2 to May 8

- Sat. May 1** Kim Milo & Greg Myska Wedding 11 a.
Worship 4 p.
- Sun. May 2** Worship 8 & 10:15 a
Last Confirmation Class for 09-10 *The Holy Spirit Comes*
Bring \$3 for pizza, a drink and something to share.
- Wed. May 5** Bell & Choir Practice 6:30 / 7:15 p
- Thur. May 6** National Day of Prayer
- Sat. May 8** Worship 4 p.
- Sun. May 9** Worship 8 & 10:15 a (Angel Choir sings at 10:15).
Mother's Day—No Sunday School



This Thursday is **National Day of Prayer**. We are having a 24 hour prayer vigil here at Zion. At noon there will be prayers offered on the town green. This years theme verse is Nahum 1:7, which reads, "*The LORD is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in Him.*" *Let's show our trust!*

Take time to sign up for a one-hour prayer vigil slot. The sign up sheet is on the stairwell landing in the Gathering Place. Submit your prayer request or requests. Be intentional on May 6 for personal, private prayer – whether at home or at work.

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—May 2, 2010**

Leading Worship:	Rev. James Debner 8 A.M.	Organist: Chris Messner 10:15 A.M.
Lectors:	Linda Klopp	Bill Gibbs
Communion Asst:	Carra Rockwood	Lee Sirotnak
Acolytes:	Alexander Cheruk Reed Kroll	Nicole Christensen Rachel Kurtz
Ushers:	Betty Lou Schweiger & Sue Skrzypeic	William Holbrook & Jim Suess
Sound Board Operator:		
Altar Guild:	Beth Long and Beverly Clark	

**SERVING IN WORSHIP
NEXT SUNDAY—May 9, 2010**

Leading Worship:	Rev. James Debner 8 A.M.	Organist: Chris Messner 10:15 A.M.
Lectors:	Lisa Reider	Steve or Beth Long
Communion Asst:	Frank Miller	John Miller
Acolytes:	Kyle Somers Kyle Stakey	Jacob Testa Jason Tosta
Ushers:	Helmut & Mary Jobs	Steve & Reed Kroll
Sound Board Operator:		
Altar Guild:	Beth Long and Beverly Clark	

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, Noel Schneider, John Kjellson; Bob Blankenburg.

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

PEACE For Iraq, Afghanistan, Israel & Palestine,

DEATH: Russell Kitchin, Lucy Stakey

Thanks be to God

NEW MEMBERS: Paul and Edith Olbrich; Shirley (Joann) Tompkins; Matthew, Jamie, Melaina, Madison, and Gavin Coleman; Ruth-Carol Wilson; Clifton (Skip), Nicole, Hunter and Sydney Valarose; Kyle, Lisa and Grace Alger;

BIRTHS: Claire and Nick Salerno, proud grandparents of new granddaughter, Nayeli

BAPTISMS: Alexa Knickerbocker 4/11/2010; Coraline Judd, 04/25/2010; Madison, Gavin and Melaina Coleman, 04/25/2010.

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: Ashley Chyinski, 05/01; Kassandra Chyinski, 05/01; Evelyn Holbrook, 05/01.

WEDDINGS: Kim Milo & Greg Myska, wedding, May 1, 2010 / Valerie Zownier & Corey Conrod, May 30

WEDDINGS and ANNIVERSARIES

Anniversaries: Martin & Lynnette Kaschke, 05/02; Nick & Erika DiGeronimo, 05/02; Mike & Cindy Babon, 05/05; Chris & Kris Cheruk, 05/06; Alan & Carrie Waskowicz, 05/08; Robert & Jennifer Burz, 05/16; Nick & Jennifer Testa, 05/18; Lynn & Simon Lafontaine, 05/19; Ronald & Karen Yorski, 05/20; Stephen & Dian Scavone, 05/24; Leslie & Grank Sanborn, 05/25; Ruth & Whitney Smith, 05/25; Joseph & Catherine Dovidaitis, 05/27; Jeremy & Pamela Carlson, 05/27; Steve & Kathy Hartford, 05/28; Frank & Marilyn Miller, 05/30; Duane & Patty Judd, 05/30;

(If you are not in our Anniversaries, 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; **Chris**, friend of Lynn McCormick; **Leigh** and her baby **Vincent**, daughter and grandchild of Fran Gudelski. **Walter**, brother to Fred Kuhr; **Henry**-brother-in-law to Pastor Debner; **Richard**, brother-in-law of Frieda Fries; **Joan**, friend of Frieda Fries, **Anthony**, friend of Welton family.

SERVICE :For the **men and women in the military** serving our country. **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; **Jonathan Norton**, nephew of Christine Renn, **Guy Ingham** and his company; **Master Sergeant Conan Mauro**;

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 **ELCI churches in Jordan and Palestine**; **Central CT Conference** of the New England Synod. Rev. Titos Logotu Laroya - Lutheran Town Church, Arusha, Tanzania.



Southington Community Food Pantry is in need of peanut butter, jelly, pasta & sauce, tuna, breakfast cereal.

Many of our neighbors are in need of extra food to feed their family. The monthly use of the pantry has gone from 100 families to over 600 families / month. The pantry is the security net. If you can help, please do.

Bread for Life serves 25 meals /day at noon in their space on Main street and then sends take home meals with them. They send meals to 50 shut-ins a day; visits all the senior centers and helps with the breakfast program in elementary schools. Bread for Life is our hands and feet in this community, giving food to the hungry.



Thank You!

A big thank you to everyone who came and helped clean the sanctuary the last two week-ends. Construction made a big mess and thanks to many volunteers, we were able to worship in a clean space.

Thanks also to the families who helped sort and bag the cans. Five or six van loads of cans were taken for redemption. This will help fund the

Youth Mission Trip this Summer.

A special thanks to Doug Graham who was able to get the steel for our expansion project donated. This was a \$2000 gift. Also to Pete Cappellino, Mike Babon, John Thompson, Pat Garafola and Grant Sanborn for working many afternoons and nights installing the oak flooring. This volunteer labor saved thousands of dollars in the project. A vision is becoming a reality right before our eyes as we work together to make it possible.

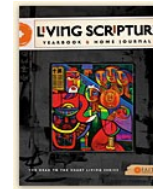
How can I get to know more about Zion's community?

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.

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.

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:*

May 2 The Holy Spirit Comes

May 16 Parent Meeting with 8 grade Confirmation Class.

May 23 Confirmation Day

Sermon Series for the Season of Easter: Counterfeit Gods

Success, money, true love, and the life you've always wanted. Many of us place our faith in these things, believing they held the key to happiness. But the truth is that we made counterfeit gods of these good things—gods that can't give us what we really need. There is only one God who can wholly satisfy our cravings.

- May 2: Love is Not All you Need
- May 9: Money Changes Everything
- May 16: The Seduction of Success
- May 23: Power and the Glory
- May 30: The Hidden Idols in Our Lives



Vacation Bible School Registration Continues in the Gathering Place



July is just a few months away, so sign up today!

Ages 3 to grade 4 are invited to the

Baobab Forrest!

VBS will be held: 7/19 to 7/23

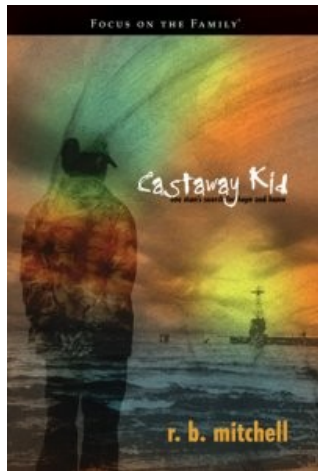
Any questions: call Carra Rockwood at 203-235-5874

We Welcomed these New Members on Sunday, April 18, 2010:

Paul and Edith Olbrich; Shirley (Joann) Tompkins; Matthew, Jamie, Melaina, Madison and Gavin Coleman; Ruth-Carol Wilson; Clifton (Skip), Nicole, Hunter and Sydney Valarose; Kyle, Lisa and Grace Alger. Look in our announcements each week for articles about each family. Please take time to extend your welcome and introduce your self.

Worship Area Expansion Project

As you can see, the expansion of the worship area has continued! Contractors and parishioners have been very busy these past weeks with the rebuilding of the area under the choir loft. New flooring and lights have been installed. Old pews and chairs will be used for seating. We appreciate everyone’s understanding, help and prayers during this project.



A book has been chosen, the date and time has been set!

**Castaway Kid
By: R.B. Mitchell**

Castaway Kid is the moving account of one man’s search for a “real” family. It’s also a book of hope—hope for anyone who wants to overcome the hurts of childhood or of present circumstances.

Pick one up, read it and then join the Zion Book Club as we gather to discuss the book on **Thursday, May**

20th at 7:30 p.m. in the Gathering Place.

We look forward to seeing you. Please call Kathy Petruzzello at 860-628-8798 with any questions.



save the Date!

**CALUMET AUCTION
FRIDAY, MAY 21ST
5:30 P.M.**

There will be a Potluck Dinner during the silent auction with live auction to follow. *If you have new items to donate*, please bring them to church for us to inventory and store. Any question, please call Sue Simoniello at 860-276-8720.

National Day of Prayer Announcement



The mission of the *National Day of Prayer* is to communicate the need for personal repentance and prayer, mobilizing the Christian community to intercede for America and its leadership in the seven centers of power: Government, Military, Media, Business, Education, Church and Family.

Shirley Dobson, this year’s chairman of the event says “*We have lost many of our freedoms in America because we have been asleep. I feel if we do not become involved and support the annual National Day of Prayer, we could end up forfeiting this freedom, too.*”

On May 6, prayer events will take place all over the United States – not only here at Zion, but at state capitols and county court houses, on the steps of city halls, and in schools, businesses, churches and homes. Those all over the country are urged to pause for a time during that day and gather with others to pray.

You can support the event in three ways. **First**, sign up for a one-hour prayer vigil slot. The sign up sheet is on the stairwell landing in the Gathering Place. **Second**, submit your prayer request or requests. You can place them in the offering plate or mail them to the church office. Forms are in today’s bulletin and extra forms are in the entryway to the chancel. **Finally**, set aside some time on May 6 for personal, private prayer – whether at home or at work.

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