

Zion Tidings Serving Christ Through Serving Others

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DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ARTICLES FOR THE OCTOBER "TIDINGS" IS FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS



FROM THE PASTOR

Get ready for the celebration of stewardship at Zion! Last year we had a very festive celebration throughout the whole month of September and concluded with a catered meal celebration on the first Sunday in October.

This year during Saturday and Sunday worship services during the month of September you will hear stewardship scriptures shared by our stewardship team and their thoughts on stewardship. I believe these scripture sharing sessions will be very inspirational to all of us. It will hopefully be rewarding and joyful for us all to hear these scripture passages shared by our stewardship team. I want to personally thank our stewardship team members Sharon Knick, Wanda Lenehan, Jaque Mitchell, Donna Slyman and Peggy McCoy for their time and commitment to our stewardship ministry at Zion Lutheran.

All these activities will lead up to and culminate with the Celebration of Stewardship with Consecration Sunday on October 2nd, 2016. **There will be no Saturday service on October 1st** so the whole Zion Church family can celebrate Consecration Sunday on October 2nd at 10:00 am. After the worship service on Sunday October 2nd

there will be a catered meal in the fellowship hall. You will receive additional information through the mail and during worship services during the month of September leading up to the celebration of stewardship on Sunday October 2nd.



I am very honored to take the position of choir director. I am looking forward to a new season leading this talented group of people and working alongside of Lori will be great!

Practices will be on Wednesday evenings beginning September 7 at 7:00 p.m. If you would like to join us we are always looking for voices. This is a great group of people who love to sing and have fun doing it. It is a great way to spend your Wednesday evenings. Any questions . . . feel free to call Terri Darrah at 937-308-1617.



Once again, the *Women of Zion* will hold a garage sale during Mum Festival week. The sale will take place on Thursday, September 22nd from

9:00 to 5:00 and on Friday, the 23rd from 9:00 to 8:00 in the Fellowship Hall. In the past, proceeds from the sale have benefitted outreach projects and needed repairs on the church property. 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.

SIGN-UP FOR GARAGE SALE WORKERS IS NOW AVAILABLE... Please sign up for a time to work at the Zion Garage Sale - either setting up and pricing the sale and/or working on the days of the sale. You will receive a reminder call and if we finish setting up early and won't be needing your help, we will contact you beforehand. **Thank you.**



BLANKET DELIVERY

On Friday, July 29, Laura Roeth once again made a trip to the Miami Valley Hospital Neo-Natal Unit to deliver 115 flannel blankets she made for premature babies. Pastor Glawe blessed the blankets at the Saturday Night Service. Ellen Jordan and her staff said they couldn't express how much Laura's gifts of home-made blankets in varied children's prints mean to the hospital and to the parents and families of these babies.

Ellen took Laura and Ruth White on a tour of the nursery area. Laura said that the most heartwarming memory she took away from her visit was one baby, wrapped in a flannel baby blanket, that was just a little over 1 pound when born, but is now gaining weight and doing well.



PLEASE have all articles in *no later than Friday, September 23* for the October Tidings.



- 1 Barbara Stafford
- 2 Jeffrey Mitchell
- 4 Lilian Nichols
- 7 Tim Garvic
- 10 Jessica Lopez
- 13 Darryl Bendickson
- 14 Sheffield Hyde
- 15 Mark Helke, Debbie Turner
- 18 Linda Short
- 19 Teresa Darrah, Kathy Groth
- 29 Camden Sauls

HAVE YOU LOOKED AT THE ZION WEBSITE LATELY? CHECK IT OUT AT WWW.ZIONLUTHERANTIPPCITY.ORG

THE CLOTHESLINE . . .

Several times a year, the women of Zion receive a generous check from The Clothesline, a Tipp City gem on North Second Street. The Clothesline accepts used clothing and sells items at very reasonable prices. Profits from the store benefit several non-profits, including area churches having members working at the store. Members of our congregation who help on a regular basis include Miriam Comer, Ruth White, Pam Sauls, Wanda Lenehan, Sharon Byrd, Kathy & Gary Groth, Pat Cowan, Robin Wark, Laura Roeth, Maggie & Chuck Powder, and until recently, Marianne Barnhart. THANK YOU!



PRAYER ...

Those who help and participate in Zion's Sunday School Programs.

Diane - who suffers from multiple sclerosis, Kim

Browning whose vision continues to improve following a mild stroke from an angiogram. Tony who was diagnosed with serious health problems and his wife and 3 young children, Tracey Riepenhoff (Lenehan's daughter) who continues to heal after surgery.

Home bound residents specially thought of: Mary Sue Helke, Ramona Watkins, Ruth Miller, John Kruse, Hap Johnson, Bob Kuhls, Patsy Furrow, Ahdele Young, Mary Jean King, Bill Posey.



FROM THE ZION MAILBOX...

I would like to thank the congregation for their prayers, thoughts and cards during my recent illness. I sincerely appreciate it. Sincerely, Judy Mader

Dear Members of Zion Lutheran Church,

Thank you for the household items and the cash collected and donated for the bookstore fire victims. It was very generous and very thoughtful to help them out in this way.

The monetary donations went to the Downtown Tipp city Partnership who is coordinating the fund to help the victims when they are ready to move back into their apartments. The household items were taken to "That Place on main" where they will be stored and divided out to the couple and the single man.

All three people are very grateful and very appreciative of the generosity and kindness that has been shown to them. The couple said, "we always liked living in Tipp City, now we <u>love</u> living in Tipp City".

Thank you on behalf of Shannon, Jeff and Terrance.

Sincerely, Katie Sonnanstine Program Coordinator



Starting September 25th at 4:00 p.m.

Do you have struggles? Do you face battles in this life? In this study we will learn who our battles belong too. Learn how to use the armor that God that God created for our challenges. We will be using the study guide Breaking Through. This study breaks down in a daily study the Armor of God in Ephesians 6:10-20. In this study we will discover the physical application of the armor the soldiers used in battle. Then we will learn the spiritual applications of that armor. Whether you joined us for War Room or not you can take the next step as we learn together. The books are \$3.25 and we will have them for you on the first day of class. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Terri Darrah at 937-308-1617.



The Book Nook

"Outlive Your Life" by Max Lucado

This is a wonderful inspiring book about making a difference in the world before you leave. Being the change. No one can do everything, but everyone can do something. I would highly recommend this book for encouragement in living out our Christian faith and the words of Acts.
I am looking into this as a bible study class for the coming year for those interested

Book review by Jackie Glawe

*this book is currently available in the church book nook library area.

ZION TIDINGS & WEBSITE NEWS

In order to keep Zion's website updated and attractive, there needs to be current information posted that reflects our congregation's mission and activities. If you are a committee chairperson or an activity leader, please submit your information and any pictures to Linda in the church office, using the church e-mail: office@zionlutherantippcity.org and please send information and pictures to Chuck Powder at: chuckpowder@gmail.com so that he can post them on our church website.

COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMUNICATIONS/WELCOMING- August 9, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT: Miriam Comer, Sharon Byrd, Jill Greer, Pastor Glawe, Deb Keppel, Peggy McCoy, Kathy Groth, Alice Replogle, Tom Wesbecher

Deb Keppel opened with prayer

WELCOMING:

- * During the first couple of nights of VBS, Zion Mugs were distributed to parents who were non-members. Deb K will check with Jackie for names and addresses; perhaps send those families invitations to Rally Day.
- * John and Jill Greer created and mailed invitations to Zion's annual picnic. This year the picnic will be held at the Tipp City Park's Roundhouse, preceded by Worship at 10:00. This beautiful and colorful invitation was extremely well done, and the committee thanks John and Jill!!!

The Roundhouse has a stage area where tables and chairs are. There are electrical outlets. Based on the number of attendees on the Sign-up Sheets, we may have to take tables.

John and Jill will pick up the key on Friday unless the facility is reserved for Saturday; we could set up on Saturday instead of Sunday, in that case, and set up everything at once. Our \$75 key deposit check will be returned to us if all is well. Deb Keppel will have Name Tags. The worship service will have continuous communion, printed bulletins and hymn copies. There will be a normal offering for church, plus a free-will offering for the picnic.

WEBSITE AND EMAIL COMMUNICATIONS:

* A few committees are sending meeting reminders through Chuck. Deb K will ask Chuck to correct our committee's meeting time to 5:00. Alice suggested there be a specific format for committees to send info and pictures to Chuck. Someone from each ministry team take and send pictures to Chuck? Deb K will write Tidings Article to suggest.

MAILBOXES:

Deb K and Peggy will clean out and alphabetize mailboxes by the end of the month. Would it be helpful to put something in the bulletins regarding requesting a mailbox if a member or frequent worshipper wants one who doesn't currently have one? Deb K will submit an item for The Tidings to ask if mailboxes are needed.

PHOTO DIRECTORY:

We discussed methods of updating, including camera procedures. Should we have a "church camera"?

OTHER:

We agreed to maintain our budget at \$600 for 2017 Consecration Sunday and Luncheon is October 2. During September, members of the Stewardship Committee will participate in Saturday and Sunday Worship.

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 13, 2016 AT 5:00 P.M.



The Zion Youth Group will be selling 2017 God's Creation calendars. These are beautiful sturdy wall calendars include scripture from the New International Version Bible.

Price \$7.00 cash or checks made out to

Zion Lutheran Youth Group

 See a 7th – 12th grade youth or Jackie to purchase a calendar and help support our youth group program here at Zion.



SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMES ON SEPTEMBER 11TH

The adult and children Sunday School classes will begin September 11th at 9:00am. The last day of Sunday School will be May 21, 2017.

Childrens Sunday School

Prek - 12th grade are invited to come experience God's love through interactive bible experiences each Sunday at 9:00am in the upstairs youth rooms beginning September 11th.

Adult Sunday School

All are invited and encouraged to come grow in your faith through the video series "Remembering the Forgotten God" by Frances Chan which will be presented each Sunday at 9:00 am in the first floor Adult Sunday School room.

Remembering the Forgotten God offers a compelling invitation to understand, embrace, and follow the Holy Spirit's direction in our lives. (you do not have to be present every session to benefit from this study)

Here are the dates there will not be Sunday School for 2016-2017.

NO Sunday School:

Nov 27 Dec 25 Jan 1st April 16th

Mark your calendars: May 21st will be our last day of Sunday School for 2017