



"Serving Christ through Serving Others"

A Place for Healing



"Enter into the church and wash away your sins. For there is a hospital for sinners and not a court of law."— St. John Chrysostom (Bishop of Constantinople, 407 AD)

These words from St. John Chrysostom, whose feast day was on September 13, capture the heart of the church's mission. I referenced this quote when I gave the first sermon in last month's evangelism sermon series— "What is evangelism?" I had so many folks approach me about this analogy that I thought I would devote an entire article towards it.

What is the church? What is our mission? Some people see the church as a courtroom. It is a place for judgement. When you walk through those doors Jesus sits up front and condemns you for everything you have done. Church is a place to remind us over and over again about this judgement. "You are nothing but a criminal, a low life! Look what God had to do to put up with your failures! Sure, I guess God forgives you, but he really doesn't want to. It's actually quite inconvenient for him." I know plenty have experienced church to be this way. I know I have.

Others see church as a social club. Folks of a particular background gather together, go through the service, and then leave without a thought about God. When God does enter the picture, it's usually to prompt folks to socialize more or, at the very most, donate to charity. God is not so much someone we relate to but rather a party planner who tells us to get together *just because*.

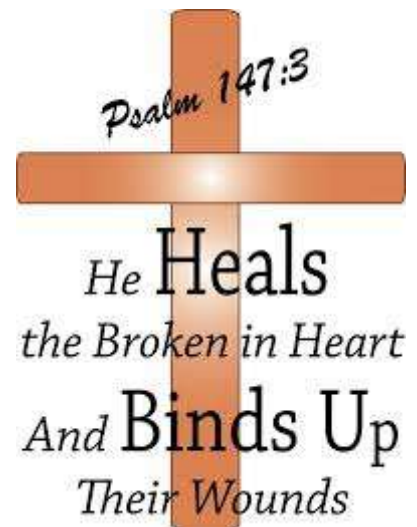
These two perspectives of the church are quite prevalent in our culture here in the U.S. We see them on TV, on social media, if not in our own community. And yet, I think they fundamentally miss the point.

The church is a hospital. It's a place for healing. All are welcome to come through these doors and place their burdens, their pain, their suffering, their guilt, their shame— everything that's broken, at the foot of the cross. For at the foot of the foot of the cross we see nothing but God's love for humanity— God's desire that each and every one of us may find fulfillment in our Creator in whose image we have been made.

Zion is a place devoted specifically to healing, as all churches are called to be. For it is here, week in and week out, that we receive the forgiveness of sin. We are continually reminded of God's faithful promises through the waters of baptism, through Holy Communion, through the preaching of the Gospel. At Zion, we share each other's burdens, we celebrate each other's blessings, we point out where we see God in our lives and in the lives of others. This is a ministry of mutual consolation. We walk with each other through the ups and downs of life, constantly pointing to the One in whose promises we rest. The promise of the Gospel is a promise of healing— not necessarily from physical ailments (though that does occur sometimes) but rather from the brokenness of the world around us. We are healed from the guilt and shame we carry in our back pockets, from the burdens that weigh on our backs and beat us down, from sin that holds us in bondage. The church is the only place in the world that provides such healing week in and week out. It is the sole mission of the church.

Zion is a community where all are welcome, where all are accepted, to encounter Christ. Through the sacraments, through the preaching of the Word, through the community God has gathered here all may find healing. Don't get me wrong, we recognize our shortcomings, we admit our faults, we share our shame and anxiety. And yet, God's love, God's grace, God's forgiveness overcomes everything. There is Nothing we can lay at the foot of the cross that Jesus will not pick up himself. And in doing so, we are healed. Thanks be to God!

Yours in Christ
Pastor Jaren Summers



"Jesus did not identify the person with his sin, but rather saw in this sin something alien, something that merely chained and mastered him and from which he would free him and bring him back to his real self. Jesus was able to love men because he loved them right through the layer of mud."

Helmut Thielicke (20th century Lutheran theologian at the University of Hamburg, Germany)

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DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ARTICLES FOR THE November "TIDINGS" is Friday, October 24, 2025

Mission of the Month

Operation Christmas Child



Operation Christmas Child collects shoeboxes—filled with school supplies, hygiene items, fun toys and notes of encouragement—and delivers them to children in need around the world to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way.

Please pick up an empty box (or two) and a "How to Pack a Shoebox" brochure located in the narthex (or you can use a regular shoebox or buy a container.) ***Women of Zion will pay the shipping this year.***

If you want to help out but are unable to shop or prefer not to you can also help by making a donation to help with gifts and shipping.

Please have boxes filled and returned by **Sunday, November 2nd**. Any questions contact Deb Keppel.



October Birthdays

1	Garry Yunker	18	Chris Frame	27	Rebecca Helke
3	Felicia Young	19	Jay Lopez	29	Olivia Phillips
8	Wayne Fronczak	20	Kristen Zimmann	30	Brian Copeland
	James Garvic	22	Jeff Johnson	31	Troy Kennedy
	Ezra Summers				
12	Bennett Witwer	23	Chuck Powder		
13	Madelyn Lopez	24	Elliana Summers		
			Jason Weprin		
16	Ken Bailey	25	Steve Tritle		



Upcoming Events

Life Line Screenings **Thursday, October 2nd**

Life Line Screenings is the Nation's leader in Stroke and Cardiovascular Disease Risk screenings. Screenings are simple and painless. They are offering special pricing for \$129, which covers screenings for Carotid Artery Disease, Peripheral Artery Disease, Atrial Fibrillation, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm, plus Hypertension. Book an appointment by **calling** 888-324-9458 and use **code HAB001** visit the **website** LLSA.SOCIAL/HABC or **text** the word "circle" to 216-279-1607.



Women of Zion Brat/Sauerkraut Dinner

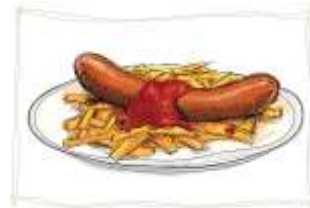
Saturday, October 11th

4:00 – 7:00 pm

Join us for our annual brat dinner in the fellowship hall. Carry out is also available. The cost is only \$8 presale or \$9 the day of the dinner for adults and \$5 for children under 10. Tickets will be available for purchase at the office from 8-12, Monday – Friday or before & after church in the narthex on **September 27/28, & October 4/5.**

Menu:

Brat or Hot Dog	Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans	Dinner Roll
Chunky Applesauce	Pie
Sauerkraut	Beverage



Proceeds support missions. The public is welcome so invite friends and family and enjoy a delicious meal while benefitting the missions of Zion.

This dinner is a fundraiser for the church. **There is a job for everyone** from donating money to defray costs, to making pies, to helping set-up, cook, serve, clean-up etc. Sign-up sheets are in the fellowship hallway.

Parade & Costume Judging

Monday, October 20th

Tipp Monroe Community Services will once again hold their costume parade with the Zion parking lot as their final destination. In addition to costume judging, games and activities will be held in our lot.

We plan to have a table out front to pass out items to the participants as we did last year. We need volunteers to buy candy for us to pass out. A container is in the fellowship hall beside the pew closest to the Christian Ed office.



**Halloween Costume
Parade & Judging**

Lutheranism 101 Class

Sunday October 12th, 9:00 a.m.

Pastor Jaren will be leading a class on the basics of Lutheranism. This series will cover a wide variety of topics including history, theology, scripture, and more. Whether you are new to Lutheranism or well experienced, we promise that Pastor Jaren will share insights that all will find deeply impactful. If you have questions, please reach out to Pastor Jaren.



Interesting and thought provoking best describe these gatherings. The next meeting is September 16th. Join us for diverse conversations and theological discussions in a relaxed setting.

These gatherings are **open to everyone!**

Chaffee's offers a selection of craft beers, coffees, and a variety of other alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages. They NOW serve dinner.

Bible and Brew
Tuesday, October 21st
5:30 – 6:30
Chaffee's Brewhouse
15 E. Second Street, Tipp



Women's Daytime Fellowship **October 22nd, 10:00 a.m.**

These gatherings have been greatly enjoyed. If you would like to join, all women are invited. The future meetings will be on the fourth Wednesday of the month. After prayer and discussion on the chosen topic, we'll enjoy some casual conversations. Questions; contact Ginger Schaefer at 419-250-0236.

The meeting will be in the Fellowship Hall



New Member Welcome & Reception
Saturday, October 25th and Sunday, October 26th

Following worship, we will have a light reception to celebrate all who have joined our community. If you are interested in becoming a member, or if you have questions about membership in general, please reach out to Pastor Jaren.

Shredding Event



Saturday, October 25th 9:00 - noon

Taking place in Zion's parking lot. Thrivent is organizing the event, which is free to the public. If we provide volunteers to unload cars, donations will go to the Biloxi mission trip. Breakfast will be provided. A sign-up sheet is in the fellowship hallway. If you have paperwork that you need shredded, you can bring it that day.



Merchant Trick or Treat **Saturday, October 25th**

Zion will join the merchants downtown to pass out candy from 11-1. We invite all of our kids to come, wear a costume and trick or treat downtown with us at 11:00. After we finish, there will be a goodie trade in the front of the church for kids to trade their unwanted candy with each

other. Hope you can join us! We need volunteers and about 600 pieces of candy. Please put your donations in the plastic bin beside the pew closest to the Christian Ed office in the fellowship hall and the sign-up sheet is on the opposite wall.

Kennedy Hall **Saturday, November 1st**

Our Mission of the Month for October has been rescheduled for November.

RESCHEDULED

We will be serving a meal at Kennedy Hall in Troy, which serves elderly and handicapped people. This will take place on Saturday November 1st. Beginning on Sunday October 1st, there will be a donation container in the narthex. This will be used for purchasing food. Also needed are 5 dozen brownies, 3 containers of sugar free drink mix, and 4 volunteers. The volunteers will meet at 10:00 in Zion's kitchen on November 1st. We will prepare the food, transport it to Kennedy Hall, and serve it. The meal is served at 12:00. We wrap up by 1:00. If you wish to serve Christ by serving others, sign-up in the fellowship hallway, which is up in the fellowship hallway.

Child Care Choices **Quarter Auction** **Thursday, November 6th**



Child Care Choices will hold their annual Quarter Auction in our Fellowship Hall. They will have 100+ Prizes, 6 raffle baskets and "Snag-a-bag & Take-a-Tote". Zion's Sisters of the Skillet will provide food available for purchase: Sloppy Joe sandwiches, hot dogs, coney dogs, nachos & cheese, chips, cookies, soft drinks & water, and coffee. Bring your quarters and your friends to support a good cause. Proceeds will support Child Care Choices programs and services.

Women of Zion

September 14, 2025

- A \$100 donation will be given to Women of the ELCA
- The church picnic held on August 24th was well attended – more than expected
- The Mum Festival Garage Sale on September 25 & 26th plans are in place. Workers are still needed. The sign-up sheet is in the fellowship hallway.
- Women of Zion will pay for the shipping costs for the Operation Christmas Child boxes this year.
- Zion volunteers will serve lunch at Terrace Ridge on November 1st.
- The Brat Supper will be October 11th. Adena Brass will play.
- Prayer Shawl update: Currently there are 6 men's, 5 women's and 4 baby blankets.
- The Women of Zion Christmas dinner will be December 4th.
- We packed school supplies for the LWR School Kits, then had snacks and watched a funny video.
- REMINDER: ALL women are considered "Women of Zion". Please plan to attend a meeting and see what we're all about.

Next Meeting **October 12, 2025 at 5:00 pm (note earlier time)**

Fun Family Fellowship

These events are for anyone willing to come, have fun, and join in on fellowship. It is expected that parents stay at the event unless otherwise stated or arrangements have already been made.

- **Saturday October 25 11:00 am Merchant Trick or Treat.** More details are above in upcoming events.
- **Sunday November 23 Skate Party** with St. Johns in Covington, please sign up in the hallway when it becomes available
- **December Date TBD Christmas Cookie Decorating**
We will need volunteers to help set up and clean up, donate items, and bake sugar cookies for kids to decorate.



Children & Youth Sunday School

If you have a preschool aged child who would like to be included in Sunday School, we are happy to include them accompanied by a parent. Kindergartners and older may be dropped off to a teacher at 9 am.

All Sunday School students will be learning about the same topics, which coincide with our lectionary.

October 5: Faith Passed Down
October 12: Jesus heals 10
October 19: The Widow and the Judge
October 26: The Pharisee and the Tax Collector
November 2: Jesus and Zacchaeus



Confirmation for 6th graders and older who have already spoken to Pastor Summers: October 28th, 5:00-6:30pm

Free Monthly Christian Education at Home

Is your family looking to incorporate more ways that you can talk about God at home? Paraclete Post, a FREE mail-based family ministry, may be your answer. Paraclete Post will mail your family a package once a month. The package will include:

- A high-quality picture book
- An art print poster
- Prompts for family conversation
- Suggestions for spiritual play
- An epistle to provide background and encouragements to caregivers
- Recommendations for further family reading

FREE

For more information <https://southernohiosynod.org/congregations/cultivate-starting-new-faith-communities/paraclete-post/>

Choir News

Church anthems are for everyone, from seasoned choir members to folks who just want to join in from their seats. They're known for their powerful crescendos and soothing melodies. These anthems aren't just about music, they're also expressions of faith, unity, and togetherness within the church community.

And guess what? October and November are going to be a blast for all Lutherans! The choir returns with a familiar anthem, *River in Judea*, then, on Reformation Sunday, the choir and the organ come together to perform *God is Our Refuge and Strength*, a pure Lutheran anthem with a touch of *A Mighty Fortress*. In November, the choir will perform a Gloria and Bill Gaither tune, *Because He Lives*, on the 2nd and another Lutheran song, *Come Thou Almighty King*, for Christ the King Sunday on the 23rd.

Now, for the choir hopefuls out there, I wanted to give you a heads up that we do skip a few rehearsals and Sunday performances each year. But don't fret, you can always check the bulletin for the latest rehearsal schedules. Stay tuned!

Bill Jones, Choir Director

More Bunco Fun

Twenty-six people came to play on September 6th and fun was had by all. As always there was a stuffed bear flying at those who yelled "Bunco" and prizes were awarded for the biggest winners and losers. The person with most wins this round was Marissa Kessler, also our youngest participant.



Major award for most "wipe outs"



The biggest winners and losers





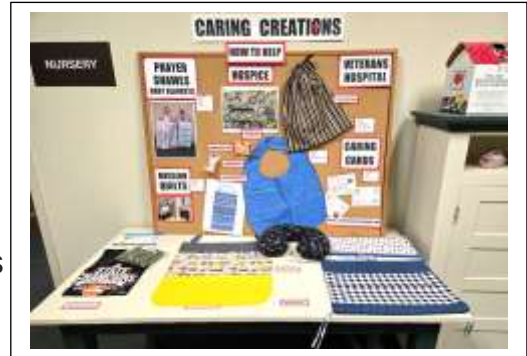
How Can I Get Involved?

We are so happy to welcome new people to our congregation. We've been asked about ways to plug in to activities. To provide information about the multitude of opportunities, this is the third of a new ongoing section in Tidings, which describes a specific ministry area and ways to become involved. This month we are highlighting **Caring Creations**.

As you walk from the Walnut Street entrance to the sanctuary, you have hopefully noticed a table on the right with a sign above it labeled "Caring Creations". There are multiple ways to become involved in these outreach ministries.

Prayer Shawl & Baby Blankets:

The Prayer Shawl Ministry team makes and delivers prayer shawls to people who have had surgery, who are going through a serious illness such as cancer, or are just going through a difficult time. They are a way to let the person know we care about them and that God loves them and is with them. We also make and deliver baby blankets to new babies.



There are 3 ways you can participate in this ministry.

1. Knit, crochet, or sew shawls or baby blankets. You will be given a handbook which has guidelines and patterns for making the shawls. We have lots of yarn that has been donated for making the shawls, but you will need to have your own needles or hooks.
2. If you like to visit people, you could deliver shawls and baby blankets. Our handbook has guidelines for delivering them.
3. Do you know someone who needs a physical reminder of God's love? Let us know. If they are a member, our team will deliver it. If you want a shawl for a friend or family member who is not part of Zion, we will give it to you and explain what you need to do.

Contact person - Debbie Rudisill, 937-335-0230



Sewn Items for Hospice and the VA:

If you can sew, you can help. The options are many; clothing protectors, wheelchair bags, walker bags, drawstring bags, aromatherapy pads, hand massagers, activity mats, chemo port T-shirts and padded protectors to use with seat belts. Most of these items have patterns in the cupboard next to the table. Questions? See Maggie Powder or Kathy Groth.

Caring Cards:

These are handmade cards that are given on the lunch trays of Veterans at the VA Hospital to brighten their day. Contact Ruth White with questions or to volunteer.

Worship and Music Committee Meeting

The worship and music committee met on Wednesday, September 17, 2025. Attending were: Brittany Fouts, Susie Gray, Bill Jones, Deb Keppel, Lil Nichols, Lori Sebastian, and Pastor Summers. We reviewed several items. We have Saturday evening service covered with internal musicians through the end of 2025. In addition to Lori, thanks to Bill Jones, Brittany Fouts, and Deb Keppel for accompanying the services. We had excellent attendance at the summer picnic (around 110).

We discussed upcoming dates and services:

1. Reformation – October 25/26
2. All Saints Day – November 1/2
3. Advent begins November 29/30
4. Christmas Eve falls on Wednesday – we recommend one 7pm service.

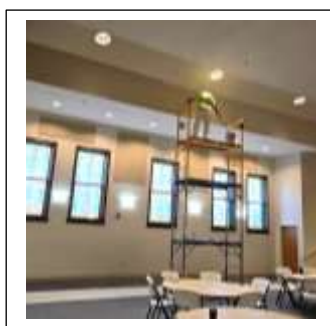
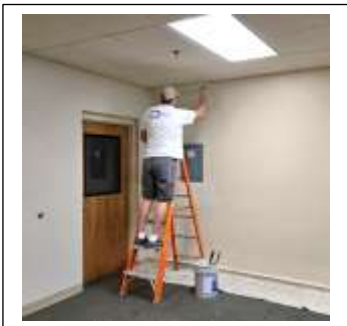
Pastor is gathering feedback for selecting an updated Bible translation, and we discussed the NRSV – UE. Bill has planned through the end of November for choir and has a more compact schedule (with a fall and winter break) to better accommodate our choir. Choir rehearsals begin tonight (Sept. 17) – all are welcome. There were no altar updates.

For the liturgy and hymns, we finished Setting 10. This Sunday (Sept. 21), we begin Setting 2 with the Hymn of Praise, Alleluia Verse, and a new Holy, Holy, Holy; the offertory canticle changes to Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ. Lori shared a potential hymn of the month listing for the upcoming year.

To conclude the meeting, we discussed a couple of remaining details. Zion has secured Adena Brass for the 200th anniversary celebration (9/13/2026). For technology, remote worship, and live streaming, the finish line is in sight – as they need to run a few more wires (under the sanctuary). Our next meeting date is **Wednesday, October 22nd at 6pm**

What's New

In addition to a beautifully repainted upstairs, most of the addition has been repainted as well: the entry, adult Sunday school room, fellowship hall, Christian Ed Director's office, workroom and church office. There have been other touch-ups as well. Thanks to Paul and Oscar of L&L Painting who did a wonderful job. Zion is looking much fresher!!



The puzzles have been sorted and organized in the conference room, thanks to donated bookshelves and to Kristen Zimmann who did the organization

Property Committee Report

September 8, 2025

- L&L Painting has completed painting the upstairs of the 2006 building and is working on the ground level.
- Hinkle Roofing completed their work of installing new flashing and new larger gutters and downspouts on the sanctuary building.
- Cooper Blacktopping sealed and striped the parking lot.
- Vantage will be making new signboards for the marquis on the front lawn and will replace the broken glass on the Zion sign.
- Vantage will be giving us an estimate for repairing or replacing the cemetery sign.
- The monthly work list was completed.

The next meeting is Monday, **October 6 at 6:00 p.m.**

How Can We Pray for You?

Motivated by our mission “Serving Christ through Serving Others”, several volunteers took to the front lawn of the church three mornings September 15-17 to simply ask passers by “How can we pray for you?” With a smile and a handshake, we would greet folks and ask how we might pray for them. The response would of course vary, but almost always there would be a concern or issue that would surface. We would gather as a small group and offer that particular concern to the Lord in prayer. During those three days, we had opportunity to physically pray with 40+ folks, what a privilege! We encountered a wide range of requests from health issues to military deployment, relationship issues, incarcerated children, to peace for our broken world.

Thanks to the volunteers, and thanks to you all for supporting the mission and ministry of Zion Lutheran Church. God Bless You!

Pastor Dale



Thanks to Dale Schaefer who organized this ministry, came early every day for set-up, brought donuts and water, made coffee and manned the tent the entire time. Thanks also to our prayer volunteers; Linda Holt, Kim Jones, Donna Mertz, Bob Keppel, Pam Sauls, Tim Cartwright, Nate Ewing and of course Pastor Summers.



Council Meeting Report

September 9, 2025

The September 9th Council Meeting brought thoughtful updates, exciting plans, and continued momentum across several areas of church life. From mission outreach to property improvements, each report reflected the dedication and care of our committees and congregation. Below are a few key highlights that capture the spirit and progress of our shared work.

The Council Meeting, members shared heartfelt enthusiasm about a proposed Mission Trip to Biloxi, Mississippi, scheduled for May 10–16, 2026, in partnership with Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. The trip will be coordinated through Back Bay Mission, a deeply rooted organization founded in 1922 as an outreach to the “fisher folk” of Biloxi. Over the past century, Back Bay Mission has grown into a beacon of justice and compassion on the Gulf Coast, offering emergency assistance, housing support, educational programs, and volunteer opportunities that embody the inclusive spirit of the United Church of Christ. This collaboration promises not only hands-on service but also a chance to deepen relationships across congregations and communities. A planning and interest meeting for potential participants will be held on September 28th, inviting all who feel called to serve, learn, and grow together in mission.

The Communication and Welcoming Committee noted the upcoming events for the Zion Calendar:

- How Can We Pray for You? – Week of September 7th
- Zion Garage Sale – September 25th & 26th
- Brat Dinner—October 11th- 4PM to 7 PM
- Halloween Event—October 25th
- Annual Zion Church Meeting – November 16th @ 5:00 PM

The Property Committee is pleased to report meaningful progress on several key projects over the past few weeks. The parking lot resurfacing has been completed, now featuring a smooth new surface and clearly striped parking areas that enhance both safety and appearance. The roof leak near the choir section has been successfully addressed with the installation of new gutters and downspouts, ensuring better water management and protection for the sanctuary. While the painting project is still underway, the completed portions have already transformed the space—fresh coats and thoughtfully chosen colors have given the Church a more vibrant, welcoming look that reflects the spirit of the congregation. The Committee extends its gratitude to all who have supported these improvements.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, **October 14, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.**

Kids & Youth Sunday School Areas

The Sunday school rooms upstairs got a fresh coat of paint at the end of August. It looks great upstairs, and we need give a big thank you to:

- Bob Keppel for moving all of the furniture to the middle of the rooms before the painters arrived
- Madison and Charlotte Dorn for moving the storage room before the painters arrived
- Denise and Lara Jacobs who spent an entire week putting the rooms back together, sorting through more than 2 decades worth of Christian education items, organizing the storage room and cleaning all of the painting dust from the Christian education rooms after the painting was done
- Lara Jacobs (again) for picking out the fun colors for all of the rooms
- Deb and Bob Keppel for recycling boxes that were upstairs from prior VBS

The upstairs really looks amazing thanks to these people who saw a need and stepped up without being asked, it was very appreciated.



*Thank You Pastor Summers
We appreciate everything
you do!*

October Musician's Corner – By Grace We Have Been Saved



When we select hymns for the congregation to sing, we look at the season we are currently in. Then, we review the Scriptures that are designated for the service. The ELCA church makes planning easier because Augsburg Fortress publishes a book called “Sundays and Seasons” that suggests a multitude of hymns and other musical selections that go with the readings for each service. As an example, I always like to pick *Earth and All Stars* sometime in late August or early September (because it talks about classroom and school activities). Similarly, when Pastor recently gave his sermon on Stewardship, we selected hymns that were related to Stewardship (*Will You Come and Follow Me?* – September’s hymn of the month – well covered that topic).

For Reformation (and October), I wondered if we should pick a 500-year-old Luther hymn, or something more modern? Luther has a plethora of texts and tunes in our ELW hymnal (*A Mighty Fortress* is likely the most popular), but many of the Luther hymns are German chorales, which can be more challenging to sing. I reviewed several ideas and decided to go with a text that I thought best represented Luther and the Reformation ideals. The hymn of the month for October is *By Grace We Have Been Saved*, #1006 in the All Creation Sings (ACS) hymnal. The refrain states: “By grace we have been saved – saved by grace through faith, not because of what we do, it is the gift of God.” That text is straight out of the Scripture in Ephesians 2:8-9 (NSRV – UE): ⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— ⁹ not the result of works, so that no one may boast.

The text of *By Grace We Have Been Saved* was written by Jonathan Rundman. Rundman, a third-generation church musician, was born in Michigan and since 2002 resides in Minnesota. A composer, performer, and recording artist, Rundman created A Heartland Liturgy, graduated from Luther Seminary in 2022, and currently serves as a Pastor of Worship and Music at a Lutheran congregation in Prior Lake, MN. Two songs he has written appear in All Creation Sings (the other is *For Such a Time as This* – ACS 1003); he has also written songs used by regional and national youth gatherings and teaches about liturgy and music. For more information about Jonathan Rundman, check this web page: <https://jonathanrundman.com/church>.

Rundman composed this song along with Nathan Houge. Houge describes himself as a garage folk singer. According to his web page <http://natehouge.com/presspromoetc/>, “Nate Houge (rhymes with vogue) is a singer/songwriter/cyclist/baker who’s (sic) jumping off point is St. Paul MN. He writes songs to sing at people and with people.” Besides music, he enjoys baking bread and delivering it by bicycle.



The Amazing Annual Garage Sale

Every year it is truly amazing how much stuff gets donated to our garage sale and this year was no exception. The hallway and fellowship hall were bursting at the seams. Per usual, there was a big crowd at the door, some waiting since 7:30. People were leaving with armfuls and cartful's of newly found treasures. The proceeds will go to Lutheran Disaster Relief and the total amount will be in next month's Tidings. Thanks to Deb Keppel who practically lived here during the preparation & sale and also to Bob who spent a lot of time helping her. Thanks to the MANY volunteers who helped!!



Some of the great volunteers who helped (and had fun)



Thank You

Dear Quilters,

We would like to extend our sincere gratitude for all the time, effort and love you donate to DREAM for so many pets! The beds are always a wonderful gift and comfort to their bodies young and not-so-young. Thank you for the many years of your support.

The Dream Team



By the Numbers

Instead of printing attendance and giving weekly in the bulletins, we are putting offerings and average monthly attendance for the previous month in Tidings. This is September through 9/21.

Average Attendance – Saturday: 45 Sunday: 66

Average Sunday School Attendance – Adult: 16 Youth: 4 Kids: 3

Total Giving: \$11,269

Prayer Requests

Prayer requests: Pray for Christine Schlater who had surgery Thursday on the lower part of her neck. Pray for the Tayse family - Cindy is getting PT, and Cindy, Mitch, and daughter Heather have Covid. Pray for Mark Mills who has moved to the memory unit at Brethren's Retirement Community in Greenville and for Bob Tangren who has been moved to memory care at Randall in West Milton. Emily Clenney's (daughter of Kim and Bill Jones) had a procedure on Sept 23. Ryan Jones (son of Kim and Bill) had a growth removed from his neck on Sept 23. Danielle Mobley, granddaughter of Wayne Fronczak, is home after surgery and is facing a difficult recovery. Keep in your prayers Williams' neighbor Regina, Jayson Williams, Sean and Doug Lowe, Jaxson Williams, Steven Williams, Brandon and Aubrey Lowe, Julia Paizshal (sister of Jeff Johnson) is suffering effects after a motorcycle accident in Washington state.

Continue to pray for: Betty Jackson, Chalmer Mader, Debbie Turner, Garry Yunker, Ruth White, Ginger Schaefer, Greg Watkins, Peggy McCoy, Christine Copeland, James Oaks, Brian Watkins, Gwen Miller, Colonel Troy Cramer, Fred Staie, the Weprin family, Cindy Moore, Carol Phillips, Lilo Myers, Shirley Rawlins.

Zion's Prayer Chain is sent out weekly through email. It lists prayers needed for those in our community and world. If you have signed up to receive the prayer chain and have not received it recently, please let the office or Linda Holt know. If you have never been a part of the prayer chain and would like to receive it, let us know that, as well.

To request prayers, or take an individual off the prayer chain, email them to prayers@ziontippcity.org. You can also access this through Zion's website www.ziontippcity.org or call the church office at (937) 667-3110.



October 2025

Calendar of Events at Zion

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 NO Choir Rehearsal	2 Life Line Screenings	3	4 Communion Saturday
5	6 Quilts 10:30 TOPS 3:30 - 5 Property Mtg. 6 Scouts 6:30	7 Mens Bkfst 9:30 Quilts 10 AA 8-9 pm	8 Choir Rehearse 7:00 pm	9	10	11 Brat Supper 6:00 pm
12  Lutheranism 101 9:00 am WoZ 5:00	13 Quilts 10:30 TOPS 3:30 - 5 Scouts 6:30 Anniv. Mtg 6p	14 Mens Bkfst 9:30 Comm Mtg 5p Council 7p Quilts 10 AA 8-9 pm	15 Choir Rehearse 7:00 pm	16	17	18 Communion Saturday
19	20 Quilts 10:30 TOPS 3:30 - 5 Scouts 6:30 TMCS Costume Parade	21 Mens Bkfst 9:30 Quilts 10 Bible & Brew 5:30 -Chafee's AA 8-9 pm	22 Women's Fellowship 10 Choir Rehearse 7:00 pm	23 Compass. Friends 7:00	24	25 Shredding 9 - noon Merchant Trick or Treat 11-1 New Member Welcome
26 New Member Welcome Randall Residence Outreach	27 Quilts 10:30 TOPS 3:30 - 5 Scouts 6:30	28 Mens Bkfst 9:30 Quilts 10 AA 8-9 pm	29 Choir Rehearse 7:00 pm	30	31	