

# Zion's Newsletter

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“People of God Gathering around Word and Sacrament”

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## *Pastor's Corner*

As many of you know I am a great fan of Max Lucado. His insights are very profound to me in my walk of faith. I receive many email devotionals on a regular basis. Often I print off one of the devotions and leave it on my desk and meditate on it at various times in my week. The one that has recently been on my desk is titled “The Sufferings of His Broken Heart”

What I am wondering is, what kind of image do we hold in our minds concerning Jesus' time spent in the Garden of Gethsemane? Many of us are familiar with the picture of Jesus kneeling by a large boulder, hands neatly folded, and a serene look on his face with rays of light shining on him. The problem with this image is that the Bible paints a much different picture of this time in Jesus' life.

When we look at Mark 14:32 and following, we find that for Jesus it was a painful time. We find phrases like: He was deeply distressed and troubled, “My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death.” Scripture tells us he fell to the ground and prayed. Max invites us see Jesus flat on the ground, his face in the dirt, perhaps pounding the ground with his fists because of the stress he was feeling.

These two images don't quite seem to come together. Thus the question for me is, what did Jesus go through for me that night in

## Good News From Zion

the garden? As we continue to travel through Lent and come near the cross, may we take a good look at what Jesus had to go through in order to take our sins away.

Read the passion narrative from one of the Gospel books this season. It is found in Matthew 26, Mark 14 and Luke 22 – 24. As Jesus has said to so many people who seek after him, come and see! We have so much to be thankful for during this time of Lent. May we explore all that God has in store for us.

***God's blessings to each of you.***

*Pastor Lee*

### Call Committee Update

A vote by the congregation was held on Sunday March 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:15am, regarding the calling of Pastor Joel Smeby. Zion's members voted to call Pastor Joel to serve as our new pastor here in Metropolitan. Pastor Joel was offered the position of Pastor in order to lead us in ministry and mission for the sake of our Lord's Kingdom. Pastor Joel has recently accepted this call and is planning to be here in May. The Call Committee has completed the process and would like to ask for your prayers; that Zion's Church Council, Pastor Joel and the Members & Friends of this congregation be guided by the Holy Spirit, and that God's Wisdom and Grace would be with us as we work together. We also ask you to pray

that the Holy Spirit guide our congregation as we grow and continue with God's will for Zion.

### **AA and Alanon**

AA is a worldwide organization whose only requirement for membership is a desire to quit drinking. All conversation is confidential and millions throughout the years have found healing and recovery from alcoholism through Alcoholics Anonymous. Zion is proud to host a Thursday night group which meets each week in the conference room at 7:30 p.m.

Alanon is for family members and friends of alcoholics who find fellowship and support in others whose loved ones are also alcoholic. This group also meets each Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at Zion. For more information on either AA or Alanon, please contact **Bill Davis**.

### **Please pray for our Church Leaders**

#### **Zion's Church Council**

<i>Mark Anderson</i>	<i>David Grunlund</i>
<i>Mary Jane Bloom</i>	<i>Dan Helms</i>
<i>Paulette Holmes</i>	<i>Dan Nurmi</i>
<i>David Mattson</i>	<i>Dorn Seigler</i>
<i>John Anderson</i>	<i>Steve Anderson</i>
<i>Bob Mattson</i>	<i>Dick Lindholm</i>

### **Interim Pastor Lee Liverance Our Saviors Lutheran Church**

***(246-3456) and leave a message.  
Indicate whether you want to be  
notified by email or phone and leave  
your name and contact information.***

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### **Youth In Service for April**

#### **Acolytes**

#### **Bell Ringer**

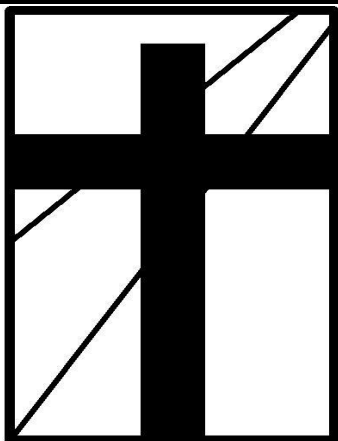
<b>Apr. - 6</b>	<b>AJ &amp; Jonas</b>	<b>Travis</b>
<b>Apr.- 13</b>	<b>Trevor &amp; Zach</b>	<b>Maggie</b>
<b>Apr.- 20</b>	<b>Lexi &amp; Travis</b>	<b>Samantha</b>
<b>Apr.- 27</b>	<b>Mckenna &amp; Martha</b>	<b>Miranda</b>

***If you want to be notified when  
someone is added to the prayer chain  
but are not being notified now,  
please call the church office at.....***

***Happy Birthday  
Lucille!***

*On Sunday afternoon,  
April 10<sup>th</sup> Lucille Davidson will  
celebrate her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. A  
celebration party will be held  
from 1-3 at the Felch  
Community Center. No gifts  
please, just your presence if you  
are willing and able to attend.  
Lunch will be provided.*

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**A Measure of Our Love**

2-06-11	\$1191.00
2-13-11	3226.00
2-20-11	939.02
2-27-11	735.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,091.52</b>
<b>Designated:</b>	( Included in total above )
Improvement-Carpeting	985.00
Improvement-Undesignated	275.00
Office Equipment (Computer)	500.00

**Bible Buddies:** Larry & Vicki Underhill



**April Servants of God**

**Lector:** Steve Anderson  
May.....Mike Lindholm

**Ushers:** Dan and Jeanne Nurmi\*\*

**Greeters:**  
3<sup>rd</sup> - Jacob and John Nurmi  
10<sup>th</sup> - Mary Lucas / Krisanne Dennocenzo  
17<sup>th</sup> - Lexi & Taylor Steele  
24<sup>th</sup> - Dick and Karen Lindholm

**Communion Assistant:**  
John or Cheryl Cootware

**Communion Ushers:**  
Dorn and Carrie Siegler  
Anna and Dominic Christian

**Easter Service:**  
7:00 - Vicki Lindholm  
10:15 - Melanie Mattson/Fran Hood

**Home Communion:**  
Check list in Conference Room

**Visitation:**  
Please Check the WOZ  
Visitation Wreath at Zion in the  
Fellowship Hall.

**Altar:** Becky & Ellen Nord  
\*\* May / Mike & Amber Lindholm  
\*\* June / Ryan & Kelsey Bohemeke

\*Please call **Rose Siegler** if you are willing to **Usher**,  
and **Vicki Lindholm** if you are able to **Greet** or help  
with **Communion**. You are invited to call the church  
office if you are willing to be a **Lector** at 246-3456.

## **STEWARDSHIP**

April 2011---10<sup>th</sup> Installments

### ***The Journey Continues***

*There are myriad reasons why some people are rich and other are poor. We are wise to understand this. If we cling to economic myths then we avoid real relationships with people at different economic levels. Stereotyping helps us hide from real problems. If we have no categories in which to conveniently place people, then we must converse & interact with an open mind & heart. To admit the complexity of money issues is to give up useless solutions & to prepare for the real work of stewardship – through relationships. It is to see people not statistics. It is to be engaged in ministry with people, not ministry to or for people. Myths spring up like wildflowers along the roadside because money is so complex. It's not inherently evil or good, but it's not neutral either (another North American myth). There is a deeper principle at work than just frugality or avarice. The Bible talks about both extravagant & sacrificial living. That can feel like simultaneously driving toward two destinations, but somehow, in the mystery that is God, our stewardship is both/and, not either/or.*

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Mathew 5:16

*Last Installment Next Month*

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Stewardship Committee*

### **LENTEN SERVICES**

Each Wednesday evening until Holy Week, we will gather in fellowship Hall at **5:45 p.m.** for **Soup Supper** served by Zion's youth. This will be followed by an informal **Lenten Service** at **6:30**. Plan now to make the most of this Lenten season and the journey of discipleship to the cross and the empty tomb.

### **SPECIAL WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

**+CELEBRATION OF PALM SUNDAY  
SUNDAY APRIL 17 AT 10:15 A.M.**

**+MAUNDAY THURSDAY SERVICE  
THURSDAY, APRIL 21 AT 7 P.M.**

**+GOOD FRIDAY ECUMENICAL SERVICE  
(AT ZION) FRIDAY, APRIL 22 AT 1:30 P.M)**

### **Sunrise Easter Service**

**April 24<sup>th</sup>**

**7am Easter Morning Service**

**Fellowship Breakfast**

**8:00 – 10:00**

**The Resurrection of our Lord**

**10:15am Easter Worship  
Service**

### **ATTENTION CONFIRMATION FAMILIES**

There will be no after school confirmation classes until after Easter. Confirmation students are expected to attend the Wednesday night Lenten services and complete sermon / service notes just as they do for Sunday morning worship services.

**There will be confirmation class on  
Wednesday April 27<sup>th</sup> at 3:45.**

# PRAYER CALENDAR

## April 2011

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ALL CHURCHES LISTED FOR PRAYERS ARE LCMC  
CONGREGATIONS

- F 1 George & Kim McGillivray**  
East Union Evangelical Lutheran Church,  
Wooster, OH, Pr. R. Moskowitz
- S 2 Diana Miller**  
Elk Horn Lutheran Church, Elk Horn, IA,  
Pr. K. Menter
- Su 3 James & Pamela Miller**  
**Pray for our Sunday School students  
and teachers as they meet today.**  
Emanuel Lutheran Church, Lodi, CA, Pr.  
C. Townsend
- M 4 Sally & Bill Molli**  
Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Fontanelle,  
IA, Pr. S. Broers
- T 5 Lorraine Morgan**  
Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Goodland,  
KS, Pr. D. Hybl
- W 6 Almighty God, our redeemer, in  
our weakness we have failed to be your  
messengers of forgiveness and hope in  
the world. Renew us by your Holy  
Spirit, that we may follow your  
commands and proclaim your reign of  
love;  
through your Son, Jesus Christ our  
Lord, who lives and reigns with you and  
The Holy Spirit, on God, now and  
forever. Amen.**  
**Pauline Murray**  
**Pray for Zion's quilters as they meet  
today.**  
Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Easley, SC,  
Pr. G. Longtin
- Th 7 Scott, Connie & Eli Murray, Frankie &  
Brody Priestap & Josh Hedford**
- Pray for the people in Haiti and for  
those who help make dresses for the  
little girls at the Middle School Youth  
Group's "Little Dresses Sewing Day"  
this afternoon.**

- Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Inez, TX, Pr.  
R. VanErt
- F 8 Joyce Muterspaugh**  
Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Longview,  
WA, Pr. K. Gieschen
- Sa 9 Larry & Joy Nasi & family**  
Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Walla Walla,  
WA, Pr. M. Koonz
- Su 10 Dennis Nelson**  
**Pray for Zion's Sunday School students  
and teachers as they meet today.**  
Evangelical Lutheran Fellowship,  
International, West Palm Beach, FL,  
Pr. T. Hurley
- M 11 Reggie, Ellen, Regina, Emma, Levi &  
Robert Nord**  
Faith Community Church, Lakeland, FL,  
Pr. B. Short
- Tu 12 Robbie, Rebecca & Jewel Nord**  
Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church,  
Newfane, NY, Pr. G. Seefeldt
- W 13 O God, you gave your only Son to suffer  
death on the cross for our  
Redemption, and by his glorious  
resurrection you delivered us from the  
power of death. Make us die every day  
to sin, so that we may live with him  
forever in the joy of the resurrection;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who  
Roger, Becky, Martha, Veronica &  
Ramsey Nord**  
**Pray for Zion's quilters as they meet  
today.**  
**Pray for WOZ (Women of Zion) as they  
meet after church tonight.**  
**lives and reigns with you and the Holy  
Spirit, one God, now and  
forever. Amen.**  
Faith Journey Community Church, Long  
Beach, CA, Pr. F. Remski
- Th 14 Ron & Tana Nord**  
Faith Lutheran Church, Castle Rock, CO,  
Pr. M. Knauff
- F 15 Brian Nurmi**

Faith Lutheran Church, Colorado Springs,  
CO, Pr. E. Spruth

**Sa 16 Dan, Jeanne & Jacob Nurmi**  
Faith Lutheran Church, Haines City, FL,  
Pr. J. Brigham

**Su 17 PALM SUNDAY** God of all mercy, by  
your power to heal and to forgive,  
graciously cleanse us from all sin and  
make us strong; through your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and  
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Joe Nurmi**

Pray for Zion's Sunday School students  
and teachers as they meet today.  
Pray for those who contribute and  
participate in the 'Haiti Care Mission'  
fundraiser at church today. Pray also  
for the needy in Haiti, Japan and  
other areas of devastation and poverty.

Faith Lutheran Church, Hartwell,  
GA, Pr. R. Hughes

**M 18 John Nurmi**  
Pray for Zion's Church Council as they  
meet tonight.

Faith Lutheran Church, Pierce, ID

**Tu 19 Edith Nylund**  
Faith Lutheran Church, Moie, IL, Dr. M.  
Gehrke

**W 20 Angela & Lexi Oman**  
Pray for the staff and participants at  
Family Ties, and for the ladies from  
Zion who spend the afternoon with  
them.

Faith Lutheran Church, Spencer, IA, D.  
Brockshus, Lay Leader

**Th 21 MAUNDAY THURSDAY** Eternal  
Lord, your kingdom has broken into a  
troubled world through the life, death,  
and resurrection of your Son. Help us  
to hear your Word and obey it, so that  
we become instruments of your  
redeeming love; through your son, Jesus  
Christ our Lord, who lives and  
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one  
God, now and forever. Amen.

**Gordy & Sandi Oman and families**

Faith Lutheran Church, Osborne,  
KS, Pr. D. Klinker

**F 22 GOOD FRIDAY** Almighty God, you

sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ,  
to take our flesh upon him and to suffer  
death on the cross. Grant that we may  
share in his obedience to your will and  
in the glorious victory of the  
resurrection; through your Son, Jesus  
Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns  
with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,  
now and forever. Amen.

**Jalynn Oman**

Faith Lutheran Church, Detroit, MI, Pr. J.  
Fults

**Sa 23 Joe Oman**

Faith Lutheran Church, Hutchinson, MN,  
Pr. R. Freund

**Su 24 EASTER SUNDAY** Almighty God, with  
joy we celebrate the festival of our  
Lord's resurrection. Graciously help us  
to show the power of the resurrection  
in all that we say and do; through your  
Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives  
and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever. Amen

**John, Heidi & Stetson Oman**

Faith Lutheran Church, Little Falls, MN,  
Pr. N. Bjorge

**M 25 Scott Oman**

Pray for Zion's quilters as they meet  
today.

Faith Lutheran Church, Monticello, MN,  
Pr. J. Tetlie

**Tu 26 Steve & Hanna Oman**

Faith Lutheran Church, Great Falls, MT,  
Pr. K. Waag

**W 27 Steve, Sharon, Matthew & Nick Opolka**  
Pray for our confirmation students and  
teachers as they meet today.

Faith Lutheran Church, Albuquerque, NM,  
Pr. B. Wilder

**Th 28 Judy and Louis Orler**

Faith Lutheran Church, Harvey, ND, Pr. F.  
Westerhold, Interim

**F 29 Dorothy Overacker**

Faith Lutheran Church, Regent, ND, Pr. J.  
Burgess

**Sa 30 Howard Ovist**

Faith Lutheran Church, Cincinnati, OH, Pr.  
R. Curry

**Birthday Blessings to You,**

**as...**

**We Celebrate in April**

- 1-LEE JOHNSON
- 4-SHARON OPOLKA
- 5-MICHAEL JOHNSON JR; ROGER NORD,  
JOE OMAN
- 6-ANGELA CHMURYNSKI
- 7-JIM ANDERSON, JACOB STRAUSS
- 8-FORREST WHITAKER
- 9-CAROL LANTZ, JOANNA  
LAUZENHEIER
- 10-KATHY GUSTAFSON
- 11-ELROY (RED) MATTSON
- 13-LUCILE DAVIDSON
- 16-KAY MATTSON, ALLYSON TREGILLIS,  
SCOTT SHELBY, JIM CARLSON
- 17-BOB MATTSON
- 18-REGINA NORD
- 19-PENNY SKOGMAN
- 20-NORMAN SKOGMAN
- 22-JANET DAVIDSON, KEN LINDHOLM,  
SISSY LaJEUNESSE
- 24-KATE FISHER
- 25-MALLORY CARLSON, MOLLY  
FORSTROM
- 26-MARTHA NORD
- 29-JOHNEDY EDBERG, KRISTA JAYNE,  
GIOVANNI COLAVECCHI
- 30-BAILEY (FINENDALE) ERICKSON

**\*\*\*Please contact Sue Anderson with any additions to our  
Newsletter Birthday List.**

**Music and Worship Committee**

The music & worship committee is looking for someone who would be willing to take a turn playing the organ or piano during Sunday worship.

Also, if any of you would be willing to provide special music on occasion please let the committee know. Our hymn singing is sounding wonderful. We have been making special effort to include familiar hymns that are appropriate to the message. We continue to ask for your suggestions and will do our best to fit your song in soon.

To offer help or hymn suggestions please leave a message at the church office (246-3456) or speak with either **Sue Anderson** or **Vernice Lindskog**.

Zion's Easter Sunday Choir will practice several times before Easter morning. Practice times will be announced at worship services, or will be posted in the Sunday worship bulletin folders.

**Spring Opportunities At FLLC**

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**April 10: Final Second Sunday  
Folk Dance of the 25th season  
Guest Anne Hills**

**April 27, April 28 (9 to 5 each day)  
Spring Work Bee**

**May 9: Senior Adult Day  
(Gardening Theme)**

**For details, call the camp office at  
906-875-3697**

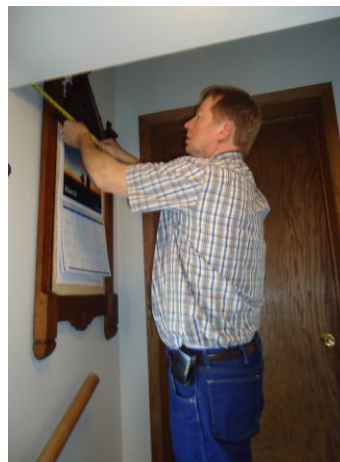
**Or email us at:**

**[officemanager@fortunelake.org](mailto:officemanager@fortunelake.org),**

**Check the Fall/Winter/Spring Event Brochure  
online at fortunelake.org.**

**A VERY SPECIAL THANKS TO:**

**Everyone who helps to support Zion's  
Mission and Ministry by giving of their  
Time, Talents, Offerings & Gifts.**



**BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS**

A LOT OF WORK HAS BEEN DONE WITH THE HELPING HANDS FROM MANY OF ZION'S FAMILY AND FRIENDS. IF YOU WANT TO HELP IN ANY WAY, PLEASE CONTACT THE BUILDING AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE AND SOMEONE WILL LEAD YOU TO A PROJECT THAT COULD USE A LITTLE HELP. THANKS EVERYONE FOR YOUR CONTINUED DONATIONS AND FOR YOUR WILLINGNESS TO BE A PART OF ZION'S ONGOING FACELIFT.

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## Women of Zion (WOZ) News

Due to heavy snowfall, only three women attended the general business meeting on Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>—but a lot got done in spite of the small turnout. In addition, the meeting finished in record time!

***Reminder: Next WOZ Business Meeting will be held in the evening!***

**Day/Date/Time: Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 pm.**

Note: this meeting is scheduled later in the evening than usual due to Lenten service.

**Please Come and Join Us**

### Family Ties

We thoroughly enjoyed our St Pat's Day celebration at Family Ties with Jim Clement leading the entertainment. WOZ was well represented at the gathering and some even did a little dancing with the Family Ties folks who were up to it. Those who couldn't or didn't want to dance sang along and had fun watching the action. Everybody munched luscious treats afterwards and spent time visiting. (Look for the pictures taken that special day included within this newsletter). We will go again on Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 pm. Our theme is Easter and we are sure to have a good time, as usual. The people there truly appreciate our visits; if you have never gone—give it a try. You don't need to do anything but show up. That's Family Ties at the Crystal Lake Community Center on Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 pm—you are sure to have a good time too.

The “**Visitation Wreath**” is redecorated for April and hung on the door in the Fellowship Hall. Remember to volunteer to help visit our homebound by selecting a name or two from the wreath, sign the sheet posted nearby on the bulletin board, and enjoy brightening someone's day with your visit.

Because it worked well last year, **Quilters will meet on Wednesdays from 1-4 pm during Lent.** It helps conserve heat by not heating the basement an extra day of the week and many of the quilters attend soup supper and Lenten service anyway. It just made sense to make the switch.

**NOTE: ZION QUILTERS WILL NOT MEET DURING HOLY WEEK,** but will resume their usual schedule following Easter on **Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup> from 1-4 pm.** We will be very, very busy over the next couple of months creating quilts for our graduates. Join us!

**Finally,** watch for the flyer next month regarding the announcement for the **WOZ Spring Program** and mark your calendars for **May 11<sup>th</sup>** to reserve the date. It is a sure cure for end-of-winter blahs.

### **Heads-Up/Coffee Hour Schedule:**

April 3	Preschool/Noisy Offering
April 10	Sunday School
April 17	Middle School Youth Group
April 24	Men serve Easter Day breakfast
<b>May 1st</b>	<b>A Welcome for Pastor Joel &amp; A Farewell for Pastor Lee...” Special Coffee Lunch” is being planned at the time of this publication.</b>

***Coffee Lunch is served every Sunday after services; Please Join Us in the Fellowship Hall for Refreshments.***

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**WOZ** scheduled business meetings will be held on the second Tuesdays at 9:00 am every other month to alternate with meetings held on the second Wednesday of every other month at 6:30 pm as follows: \*Note Time Change in April

<b>April</b>	<b>13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>*7:15 pm</b>
<b>May</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:00 am</b>
<b>June</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>
<b>July</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9 :00am</b>
<b>August</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>
<b>September</b>	<b>13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:00 am</b>
<b>October</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>
<b>November</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9 :00am</b>
<b>December</b>	<b>14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>

**All women are invited to participate. Please Join Us!**

**NOTE: OUR POLICY REGARDING BAD WEATHER ON A MEETING DAY IS THAT IF SCHOOL IS CANCELLED OR DELAYED, OUR MEETING IS postponed AND WILL BE HELD THE FOLLOWING SUNDAY AFTER CHURCH.**



Family Ties  
St. Patricks Day Bash



Middle School Youth  
Siegler's at Six Mile Lake



Really! Spring is almost here!



Children in the pews.



Vernon Anderson's 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday!



Pastor Lee

### Children's Sermon



Larry & Vicki Underhill

### Overheard in the Pews

A little boy ran back to his parents all excited after the childrens sermon for the day. He couldn't keep quiet, and kept tugging on his fathers sleeve. "Daddy, Daddy," he said. "I have a question for you." "Yes," the father answered, "but quietly, please ask it quietly." "Well," the little boy said; "you know, I really like that pastor and the stories that he tells us about Jesus. But, do you think that some people think that he is bad?" "Well, why would you say that?" Asked the father. "Well" .....

said the little boy....  
 "When we pray together, everyone always says..., But, Lee Liverance us from Evil"!

( We love you Pastor Lee! )



David Huckstep

Thanks Everyone, and Much Appreciation to all of those who have helped with Zion's Ministry

## Happy Easter Everyone

Here comes Metro Mouse today.  
Hopping down Metropolitan  
way, Hippity- Hoppity,  
Metro's on his way. Bringing  
every girl and boy,  
Stories full of Blessed Joy.  
Hippity-Hoppity, Happy Easter  
Day.

### **Just a note:**

Mice can hop too!  
Don't forget to share with your  
friends the story about how Jesus  
died on the cross, and shed His  
Blood for you, so that your  
sins would be forgiven. Be happy  
this Easter Sunday, and be  
thankful that God sent you His  
son Jesus. Everyone of His  
children should be happy and  
celebrating ..... His  
ressurrection and your life in  
Christ!!

La la lalala ... ....Hippity  
Hoppity,  
Happy Easter Day!  
Metro Mouse

### **\*\*Chuckle Corner\*\***

***The local pastor taught a class of young children and decided to see how well they had paid attention. He asked three of the boys what they remembered of the story of the crucifixion. The first boy said, "Well, the cross was heavy and a man had to help." The second boy said, "It got dark and then it thundered." The third boy said, Well, He came out the third day, saw His shadow and went back in, and they had six more weeks of winter."***

***Want to share a cute story? Call Tana Nord***

## Easter Sunday Flowers

**ANYONE WISHING TO DONATE FLOWERS TO BEAUTIFY THE SANCTUARY FOR EASTER SHOULD CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE BY ?**

**(CHECK WITH MARY JANE). BE SURE TO LET IT BE KNOWN IF THEY ARE IN HONOR OR MEMORY OF SOMEONE. FLOWERS SHOULD NOT BE BROUGHT TO CHURCH BEFORE FRIDAY, APRIL 22. PLEASE PUT THEM ON THE TABLE IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM. THANK YOU.**



### **- The Men's Prayer**

**Breakfast** is a gathering of Men from Zion as well as other area congregations who come together each month for fellowship, prayer, and a short devotion. This month they will meet on **Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup>** at the **Nordic Trading Post**.

**A welcome is extended to all interested community men.**

**Zion Lutheran Church Website** Zion now has a website you can visit to find out more about what is happening at our church and in our area. Find the newsletter in color, events, assigned duties, committee information and activities for the year as well as a current calendar. These are just some of the features offered. Please take the time to visit this site and if you have any pictures, postings, ideas or suggestions, please contact: **Tina Anderson** at **906-246-3657**, or send an email to her at **[tinart@alphacomm.net](mailto:tinart@alphacomm.net)**

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**“Evan Hugging His Quilt”**



**Vicki, Renee, Eric, Even and Mark Wickman**

Thanks to all of the women of our community who join Zion's quilters as they work to complete their next set of projects. "God Bless All of You" for your time and efforts.

**Notice to all of Zion's Committees and  
Organizations**

Please let us know what is happening at Zion by sending in your meeting dates and a summary of your minutes, plans, achievements, and discussions. Announcements are always welcome. Pictures of activities are encouraged and are best submitted by sending an email to the editor. Please be aware of the submission deadline for items to be published into the next month's newsletter.

Thank you.

**Can we send an email copy to you?**

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**From the Editor**

Thank you for your contributions to the newsletter by sending in your articles, pictures, news & reports. This paper would not be possible without the help of so many willing participants. Your time and work is very much appreciated, and may God Bless all of you. Also....Just as a reminder:...Please submit all of your information by forwarding it to me at **deb-dixon@alphacomm.net**, by placing it in the box on the wall in the church conference room or by turning it in to Zion's Church Secretary **Mary Jane Bloom**. All submissions for the newsletter should reach me by the **Wednesday following the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month** in order to allow time for publication and mailing. Please keep this mailing ministry in your prayers and pray also for those who receive it.

Thank you, Deb Dixon

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Metropolitan Hall  
Welcome to  
Encouragement Link's  
Coffeehouse Ministry.**

**Regular hours are Thursday, Friday,  
& Saturday Evenings from 6-10 PM  
and Saturday Mornings 6-10 AM.**

**In addition to coffee, we serve tea,  
specialty coffee drinks, smoothies,  
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items, ice cream, and sodas. There  
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