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Newsletter

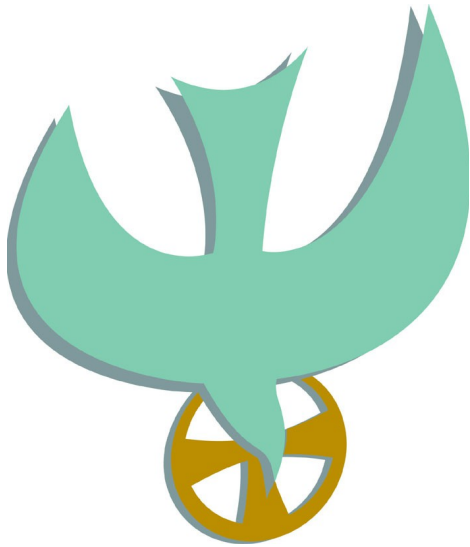
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“A Moment with the Pastor”

---- Start Digging ----

Job 28 vs. 1-4; 12-15; 20-23.

(1) “Surely there is a mine for silver, and a place for gold to be refined. (2) Iron is taken out of the earth, and copper is smelted from ore. (3) Miners put an end to darkness and search out to the farthest bound the ore in gloom and deep darkness. (4) They open shafts in a valley away from human habitation; they are forgotten by travelers, they sway suspended, remote from people.”

(12) “But where shall wisdom be found? And where is the place of understanding? (13) Mortals do not know the way to it, and it is not found in the land of the living. (14) The deep says, 'It is not in me,' and the sea says, 'It is not with me.' (15) It cannot be gotten for gold, and silver cannot be weighed out as its price.”

(20) “Where then does wisdom come from? And where is the place of understanding? (21) It is hidden from the eyes of all living, and concealed from the birds of the air. (22) Abaddon and Death say, 'We have heard a rumor of it with our ears.' (23) “God understands the way to it, and he knows its place.”

Everything of value must be pursued – you may have to do some “blasting” too!

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Zion Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes - January 8, 2020

a. Open with Prayer

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Council President, Mike Thyssen. The meeting opened with a prayer by Pastor Lees.

Council members present: Walter Strebe, Esther Schmidt, Mike Thyssen, Cindy Levezow, Matt Buchholz, Jake Ferg and Betty Piotter.

Absent: none

Also present: Pastor and Allyce Lees, Bill Piotter, Faye Wohlrabe, Brenda Thyssen, Jesse Knudsen, Dan Froding, and Nancy Rasmussen.

b. Approve Agenda

A Motion was made by Esther to approve the agenda. The Motion was seconded by Walter. Motion carried.

c. Secretary’s Report

A Motion was made by Walter to approve the Secretary’s Report. The Motion was seconded by Cindy. Motion carried.

d. Open Forum

Jesse Knudsen read a letter of resignation written by Donna Knudsen. Anyone interested in filling the position of church secretary should apply. Please see Mike Thyssen with questions.

Walter Strebe would like a letter sent to all members of Zion regarding Easter and Christmas Services. Allyce Lees is working on some adjustments to improve communication.

- a. Opportunity and announcement board to post events and volunteer opportunities.
- b. Combining committees of ZWIC and Worship-this would be congregational. All members are welcome. It could be held after the service the 1st Sunday of each month-more to come on this.
- c. She also presented two constitution amendments for input and review. The amendments under consideration would refer to membership on voting and ratification of amendments. Discussions were held on each item. They will continue to be discussed further.

e. Pastor's Report

Pastor Lees reported he feels confident that Zion is moving in the right direction.

f. Old Business

- a. Cancellation- As decided last month, any cancellations due to weather will be reported on the local news stations and WDUX.
- b. Any Other Old Business-none.

g. New Business

- New Members-A Motion was made by Jake to accept Jeff Jolitz and Dan Pomeroy as new members. Motion seconded by Walter. Motion carried. Welcome to Zion Jeff and Dan!
- Adult confirmation-Adults joining Zion that were not baptized in the Lutheran faith will need to attend Adult Confirmation class(es) with Pastor Lees.
- Any Other New Business-none

h. Committee Reports

a. Scrip- There is \$283.27 in the account. Faye sold 14 cards in December. She is holding 2 cards valued at \$200.00 for a total of \$483.27.

b. Building and Grounds:-Bill will get pricing for a wood door to replace the glass door on the North side of the building. Insulation will need to be put on the outside wall to stop the condensation.

i. Treasurers Report

The renter did not want to be reimbursed for his labor in putting the new doors on the parsonage. He asked instead to have another door and two windows which he also installed himself. Faye will check on getting \$300.00 in Chamber Bucks to thank him for his labor. There was \$250.00 in Mission Funds designated from the 2019 Budget to be giving to a local charity to be determined by the council. A Motion was made by Esther to donate the funds to the Freedom Memorial Park. Motion seconded by Betty. Motion carried. A motion was made by Betty to accept the Treasurer's Report. The Motion was seconded by Matt. Motion carried.

j. Adjourn With The Lord's Prayer

A Motion was made by Betty to adjourn the meeting. The Motion was seconded by Cindy. Motion carried. The meeting closed with a prayer. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

The next meeting date is February 5th @ 6:30PM. All members of Zion are welcome to attend.

Minutes submitted by: Betty Piotter, Secretary

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ZWIC MEETING - January 26, 2020

Meeting was called to order by Vice-President Faye Wohlrabe.

Secretary's Report by Brenda

Treasure's Report. Faye did the treasurers report

Old Business:

Cheryl Severson has taken over the Sunshine role. We will update monthly.

Women of the Word Convention April 24-25. Register by March 15th

Community rummage Sale will be June 6, 2020. Sunday School will also be involved as last year.

We talked about bake sale and food stand.

New Business:

Liz nominated Betty Piotter for our ZWIC President. Seconded by Faye Wohlrabe.

Faye will stay Vice-President. Brenda will stay secretary.

Betty Piotter nominated Elizabeth Strebe for treasurer. Seconded by ?

We discussed Mother's Day idea. The men are in charge. All we need to do is give them a budget.

Date to be determined.

Motion made by Betty and seconded by Elizabeth to adjourn with The Lord's Prayer.

Next meeting is February 16, 2020.

Respectively submitted Brenda Thyssen

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WORSHIP COMMITTEE - January 22, 2020

We started with a Prayer from Pastor Tedd.

We wrote a mission statement since we are a new committee.

We are serving together to enhance and support our congregations worship service.

We discussed combining with ZWIC. It was decided to stay separate.

List of duties for our committee:

- c. Pick hymns
- d. Help plan Mission Sundays
- e. Help plan special services
- f. Work with church council and Pastor as needed
- g. Make welcome packet for new members

Carol will pick hymns for February. We will pick hymns at February meeting for March, April and May. Bring your list you would like to sing.

Mission Sundays will be quarterly. March 15, 2020 will be our first. Allyce will be our speaker on Compassion for Africa.

Praise Sunday will be every other month. Starting February 9, 2020. Do your research on new hymnal or tv screen. Bring your opinions yes or no to the next council meeting.

The Sunday School children will be singing at our Mother's Day service.

Our next meeting is February 19, 2020 at 6:30.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

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Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Donna Knudsen, Allen (Butch) Wegener, Forest Kreklow, Brenda Thyssen, Jana Peterson (relative to several members), Todd Klemm (son of Bill & Harriett Klemm), Cory Anderson (brother to Terry Levezow), Gail Haag (friend of Donna), Ken Niemuth, Tracie Carrick, (daughter of Elaine Zuge), Dale Marcott, Betty Ball, Renee Graichen, (sister to Darla Graichen), Eileen Mittelstaedt, Danielle Davis, (daughter of Dan Froding), Pastor Tom Theama, Tom Sajdak and Dennis Piotter, (nephew & brother of Bill Piotter).



CHURCH HELPERS FOR FEBRUARY, 2020

Readers:

February 2: Allyce Lees
February 9: Diane Beyer
February 16: Elaine Zuge
February 23: Faye Wohlrabe

Organist:

February 2: Carol Brown
February 9: Carol Brown
February 16: Carol Brown
February 23: Carol Brown

Greeters:

February 2: Mike & Brenda Thyssen
February 9: Bill & Betty Piotter
February 16: Elaine Zuge
February 23: Peggy Dallman

Money Counters:

Mike & Brenda Thyssen

Altar Guild:

Mike Thyssen

Ushers:

February 2: Mike & Brenda Thyssen
February 9: Bill & Betty Piotter
February 16: Sheila Luedtke
February 23: Mike Thyssen & Rick Thyssen

A sincere thank you to all of our volunteer church workers!



Sunday School News

Hello Everyone!

January has kicked off in a fantastic way! The kids are so thrilled to be learning New Testament stories. They are so amazing and I love their enthusiasm. We have even had friends visiting our classes. It is so exciting to share with them. We are looking forward to this new year with new ideas!

Holly Wohlrabe
Sunday School Superintendent

Date- Week #- (Number of Students Attended) Lesson Learned by Classes
January 5th 2020- Week Eighteen (9 Students) Ten Commandment Review
January 12th 2020- Week Nineteen (11 Students) Escape to Egypt
January 19th 2020- Week Twenty (14 Students) His Name Is John
January 26th - Week Twenty One (14 Students) John Baptizes Jesus

If you have any questions about any upcoming events – please feel free to contact me!
Holly (920) 538-0842 hollynn26@gmail.com



Church & Area Happenings

READERS, GREETERS, USHERS

A sign-up sheet will be passed around during worship services to sign up for these volunteer opportunities, or sign-up sheets will be located in the church entryway. If you are signed up to read, please pick up the 2019-2020 church year liturgical schedule readings from the church office. This schedule contains the scripture for each Sunday of the church year (December 1, 2019 through November 30, 2020).

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

We are in need of volunteers for the Altar Committee and the Money Counting Committee. Please leave your name and contact information in the church office if you can serve on either or both of these Committees. **THANK YOU!!!**

BLOOD DRIVE

Manawa Community Blood Drive, Mobile Unit will be parked in front of the City Hall/Municipal Building on Monday, February 3 from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM. To schedule your appointment, go to www.save3lives.org. Location code is WA20. Or, you may call the Community Blood Center at 800-280-4102. Blood drive sponsored by Manawa Chamber of Commerce.

HELP FOR THE HOMELESS HYGIENE DRIVE

The 2020 Help for the Homeless hygiene drive sponsored by "The Family" (107.3 FM) radio station will be held February 16 – March 8. Our church will have a drop box for donations.

The MOST NEEDED ITEMS INCLUDE: Laundry Soap, Dish Soap, Trash Bags-all sizes, Floor Cleaner, Toilet Tissue, Paper Towels, Feminine Care Products, Diapers, Pull-ups, Wipes, Shampoo, Soft Soap, Deodorant, Razors, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste.

6th ANNUAL COMMUNITY DINNER & COUNTRY SHOW

The Annual Dinner and Country Show featuring Spitfire Rodeo and Maggie Marie and High Lonesome Country Band will be held on February 15, 2020 at the Manawa Masonic Center. Please call Tammy at (715) 281-4312 for tickets. \$35.00 per person, reserve seating only.

THANK YOU DONNA KNUDSEN

God truly blessed Zion throughout the last 12 years with a faithful and devoted church secretary. Thank you Donna for your many years of service to God and to Zion. You have touched many hearts with your love and welcoming spirit. May God continue to bless you and your family.

THE SPRINGS – Wellness at Bethany

Bethany would like to offer the members of Zion in Manawa (a congregate church) a FREE month trial to their wellness center "The Springs". Call Bethany at (715) 942-1426 to schedule your free month trial. A brochure about The Springs is posted on the bulletin board in the church entryway.

FEBRUARY 26, 2020

Lenten Services will be held at 6:30 PM beginning with the Ash Wednesday Service on February 26, 2020 and each Wednesday until Holy Week.

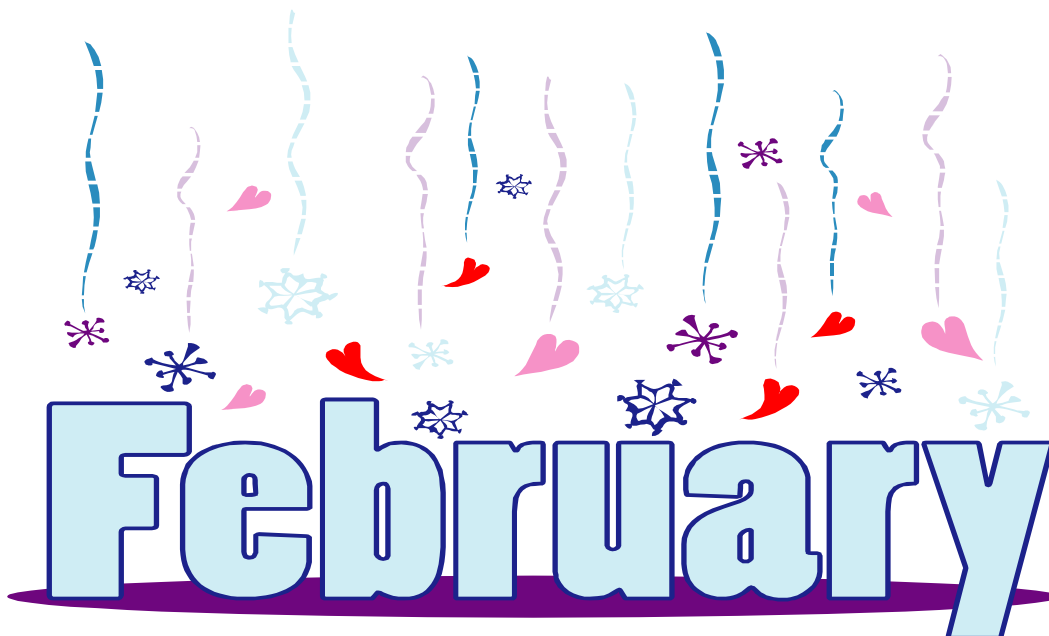
"Silent Witnesses" will be the theme for the Wednesday Lenten services.



JANUARY FINANCIAL REPORT

Zion Lutheran Books, January, 2020 – Bills

	<u>Bills</u>	<u>Deposit</u>	<u>Balance</u>
1/01 balance forward			\$7688.75
1/01 Otis	\$793.50		
1/01 Telephone	\$102.45		
1/01 ch cd	\$ 83.42		
1/03 Lucy	\$ 1.00		
1/04 Water bill	\$ 94.96		
1/4 Bill Piotter	\$155.00		\$6438.42
1/5 Offering		\$810.00	
1/6 Lucy	\$523.45		
1/6 Carol Browb	\$242.50(SSMC\$18.55)		
1/6 Kay Suehs	\$ 48.50(SSMC\$3.71)		
1/6 Secretary	\$455.00(SSMC\$34.81)		
1/6 Janitor	\$242.50(SSMC\$18,55)		
!/6 Tresurer	\$160.35(SSMC\$12.20)		
1/8 Garbage	\$ 45.00		
1/8 Quart. Taxes	\$ 590.36		\$5028.65
1/10 Walmart	\$ 19.20		
1/11 Freedom Park	\$ 250.00		
1/12 Offering		\$1114.00	
1/12 Pastor Tedd	\$ 769.24		
1/15 Alliant	\$ 851.13		
1/19 Offering		\$ 940.00	
1/20 Furnace repair	\$437.95		
1/26 Pastor Tedd	\$769.24		
1/26 Offering		\$1470.000	\$5455.89



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Tidings from Zion



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