

Zion Weekly News

Luke 23:43

“He replied, “Truly I tell you,
today you will be with me in
paradise”

November 20, 2022—23rd Sunday after Pentecost



ZION

Lutheran Church

Serving Christ by Sharing God's Love

A Warm Welcome to Zion!

*No matter where you are on your spiritual journey,
you are welcome in our faith community.*

Join us for coffee and treats Sundays after worship—in the Fellowship Hall behind the Sanctuary.

Check out the Welcome Center in the lobby, our website

ziongr.org, scan the QR codes
or call for more information 326-8553.

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Zion Guest Wi-Fi 2.4 or 2.5—password is
zionguest.

New Email for Bulletin information:

Send information and messages to office@ziongr.org

Deadline for entries—Thursdays by 11 am

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America—elca.org



Zion Office Hours: Monday-Thursday: 9-4:30 pm; Friday: 9-12 pm

Order of Worship

Sunday—9:30am

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

- * Invocation, Confession & Forgiveness, p. 94
- * Gathering Hymn #855—*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

stz. 1: All

stz. 2: High voices

stz. 3: All

stz. 4: Low voices

stz. 5: All

- * Apostolic Greeting
- * ELW #167—*Now the Feast and Celebration*

Prayer of the Day

Scripture—Jeremiah 23:1-6

Children's Message/Noisy Offering

- * Gospel Acclamation #174—*Celtic Alleluia*

* Gospel Reading—Luke 23:33-43

Sermon—Pastor Ben Buchanan

- * Hymn of the Day #838—*Beautiful Savior*

* Prayers of Intercession

Offering Anthem—*Crown Him Lord of All* (Senior Choir, Amanda Wirta—violin, Cathy Shields—piano)

- * Offertory #879—*For the Beauty of the Earth*, stz. 5

* Offertory Prayer

* Great Thanksgiving/Preface, p. 144

* *Holy, Holy*, p. 144

* Words of Institution

* Lord's Prayer, p. 145

Lamb of God p. 146; *Here I Am Lord* (Amanda Wirta—violin); Hymn #461—*All Who Hunger Gather Gladly*

* Table Blessing

* Post Communion Prayer

* Benediction

* Sending Hymn #439—*Soon and Very Soon*

* Dismissal

Postlude

Wed—6:00 pm

Gathering Songs

Welcome and Announcements

- * Invocation, Confession & Forgiveness, p. 94
- * Gathering Song #693—*Come Ye Faithful People Come*, stz. 1-3

* Apostolic Greeting

Prayer of the Day

Scripture—Jeremiah 23:1-6

Children's Message/Noisy Offering

- * Gospel Acclamation #174—*Celtic Alleluia*

* Gospel Reading—Luke 23:33-43

Sermon—Pastor Ben Buchanan

- * Hymn of the Day #461—*All Who Hunger Gather Gladly*

* Prayers of Intercession

Offering Anthem—*Give Thanks* (Worship Too)

- * Offertory #879—*For the Beauty of the Earth*, stz. 5

* Offertory Prayer

* Words of Institution

* Lord's Prayer, p. 145

Hymn #433—*Blessing, Honor and Glory; God of the Harvest* (Worship Too)

* Table Blessing

* Post Communion Prayer

* Benediction

* Sending Hymn #839—*Now Thank We All Our God*

* Dismissal

* *Please stand as able*

Join us for Advent Worship Worship in Person or Online

9:30 am Sundays—Traditional
6:00 pm Wednesdays—Holden Evening Prayer

Communion 1st & 3rd Sundays and Wednesdays following

**Sunday and Wednesday YouTube Live Stream or View
Later**

Zmail link (sign up ziongr.org) or [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com). Offering: ziongr.org/donate or mail.

Worship Reflection Questions

Luke 23:33-43

- What did it mean for Jesus to be called Messiah? A King? The King of the Jews?
- What were the peoples' expectations for Jesus as their king?
- What kind of kingdom did Jesus bring?
- What does it mean for Jesus to be your Messiah/King?

GRACE HOUSE



Zion's Giving Tree for November Grace House

November is National Hunger and Homeless Awareness Month.
In kind donation ideas in support of Grace House
can be found on Zion's Giving Tree.

There will also be a training session for Grace House volunteers on
Sunday, November 27th at 10:30 in room 121.

Different nonprofit/ELCA opportunities highlighted monthly—Social Ministry



Shovels are placed by each door for light snow removal for anyone entering that is able to help when the custodian is not available. The custodian will use a snow blower for heavier snowfalls.

YOUTH STUFF

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

PreK-4th grade: Sonshine School (Meet Krista in Fellowship Hall following service for donuts and juice.)

Zion Youth Program



Please Note: No Youth activities November 23

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30

Christmas Program Practice 5-6 pm Youth Room

5th-6th grade: FFYG 7-8:00 pm room 123

7th-8th grade: Confirmation 7-8:00 pm

HS Youth Group: 7-8:00 pm

Peer Ministry: 8-9:00 pm

UPCOMING YOUTH SPECIAL EVENTS

Zion Youth Christmas Program

All youth are encouraged to participate.
Speaking part rehearsals Nov. 30, Dec 7
(singing rehearsals Nov. 30 and Dec. 7.)
All rehearsals are 5-6 pm. Dinner included.

Program performances on Dec. 11 and 14 during worship.
Please contact Jim or Krista for more information



Gift Wrapping Youth Mission Fund Raiser

Do you have gifts you don't want to wrap? Drop off your Christmas gifts anytime Monday-Thursday, 9 am-3 pm, starting November 21 through Friday, December 15. Securely attach your name and contact information to your gifts. The gifts will be locked in a secure location. The youth will wrap them and call you when they are ready. All gifts will be wrapped by Saturday, December 17 at 3 pm.

FREE WILL DONATION

Parents Day Out

Zion families and their friends are invited to drop their children off at the Zion gym anytime between 11:00 am-3:00 pm on Saturday, December 17. The Senior High and Congregational Life are teaming up to bring holiday fun to the kids while the parents have time to relax, have a date, or maybe finish up that last minute shopping.



Circles: Martha Circle will meet Wednesday December 14 at 9:30 am at Zion Fellowship Hall. Rebecca Circle will meet Thursday December 8 at 6:30 pm, at Amanda Wirta's home. Come and join us for fellowship and Bible Study. Contact Liz 328-4492 or Peggy 360-2420 for info.

WELCA Board Meeting: Wednesday, December 14, 8:00 am (CR)

Advent Begins Nov. 27

We are looking for families interested in lighting Advent candles and reading a short prayer during Sunday worship Nov. 27, Dec. 4, 11 and 18. Contact Krista at cyf@ziongr.org or 218-326-8553.



Please join us Wednesday evenings starting November 30 for Holden Evening Prayer. If you are interested in sharing your faith story during a Wednesday Advent service, please contact Pastor Ben.



Please join us after Wednesday Evening Holden Prayer Service on November 30 as we begin decorating for Christmas.

Holiday Mail for Heroes



Help us send a "touch of home" to members of our U.S. Military. All you need is a card to share your appreciation to our service men. Place it in the box marked Holiday Mail by Nov. 27th. Questions? Call Leslee Ringdahl at 326-3991.

Christmas Poinsettias and ELCA World Hunger Donations



Help decorate our sanctuary or donate to World Hunger in honor or memory of loved ones. Order forms are located at the Welcome Center. Both acknowledged in the Christmas bulletin. We ordered 40 poinsettias—\$12 each. Deadline Wed., Dec. 14

Worship Volunteers

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Can you help us out?

To fill OPEN spots or get signup emails, contact office@ziongr.org or 326-8553.

TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

Sun. 9:30	November 20	November 27
Ushers	Rhonda Munger	OPEN
Reader	Michele Smith	OPEN
A/V Booth	Gordon Winkler	Gordon Winkler
Coffee Crew	OPEN	OPEN
Communion	Pamey Casio, Ann Godfrey, Martie Jacobson, Sandy Sampson	
Children's Message	Paula Ross	OPEN

Communion 1st & 3rd Sunday and Wednesday following.



Bible Study on the Book of Revelation Monday mornings at 10:00am in room 121. All are welcome, no prep needed. Bring your cup of coffee and join us.

Zion's Open Closet Thursdays 12-5pm

Free Clothing for Our Neighbors in Need

Zion's Open Closet is now accepting all donations of clothing. They are especially in need of bedding and towels.



Our Sympathy...

to the family of Gerri Lewin who passed away Monday, November 14, 2022. The funeral will be held November 20, 2022, at 2:00 pm at Zion.



E-Giving @ Zion



*One-time or recurring...
change yourself without a form*

- **Vanco Faith App**—Download from the App Store on your devices your devices.
- **Online**— ziongr.org/donate
- **Text**—Text the amount, ex. “40” to (218) 935-6112

Switching from envelopes? Notify us to take you off the envelope list.

Changing from Simply Giving? Fill out form (website “Donate” page or at Welcome Ctr.), sign and return to office to stop the bank draft first.

Interested in Joining Zion?

Simply fill out a [new member form](#) any time to join and then have a short orientation with Pastor Ben. See “New to Zion?” info flyer at the Welcome Center or on the [website](#). Questions? 218-326-8553.

Zion Finance Update—October 2022

Thanks so much for your continued support!

Monthly Summary

Account	Budgeted Need	Received	Expense	Actual Variance
General Fund	\$41,875	\$39,779	\$44,060	-\$4,281
Building Fund	\$6,862	\$5,623	\$6,862	-\$1,239
Renewing Zion	\$4,170	\$2,203		-\$1,967
Mission Support (ELCA)	\$3,978	\$1,178		-\$2,800

Year-to-Date Summary

General Fund	\$418,750	\$368,867	\$372,475	-\$3,608
Building Fund	\$68,620	\$57,524	\$68,620	-\$11,096
Ren. Zion (Current Bal)	\$36,721	\$4,143		-\$32,578
Mission Support (ELCA)	\$36,887	\$12,980		-\$23,907

Debt

Account	Balance
ELCA Mission Investment Fund (MIF) Loan	\$1,216,378
Honeywell Loans—New Boiler/Water Heater/AC	\$243,731

Zion's Weekly Calendar

Sun. November 20

9:30 am Worship, Livestream (S)
10:30-11:30 Sunday School (FH)

Wed., Nov. 23

6:00 pm Worship & Live Stream (S)

Mon. November 21

10-11:00 am Bible Study (121)
1:30-3:30 pm Staff Meeting (CR)

Sun. Nov 27

9:30 am Worship & Livestream (S)

Tues. November 22

4-6:00 pm Men's Woodcarving (BR)
5:30-6:30 Worship Too! (S)

*Room Key: S=Sanctuary, CH=Chapel, CLC=Christian Life Center/Gym, K=CLC Kitchen,
L=Library, FH=Fellowship Hall, MR= Music Room, YR=Youth Room, N=Narthex/Lobby,
CR=Office Conference Room, LR=Living Room, BR=CLC Ball Room*

Zion Woodcarvers—Tuesdays, 4-6pm—CLC Ball Rm.

We have tools/materials for beginners and accept advice from experts.

Zion Men at Food Bank

**2nd Tues. & 3rd Thurs.—8:30-11am
Second Harvest**



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nemnsynod.org; [facebook.com/groups/639171292861658](https://www.facebook.com/groups/639171292861658)

EcoFaith: nemnsynod.org/ecofaith.html

Mental Health: nemnsynod.org/mental-health-resources.html

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