

# Zion Lutheran Church

# October 2022 Newsletter



Later this month we celebrate the anniversary of Martin Luther posting the 95 Theses on the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg. This is marked by many as a good day to remember the beginnings of the Reformation. A major theme of the Reformers, and what for many became a motto of the efforts that included writing works of confession, standing boldly in the face of opposition, and, at times, war and loss of life, was this: "The Word of the Lord Endures Forever." VDMA were the first letters in the main words of the Latin of this phrase, and was worn on many a uniform of the soldiers who fought for their faith.

The Word of God is that by which we live and move and have our being. But there are a lot of movers and shakers in our world that would cause us to think that other things are more important. Harvest is coming up for many very, very soon. This moves schedules and brings long hours of work to be done all in a flurry of weeks. It shapes our lives even if we aren't those who work the ground and raise crops: it's directly connected to how we get food on our table and feed our families.

School activities are at full steam. There are games to watch; projects to work on; and homework to get finished before the morning comes. Fall brings leaves to be raked and gardens to tend to in preparation for the winter. All of these can be good, and even necessary things in our day to day lives, but, as Christians, we remember that the Word of the Lord endures forever.

It has been said, "You can't take it with you." This is certainly true as we consider that truck you like to drive around; that house that you invested your blood, sweat, and tears into; that heirloom quilt you inherited from your grandmother: all of it will rot, rust, be stolen, lost, or, in the end, when you die, be left behind for someone else to have for a short time.

There is something you can take with you, however, and it's related to the Word of the Lord enduring forever. The gift of friends and family, blessed with the Word of God, is a gift from God that you can take with you. Teach your children the Word of God and get them baptized as soon as you are able. You get to bring them along. Friends and neighbors whom God has granted you in this life, with whom you've gone out to dinner with or share conversations across the fence, who you have treasured the time spent together, you are able to bring along with you in the life to come as you share the Word of Christ with them and the promise of eternal life as you have opportunity.

The reality that all our physical possessions are transitory reorients our priorities. VDMA - all else will pass away.

Be in the Word. Take care of your house; tend to your work; change your children's diapers; but more importantly, remember these things are not long for this world. Pray for your children, grandchildren, friends, and neighbors, remembering that the *Word of the Lord endures forever*. This was the theme of the Reformation and should be the theme of the lives of every Saint of God. Life is fleeting, but Christ's atoning death has redeemed the whole creation, and it makes for you and eternal inheritance that will never be taken away. May this bring you peace this Fall in this fallen world.

Your servant in Christ,  
Pr. Siebert

## *Sunday Morning Bible Study*



### ***Gift to Zion Classical Academy***

This beautiful statue is a gift presented to Zion Classical Academy from Pastor Lon Landsmann. His wife, Deb Landsman, was one of the staff members of Zion Lutheran School for a number of years. Pastor said this was one of Deb's favorite works of art. The next time you are on Zion's campus, walk by the statue and take a few moments to remember Deb, as she shared the love of Jesus with so many of our students.



### **Lutheran Laymans League**

#### **Zone 8 Fall Rally**

The fall rally for LLL Zone 8 will be Sunday, October 9, 2022 at St. Paul Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall in Minden, Ne. Registration begins at 5:00 with the meal being served at 6:00. Registration fee is \$10.00. Guest speaker is Gary Wiecks of Orphan Grain Train. Please RSVP by Sunday, October 2. Contact Chris Birkestrand at 308-830-2227





## LWML –Lutheran Women’s Missionary League

October 2, 2022 is LWML Sunday.

*Mission Statement: As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.*

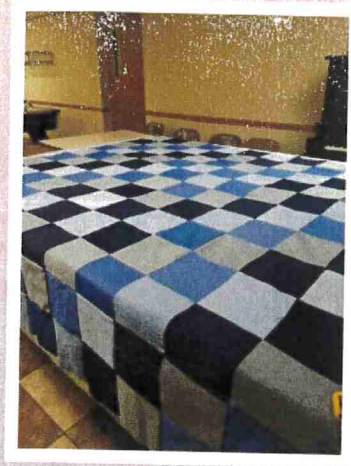
“Muffins for MITES” will be available to purchase before and after church services on Saturday October 1 and Sunday October 2 and during Bible Study on Sunday. All money collected goes towards our Mission Grants.

LWML Zion Hastings is a group that meets usually the first Saturday of every month. At 9:00 AM we have a snack and then about 9:10 we have a short meeting to discuss what’s happening and collect our mites for missions. At 9:30 we then assemble for a Bible Study, led by Pastor Siebert. Here at Zion, our missions are financial support for a seminary student, church projects (such as the parking lot improvements, church lighting project), Zion’s orphanage in Kingisepp, Russia, Orphan Grain Train, and Hearts and Hands. We also assist with church events, such as organizing pot lucks and serving meals for funerals. Collecting donations for the Hastings Food Pantry will be our December project. Please see one of the officers if you are interested in joining our group. Guests are always welcome whether at 9:00 for refreshments and business meeting or at 9:30 for the Bible Study.

Four Ladies from Zion attended the 2022 LWML Nebraska South District Convention September 16-17 in Kearney, with 309 women, pastors and vendors registered. The theme was Joyful Hearts Moving Forward Celebrating 80 years. Our ingathering was hygiene kits for Orphan Grain Train. Zion’s group assembled and donated 12 kits. Offerings gathered during the event was over \$9,000.00

About a year ago, the sewing group from Peace Lutheran Church asked us if we wanted to join forces and help them with their sewing projects. Their cupboards were stuffed full at the time with material for quilts. The rest is history, as the saying goes. Ladies from Zion and Peace meet monthly, usually on the second Monday of every month, from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM and alternate meeting location each month. This month (October) we will be meeting at Zion. We have from 4 to 12 ladies show up for quilt tying. This is open to all women, not just members of LWML. Some stay for a couple of hours and some all day. You will need to bring your own lunch. Since January we have tied 219 quilts! We are in need of material at least 4 yards in length, flat sheets for the quilt backs, fitted sheets, sheets with small holes or stained can be used for the inside of the quilts. We also need small spools of white thread. If you have extras of any of these items, they can be left at the back of the church by the plastic bags. It is a wonderful time for fellowship with a purpose.

Other items the Zion group has sent to OGT are: 62 book bags, made of light weight denim or similar material; 81 pillowcase dresses, made from pillowcases or 1 yard of pretty fabric a young girl might like; 321 cloth diapers made of flannel or light weight hospital blankets; 20 plastic mats crocheted out of plastic grocery bags. There is a display in the back of the church for your viewing.





### October Birthdays

Allix Joseph	Oct 1
Brianna Kalvoda	Oct 1
Carol Haase	Oct 3
Shane Aflague	Oct 5
Jarilyn Lyons	Oct 5
Michael Mankin	Oct 5
Austin Miller	Oct 5
Brandon Brown	Oct 6
Doyle Krueger	Oct 6
Marlene Penas	Oct 6
Joshua McCoy	Oct 8
Ashton Alloway	Oct 9
Rhonda Voboril	Oct 9
Noah Kusters	Oct 10
Brenda Hinrichs	Oct 11
Lynn Laaker	Oct 11
Shari Rayburn	Oct 11
Ronda Roseman	Oct 12
Kevin Douglas	Oct 13
Tyson Klinger	Oct 14
Jessi McGrath	Oct 14
David Wallin	Oct 14
Steve Goodrich	Oct 19
Ian Brown	Oct 20
Dan Rayburn	Oct 21
Ashley Valentine	Oct 21
Gwen Davidson	Oct 22
Rojeana Ryan	Oct 22
Chanea Aflague	Oct 24
Vicki Buss	Oct 24
John Ray	Oct 26
Wesley Svoboda	Oct 26
Konnie Lofing	Oct 30
Andy Riales	Oct 30

### October Baptism Birthdays

Adalynn Hinrichs	Oct 1
Jayden Valentine	Oct 1
Caitlyn Schumm	Oct 3
Steven Lyons	Oct 7
Virginia Schamens	Oct 8
Aiden Robinson	Oct 10
Tammie Alloway	Oct 11
Rogene Koepke	Oct 15
Lori Niederklein	Oct 15
Morgan Riales	Oct 16
Anna Lyons	Oct 17
Owen Brown	Oct 18
Brenlea Faimon	Oct 19
Cayah Lambert	Oct 19
Charlotte Lambert	Oct 19
Garrett Halbmaier	Oct 20
Trevor Halbmaier	Oct 20
Carol Haase	Oct 21
Doyle Krueger	Oct 21
Madison Thiessen	Oct 22
Kevin Kopisch	Oct 25
Marlene Penas	Oct 26
Karyssa Standeven	Oct 27
Leandra Gandert	Oct 29
Kathi Post	Oct 29
Noah Kusters	Oct 30
Konnie Lofing	Oct 31
Butch Lyons	
Ken Marble	
Joe Stine	



### October Wedding Anniversaries

Jerry and Renae Hull	Oct 1, 1988
Joe and Sarah Stine	Oct 4, 1980
Larry and Kay Struss	Oct 8, 1967

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study Breakfast 9:00 AM LWML 6:00 PM Worship Service with Communion
2 9:00 AM Worship Service with Communion 10:15 AM Sunday School and Bible Class	3	4	5 9:30 Worship Committee Meeting 6:00-7:00 King's Kids	6 7:00 Elders Meeting	7	8 6:00 PM Worship Service
9 9:00 AM Worship Service 10:15 AM Sunday School and Bible Class	10 10:00-3:00 Quilt Tying at Zion Lutheran Church	11	12 8:30 AM ZCA Chapel with Pastor Doug Gaunt 6:00-7:00 King's Kids	13	14	15 6:00 PM Worship Service with Communion
16 9:00 AM Worship Service with Communion 10:15 AM Sunday School and Bible Class	17	18 7:00 Executive Board Meeting	19 8:30 AM ZCA Chapel with Pastor Joshua Davis 9:30 AM Worship Committee 6:00-7:00 King's Kids	20	21	22 6:00 PM Worship Service
23 9:00 AM Worship Service 10:15 AM Sunday School and Bible Class	24	25	26 8:30 AM ZCA Chapel with Pastor Ben Siebert 6:00-7:00 King's Kids	27	28	29 6:00 PM Worship Service with Communion
30 9:00 AM Worship with Communion 10:15 AM Sunday School and Bible Class	31 Reformation Day					