

ZION CALLS

January, 2010

Zion Lutheran Church

Worship Service and Sunday School 9:30 A.M.

"Growing in Faith to Share Christ's Love"

Zion Community Service Initiative

Presents:

Candlemas Celebration

Saturday, January 30, 4-
8pm



Latino Dinner for Seniors

Zion and Family Services are joining together to sponsor a Latino dinner for seniors to celebrate Candlemas (dia de la Candelaria), which in Mexico is "an old Christian festival that celebrates the birth of Jesus and the midpoint of winter which is halfway between the shortest day and the spring equinox." A traditional Latino dinner will be served (chicken fajitas, rice, beans) followed by entertainment.

ZION SENIORS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

Sign up on the poster in the narthex or call Julia Arbaugh (847-940-7264).

VOLUNTEERS are needed to:

- * drive Latino seniors from St. James Catholic Church in Highwood to Zion at 3:30 p.m.
- * drive Latino seniors from Zion back to St. James at 8:00 p.m.
- * bring drinks or desserts.

Please sign up on the poster in the narthex.

Annual Meeting of the Congregation

January 31, 2010 -10:30 AM

Be ready to present ideas, ask questions and discuss the future of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

SHARING OUR GIFTS

F.I.S.H. News 

Thank you to everyone who assisted with the Sunday School Christmas program. A special thank you to all who stopped by the craft and treat table. A total of \$407 will be donated to La Trinidad. Thank you all!

There are many exciting activities coming up for all ages of children to participate in at Zion.

Sunday January 3rd: 4th-8th graders will be attending service at La Trinidad. More details will be coming to participants via e-mail.

Sunday, January 10: By popular demand, we will again be having a tree burning following the 9:30 AM Epiphany service. We will be having hot chocolate and s'mores! Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend this event. **PLEASE** don't forget to drop off your tree before January 9!

Wednesday January 13th: 4th - 6th graders 6:00-7:00 service project activity. Please check upcoming e-mails for details.

Sunday January 17th: Pre-K to 3rd grade lessons will resume during the 9:30 service.

January 15 or 17: "Lock-in" activities for 7th-12th graders at Zion with CUMC youth will take place. Please check upcoming e-mails for details.

Sunday January 31st: PreK-6th graders will have a special "fun" activity to attend after service during the annual meeting. More details will be coming soon.

Zion Quilters Tuesdays 9 a.m. to 12:00 noon

We are sewing quilts for the Lydia project, which will go to a Russian Orphanage. We need people to sew, press, pin, layout quilts, etc. Please join us in the church basement on Tuesdays between 9 a.m. and noon.



CABLE SWEATSHIRT JACKET Anyone interested in sewing a Cable Sweatshirt Jacket come to Zion, January 5th, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Supplies to bring:

- * Sweatshirt, one size larger than you wear
- * 1 yard 45" contrast fabric, batik works well
- * thread to match sweatshirt and fabric

*portable sewing machine (if you have one)
The pattern for the applique will cost \$6 per jacket.

Preparations:

- * Wash sweatshirt and fabric before you come.
- * Stay stitch close to the ribbing before removing to prevent stretching.
- * Remove the ribbing from bottom of sweatshirt.
- * SAVE the ribbing from the bottom of the jacket. It can be used to make a collar for the jacket.

Questions? Call Janet Friedman (847-914-0514) or Julia Arbaugh (847-940-7264).

Trinidad

As we have in recent years, Zion members will bring “Gifts of the Magi” on Sunday, January 3 to La Trinidad, our sister congregation in Chicago. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex specifically marked for children of different ages. Please take a moment to look it over and see if you can make a difference in the life of an underprivileged child. Any questions can be directed to Sue Juhl.

ZCSI – Zion Community Service Initiative

ZCSI interviews in the community will continue to take place in December and early January. We still need volunteers to visit the community and interview our neighbors. For more information, contact Karl Arbaugh. During the January 31, 2010 Annual Meeting, ZCSI findings will be shared and we will make plans for ministry in the community

Public Action to Deliver Shelter (P.A.D.S)

The recent P.A.D.S. tower was a big “sock-cess!” We collected 423 pair of socks of all sizes and colors, and 4 pair of underwear! Thanks to all who generously donated to this worthy cause. Joan Fletcher was kind enough to deliver them to P.A.D.S. on a particularly snowy Sunday. We know they were thrilled to receive them now that the temperature has dropped and inclement weather is here.

Southeast Lake County Faith in Action

Robbie Boudreau Taking Over as SELCFIA Executive Director

With the coming of the new year, Southeast Lake County Faith in Action volunteers has a new executive director. Audrey Gordon, Ph.D., who was instrumental in developing the group and has led it since its inception in 2003, retired in mid-December, though – in keeping with the dedication characteristic of SELCFIA volunteers – she will remain active in training people to work with care recipients.

Our new executive director is Robbie Boudreau, who also serves as clerk of Deerfield Township. Robbie, a volunteer with SELCFIA for the last three years, will continue to work with her care recipient. Robbie started working with SELCFIA because she was looking for a way to get involved in outreach programs within Holy Cross Catholic Church, which is one of the its four sponsoring congregations. The others are Congregation B’nai Torah, Christ United Methodist Church and Zion Lutheran Church. Holy Cross pastoral associate MaryAnn Spina, a member of SELCFIA’s board, introduced her to FIA. “One of the things that impressed me the most was the interfaith aspect,” says Robbie. “I come from an interfaith family and credit my grandparents for always looking at what people have in common instead of what separates them.”

Adult Forum Update

Despite the earlier notice, the Wednesday noon fellowship will reconvene on January 13. The next book to be discussed is "Sorry I Worried You" by Gary Fincke. Due to the expense of new copies of this book on Amazon, forum members are urged to buy used copies on their own. See you on the 13th!

Metropolitan Chicago Synod

A request from Bishop Wayne Miller has gone out for a member of each congregation to serve as a Mission Interpreter in the Metropolitan Chicago Synod. **What is a Mission Interpreter?**

Mission interpreters, volunteers from congregations in each synod of the ELCA, tell the story of how our offerings and gifts are transformed into effective ministries. They remind us of how we make a difference in Christ's mission and the work of the church, and they thank our people for their faithful giving.

The next orientation session for new Mission Interpreters will be held on **January 16, 2010** at the synod office (1420 W. Dickens Ave., Chicago IL 60614) from 8:30 AM until 12 PM. Registration is available at MaryTheMic@aol.com or 847-381-9213.

CELEBRATIONS

January Birthdays

1/01 Merle Nelson

1/07 Paul Nordine

1/09 Claudia Morehead **and** Clyde Friedman

1/11 Sue Monsen

1/12 Bob Speckmann

1/14 Sue Lindsley

1/17 Jim Fritts

1/18 John Arnell

1/19 Gretchen Croll

1/19 Olivia Dillon

1/21 Andrew Brown

1/22 John Croll **and** Dan Fletcher, Jr.

1/23 Dana Trummer

1/26 Jackie Rosborough

1/30 Nori Chuc **and**

Dave Zilligen



Meet Our New Members

Nancy Buckman

I was born and raised in Highland Park. I am the fourth child of six children of the Lonngren family, five girls and one boy. Our family has been in the Zion Lutheran Church since the church was in Highwood. There has been a strong connection to Zion Lutheran Church, and I felt a compelling need to seek out my roots and the comfort that the Church had given to me in the past. Therefore, I am so pleased to be an official member of Zion again. I am married and I have two children from a previous marriage, Ken and Tina. I have three grandchildren (Shele', Cole and Corel). I currently live in Lake Villa. I am retired from Abbott Laboratories where I had worked for 22 years in the Human Resource department. I currently have a part time position as a caregiver for a Senior Care Giving company. I am so looking forward to getting to know the members of Zion Lutheran Church.

Tracy Hagen

I live in Highland Park and work for Turner Construction Company as the HR Manager for both Chicago and Indianapolis Business Units. I've been with them for nearly 3 years. I have one daughter, Olivia, and live with Lance, her father, and our dog, Mandy. I grew up in Wisconsin (near the Twin Cities) and went to St. Olaf College in Minnesota. I moved to the Chicago immediately after graduation and have lived here ever since. I play the clarinet (although I haven't dusted it off in quite some time) and love to sing (and thought about joining Zion's choir, but am intimidated by all the beautiful voices). I like to sew, garden, do things outdoors and just hang out with my family and friends.

Janet & pastor Clyde Friedman

Clyde grew up in southern Indiana. After serving in the United States Army Air Corps in World War II, he received a B. A. from Capital University in Columbus, Ohio; and a B. D. from Evangelical Lutheran Theological Seminary in Columbus, Ohio. After ordination in 1954, he served Lutheran parishes in Fremont, Montra, and Lima in Ohio; and Angola and Linton in Indiana and Oshkosh, Wisconsin until retirement in 2004 after fifty years of active ministry. He was privileged to spend a week each year for the past three years in rebuilding after Hurricane Katrina on the Gulf coast.

Janet grew up in Oshkosh, Wisconsin where they were married in 1954 after Janet had worked for ten years in the main office of the Kimberly Clark Paper Corporation in Neenah, Wi. They have one child Julia Arbaugh and to be with family is the reason they are in Deerfield and in Zion Church.

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Beta Sigma Psi (National Lutheran College Fraternity)

Zion has been notified of a scholarship for a confirmed Lutheran freshman male beginning his college studies at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign campus in the fall of 2010. Beta Sigma Psi was founded in 1925 at the University of Illinois. It is a fraternity dedicated to helping Lutheran college men grow spiritually, scholastically and socially. The alumni members of this fraternity offer this scholarship to provide assistance to other young men attending the University of Illinois. The recipient will be under no obligation to become a member of Beta Sigma Psi, but he will receive information about this chapter. After their freshman year, members of Beta Sigma Psi become eligible for additional scholarships offered through their Educational Foundation. The application deadline is February 1, 2010. If you have any questions, please contact Peter N. Kirby Scholarship Director at www.betasigmapsi.org. Brochures with additional information are available in Zion's Church Office.

Deerfield Park Foundation

The Deerfield Park Foundation is pleased to offer one scholarship to a high school senior and one high school graduate; resident of the Deerfield, Illinois Park District boundaries choosing a major in Parks, Recreation/leisure, Sports/Tourism/Hospitality, Conservation, Therapeutic Recreation or a closely related field. This scholarship is applicable at the college/university of the student's choosing. It is for a period of one year and is not renewable. Qualified students may complete the application process and submit to Deerfield Park Foundation by or before Friday, February 27, 2010 for current high school seniors or Thursday, April 1, 2010 for current college students. The following criteria must be satisfied:

- be a high school senior / college freshman-junior during the current school year (2009-2010)
- reside within the Deerfield, Illinois Park District boundaries
- be a US citizen

- declaring a major in Parks, Recreation or a closely related field
- attending (or entering 2010-2011) a 4-year college or university
- three recommendations: For Current High School Students: one from the student's high school counselor, one from a teacher, one from a service advisor / activity supervisor or employer. For current college students: one from a high school or college counselor, one from a teacher, and one or two from a supervisor or employer who has frequent contact with the student in a Park/Recreation closely related job.
- complete the application form including the essay question
- an interview for students
- present a 3.0 (out of a 4.0) cumulative grade point average
- official copy of the high school transcript or college transcripts to date if applicable.

Additional information is available at www.deerfieldparkfoundation.org or 847-945-0650

Zion Lutheran Church Council Meeting
November 22, 2009

Attendance:

Matt Wylie	Pastor Martha Halls
Claudia Ann Morehead	Neil Dahlmann
John Wick	Barb Rosborough
Karl Arbaugh	Sue Monsen

Absent:

Agenda:

1. **Call to Order:** 10:45 am
2. **Opening Prayer**
3. **Approval of October 15 Council Meeting Minutes:** a motion was made, seconded and approved to approve the October 15, 2009 meeting minutes.
4. **Committee Reports and Related Council Discussion:**

Christian Education – The children’s Christmas program will be held during the service on December 20. Kaya and Lyndsay Monsen are directing the program this year. Practices will be starting soon.

Finance – Claudia Ann provided us with the Zion financial reports through October.

Mission Support Group –Has been working on Zion’s Community Service Initiative, see discussion under “Old Business” below.

Mutual Ministry – Will be reviewing Leslie’s compensation, taking into account her increased responsibilities (took on editorship of Zion Calls, doing more when pastor not in office).

Property– Boy Scouts have requested to replace the scout portraits which previously hung in the downstairs hallway with an electronic picture frame (LCD) with rotating pictures. Council discussed the request and had some follow up questions. Matt will follow up with Nancy Johnson regarding these questions, and then we’ll make a decision. (Dec 6.update: council approved the request, with the condition that Zion be able to turn the picture frame on/off should our activities dictate.)

Stewardship— Pledges continue to come in, so it is too early to come up with an estimate of total pledges for 2010. Ted Sr. is resigning as the Stewardship chair. Council appreciates his many years of good stewardship.

E-Team/Memorial—No report.

Social Ministry—No report.

Worship & Music – Met recently. No special issues, just routine maintenance items.

5. **Pastor's Report**

6. **Old Business**

Update of Call Committee process

The Call Committee has interviewed 9 candidates, and has received a 10th name. They are interested in a couple candidates, but are not yet sure how interested they are in us.

Discussion of committee budgets for 2010

We deferred this discussion as we don't yet have a good estimate of what the 2010 pledges will be.

7. **Zion Community Service Initiative (ZCSI) Update**

We continued to move forward with this initiative. We held meetings after church November 8 and after the stewardship potluck November 14 to introduce the initiative to the congregation, and to solicit volunteers for the first step – interviewing community leaders to identify unmet needs in our community. We had a dozen volunteers sign up. We'll schedule a meeting with the volunteers to help equip them to carry out the interviews, and then start interviewing in late November. We plan on completing the interviews by mid-January, so that we can share what we've learned with the congregation at the January 31, 2010 annual meeting.

8. **New Business**

Girl Scouts: A girl scout troop considered meeting at Zion, but has decided to meet elsewhere.

Family Service Holiday Blues Counseling/Relationship

Family Service (fssl.org) is a not-for-profit community organization headquartered in Highland Park, that seeks to strengthen families by providing counseling and education, in both Spanish and English and regardless of ability to pay. Our own Jane McCarthy is Development Director. Jane asked if Zion would be interested in hosting a "Holiday Blues workshop" on December 10. The workshop would be given by one of Family Service's counselors, so Zion would only need to provide the meeting space.

This event, and any other Family Service events held at Zion prior to 6/1/2010, would be covered by Family Service's liability insurance (Jane e-mailed Matt a certificate of liability insurance).

Council approved holding the Holiday Blues workshop at Zion, and looks forward to partnering with Family Service on other events in the future.

New Member Sunday

New member Sunday is Nov. 29. Several new members will be joining, including Nancy Buckman, Tracy Hagen, Clyde and Janet Friedman, and Mark and Monica Swanson and their three children. We're excited to have such a great group of new members!

Family Requesting Help from Zion

A mother and daughter living out of their car have stopped by Zion a couple times requesting help. Most recently, they requested help to purchase new tires for their car. They could live in a shelter but have a dog they don't want to give up. Anyone interested in helping them can contact Pastor Martha.

End of Year Committee Reports: Should be submitted to Leslie the first week of December. Leslie will finalize the annual report by January 17, 2010, and the annual meeting will be held January 31, 2010.

Pastor Martha's Vacation Schedule: Pastor Martha will be on vacation from December 26 – January 2. She'll be back in time to lead the January 3 service.

Nominating committee for council: Matt and Claudia Ann are completing their council terms, and there are two other vacancies to fill, so we will be looking for four new council members.

9. **Adjournment:** a motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 11:55 am.

Time and Talent Sheets

Included in this newsletter are breakdowns of the committees, groups and choirs of Zion Lutheran Church. This information is gleaned **only** from the responses to the Stewardship packet that was mailed to members at the end of October. We suggest that you keep this 2-sided sheet handy if you have questions about activities or practices at Zion. For membership information, please get in touch with the contact person or council liaison for any particular group.

Zion Congregational Council

Matt Wylie (President)
John Wick (Vice President)
Karl Arbaugh (Secretary)
Jeff Andreasen (Financial Secretary)
Claudia Ann Morehead (Treasurer)
Neil Dahlmann
Barb Rosborough
Sue Monsen

STAFF

Martha Halls, Interim Pastor
Leslie Ward, Administrative Assistant

Rae-Myra Hilliard, Music Director
Leslie Ward, Children's Choir Director



Worship Assistants for JANUARY



Date	Lector	Assisting Minister	Communion Assistant	Greeters	Nursery Assistant	Acolytes	Counters
1/3	Rebecca Wylie	Devin Zilligen	Sue Juhl	The Morehead Family	Mary Dahlmann	Claire Repsholdt Kevin Fairbanks	Sandy Weiler Bill Northup
1/10	Vicki Repsholdt	Sue Juhl	Jack Dessent	Clyde & Janet Friedman	Deb Giesler	Jonathon & Elaine Arbaugh	John Berg Devin Zilligen
1/17	Christie Wylie	Ted Repsholdt, Jr.	Mary Dahlmann	Nancy Buckman Nancy Duguid	Michele Fairbanks	Kate & Jack Kamin	Kevin Fairbanks Mark Croll
1/24	Barb Rosborough	Gena Andreasen	Devin Zilligen	Mark & Joni Croll	Vicki Repsholdt	Kaya Monsen Jack Dessent	Bill Northup Karl Arbaugh
1/31	Alice Roth	John Berg	Jane McCarthy	John, Jack and Tom Motzko	Juanita Weckerlin	Vicki Remdt Kevin Fairbanks	Dave Zilligen Nancy Johnson

Altar Guild: Elaine Howe, Sue Lindsley, Sue Monsen, Cathy Olstad

***Note to Acolytes:** You are to move the recycle material into the recycling cart near the garage after the service. The recycle bins are in the office, outside the sanctuary doors, and under the counter in the kitchen. Please return the bins to their original locations when you're done.

** If you are unable to make the date assigned, please arrange an alternate and notify the church office. Thank you for your help.

Time & Talent Volunteers

Contact Person **In Bold Type**

Council Liaison *in italics*

**Leslie Ward is the contact person for Acolytes, Nursery Attendants and Children's Choir*

***Rae-Myra Hilliard is the contact person for all other Music Groups*

*Acolytes	**Adult Choir	Altar Guild	Call Committee	Counters	Greeters
Jack Dessent	Gena Andreasen	Carla Arnell	Carla Arnell	Karl Arbaugh	Arbaugh Family
Kevin Fairbanks	Jack & Karen Dessent	Mary Dahlmann	Neil Dahlmann	John Berg	Joyce Beckman
Kaya Monsen		Connie Lindsley	John Motzko	Sandy Weiler	John & Taru Berg
Claire Repsholdt	Taru Berg	Sue Lindsley	Juanita Weckerlin	Ted Repsholdt, Jr.	Neil/Mary Dahlmann
Dan Rosborough	Bob & Greta Motzko	Jane McCarthy			Connie/Sue Lindsley
	Ted & Vicki Repsholdt	Sue Monsen	Faith in Action	Fellowship	Kristi Lindahl & Mark Heymann
		Claudia Morehead	Gena Andreasen	Ted Repsholdt, Jr.	
		Greta Motzko	Christie Wylie		Paul & Sue Monsen
		Mary Ann Parker			Bob & Greta Motzko
Christian Ed	E-Team	Alice Roth	Finance	Mutual Ministry	Mary Ann Parker
	Michele Fairbanks	Ellen Savage	Jeff Andreasen	Ted Repsholdt, Sr.	Repsholdt Family
<i>Sue Monsen</i>	Greta Motzko	Sandy Weiler	Sandy Weiler		Ted Repsholdt, Sr.
	Alice Roth	Juanita Weckerlin			Joyce Wiegmann
	Rebecca Wylie	Vicki & Claire Repsholdt			Dick & Juanita Weckerlin

Assisting Ministers	Communion Assistants	*Nursery Attendants	Property	Quilting	Social Ministry
Gena Andreasen	Gladys Bently	Carla Arnell	John Berg	Gena Andreasen	Gladys Bently
John Berg	Mary Dahlmann	Michele Fairbanks	Bob Motzko	Julia Arbaugh	Kristi Lindahl
Jack Dessent	Karen Dessent	Kristi Lindahl	Harry Swanson	Janet Friedman	Barb Rosborough
Ted Repsholdt, Jr.	Ted Repsholdt, Jr.	Juanita Weckerlin	Dick Weckerlin	Marilyn Sanner	Marilyn Sanner
	Ted Repsholdt, Sr.				

**Bell Choir	**Musicians	**Youth Trio	Worship & Music	*Children's Choir
Jeff & Gena Andreasen	Hannah Andreasen (cello)	Mark Heymann	Norm & Lois Abplanalp	John Arnell
Jonathon Arbaugh	Karen Dessent (flute)	Kaya Monsen	Jeff Andreasen	Elisabeth Arnell
Gladys Bently	Pat Dessent (trumpet)	Lyndsay Monsen	Taru Berg	Katy Petkie
Paul & Sue Monsen	Ted Repsholdt, Jr.		<i>Neil Dahlmann</i>	Lindsey Petkie
Ted & Claire Repsholdt	Ellen Savage (viola)	Stewardship	Ted Repsholdt, Jr.	
Danny Rosborough		Ted Repsholdt, Sr.		
Marilyn Sanner		Matt Wylie		

PADS Meals Preparation	PADS Delivery	Sunday School Teachers	Ushers	Zion Calls Assembly
Carla Arnell	Jeff Andreasen	Carla Arnell	Jeff Andreasen	Betty Helgoe
Joyce Beckman	Karl & Julia Arbaugh	Kristi Lindahl	John Berg	Connie Lindsley
Connie Lindsley	Joyce Beckman	Sue Monsen	Neil Dahlmann	Marilyn Sanner
Mary Ann Parker	Karen & Pat Dessent	Claire Repsholdt	Mike McCarthy	Joyce Wiegmann
Barb Rosborough	Sue & Connie Lindsley	Barb Rosborough	Harry Swanson	
Marilyn Sanner	Marilyn Sanner		Dick Weckerlin	
Christi & Rebecca Wylie				