

ZION CALLS

October, 2009

Zion Lutheran Church

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

“Growing in Faith to Share Christ’s Love”

Open Scripture, Join the Conversation!

That is the initiative’s call to our whole church. It is the call to all ELCA Lutherans and beyond to do what we have always claimed we do: read, study, reflect and mediate upon the Bible together. The vision of this initiative is for us to become more fluent in the first language of faith, the language of Scripture, in order that we might live into our calling as a people renewed, enlivened, empowered, and sent by the Word.

As members and guests of this church, we invite you to participate in this effort to engage in the reading and discussing of scripture. Over the next months and years ahead, our congregations will offer carious opportunities to study, reflect and meditate on scripture. Indeed we welcome you to participate however and whenever you can.

RECORDS UPDATE

We are updating our Zion records at this time to get e-mail addresses for as many households as possible. Please provide the family name and email address.

We would also appreciate knowing which delivery option our Zion Calls recipients would prefer. There will be an on-line version or the paper hard-copy that will go out by US Mail. Please indicate your preference below. When this is completed, please return it to the church office or put it in the offering plate. You may also send your response to office@ziondeerfield.org. Thank You!

Name _____

E-Mail Address _____

Delivery Options:

___ On line; sent to e-mail address

___ Hard copy; sent to mailing address

F.I.S.H. News

Welcome back all F.I.S.H. participants and families! We hope you had a relaxing summer.

There are some new and exciting changes taking place within Sunday school. The Christian Education Committee has developed some new programs for children of all ages.



Children three years old through 3rd grade will have their Sunday school during service in the church basement. The length of this will be approximately from when the first reading begins until communion.

Children in 4th through 6th grade will have their lesson once a month on Wednesday evenings, beginning October 7th, 6-7:00pm. Please contact Kristi Lindahl or Barb Rosborough for further information.

Children in 7th and 8th grades will be having confirmation class on Wednesday evenings from 6 to 7:00 pm. This group, along with our high school age youth will also be merging with the group from Church United Methodist Church in Deerfield. These activities will take place on Sunday evenings. For further information, please contact Julia Arbaugh.



If you are interested in volunteering with the PreK-3rd and/or 4th-6th grade programs, please contact the Christian Ed Committee. Your time and ideas are appreciated. The position of the Sunday school coordinator is still open; hence the F.I.S.H. group needs help to organize activities. Even if you are available to assist with one lesson...that would be fantastic!

The Christmas program will also be here before we know it. If you have an idea or would like to help with that, please contact the Christian Ed Committee.



Upcoming F.I.S.H. Activities:

PreK-3rd grade:

- Sunday school during service Sunday 10/4, 10/11, 10/18, and 10/25

4th - 6th grades:

- Christian activity Wednesday Oct. 7th; 6-7:00
- Special presentation from Russian orphanage Sunday Oct. 25th; 10:30-11:30

7th & 8th grades:

- Fellowship with CUMC Oct. 4; 5-7:00
- Confirmation classes Oct. 7, 14, 21 and 28; 6-7:00
- Special presentation from Russian orphanage Sunday Oct. 25th; 10:30-11:30

9th – 12th grades:

- Fellowship with CUMC Oct. 4; 5-7:00
- Special presentation from Russian orphanage Sunday Oct. 25th; 10:30-11:30



SHARING OUR GIFTS

Final Request!

Please e-mail office@ziondeerfield.org or call the church office at 847 945-2009 with any 2009-2010 college addresses. We will send Zion Calls and the important College Care Boxes to each student. Happy Studying!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Boy Scouts of Troop 150



The scout's annual Popcorn Sale will take place here in Zion's narthex on Sunday, **October 11** after worship until 11:30 AM. Take advantage of this tasty treat! To learn more about our troop, please check out the flyer on the bulletin board or log into our website: www.T150.org.

Sarah Circle

Join us at Greta Motzko's home **October 12** at 7:30 PM for our monthly get-together. If you're interested in bible study and fellowship, please come!

Altar Guild

An essential Altar Guild meeting is scheduled for Sunday, **October 18th** immediately following worship. We have a few topics that need to be addressed, so it's important that all members attend.

Tortillas & Trade

Join with Bishop Miller and other local people of faith to learn more about hunger, trade justice, and spirituality on a trip to Mexico City and Cuernavaca, Mexico from January 29 – February 7, 2010. To register or request more information about the trip, please contact Erica at 773-293-2964 or espilde@crin.org by **October 15**. You can also check out the flyer posted in the Narthex.

Weekly Happenings

Stewardship

“**Temple Talks**” will be given during the worship service each Sunday in October. Matt Wylie will start **October 4** with other church members speaking the following Sundays.

Mark your calendars now. Sunday, November 8 is commitment Sunday; Saturday the 14th will be a potluck supper to celebrate the new year.

Adult Forum

Each Wednesday at noon, the book group gathers together for thoughtful interaction with other Zion members. They are currently discussing Deliver Us From Me-Ville by David A. Zimmerman. There are still a few copies of the book available at the Deerfield Barnes & Noble store under the name of Leslie Ward. Feel free to join in!

Confirmation Classes

Confirmation classes for 7th and 8th graders continue each Wednesday at 6:00 PM. For more information or to join the group, please contact Pastor Martha at mhalls@ziondeerfield.com or 847-945-2009 option 1.

MUSIC NEWS



Children's Choir: Our first rehearsal of the season will take place Tuesday, October 6, at 4 PM with another scheduled for October 20. Children from age 4 through 3rd grade are welcome to join this group. If you have any questions or would like to sign up, please contact Leslie Ward during church office hours at office@ziondeerfield.org or 847-945-2009 option 0.

Youth Choir: The youth choir will have its first meeting on Wednesday, October 7 from 5:15 – 6PM. This group welcomes all students from 4th to 8th grades. Lead by Music Director Rae-Myra Hilliard, students can increase their musical expertise by joining this ensemble.

Handbell Choir: Zion members of all ages are welcome to join the resurrected handbell choir. The first rehearsal will be Thursday, October 1 at 7 to 8 PM.

Adult Choir: Rehearsals are every Wednesday at 7:15 PM.

If you're interested in any of these musical endeavors, please contact Rae-Myra at rhilliard@ziondeerfield.org or 847-945-2009 option 2.



The 2009 – 2010 Chapel Music Series has been announced starting October 6, 2009. This captivating series is inspired by a space that warmly welcomes music of all kinds – sacred, secular, classical, contemporary, and the unusual. Details of the performances are posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Most are available at no charge, with some requiring a free will donation. Make plans to take advantage of this exceptional music experience!

CARING FOR OTHERS

Zion Prayer List

Harold Banser (father of Michele Fairbanks), Tressa Carnello (student of Patrick Dessent), Melanie Dawson (friend of Charlotte Weiler), Ed Dean (father of Tiana Olstad), Vivian Giesler (mother of Ted), Arlene Graepp, Sharon Hackett (sister of Richard Johnson), Robert Hangren, Jr. (son of Loretta), Garrett Keefe (husband of Martha), Jennifer Krauss (friend of the Wylies), Doris Lampi, Mike McCarthy, Gizella Menenses (friend of Carla Arnell), David Olson (son of Doris), Lee Rechel (sister-in-law of Gladys Bently), John Roth, Florence Russell, Sandy Snider (neice of Gladys Bently), Ruth Stadler, Charlotte Weiler and Alan Wiegmann (son of Joyce). Please notify the church office if anyone on the list needs to be updated.

Thank You

To everyone at Zion,

Words cannot express my gratitude to the people who have come forward with many cards and comfort regarding the loss of my brother, Jeffrey King. Your concern for both my family and me are very touching and we all appreciate it. Your actions solidify the fact that while Zion is my employer, the members of Zion are my friends.

Leslie S. Ward

CELEBRATIONS

October Birthdays

10/06 Jean Harrass, Mary Peterson

10/07 Dorothy Newton

10/10 Jane McCarthy

10/11 Jeff Andreasen

10/15 John Motzko *and*

John Schultz

10/20 Marian Swanson

10/21 Taru Berg

10/27 Tim Voll

10/28 Ruth Kohlhasse

10/30 John Roth



October Anniversaries

10/04/1997 Hank & Pam Siudyla

10/08/1943 Joe & Doris Lampi

Moving

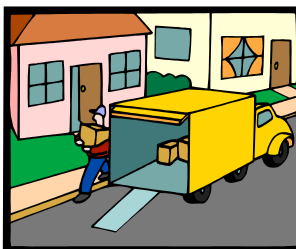
Al Spriester has moved permanently to live with his son Bart. We can now reach him at:

2741 Chieftain Run

Duluth, GA 30097

404-474-4264

Before leaving his Deerfield home, Al also donated a gift to Zion. Two overstuffed chairs and an ottoman will soon grace a "quiet corner" of the narthex. Thank you, Al.



**Zion Lutheran Church Council Meeting
June 22, 2009**

Attendance:

Matt Wylie	Pr. Martha Halls
Claudia Ann Morehead	Neil Dahlmann
John Wick	Sue Monsen
Karl Arbaugh	

Absent: Barb Rosborough

Agenda:

1. **Call to Order:** 7:06 pm
2. **Devotions:** Sue
3. **Approval of Council Meeting Minutes:** a motion was made, seconded and approved to approve the May 21, 2009 meeting minutes.
4. **Committee Reports:**

Christian Education – We still do not have any volunteers for Sunday School superintendent. Sue Monsen met with Sue Juhl and they discussed creative alternatives, such as asking several families to each lead a month. Vacation Bible School is in the works, and will be a joint effort with a couple other congregations.

Finance – Claudia Ann e-mailed council the May Finance Report on June 16.

Long Range – hasn't met recently. The committee will resume meeting later this summer, and will use the asset-based planning approach and feedback from the small group meetings to identify ways we can use our congregation's gifts to support Zion's mission.

Mutual Ministry – Met immediately prior to the council meeting, and had a lively discussion regarding the congregation's constitution, and whether to amend it or change its form. They intend to look to the synod for guidance regarding current resources to help with this project.

Property – the project to replace the north door is underway. The property committee has also been working on remodeling the church office.

E-Team, Memorial, Social Ministry, Worship & Music – no report.

5. **Pastor's Report** -- Pastor Martha made several visits to homebound and hospitalized members. She has been working on a first communion class, which will be held on September 23. She will be on vacation from Monday July 27 through Thursday August 6, and will be taking her son to college on Thursday August 20. Her father-in-law is available to preach on August 2. Leslie is expected to be out of the office for a week or two starting June 29, for a minor medical procedure. Patrick Wylie will fill in for her.

6. Old Business

Update of Call Committee process

The call committee intends to interview two candidates for whom the synod has supplied information. We discussed that given the small size of the call committee (six members), it is preferable if most committee members can participate in initial meetings with candidates. The call committee is still looking for members.

Discussion regarding partnership with Christ United Methodist Church

Barb contacted the youth director for Christ United Methodist Church and he expressed interest in exploring possibilities for joint activities. Barb hopes to arrange a meeting with him later this summer.

7. New Business

Rae-Myra Named Music Director

The search for a permanent music director has ended. Rae-Myra's title will be changed from Interim Music Director to Music Director. We appreciate her contributions, and welcome her into this position permanently.

Use of Building Agreements

We discussed comments we recently received from a member, regarding the possible wedding at Zion on December 31 of a non-member using outside clergy. At this point it appears unlikely the wedding will be held at Zion, so this is likely a non-issue.

We want to be an open and inviting congregation, and share Christ's love with our community. However, we need to take care that our facilities are used appropriately. We briefly discussed liability issues, and agreed we need to look into Zion's liability coverage to see what (if any) outside events are covered, whether riders would be available to cover specific events, and what the cost would be.

Report on Synod Assembly

Matt and Christie Wylie attended the recent synod assembly, and Matt shared his thoughts regarding the experience. The four worship services they attended during the two days were excellent (with great music). The bishop ran the meeting very well. There were six resolutions approved, including one memorializing (i.e., recommending the church-wide assembly approve) the proposed Social Statement on Human Sexuality. The church-wide assembly will be held August 17-23.

Congregational Mission Grants

Pastor Martha mentioned there may be opportunities for grants from the ELCA to support specific ministries we are doing (or could do). We will look into this more.

Council Meeting Schedule – we will next meet on July 16 (if there are issues needing discussion), and will not meet in August. We will resume our regular meeting schedule in September.

8. Adjournment: a motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 pm.

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

Standing Committees

Contact Person is in **bold type** Council Liaison is *in italics*

Christian Education Committee

Sue Juhl *Sue Monsen*

E-Team (Evangelism) Committee

Finance Committee

Sandy Weiler *Claudia Ann Morehead*

Long Range Planning Committee

Karl Arbaugh

Memorial Committee

Memorial Garden Committee

John Berg

Mutual Ministry Committee

Matt Wylie

Property Committee

John Berg *Matt Wylie*

Social Ministry Committee

Barb Rosborough

Stewardship Committee

Ted Repsholdt, Sr. *John Wick*

Worship and Music Committee

Taru Berg *Neil Dahlmann*

STAFF

Martha Halls, Interim Pastor
Leslie Ward, Administrative Assistant

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

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Worship Assistants for october



Date	Lector	Assisting Minister	Communion Assistant	Greeters	Nursery Assistant	Acolytes	Counters
10/04	Carla Arnell	Sue Juhl	Jane McCarthy	Neil & Mary Dahlmann	Vicki Repsholdt	Dan Rosborough Meredith Krifka	Sandy Weiler Nancy Johnson
10/11	John Motzko	John Berg	Mark Croll	Mark & Joni Croll	Juanita Weckerlin	Claire Repsholdt Devin Zilligen	John Berg Kevin Fairbanks
10/18	Joan Fletcher	Ted Repsholdt, Jr.	Devin Zilligen	John, Jack & Tom Motzko	Kristi Lindahl	Elaine & Jonathon Arbaugh	Karl Arbaugh Devin Zilligen
10/25	Neil Dahlmann	Gena Andreasen	Mary Dahlmann	Bob & Judy Speckmann	Sue Juhl	Kate & Jack Kamin	Mark Croll Dave Zilligen

Altar Guild: Mary Dahlmann, Sandy Weiler

***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.

****Please arrange an alternate if you are unable to make the date assigned. Please notify the church office and thank you for your help.**