

ZION CALLS

June, 2010

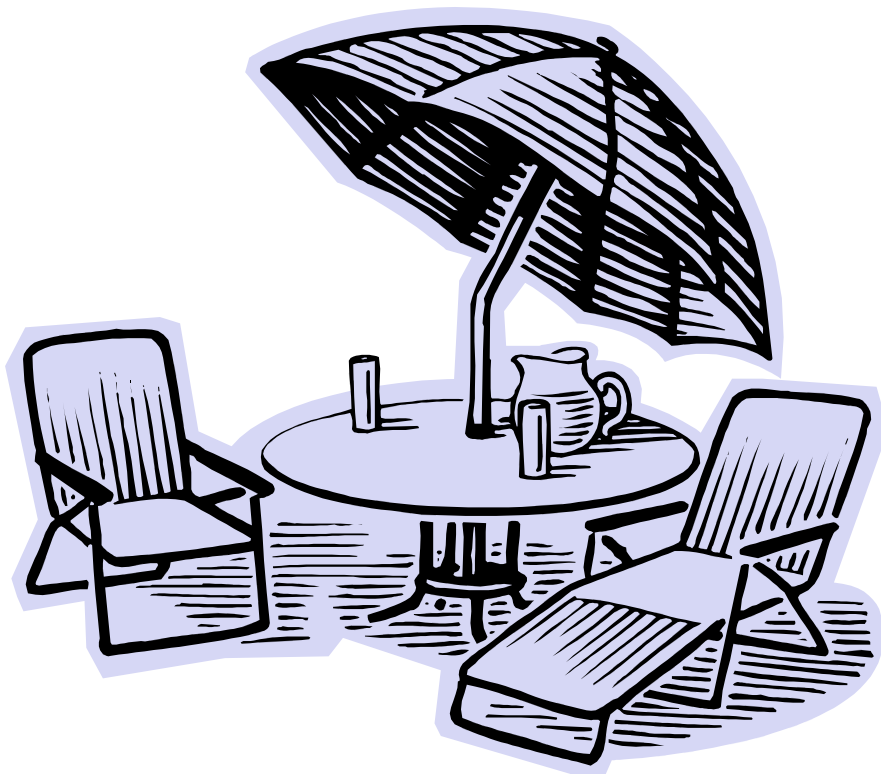
Zion Lutheran Church

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

"Growing in Faith to Share Christ's Love"

Please join us for

Summer Outdoor Services



In the Zion Memorial Garden
June 20, 2010 *July 18, 2010*
August 15, 2010
9:30 AM

RAMBLINGS & RUMBLINGS FROM THE REV

Serious About Worship

“God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.” John 4:24

I take Worship Seriously. I know that you would hope that your new pastor would say such a thing. Please do not get me wrong, I love to worship. The music, the word, the sacraments, the awe, all that takes place, is a mysterious and wonderful opportunity to praise, pray, learn, grow, and have fellowship. And liturgy, that word which literally means “the work of the people” leads me to a closer realization of what we do during worship. The English rendition is “service” and carries the notion that one may serve during the worship but also go out and serve God and others in the world during the week. Frequently in Christianity a distinction is made between “liturgical” and “non-liturgical” churches based on the elaboration and/or antiquity of the worship, but this clouds the universality of worship as a religious phenomenon. I contend that worship is not a phenomenon but a community of faith gathering together as a community for responding to God’s Grace, giving support to each other, and being equipped to meet each week in the strength and courage of the Lord as we go out to serve. As such, at Zion, we are a community, and as a community, enjoy being together. Some may say that they can worship God on their own and in their own way. True, but then it is merely recognition. Without the support and participation in community, there is not a way to truly serve or render service.

While I love worship and liturgy, the “work of the people,” and take it seriously, that does not mean that it cannot be fun. There are moments during worship which are truly fun. Have you seen the look on the faces of children as they sing during the service, the struggles of a lector as difficult words seem to evade the tongue, the tone of the scriptures being read, the tune of the hymn being sung? There is a sense that we can have fun in worship.

I believe that Worship should be reverent. A congregation would want their pastor to say that as well. But reverent does not always mean perfect. There are times when the pastor’s stole is not equal length on both sides, the altar is not cleared totally after communion, the order of worship is changed without prior notice, a worship folder flutters to the floor in the chancel, a candle flickers and goes out, a microphone crackles, the organ makes funny noises, a person sings loudly off-key. You get the idea. We are an imperfect people worshipping a perfect God. We bring who we are to the worship.

I am serious “about” worship but not always “at” worship. Sometimes those imperfect events will cause me to smile or just burst into laughter. I was taught during classes in college and seminary that laughter allows one to look at one’s own life and attitudes and either recognize the craziness, the absurdity, the faults, the actions and attitudes, or the uniqueness of oneself. Laughter clears the mind and reminds us that we can have fun. I believe that the Lord gives us opportunities to have fun and wants us to have fun as we worship. That does not mean that I am irreverent; for I know why I am at worship and know that the Lord deserves my reverence, respect, worship, offering of life, and all that I have to bring.

As we enter this Pentecost Season, it is my fervent hope that you will have opportunity to worship the Lord in all fullness. I hope that you can be serious about worship as well without feeling that we have to be serious at worship all the time.

An Opportunity to Sing Old Songs and Choruses

During this Pentecost Season, I would like to try something new before our worship service. I would like to give the opportunity to sing some old choruses and other songs which we may not be

including in our service. If we sing an unfamiliar hymn, we may also sing it through once so everyone can know how it goes. We'll try this for a few weeks, if you like it, please say so; if you do not, say that as well.

Openness about Anything

If you have a comment, compliment, or complaint about anything or just want to talk or “get something off your chest,” feel free to give me a call, stop by, or stop me after worship. I appreciate your time to talk and share. – Pastor Dave

SHARING OUR GIFTS

Confirmation Class / Heifer International Update

Zion's Confirmation Class from 2010 would like to extend a big THANK YOU to the congregation for supporting their service project to donate an ark to Heifer International. Your generous donations helped the confirmands exceed the \$5,000 goal. The total amount donated was (drum roll, please)...**\$6927.15**. This includes \$700 in matching funds from the Lake-Cook County Chapter of Thrivent Financial. Thank you to Thrivent, too!

Jonathon Arbaugh, Kate Kamin, Kaya Monsen, Lyndsay Monsen and Danny Rosborough.

Quilters

Zion's quilting group will meet Tuesday June 8 from 9am-Noon in the Great Hall. Future gatherings will be announced during Sunday worship and in Growing in Faith.

P.A.D.S.

Members of Zion have been invited to participate in the PADS 9th Annual Walk to End Homelessness. It will take place Sunday, June 13, 2010 from 1 – 4 PM at the Fort Sheridan Forest Preserve in Highland Park. There is no registration fee to attend, nor do you have to sign-up in advance. Everyone gets a free tee shirt!

Family Service

In celebration of their 80th anniversary, Family Service is holding a Community Fundraiser on Sunday, June 13 from noon to 5 PM. Summer Sun and Family Fun Day will happen on the grounds of Discovery Day Camp at 241 US Hwy 45 in Lincolnshire. This afternoon of family fun includes sports, games, music and food. Activities include swimming, chess, a volleyball tournament and a live band. Tickets are \$10 with children under 3 free. They are available at the door or through www.famservice.org. For additional information, call 847 432-4981.

Sarah Circle

Mark your calendars for a special dinner out with Sarah Circle on July 13. We are tentatively scheduled to assemble at “The Yummy Bowl” in Highland Park. For more information, contact Greta Motzko.

CARING FOR OTHERS

Zion Prayer List

Harold Banser (father of Michele Fairbanks), Ed Dean (father of Tiana Olstad), Eleanor Gaddi (friend of Nancy Duguid), Arlene Graepp, Robert Hangren, Jr. (son of Loretta), William Haramis, (father of Stephanie Petkie), Garrett Keefe (husband of Martha), Jennifer Krauss (friend of the Wylies), Gizella Meneses and Liliane Morrison (friends of Carla Arnell), William Noreen (friend of the Johnsons), David Olson (son of Doris) Jane Olson (mother of Amy), Katherine Peterson (mother of Claudia Ann Morehead), Lee Rechel (sister-in-law of Gladys Bently), Ted Repsholdt, Sr., Julie Robertson & Maria Fatum (friends of the Andreasen Family), Florence Russell, Ione Thorson (mother of Mary Peterson) and Charlotte Weiler. Also Leif Jensen and Eric Clay (serving in the military).

Thank You

I would like to thank Zion for their prayers for my mother, Hortense M. Hilliard. Her surgery went well and she is home recovering. James 5:16b "The prayers of a righteous man has great power in its effect." – Rae-Myra Hilliard

ALL AROUND ZION

Outdoor Worship

We look forward to the summer season with our outdoor worship services in the Zion Memorial Garden. We will take advantage of our beautiful garden when the air turns warmer and the flowers are in bloom. These services will take place (*weather permitting*) the third Sunday of each month: June 20, July 18, and August 15. We invite everyone to dress casual, bring their lawn chairs, and participate in an informal worship service.

If you have the time and good will, please consider assisting Pastor Dave with various aspects of this unique experience. We need volunteers for both set up and tear down. Contact Pastor Dave or Rae-Myra if you are able to help. With everyone's input, the outdoor summer worship can be something memorable. *Be sure to join in!*

Summer Music

With the choir season behind us, we are now in the process of finding volunteers who can provide music for summer Sunday services. If you're interested, send your information to rhilliard@ziondeerfield.org or leave a message at 847-945-2009, option 2.



SHARING OUR FACILITIES

Theatre in the Woods

Having already held their auditions at Zion, Theatre in the Woods will next be using our lower level for rehearsals of their next production: "Jake's Women" by Neil Simon. This play will be performed at the Estonian House on Milwaukee Avenue in Riverwoods starting Friday, July 16. For more information, call 847-604-1990.

Triathlon

On Saturday, June 12 from 7 to 11 AM the Deerfield Park District will be using our lot for overflow parking during the Tin Man Triathlon.

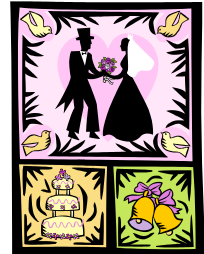
Deerfield Day Camp

For the third consecutive year, Deerfield Park District will utilize our basement and outdoor property. Counselors will start training on June 16 with the campers arriving June 21 and ending August 6.

CELEBRATIONS

June Anniversaries

06/12/1954 Wilmer & Louise Carlson
06/16/1957 Eric & Arlene Graepp
06/19/1965 Neil & Mary Dahlmann
06/26/1982 Dan & Joan Fletcher
06/28/1952 Carl & Dorothy Zitzewitz



June Birthdays

06/03 Dick Weckerlin
06/04 Matt Wylie
06/05 Joyce Beckman, Jessica Carlson
06/15 Lance Dillon
06/16 Roger Weiler
06/17 Julia Arbaugh
06/18 Marilyn Bailes
06/19 Cindy Lebak, Leslie Ward
06/22 Carl Zitzewitz
06/23 Joyce Wiegmann
06/24 Kristi Lindahl, Tiana Olstad
06/25 Meredith Krifka
06/27 Claire Repsholdt
06/28 Naomi Nordine



Graduations

Jonathon Arbaugh-Caruso Middle School June 9 Kate Kamin-Northbrook Jr. High School June 3
Kaya Monsen-Edgewood Middle School June 7 Danny Rosborough-Shepard Middle School June 8

Highland Park High School – May 26 -- Kevin Fairbanks
Deerfield High School -- May 25: Meredith Krifka Lauren Schwarz Patrick Wylie

Gretchen Croll -- Ohio Wesleyan University – May 9
Graduating Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Arts in English

Elise Virginia May Fletcher -- Augustana College – May 23
Graduating Summa Cum Laude and Phi Beta Kappa
Bachelor of Arts in Biology and a minor in Communication Studies

Dear Friend in Christ,

God's love takes us to amazing places.

Thank you for the places where you serve this church. I am blessed by your ministry.

I am also blessed by the places I go in my ministry—around the world, in local congregations and recently to a dinner with a remarkable couple. This couple is responding to God's love by providing a matching gift to ELCA Vision for Mission.

From now until June 30, these faithful ELCA members will match your gift dollar-for-dollar, up to a total of \$15,000! That means your gift of \$50 will be matched with the donors' matching gift of \$50 to provide \$100 for ministry. A gift of \$100 will be matched with \$100 to provide \$200 and so on.

You now have the opportunity to double the impact of your gift and the impact to ministry through the ELCA. Your gifts allow us the maximum flexibility to build churches and respond to needs when they arise. In fact, you support approximately 450 congregations who are starting from scratch or are in a phase of redevelopment.

I am so grateful for your ongoing financial stewardship through your congregation and your direct gifts to ELCA Vision for Mission. Your gift will go twice as far today making it possible for us to encourage leaders like Justin and Dana to fulfill our mission here at home and around the world.

Where will God's love take you?

If any member wishes to contribute to this fund, please issue a separate check made out to Zion Lutheran Church with "mission" noted in the memo area of the check. All contributions received by June 25 will be forwarded to the ELCA Vision for Mission Fund.

Zion Lutheran Church Council Meeting April 22, 2010

Attendance:

Matt Wylie	Pastor David Kylo
Sue Monsen	John Wick
Karl Arbaugh	Claudia Ann Morehead

Absent: Neil Dahlmann, Barb Rosborough

Agenda:

1. **Call to Order:** 7:00 pm
2. **Opening Prayer**
3. **Approval of March 18, 2010 Council Meeting Minutes.** A motion was made, seconded and approved to approve the minutes.
4. **Committee Reports**

Christian Education. Carla Arnell and Monica Swanson have volunteered to be co-coordinators for the Sunday School program this fall. Upcoming joint activities with CUMC include cleaning up the river by Target on May 8 (open to all ages), and a movie on May 23 (youth only).

Mutual Ministry. We discussed the purpose of this committee. In recent years it has served a dual role, handling HR issues and serving as a liaison between the pastor and the congregation. The question is whether it should retain both roles. The committee will meet to discuss this issue, and we'll consider their recommendation at our next council meeting.

Property. The potholes in the parking lot were repaired last Friday by Shamrock Asphalt and Sealcoating company. We will be considering more permanent solutions.

Stewardship and Finance. Year to date receipts and expenditures are roughly in balance, receipts are \$7,300 below budget and expenses \$5,500 below budget. A gift of \$1,000 will be made to ELCA benevolence in Pastor Martha's honor.

Worship and Music Committee. The committee has been planning for upcoming services including the installation service scheduled for next Sunday (April 25). Bishop Wayne Miller will officiate and Carole Breimeier will also have a role. Rae Myra is also working with the youth on the "young folks" service which will be on May 9th.

Mission Support Group / ZCSI See Old Business below.

Other Committees. No issues reported.

5. **Pastor's Report** – Pastor's first day was this past Monday (April 19). Neil helped him move into the office. Pastor has met with staff, participated in several meetings, and has helped coordinate his upcoming installation service.

6. Old Business

ZCSI Update. Temple talks are scheduled for May 2 (Faith in Action), May 16 (COOL), and May 23 (Family Service), to discuss the services they provide and how we can help. Eight Zion members have signed up to attend the ESL tutor training on April 27, which is a joint venture with Family Service and CUMC. Vicki and Claire Repsholdt will be organizing a Baby Item Drive in May to benefit COOL.

Last call process update. Thanks to the call committee for their continued efforts during the transition period. Their work is finally done. Mission accomplished!!

Final Heifer project update. The confirmation class raised a total of \$6,227, and Thrivent matched \$700, for a grand total of \$6,927 – well in excess of their ambitious \$5,000 goal!

Synod Assembly. The Synod Assembly is June 4th and 5th. Early registration ends May 1, so we are hoping a couple volunteers step up before then.

Congregation Beth Or Shared Space. Matt received a letter from Congregation Beth Or, in which they expressed interest in sharing our facilities. The council believes this could be beneficial for both congregations and is worth investigating. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to enter into negotiations with Congregation Beth Or regarding a rental agreement.

7. **New Business.** We greatly appreciate the excellent service Pastor Martha provided our congregation over the past two years, and will send her a letter of commendation with appropriate ELCA staff (Bishop Miller and possibly others) copied.
8. **Adjournment.** A motion was made, seconded, and approved to adjourn at 8:50 pm.

Zion Congregational Council

Matt Wylie (President)
John Wick (Vice President)
Karl Arbaugh (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 *Barb Rosborough*

E-Team (Evangelism) Committee

Finance Committee

Sandy Weiler *Matt Wylie*

Memorial Garden Committee

John Berg

Mission Support Group

Karl Arbaugh *John Wick*

Mutual Ministry Committee

Sue Monsen

Property Committee

John Berg *Matt Wylie*

Social Ministry Committee

Stewardship Committee

Matt Wylie

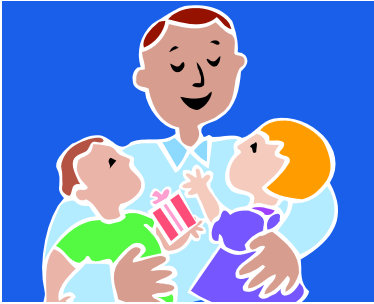
Worship and Music Committee

Taru Berg *Neil Dahlmann*

STAFF

The Reverend David Kylo, Pastor
Leslie S. Ward, Administrative Assistant

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



Worship Assistants for June



Date	Lector	Assisting Minister	Communion Assistant	Greeters	Nursery Assistant	Acolytes	Counters
06/06	Matt Wylie	Ted Repsholdt, Jr.	Devin Zilligen	John & Taru Berg	Sue Juhl	Dan Rosborough Kate Kamin	Sandy Weiler Michele Fairbanks
06/13	John Motzko	Sue Juhl	Jane McCarthy	Gladys Bently Nancy Buckman	Mary Dahlmann	Claire Repsholdt Devin Zilligen	John Berg Nancy Johnson
06/20	Juanita Wecklerin	John Berg	Karen Dessent	Mary Ann Parker	Outdoor Service	Jack Kamin	Karl Arbaugh Devin Zilligen
06/27	Carla Arnell	Ted Repsholdt, Jr.	Mary Dahlmann	Connie & Sue Lindsley	Deb Giesler	Kaya & Lyndsay Monsen	Dave Zilligen Michele Fairbanks

Altar Guild: Julia Arbaugh, Juanita Weckerlin, Joyce Wiegmann

***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.