

ZION CALLS

December, 2008

Zion Lutheran Church
"Growing in Faith to Share Christ's Love"

Worship Service 9:30 A.M.
Sunday School 10:45 A.M.

Join us for our Sunday
School Program



"Candy Cane Christmas"

by Gail Gaymer Martin

during December 14th worship service
9:30 AM



"O Come all ye Faithful. . ."

to our

Christmas Eve Service
December 24 – 4:30 PM

Sharing Our Gifts

Remember Sunday, January 4, 2009



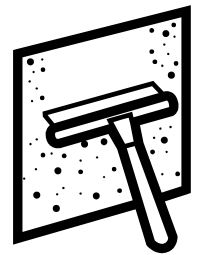
“Talents Sunday” is the day you bring back the results of your investment in God’s work in the world. This is **not** a fund-raiser for Zion, but rather a way to think about, learn about and do ministry in the world with what you have been given. Read Matthew 25:14-30 to join in the learning and the fun!

I don’t expect you to bring back cash unless it is designated for some particular ministry. I do expect you to listen for God’s direction. I do expect you to have fun and work together! I do expect you to be generous and creative! If you don’t know what this is about, ask someone. – *Pastor Martha*.

Project “Clean Up”

We are in the middle of a major cleaning overhaul of a number of areas in our church building. Several rooms have already been cleaned and reorganized; several more have volunteers ready and are waiting for a starting time.

A big thank you goes out to the groups who have already completed their clean up projects. Marilyn Sanner, Betty Helgoe, Joyce Wiegmann and Connie Lindsley did a phenomenal job in bringing the downstairs kitchen up to date.



Connie Lindsley also joined her daughter Sue along with Alice and John Roth and Dorothy Spriester in cleaning and reorganizing the sacristy.

The combination crew of Betty Helgoe, Connie Lindsley, Mary Ann Parker and John and Alice Roth made the Pastor’s office a sight to be seen.

Feel free to thank all these volunteers for their hard work. We hope to have the church building sparkling for the Advent season!

Sunday School News

The children have completed discussing communion in Sunday school. Their rotations included weaving placemats, creating their own soundtrack, reenacting the story, and experimenting with ingredients – all from the Last Supper. Thank you to the teachers and shepherds who assisted and made this rotation happen.

Caring for Others

Trinidad Happenings

Thanks to all who donated items or money for the Trinidad Thanksgiving Project. Special thanks go out to the Reed Family for delivering the 23 turkeys and other food items for distribution to people in their neighborhood.

Our next project will start immediately. We will be taking warm clothing and coats to Trinidad December 7th. Any donations should be left in the coatroom just off of the narthex.

College Care Packages

We send out a big “thank you” to all who donated goodies to our Zion college students. We sent 19 boxes of essential studying items to students throughout the country. An honorable mention goes to the Fletcher and Bently families who contributed mailing materials, postage and their time to get the boxes out.

Zion Prayer List

Jesse Aguilar (father of Celeste Burke), Barbara and Mariana Augé (relatives of the Weckerlins), Harold Banser (father of Michele Fairbanks), Tressa Carnello (student of Patrick Dessent), Melanie Dawson (friend of Charlotte Weiler), Ed Dean and Meredith Olsson (relatives of Cathy and Tiana Olstad), Arlene Graepp, Robert Hangren, Jr. (son of Loretta Hangren), Garrett Keefe (husband of Martha), Mike McCarthy, Gizella Menenses (friend of the Carla Arnell), David Olson (son of Doris Olson), Frank Peterson (father of Claudia Ann Morehead), Lee Rechel (sister-in-law of Gladys Bently), Laura Rheling (sister-in-law of Marcy Reed), Florence Russell, Kathy Shaw, (niece of Al and Dorothy Spriester), Gregg Tomes (friend of Phil and Jill Erbe), Jack Trapani (friend of the Reed Family), Russell Twiehaus (friend of Cathy and Tiana Olstad), Charlotte Wallace, and Charlotte Weiler.

Note: We will have people on the printed prayer list as long as they need to be there. We appreciate members telling us to include people on the prayer list. But also be sure to let us know when it seems right to remove their name.

If you know of members who are homebound, in a nursing home or hospitalized and want to receive a visit from Pastor Martha Halls, please call the church office and give Leslie Ward, Administrative Assistant their name, telephone number and address.

LAST CHANCE TO ORDER!



POINSETTIA PLANTS are available to decorate our sanctuary for Christmas. Please fill out this form and place it in the offering plate or mail to Zion Lutheran Church, 10 Deerfield Road, Deerfield IL 60015, by Sunday, December 14th.

Plants cost \$ 11.25 and are yours to take home or give away following worship on Christmas Eve, December 24th. You may also choose to make a donation to World Hunger.

Please enclose a check made out to Zion Lutheran Church with your order or donation.

I would like to order _____ poinsettia plant(s).

I would like to donate \$_____ to World Hunger.

Name _____

In memory of _____

In honor of _____

In celebration of _____

CELEBRATIONS



December Birthdays

12/01 Doris Lampi, Bill Northup

12/03 Richard Hanson

12/05 JoBe Cerny

12/08 Meredith Morehead

12/10

Jack Kamin

12/12 Gena Andreasen, Christopher Voll

12/13 Joyce Voll

12/14 Karl Arbaugh

12/15 Jill Erbe

12/17 Victoria Remdt, Nancy Duguid, Florence Russell

12/19 Joshua Devarapalli

12/20 Lois Abplanalp

12/21 Christa Amsden

12/22 Daniel Rosborough

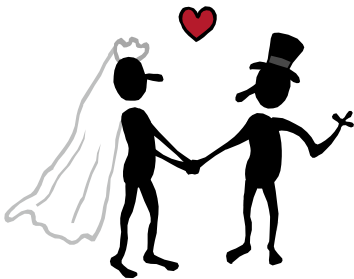
12/23 Harry Swanson

12/24 Elaine Howe

12/25 Sue Juhl

12/28 Marjorie Schultz

12/30 Ruth Stadler



December Anniversaries

12/05/1953 Bob & Arleen Nielsen

12/14/1985 Mark & Joni Croll

12/28/1958 John & Marilyn Sanner

12/29/1951 Al & Dorothy Spriester

12/30/1978 Sean & Ellen Savage

Special Commemorations

Congratulations go out to Bob & Arleen Nielsen who are celebrating their 55th wedding anniversary on December 14. Best wishes are also in order for John & Marilyn Sanner who are celebrating their 50th anniversary on December 28. Be sure to chat with these couples to find out the secret to making love last!

2009 Flower Donations



We are in the process of filling out the Altar Flower chart for next year. If you are interested in donating Altar flowers and would like to request a certain date reserved for you, please mail or drop off the form below to the church office by December 19th. All requests are filled on a first come, first serve basis. The Flower Chart will be in the narthex for general sign-up in December.

The cost will be \$32.00 per Sunday. The flowers will be yours to take after the 9:30 A.M. service, or at your request, they can be distributed to sick and homebound members.

Please pay for the flowers at time of order. Additional forms and envelopes are in the narthex under the Flower Chart. You may place it in the collection plate or mail it to the church office.

Thank you.

The Altar Guild

I (We) would like to place flowers on the Altar on:

Date: first choice _____ second choice _____

Name(s) _____

Phone: _____

Bulletin should read:

() to the glory of God () in honor of () on the occasion of () in memory of

Distribute: _____

Pick up: _____

Please make all checks payable to the Zion Lutheran Church. If dates requested are not available, you will receive a call.

BOOK SALES



The Great Permission is a little yellow book that Pastor Martha would like everyone to read. The cost is \$5 payable by cash or checks to Zion Lutheran Church. They are available at the greeter's table and on the coffee table in the back of the fellowship area. During the week, you can also purchase them in the church office.

This is your last chance to purchase "Best in the Neighborhood" - a collection of recipes from **Faith In Action** volunteers, care recipients, board members and members of the congregations of Congregation B'nai Torah in Highland Park, Deerfield's Christ United Methodist, Holy Cross Catholic and Zion Lutheran churches. Sales benefit Southeastern Lake County Faith in Action. Cookbooks can be purchased from Leslie Ward in Zion's church office. The price of each book is \$15.

Thank You!

A big thank you goes out to Boy Scout Troop 150. During a special camp out, they planted a decorative pear tree in the front yard of our church and replaced the weathered benches near the fire pit of our "north forty."

This service celebration was done in commemoration of the troop's 50th Anniversary here at Zion. Congratulations!

Please Check!

Please help with security in our building. From time to time doors have remained unlocked after someone has been in the building, and windows have been left open. Please make sure that the doors are locked behind you, and that windows are closed, when you leave the building. If you used a key to open a door you need to re-lock the door with that same key when you leave. Please check to see that the door is locked when it closes behind you. Sometimes the lock does not "catch." If you opened a window, you need to be certain that it is closed before you leave the building. In addition, check that all lights are off and inside doors closed. We do not employ a custodian to handle these tasks. We are all responsible for them. Careful attention by all of us will help to keep our building secure and prevent a break-in.

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 12-13, 2008 St. Andrew's Lutheran Church at 10 S. Lake Street in Mundelein is staging "A Christmas Carol" on Friday, December 12 at 7:30 PM and Saturday, December 13 at 2:00 PM and 7:30 PM. Vicki Repsholdt is in the production and Claire Repsholdt is doing sound. This is a sweet, short version of the beloved Dickens story. Tickets are \$8 for youth and seniors; \$12 for adults. For tickets, please call 847-548-2760.

December 14, 2008 Please mark your calendars for Sunday, December 14th for the Children's Christmas Program, Candy Cane Christmas. It is guaranteed to offer you a different perspective on the holidays. Children are busy making fleece scarves, baking tasty treats and creating crafts to offer you on December 14th. Please be sure to check out the holiday goodies table as all proceeds will go to a local shelter.



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Later the same day By popular demand, we will again be having a tree burning following the 9:30 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 3rd!



January 11th, 2009 Sunday school will begin discussing the bible story *Believe in the Creed*. Children will enjoy learning about the Apostle's Creed while making sun catchers, watching a related video, completing a science experiment and doing a little cookin'. If you are interested in assisting with this rotation, please see the sign-up sheet on the F.I.S.H. bulletin board in the narthex.

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Worship Assistants for December



Date	Lector	Assisting Minister	Communion Assistant	Greeters	Nursery Assistant	Acolytes*	Counters
12/07	Vicki Repsholdt	T Repsholdt, Sr.	Jane McCarthy	John, Jack & Tom Motzko	Juanita Weckerlin	Jack Dessent Dan Rosborough	Mark Croll Celeste Burke
12/14	Celeste Burke	John Berg	Mark Croll	Mike & Jane McCarthy	Sue Juhl	Cody Reed Kylene Reed	John Berg Karl Arbaugh
12/21	Joan Fletcher	Sue Juhl	Mary Dahlmann	Kristi Lindahl & Mark Heymann	Kristi Lindahl	Devin Zilligen Claire Repsholdt	Sandy Weiler
12/24	John Motzko	John Berg	Mark Croll			Jack Kamin Hannah Andreasen	Sandy Weiler
12/28	Dave Schwarz	Sue Juhl	Jane McCarthy		Mary Dahlmann	Elaine Arbaugh Meredith Krifka	Sandy Weiler

Altar Guild: Martha Keefe, Jane McCarthy

***Note to Acolytes:** You are to move the recycle material into the recycling cart near the storage 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.