

Bulletin Sentence: Mark 9:6 – “For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified.” Soon enough, the disciples’ terror turned into joy for when Jesus is with us, there is no need to fear. He loves us and cares for us and will never abandon us. That assurance is the basis of all generosity – for only those who are set free from worry can learn the joy of giving.

Adult choir members,: please note practice has been moved this week from Monday night to Tuesday at 7PM.

Altar Guild is looking for an individual who would be willing to cover the month of April. If you would like to help or need more information please call Lynn Leinberger at 989-239-9203.

Church Attendance February 3 & 4, 2018
Saturday: 111 Sunday: 184

Offerings for February 3 & 4, 2018 \$ 8,640.12 (Weekly need is (\$11,420.00))

Those serving this week:

Organist: L. Engelhardt

Altar Guild for February: Laura Diehl 989-662-4565

Sat: ELDERS: Dennis Hyatt and John Olson

USHERS: Kevin & Jenna Draves, Aliyah, Tonya or Kurk Kuizenga

Sun: ELDERS: Kevin Miller and Ralph Riske

USHERS: Mark Steih, Andrew Penkala, Shari Smith & Erin Ettlne

Wed: ELDERS: Pat Morand and Herb Leinberger

USHERS: Bill Gehoski, Sully & Sawyer Whalen & Dennis Hyatt

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Welcome

I was glad when they said to me, Let us go into the house of the Lord.

February 10 & 11, 2018

Psalm 122:1

The mission of Zion Lutheran
is to better know & show Christ's love.

Worship Whys : Why does the Epiphany Season close with a celebration of the Transfiguration of Our Lord? The season of Epiphany emphasizes the way that Jesus was manifested or shown to be God's Son. One of the most majestic of those manifestations was when Jesus' glory was visibly seen by the disciples on the mountain of transfiguration. Peter wrote, "For he received honor and glory from God the Father when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.' We ourselves heard this voice that came from heaven when we were with him on the sacred mountain" (2PE 1:17-18). Like Peter, James and John we are to carry this glimpse of his glory with us as we turn our focus to his suffering during the upcoming season of Lent.

The Practice of Holy Communion: The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as he says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but his very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with him and with one another. Our Lord invites to his table those who trust his words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as he forgives and loves us, that they may show forth his death until he comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, we request that only those who are instructed in the sacrament and one with us in faith take part today. Please speak to a pastor if you have a questions about this. The center of the tray holds white non-alcoholic wine.

Our focus today is on the Transfiguration of Jesus. Peter, James, and John went on the mountain with Jesus. There Jesus' appearance was changed and they saw who Jesus was. They were told that Jesus was God's Son, the Chosen One, and they were to listen to Him. We too know who Jesus is and we are called to listen to him today. May we continue to see God's glory in Jesus and listen to Him and follow Him as our Lord and Savior.

This week at Zion

Sun	10	Worship w/Communion 9AM Family Bible Hour 10:15AM Jr. Confirmation Class 6-8PM
Tue	13	Adult Choir Practice 7PM Sr. Luncheon 12:30 PM
Wed	14	Ladies Bible Class 9AM Quilting 10AM Lenten Dinner 5:30 PM Ash Wednesday Lenten Service w/ Communion 7PM Ladies of Zion Mtg. –after service 8 PM
Sat	17	Adult Bible Class 5:45 PM Youth Lock -In 6:30 PM Worship 7PM
Sun	18	Worship 9AM Family Bible Hour 10:15 AM Jr. Confirmation Class 6-8PM

Retable Flowers: are given to the glory of God by the Ladies of Zion.

Pastor's Bible Class: On Saturday nights at 5:45 in the sanctuary, the pastors are going through the small catechism. On Sunday mornings at 10:15 they are looking at “How we got The Bible.”

Discussion Bible Class led by LeRoy Engelhardt will continue their study of (*The Lutheran Difference*). They will meet in the conference room after Sunday service at 10:15 a.m.

In Sunday School today, the lesson focuses on Acts 9:36–43, the story of Dorcas. Discuss how Dorcas used her gifts and talents to support the mission of the Early Church. Who would you consider a Dorcas in your congregation?

School Chapel: Zion Lutheran School has chapel every Wednesday morning at 8:05 in the church. Everyone is invited to attend.

Ash Wednesday Lenten dinner is hosted by Bill and Kathy Kohn, there are sign up sheets in the narthex where you can sign up to be a helper, bring dessert or assist with clean up on each of the Wednesday Lenten Suppers.

Ladies of Zion will meet on Wednesday in the school meeting room for their monthly meeting after church service, approximately 8 PM.

Silent Witnesses Lenten Devotions from Lutheran Hour Ministries are available in the narthex in both small and large print.

The Youth Group will be hosting its annual Lock-in on Saturday, February 17th, 2018 for youth in grades 6-12. We will meet in the Cafeteria at 6:30 pm on Saturday. We will then attend church together and return back to the school for the night until 6:30 am Sunday. Everyone is asked to bring \$5, a food dish and a drink to share. The food items will not be intended to feed everyone because everyone will be bringing something. This should give us plenty of variety throughout the night. Everyone must have a "Participant Medical Form" on file. You can get them from Pastor Hemme or from the Church office. If you have any questions or to RSVP, call Pastor Hemme at 662-4264. Please RSVP by February 12th to ensure enough supplies and items for everyone. You can also RSVP by signing up by the 7/8 grade room. We need adults to help chaperone. Please let Pastor Hemme know if you can help chaperone for part of the night or the entire night.

Chili Cook off!

Grace Lutheran Church, Auburn has challenged us to a Chili Showdown! The Chili Cook off will be held on Sunday March 11th at Grace beginning at 3pm. But first we must hold our own cook off to determine Zion's top 3 chili makers! This competition will be held during our Wednesday Lenten meal on February 21st at 5:30 pm. If you are interested in participating, make at least 2 quarts of chili for the meal. If your chili is voted a winner you would then make a large pot or crock pot for the competition at Grace on March 11th. There will be a \$5.00 registration fee per chili at Grace. This is a fundraiser. Proceeds will go to Saginaw Zone Lutheran Layman League to support local broadcasts of The Lutheran Hour and camp Lu Lay Lea. If you want to participate or have any questions, please contact Emily McMenemy 989-513-1849.

The bylaws of the Endowment Fund allow for only the distribution of the earnings (interest and dividends not reinvested) of the Fund. For 2017, the Committee approved requests received for a total of \$2,912.27 in funding. This year's recipients for funding are:

- Additional color set of stoles (Pastors) \$800.00
- Michigan District Youth Gathering (Bd. of Youth) \$500.00
- Lighting Cables (VBS Set Crew) \$125.00
- Additional School Staff Area Flooring (Trustees) \$500.00
- Table and Chair (PreSchool Teacher) \$387.37
- STEM Materials (Kindergarten Teacher) \$599.90

The Endowment Fund ended 2017 with a total fund balance of approximately \$218,000.

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Zion Religious and Charitable Endowment Fund