

Bulletin Sentence: Mark 10:29-30 – “Jesus said, ‘Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life.’ ” This is Jesus’ encouragement for every faithful disciple. Let it encourage you today.

Church Attendance October 13 & 14 , 2018
Saturday:98 (73) Sunday: 153 (C118) Wednesday: 16

Offerings October 13 & 14, 2018 \$ **9,369.75** (Weekly need is \$11,420.00)
Mahlburg Door offering: \$1,868.60

Those serving this weekend:

Organist: L. Wegener

Alter Guild for October: Darlene Pugsley 989-835-6572

Sat: ELDERS: Dean Kohn and Dennis Hyatt
USHERS: Randy Brandt, Gordon Glazier and
Krista & Chloe Wittbrodt

Sun: ELDERS: Gary Koch and Mark Treiber
USHERS: Landen Murphy, Joey, Steve & Autumn Wiedyk
and John Olson

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Welcome

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

October 20 & 21, 2018

Psalm 122:1

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

Worship Whys: Why are offerings considered a part of worship? The giving of offerings as a part of worship is a long standing custom in worship. The book of Deuteronomy for example says, " No man should appear before the LORD empty-handed: Each of you must bring a gift in proportion to the way the LORD your God has blessed you." (16:16b-17) In our offerings we give to God something of ourselves. The offering forms the bridge from hearing the Word to doing the Word, from an intellectual to a physical expression of our faith, and from emotion and feeling to action.

Large Print Bulletins are available from an usher and may be helpful to our guests, making it easier to follow the service without using a hymnal.

Children's Bulletins are also available from an usher.

Zion's Web Site: www.zionbeaver.com The website contains the most recent church newsletter, and information about activities at Zion.

Our focus today is on the rest that God gives. We all need physical rest. Our bodies get tired and need to recover. Jesus is the rest we need. Jesus gives us rest as we depend upon Him and believe in Him as our Savior. We await Christ's return when we will be with Him forever. We will have eternal rest as we live with Jesus and those who have trusted in Jesus.

This week at Zion

Sun	21	Worship w/Communion 9AM Family Bible Hour 10:15 AM Junior Confirmation Class 6-8 PM Parenting Class 6-7:30 PM
Wed	24	Chapel 8:05 AM Ladies Bible Class 9 AM Quilting 10 AM
Fri	26	Trunk or Treat 6:30—8 PM
Sat	27	Adult Bible Class 5:45 PM Worship w/Communion 7 PM
Sun	28	Worship w/Communion 9AM Reformation Party 10:15 AM New Member Class 10:15 AM Junior Confirmation Class 6-8 PM Parenting Class 6-7:30 PM

Retable Flowers: In loving memory of parents birthdays, from Clara Wirsing.

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 the new explanation of the Catechism.

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.

Today's Sunday School lesson is "Moses and the Plagues." Through a series of horrific plagues, God punished the Egyptians for their sinful treatment of His people and freed His people from bondage. Through His horrific suffering and death on the cross, Jesus took the punishment for our sin and freed us from sin's bondage. *Ask your children, "What does it mean to be freed from the slavery of sin? Tell about the plagues and talk about the power of God Almighty."*

In Sympathy: Our sister in Christ, Doris Buechler, passed away Wednesday. Funeral services were held here on Saturday, October 20th. We pray for her family and all who mourn her loss. May they be comforted by the sure and certain hope of the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting.

With sincere thanks to all who helped load the boxes for Lutheran World Relief this past Sunday. Thanks to John Meissner, who transported them to the loading site at Valley Lutheran High School. We were blessed to ship 426 quilts and 317 layettes. Thanks to all the donations of fabric, towels, soap, sweaters, baby clothes and so forth which we received.

All ladies are welcome to join us on Wednesday mornings for Bible class at 9 AM. If you would like to help with the World Relief Projects, we begin at 10 AM, and enjoy a sack lunch at noon, then work until 2 PM. No special skills are required!

VLHS INFORMATION NIGHT Calling all current 7th and 8th Grade students and parents to Valley Lutheran High School's Annual Fall Information Night on Tuesday, November 13, 2018, 7:00pm. This event is a great way to get a guided tour of Valley, meet fellow students, teachers, and hear about all the great things you can be part of at VLHS. No RSVP needed just come out for a fun, relaxed evening ~ Valley Lutheran High School, 3560 McCarty Road, Saginaw. Questions?? email Sondra Yantz, Student Recruiter, at syantz@vlhs.com or contact the school 989-790-1676.

Smorgasbord and Country Store Thank You -- The Ladies of Zion thank those who contributed in any way to the success of our Smorgasbord and Country Store once again this year. We are very grateful for the time, food, and items donated for the dinner and Country Store too numerous to list.

Many, many thanks to all our volunteers for sharing their time during the Apple Pie Fundraiser. Because of your time and effort everything went smoothly. We made 2,952 pies! This is the most we have made in 10 years. We would also like to take this time to give a big shout out to the business who helped make this possible; Leaman's Green Apple barn, Star of the West Milling Co., Michigan Sugar, Thrivent Financial, Kroger of Essexville, Frank Farms, Inc., Lowe's, Food Center of Auburn, Hymmco, LLC, Roesse Contracting Co., CPI Engineering

Grave Blankets: Grave blankets will be available for sale after church services Saturday and Sunday. They are \$35. Thanks to Joyce Krieger, Diana and Randy Hebel and all other helpers for taking on this project.

Save the date -- The Ladies of Zion Christmas Party and Secret Pal Gift Exchange will be held on Thursday, December 6, in our Zion Cafeteria beginning with a social time at 5:30 followed by dinner at 6:00 p.m. Particulars will be published and reservations taken at a later date.

School Staff Report – Colett Dominowski

The 7th - 8th grade students went to CMU's Makerspace in Mt. Pleasant. Makerspace is a S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics) driven program. The students were able to create, design, and build a chair. After the Makerspace experience they headed to the Ziibiwing Museum, to learn about Native American history and culture. The 7th and 8th graders attended Camp Rotary in Clare, MI for outdoor education. It's three days of fun and education; high ropes, zip line, canoeing, archery, marksmanship, teamwork, and much more. It's Apple Pie time!!! Please consider volunteering, there are sign-up sheets in the main hallway of the school. We are looking for help at different times on Wednesday the 10th, Thursday the 11th, Friday the 12th, and Saturday the 13th. There are many opportunities to help. We truly appreciate any time you can give us.

Pastors Report – Pastor Menz and Pastor Hemme

Public school confirmation and Sunday School are both going well with the pastors rotating teaching responsibilities.

Missionary James Neuendorf, a native of Michigan, was our guest preacher on September 22nd and 23rd. After completing his Seminary Studies, he will return to serve in Latin America and the Caribbean. His wife Christel, a Deaconess, will be speaking to our school this Friday, October 5th.

Pastor Menz began a New Member class on Sunday September 30th. It looks like there will be 4 people in the class, two of them will be interested in membership. The other two are spouses or fiancés.

Pastor Menz has begun making classroom visits and plans on visiting each classroom once a month to get to better know the kids.

Both pastors will be attending the All Pastors Conference in Boyne October 7th – 9th.

Sick and shut-ins continue to be visited approximately once a month. They would love to have additional visits from their brothers and sisters at Zion.

Pastor Hemme was elected as the Midland Circuit Pastoral Delegate to the 2019 LC-MS Convention in Tampa from July 20th – 25th.

Old Business

Consumers Energy Seminar: A Consumers Energy Seminar was held after church on August 19th. If 100 families sign up for a home energy analysis with Consumers Energy, Zion will receive up to \$2,000. So far 27 families have met the requirements for the home analysis.

CGLT Weekend/Campaign: There is a remaining balance of about \$116,000.00 left on the CGLT loan. A campaign is being considered to assist in paying off the remaining balance before the term of the loan is up.

Nominations process: The nominations for 2019 Church Officers were reviewed. Letters will be sent to those who have been nominated this week.

New Business

Emily Menz intends to start the process to complete her colloquy in October of 2018. The Staff Relations Committee plans to create a policy that outlines use of the Pastor Teacher College Fund for payment of colloquy classes.

10.1.18.D A motion was made, supported and carried to adjourn the meeting.

Pastor Hemme closed the meeting with Prayer

In His service,
Megan Keyser

Holiday Food Baskets Food baskets for families in need will be provided at Thanksgiving and Christmas. Non-perishable food will be collected for the Zion Food Pantry during October and November. Suggested items include soups, canned fruit, canned vegetables, boxed potatoes and stuffing, gravy, jello, cake mix and frosting. Other items needed throughout the year are cereal, bottled juice, peanut butter and jam, canned tuna and chicken, pasta, laundry detergent and toilet paper. Please check the expiration date on the food you donate. Donations can be left in the church basement or placed at the altar during Thanksgiving worship service. Anyone desiring to receive a holiday food basket or wanting to refer a family in need, please contact the church office.

Hope for Life Fundraiser Beacon of Hope Pregnancy Care Center is having a basket raffle and live auction at their Bay City location, Saturday, November 3, 3-8 pm. See the flyer on the bulletin board for more information.

The Trustees would like to have the roof repaired over the carport before the end of the year as there has been some leaking and the ceiling is deteriorating in spots. The repairs will be approximately \$7,000. Please consider contributing to the major maintenance fund so this repair can be done sooner than later.

All Saints' Day is November 1. It is a day to remember and thank God for those who lived lives of faithfulness to God and who rest in the Lord. As a part of our worship on November 3rd & 4th we will be having a remembrance of the faithful departed which includes reading the names of those who have died since the last All Saints Day. Those who died as members of Zion during the past year will automatically be included. If you would like us to also remember a loved one who was not a Zion member, but died in the Christian faith during the last year (Nov. 1, 2017 - Oct. 31, 2018), please contact the church office or write the name and the person's relationship to you and give the name to a Pastor. All such requests need to be in by November 1st.

Save the Date: Sunday, October 28th during the Family Bible Hour. The Board of Parish Fellowship will be providing a Reformation Celebration brunch. Please plan on joining us.

Cooking for Crowds: is designed for non-profit groups that run food fundraisers such as meals, bake sales, etc. Zion will be hosting this event on Wednesday, November 7th. From 5:30-8:30 PM. We encourage any group that prepares food for the public to send a representative to this informative meeting. Cost is \$10.00 per person. Please call Lisa Treiber at 989-832-6643 for additional information.

Church Council Meeting Minutes

October 1st, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Greg Wirsing. Pastor Menz opened the meeting with prayer.

Secretary Report – Megan Keyser

10.1.18.A A motion was made, supported and carried to approve the council meeting minutes from September 10th and the voters meeting minutes from September 16th.

Treasurer Report – Jodi Kukla

10.1.18.B A motion was made, supported and carried to approve the Treasurer's report from September, 2018.

Board of Elders – Mark Steih

Membership changes

New accessions by Baptism: *Lincoln Rhiley Schnell infant son of Matthew and Samantha Schnell 09/16/2018*

Members removed by self-exclusion: *Madison and Brantley Anderson (children.)*

10.1.18.C A motion was made, supported and carried to approve the membership changes.

The September men's club softball event was a great hit, with over 50+ staying for the cookout. Next year, there may be more community involvement as the Beaver Township Fire Department would like to put together a team!

The board of Elders will continue to work on the letter that is being sent to the people that have not been in worship in the last 2 years.

Board of Trustees – Terry Wegener

School east parking lot: We have accepted the bid from Yeager Asphalt to fill the cracks in the parking lot east of the school. This will prevent damage from frost heaving and extend the life of the asphalt. Yeager should complete this task in October.

Maintenance Problems: Church roof over carport, water seeping in church basement.

Church roof over carport: We feel that this repair should be completed yet this year. We are getting water damage in the exterior brick, and the ceiling of the carport. This repair also needs to be completed before the church exterior cleaning and restoration can be done. We have a bid from Sheriff Goslin Roofing.

Improvements: The new septic field and other areas that were disturbed during the project have been groomed and reseeded.

Items to do for October: accept snowplowing bids, clear trees and brush near the drain tile, install risers on the school septic tanks.

Board of Christian Day School - Tonya Kuizenga

Zion Lutheran School's accreditation is up for renewal in the 2019/20 school year. Committees will be formed within the next month and will likely start the process in January of 2019.

Approximately half of the school was eligible for the 2017-2018 Honor Roll Field Trip. Therefore, we discussed implementing new eligibility guidelines. Instead of a minimum 3.5 GPA, students need 3.75. A "most improved GPA" student from each class will also get to go on the field trip. If there is a tie, both students will go.

Board of Christian Day School - Tonya Kuizenga

Angela Riske is in her 3rd class of 8 to complete her colloquy. Emily Menz intends to start the process in October of 2018.

The BCDS started the "Self-Assessment Instrument" survey, sponsored by the LEAP Effectiveness Training for Education Boards Task Force. We plan to complete a few pages at each meeting.

Board of Parish Education – Jenni Steih

A meeting was held with the Sunday School staff. We have eleven children registered for Sunday School. Average attendance for preschool has been three students, four students for K-2 and four students for grades 3-6. Several people have volunteered to be substitute teachers when needed.

The Sunday school offering will be going to Pastor Mahlburg and his family. This is the offering collected at the opening each Sunday. Cheryl Riske will make a sign for the basket explaining this, as there has been some confusion.

The Sunday School Christmas program was discussed, and it was decided that it will be performed during a Wednesday night service in December. A note will be going home with students to see if they will be able to participate.

There will be no Sunday School on December 23 and December 30th.

Nominations for 2019 Church officers are due on October 1, 2018.

A Trunk or Treat will be held on Friday October 26. Emily McMenemy volunteered to hand out treats representing the Board of Parish Education.

A Reformation Celebration will be held on October 28, 2018. The Fellowship team will be coordinating this.

The Parenting is Heart Work Sessions began Sunday September 23 and will continue through November 11, 2018.

Board of Youth – Jen Trevillian

Mums were sold before and after church by the youth the weekend of September 8th & 9th. We sold 61 mums. We also had two people donate money towards this fundraiser.

A youth group meeting was held September 16th. The youth came up with a list of things they would like to do over the next year. We have interest from 2 or 3 high schoolers to attend the National Youth Gathering next summer.

A hayride/bonfire is being held October 13 at the Ettlins's.

School Staff Report – Colett Dominowski

Soccer season has been such a thrill this year. Our A Soccer team remained undefeated for their season, bringing home the season championship trophy. They also had their tournament last weekend. After playing four games on Saturday, we are excited to bring home the tournament championship too! You can see the trophies, as they are proudly displayed in the trophy case in the main hall. Our 4th grade and 2nd-3rd grade soccer teams are all undefeated too! They play their last game this week.

Girls Basketball season starts this week. We are still looking for a B-Girls coach. The 3rd - 4th graders went to the Chippewa Nature Center to learn about water ecosystems. After lunch, they stayed and did a service project for CNC. They helped with the wooded area by pulling out the Buckthorn weed. This class also participated in Farm Bureau's Project RED. Project RED is held at the Bay County Fairgrounds and is a day full of agriculture and farming.