

“SHARING THE GOOD NEWS”
ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH



Sunday, Apr 2nd – Palm
Sunday worship service
Wednesday, Apr 5th – All
Committees mtg. @ 7 pm
Thursday, Apr 6th – Maundy
Thursday worship service @
7 pm
Sunday, Apr 9th – Easter
worship services:
▪ Sunrise worship service
6:30 am
▪ Easter Breakfast
▪ Easter Celebration worship
service @ 9 am
Monday, Apr 10th –
Mondays w/MayDell 10 am
till 12 noon
Tuesday, Apr 11th – 4H Club
meeting @ 7 pm
Thursday, Apr 13th – Ruth
Circle @ 11 am
Wednesday, Apr 19th –
Church Council @ 6 pm
Wednesday, Apr 26th –
Naomi Circle @ 6:30 pm

Homebound

Charlie Bentke
Elverna Borchartt
Gene & JoAnn Draehn
Dorothy & Bradley
Grimm
John & Darleen Hardin
Josephine Helm
Aubert & Cleo Jaeger
Gertrude Krinke
Weldon & Marjorie
Krinke
Veradell Lehde
Alice Macik
Joyce Marburger
Joyce Meyer
Jannet Rosenbaum
Glenn Schroeder
Nathan & Carolyn
Zibilski

Isle @ Watercrest (in C/S)

Alvin & Ruth Free

Kruse Village

LaVerne Blum
Gracy Lange
Evelyn Plueckhahn

**Magnolia Assisted Living
Cn'tr/Bellville, Tx**

Doris Blum
Leroy Hodde

**Oak Haven Assisted Living
(Industry)**

Bernice Vaughn

Silver Sage Assisted Living

Mary Lee Schneider



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Church Council

Monthly Meeting for Zion Lutheran Church Council

Date: March 15, 2023

Attendance:

Staff: Pastor Glenn Hohlt (absent)

Executive Committee: Marvin Spreen-President, Charles Hahn-Vice President, Melisa Bosse- Secretary, Sandy Blum-Treasurer

Committee Chairs: Matt Supak-Bldg/Grounds (absent), Cindy Buck-Worship, Liz Capan-Stewardship (absent), Sandra Lange-Parish Ed, Chad Neumann-Witness (absent)

Opening Prayer: Marvin Spreen

Reports:

- Financial Report – Motion to approve by Melisa; seconded by Charles. All approved.
- Feb. Meeting Minutes – Motion to approve by Sandy; seconded by Sandra. All approved.
 - Correction to Feb. Meeting Minutes: Paid \$4,700 Benevolence (\$3,500 ELCA/Synod; \$400 Lutherhill; \$400 Burton Bridge Ministry; \$400 Faith Mission).

Committee Reports:

- Pastor's Report –
 - Report unavailable.
 - Conducted 2 funerals
 - Conducted 1 baptism
- Building/Grounds – Matt Supak
 - Report unavailable.
- Parish Education – Sandra Lange
 - Lenten studies underway during Sunday School.
 - First Communion studies started on March 5.
 - Country Walk scheduled for April 16 to Indian Creek in Burton.
 - Easter Egg Hunt will begin at 8:30 on Easter Sunday. Candy donations are being collected. Plastic easter eggs will be prepared on April 2 after worship and on April 5 at 5:45 after confirmation.
 - Blum baby baptism scheduled for April 23.
 - Faith statements and confirmation scheduled for May 21 during worship. Reception for everyone will follow the service. No Sunday School will be held.
 - Moms, Dads, Grads and Confirmands Sunday Brunch scheduled for June 6 (date changed).
- Stewardship – Liz Capan
 - Report unavailable.

- Witness – Chadd Neumann
 - Birthday cards sent.
 - Newspaper ad will be placed advertising Zion Easter Sunday's schedule.
- Worship – Cindy Buck
 - Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper attended by 85 people. Donations received from Judy Jeske, Gladys Hodde and Linda Lehde. Stewardship Committee and youth group assisted. \$600 was collected.
 - Maundy Thursday service will begin at 7 pm.

New Business:

- Gary Lehde has volunteered to clean the kitchen stove vent fan on roof. Grease build-up was discovered during the Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper.
- Office computer equipment to be upgraded, along with the Quickbook application. Quote received from Computer Helpers for \$1,110.40, in addition to online/offsite backup solution (\$83 yearly). Motion to approve by Melisa; seconded by Charles. All approved. Thrivent Choice Dollars will be used.
- Recommendation made to remind Thrivent members that Choice Dollar allocations must be made before March 31. A quarterly reminder will be included in future church newsletters.

*Respectfully submitted,
Melisa Bosse, Secretary*





Parades of Palm Sunday

Not much is made of the fact that history suggests there would have been more than one parade-like entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. We know much about Jesus' ride on a donkey, a symbol of peace, including coats instead of a red carpet and palm branches instead of flags.

Since it was Passover, it was the habit of the Roman leadership to make an appearance as well. In a city of about 40,000 people, Jerusalem would swell to at least 200,000 (some suggest it might have been as many as 1 million) by the week of Passover.

In our culture we do our best to separate religion and politics, but there is no getting around the fact that Holy Week is at least partly about Jesus laying down a political gauntlet. Pilate, the Roman representative for Passover, would have paraded into Jerusalem on what would become known in Christian tradition as Palm Sunday displaying not only imperial power but also Roman imperial theology.

You see, beginning with the greatest emperor, Caesar Augustus, in 31 BCE, he not only considered himself ruler over Rome but also Israel. So, when terms like Son of God were used to refer to Jesus it was a direct challenge to the emperor.

Politics, from the Greek polis meaning city/state, are the affairs of a group of people. I tend to understand it as a way to organize a group of people who live in the same area. Jesus had a particular way of understanding that organization: every human is created in the image of God and belongs in the community.

Holy Week is about humanity rejecting that understanding of organization, of community, of God's kingdom, in favor of other human/earthly ways of organizing communities. To proclaim "Christ has died, Christ has risen, and Christ will come again" is to proclaim our desire to live in the Kingdom of God, on earth as it is in heaven, where there is no longer Jew or Greek, slave or free, male or female and all people are equal in the eyes of God. What was resurrected on Easter was the eyes of God! I once was blind but now I see!

Pastor Glenn

Easter Worship



Sunday, April 2nd – Palm Sunday worship service @ 9 am

Thursday, April 6th – Maundy Thursday worship service @ 7 pm

Sunday, April 9th – Easter Sunrise worship service @ 6:30 am

Easter egg hunt and Easter breakfast after worship service

Sunday, April 9th – Easter Celebration worship service @ 9 am



EASTER EGG HUNT

- **Easter Sunday Morning**
- **after the breakfast**
(about 8:20)
- **bring your own basket**





Youth Ministry

Dates to Remember:

Procession with palms on Palm Sunday, April 2nd

Confirmation classes - April 5th and April 19th

First Communion - Maundy Thursday, April 6th

Country Walk - Sunday, April 16th



Celebrating Seder Meal: Chase Neumann & family



Celebrating Seder Meal: Tyson Ramirez & family



Celebrating Seder Meal: Sandy Supak & family



Vacation Bible School 2023

SAVE THE DATE!

July 23-27

Daniel did more than survive a den of hungry lions!
Meet Daniel and hear how he and his friends fare as captives in Babylon.



Questions:

1. When the Pharisees asked Jesus whether it was lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, what object did he use to answer their question?
2. When Philip and the Ethiopian eunuch arrive at some water, what does the eunuch say?
3. Who said to Mary, “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb!”?
4. Seven fat and seven thin of what type of animal appeared to Pharaoh in a dream?
5. How old was Sarah when her son Isaac was born?

- 1.** A penny (denarius)[Matt 22:19] **2.** What is there to stop me getting baptized? [Acts 8:36]
3. Elisabeth [Luke 1:41-42]] **4.** Cattle (or cows)[Gen 41:1-4]
5. Ninety [Gen 17:17; 21-5]



Burnie Galle
M/M John Keienburg
Penny Spreen
Virgil Stiewert, Jr.
M/M Twain Tharp
Germaina Print Mail Center
Jennifer Grimm
Tim, Denise & Katie Murski

Keith Kitty
Lynlee Kocurek
Ben Marek
Darrell Meyer
Grant Miglicco
Larry Motley
Lorilai Schultz
Nolan Toole
Diana Williams

Doris Blum

M/M Leroy Hodde
Jason Blum & family
M/M David Blum
M/M Larry Blum
M/M Ronnie Heidemann
Judy Jeske
M/M John Keienburg
Women of Zion
Randy Blum
M/M Lee Koehler
Gloria Stoddard
M/M Douglas Blum
M/M E.F. Marburger
Veradell Lehde
M/M Ricky Blum
Catherine Stuckert
M/M Bryan Rothermel
Marvin Spreen
Citizens State Bank
Elvera Drews
M/M Charles Hahn
Carolyn Heidemann
M/M Allan Niemeyer
Bobbie Ising
M/M Craig Conner
Ruth Maass
Carol Sue Seeber

Florence Borchardt

M/M Larry Blum

LaVerna Schiller

M/M Elmer Marburger
Ruth Maass
M/M Charles Rauch
Elvera Drews
Daniel Bode
Women of Zion



Prayers thru the last month
of March have gone out to:

Carolyn Heidemann
Kurt, Lisa & Baby, Dawson
Jaskiski
Weldon Krinke
Sandra Lange
Holly Lehde
Cindy Lyles
Larissa Maass & baby,
MacKenzie
Alice Macik
Jannet Rosenbaum
Nina Runge
Mary Lee Schneider
Marvin Spreen
James Vaughn
Dean Winkelmann
Nathan & Carolyn Zibilski
Don Allphin
Charlotte Chavez
Mary Hohlt
Wayne Fuchs

**And continue to hold in
your prayers:**

*Zion's Call Committee;
Shane Bentke, Trey Hardy,
Melonie Rau, Gary
Wagner, and Lori Wittner.

*The Future Called Pastor
of Zion and his/her family.



Articles for the May
newsletter must be
submitted by April
22nd. Thank You



Carolyn Heidemann	1-Apr
April Pieper	1-Apr
Beverly Roehling	1-Apr
Cindy Buck	2-Apr
Katy Wunderlich	2-Apr
Dorothy Grimm	3-Apr
Evelyn Plueckhahn	3-Apr
Nate Rau	5-Apr
Stacey Hahn	6-Apr
Luke Hardy	8-Apr
Don Lyles	8-Apr
Jonathan Pelkemeyer	9-Apr
Brady Rau	9-Apr
Susan Bame	11-Apr
Kyle Lehde	12-Apr
Jill Rosenbaum	16-Apr
Elroy Maass	17-Apr
Glenn Schroeder	17-Apr
LaVerne Blum	19-Apr
Laykin King	20-Apr
Janice Rau	21-Apr
Larry Koehler	23-Apr
Craig Blum	24-Apr
Penny Spreen	24-Apr
Billy Wayne Gaskamp	26-Apr
Jessica Meyer	26-Apr
Marley Meyer	26-Apr
Michael Bentke	27-Apr
Carolyn Sue Maass	28-Apr
Paisley Schulz	28-Apr
Fredrick Pelkemeyer	29-Apr
Nancy Buro	30-Apr
Madison Maass	30-Apr
Calley McGinley	30-Apr

Stan Ford	1-Apr
Cynthia Koehler	2-Apr
Charles Hahn	3-Apr
Melisa Bosse	5-Apr
Colt Niemeyer	6-Apr
Josephine Helm	7-Apr
Warren Niemeyer	8-Apr
Shawnda Saunders	8-Apr
Dorothy Grimm	11-Apr
Cindy Buck	12-Apr
Susan Bame	13-Apr
Krista Engeling	13-Apr
Jason Maass	13-Apr
Lori Wittner	14-Apr
Linda Lehde	17-Apr
Kerstynn Meyer	18-Apr
Ryan Blum	20-Apr
Evelyn Buck	20-Apr
Connie Klausmeyer	21-Apr
Sandy Supak	22-Apr
Leroy Hodde	23-Apr
R. W. Luhn	23-Apr
Alisa Niemeyer	23-Apr
David Raffo	23-Apr
Veradell Lehde	24-Apr
Mark Buck	26-Apr
Cara Davis	27-Apr
Beth Kunkel	27-Apr
Collin Pepper	28-Apr
Margaret Melton	29-Apr
Melonie Rau	29-Apr
Beverly Roehling	29-Apr

Charles and Gloria Rauch	12-Apr
Charles and Charlene Hahn	15-Apr
Don and Cindy Lyles	17-Apr
Robert and Shonda Ziese	25-Apr
David and Sandra Lange	29-Apr

Attendance

Date	Worship in-house	Worship Mail-out	Sunday school	On line
3/05	86	26	14	23
3/12	143	26	14	15
3/19	79	26	10	24
3/26	84	26	12	0

Offerings

Date	Regular	Memorials
3/05	4801.68	170.00
3/12	3498.68	915.00
3/19	2567.68	70.00
3/26	2690.68	0

NOTES & THANKS



Sunday, April 16th,

Come join the Sunday School kids for their 2nd “Country Walk” during the Sunday school hour. This time we will venture to the walking trail and rest stop below the Cotton Gin Museum in Burton, overlooking part of Indian Creek. Bring your walking stick or one will be provided. This is a fun way to enjoy God’s creation as a group; plus, possibly visiting an area you have never experienced before!



Thank you to all those that helped with the Pancake Supper on Fat Tuesday, February 21st. We served 85 people and raised \$600.00

Thank you to those donating sausage, milk, orange juice, syrup, butter, pancake mix and fruit. Special thanks to Gary Lehde and Ronnie Kelm for cooking the sausage.

Thanks also to members of the worship and stewardship committees and the youth that set-up, cooked and cleaned up. We greatly appreciate all the help and it would not have been a success without everyone’s help!

The Worship Committee

Dear Church friends,

We hope that this Lenten season of fasting and penitence has brought opportunities to grow closer to God through prayer, service and the Bible. We are looking forward to celebrating Easter in April, when we will share in the joy of the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

With gratitude,
Taylor Whittaker, Executive Director
Bridge Ministry of Burton Texas

Senior Fellowship and Meal

We welcome anybody 55 and older to join us most Fridays for the Senior Fellowship and Meal. No reservations are necessary for dine-in service, and the suggested price is \$4.

Where: St. John's UCC, Family Life Center, 516 N. Colorado
When: Fellowship and games from 10 a.m. until noon
Bingo at 11 a.m.
Lunch is served at noon

Upcoming Menus:

April 7: No meal (Good Friday)

April 14: Manicotti Italian casserole, salad and garlic bread (with volunteers from St. Paul Lutheran Church of Rehburg)

April 21: White Horse Tavern's Cowboy Spaghetti, salad and bread (with volunteers from Greenvine Baptist Church)

April 28: On Deck's lasagna, salad and garlic bread (with volunteers from St. John's United Church of Christ)

May 5: Meat loaf, mashed potatoes, green beans and dinner rolls (with volunteers from Zion Lutheran Church)

If you want a "to go" meal, call 979-337-3370 no later than the Tuesday before Friday. We suggest you arrive at 12:10 p.m. to pick up your meal.

If you're 55+ or have health issues that require you to stay home, let one of our volunteers deliver a hot meal to you each Friday at no charge. Call our administrative office at 979-337-3370 for more information. Our delivery area is limited to Burton.

The Corner Shoppe

Burton Bridge Ministry's boutique thrift store accepts gently used donations of clothing, goods and household décor. These items are lovingly curated and sold at affordable prices to the community.

March 30-April 1:

Hop on over to The Corner Shoppe and save 50% off all Easter items and decor. The Easter Bunny will find some great savings for those creative Easter baskets. It's also a "Manager's Choice" weekend so check out our Facebook page for special deals on select items.

April 6-8:

Freshen up your wardrobe for spring and save 50% on clothing and jewelry. We've got a great selection of garments for men, women, and children. Also look for great "last chance" savings on Easter décor before it's packed away for the season.

April 13-15:

Accessories take center stage when shoes, purses and cosmetic bags go on sale for 50% off. Mix and match to your heart's content and feel good knowing your purchase helps support Burton Bridge Ministry's programs and ministries.

April 20-22:

So much to buy, so much to save. This week savvy shoppers will find clear glassware, pictures and frames all on sale for 50% off. Be sure to stop by our "Man Cave" display for great deals on tools, air filters, fix-it-up supplies and more.

April 27-29:

Whether you're sprucing up your Airbnb or giving your spare bedroom a spring update, this is the week to save 50% on all linens and fabric. If you missed last week's deals from items in the "Man Cave", don't worry because it's your chance at another bargain.

The Corner Shoppe

307 North Brazos, Burton

Open 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Thursdays-Saturdays

979-289-2223

Facebook.com/burtoncornershoppe

Burton Bridge Ministry also accepts donations of furniture, appliances and estates. Contact Barbara Donnelly at 281-686-4822 or barbarajodonnely@gmail.com.

Bridge Summer Day Camp

Mark your calendars for the next Bridge Summer Day Camp, July 31-August 4, with another action-packed adventure at Greenvine Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Greenvine Baptist Church, and Lutherhill LaGrange Facilities. Your children and grandchildren will grow closer to God as they experience His love through games, crafts, service projects, worship, song, STEM activities and more. Visit burtonbridgeministry.org.

We're looking for adult and teen volunteers to help with this week-long camp. Volunteer opportunities include preparing and serving snacks, leading an arts and crafts class, running the outdoor games, and taking out the trash and cleaning up at the end of each day. We also need help getting ready for camp: preparing a list of camper allergies, assembling the daily route for the bus driver, picking up T-shirts, and making copies of the curriculum.

All summer camp volunteers must pass a background check annually, take our insurer's Child Safety Course, read and abide by Burton Bridge Ministry's child safety protocols, and ensure that all children are accompanied by at least two adults at all times. There also is an interview process for new volunteers to our children's ministry. If you can help, contact Velta Clifton at 830-998-5366 or burtonbridgeoffice@gmail.com.

Administrative Office Help

We're looking for a sharp and compassionate individual to run the administrative office this summer during our executive director's planned absences. Answer the phones, reply to emails, and be on site at our office at 601 North Main. Hours are Mondays and Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Wednesdays from noon to 5 p.m.

Training will take place early in June and the dates when we need office help are June 22-July 10 and also July 31 through August 4. This is a paid opportunity. Contact Taylor Whittaker at 979-337-3370 or burtonbridgeministry@gmail.com.



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