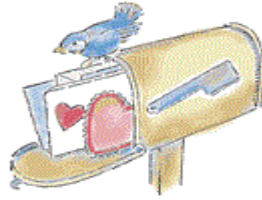


“SHARING THE GOOD NEWS”

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH



Our Shut-ins

Homebound

Charlie Bentke
Elverna Borchartd
Gene & JoAnn Draehn
Milton Green
Dorothy & Bradley
Grimm
John & Darleen
Hardin
Gertrude Krinke
Veradell Lehde
Joyce Marburger
Joyce Meyer
Carolyn Zibilski

Argent Court

Walter Rodenbeck

Bren. Nursing & Rehab

Sue Maass
Evelyn Plueckhahn
Glenn Schroeder
Jerry Vaughn

Kruse Village

LaVerne Blum
Gracy Lange

Oak Haven Assisted Living (Industry)

Bernadine Blum
Marjorie Krinke
Bernice Vaughn

Silver Sage Assisted Living

Mary Lee Schneider



Council Highlights

2025 Council Members

President: Craig Blum
(979) 820-2137

Vice President: Melisa
Bosse (979) 251-2740

Secretary: Lisa Conner
(979) 220-5349

Treasurer: Joy Fuchs
(979) 289-2600

Witness: Cindy Kelm
(979) 451-0675

Bldg/Grounds: Paul
Cmajdalka

(512) 497-8640

Parish Ed: Linda Lehde
(979) 203-8525

Worship: Cindy Buck
(979) 830-7791

Stewardship: Sandra Lange
(979) 251-2201

Wednesday, Feb 5th – All
Committees' meetings @ 7 pm
Sunday, Feb 9th – Souper Bowl of
Caring Sunday
Monday, Feb 10th – Monday
w/Maydell 10 am til noon
Tuesday, Feb 11th - 4H Club meeting
@ 7 pm
Thursday, Feb 13th – Ruth Circle @
11 am
Sunday, Feb 16th – Zion's 155th +
year celebration w/ Bishop Michael
Rinehart presiding with brunch
celebration after worship
Wednesday, Feb 19th – Church
Council meeting @ 6 pm
Wednesday, Feb 26th – Naomi
meeting @ 6:30 pm

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Church Council Meeting Minutes

Zion Lutheran Church Council Monthly Meeting Recap

Date: January 15, 2025

Attendance:

Staff: Pastor Glenn Hohlt(absent)

Executive Committee: Craig Blum-President; Melisa Bosse-Vice-President; Lisa Conner-Secretary; Joy Fuchs-Treasurer(absent)

Committee Chairs: Paul Cmajdalka-Bldg/Grounds, Parish Ed-Linda Lehde; Stewardship-Sandra Lange(absent); Witness-Cindy Kelm; Worship- Cindy Buck

Opening Devotion and Prayer: President Craig Blum

Reports:

Financial Report- Motion was made to approve by Melisa Bosse, Seconded by Linda Lehde, All approved.

Meeting Minutes-N/A No meeting was held in December due to the Christmas Party. Motion was made to approve by Melisa Bosse, Seconded by Cindy Buck, All approved.

Committee Reports:

Pastor's Report-No report

Building/Grounds-Paul Cmajdalka

*Inquired if leaks were still occurring...contacting roofing company again.

*Repair made to John Deere mower by Matt Supak at no charge.

*Replacement of lock for maintenance shed completed.

*Several work orders to begin working on.

Parish Education – Linda Lehde

*Confirmation is May 18, 2025

*Cradle Roll Meet the Parents to be held Feb 9th

*Vacation Bible School is June 15 to 19, 2025. Ordering material at @ \$300.

*Next Generation-is having a meeting Brazos Supak and Tyler Ramirez are currently on the executive committee.

Stewardship- Sandra Lange- No Report

Worship- Cindy Buck

*Removed and stored Christmas decorations during two afternoons.

*Will be meeting next month to discuss Fat Tuesday.

Witness-Cindy Kelm

*Will be organizing a table for the Souper Bowl of Caring Food Drive.

*Will be working with Marvin and Lynette to continue projects

New Business:

*Linda Lehde stated Pastor Glenn would like National Night Out brought back to Zionsville. She may have someone interested in heading this event. Further discussions to follow.

*Possible work day in Spring

*Future discussion concerning possible urn monument for cemetery

*Future discussion of Easter Breakfast

*Bank Signature card changes will be made. Motion approved by Paul and seconded by Lisa. All approved.

*Staffing Duties-Back up plans-Melisa to begin reviewing procedures verifying relevancy.

*Discussed details of Super Bowl of Caring on Feb. 9th

*155th Anniversary plans

*Bishop Michael Rinehart preaching Feb 16th-cookie/punch reception following.

*History update-Beverly Roehling will update church history for anniversary.

*Committee adjustments & re-alignments to be reviewed.

*Annual meeting discussion of items on agenda

*Audit Committee update-overview by Joy. Report is approved to be presented to congregation. Motion approved by Paul and seconded by Melisa. All approved.

*Nominating committee-Charles Hahn, Sandy Blum, Marvin Spreen. Need three other candidates for annual meeting.

*Stained glass window repair update by Paul. Congregational approval needed at meeting/donations; fund matching & past history discussed. Further investigation needed. Paul made a motion and Melisa seconded. All approved.

Closing Prayer-All joined in The Lord's Prayer

*Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Conner, Secretary*

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING **January 26, 2025**

Meeting Called to Order: Craig Blum, President

Opening Prayer: Craig Blum, President

AGENDA

Review and Approval of:

- ❖ Minutes of Previous Congregational Meetings (Jan., April, and Dec. 2024)

*No discussion

*Motion made for approval by Marvin Spreen; seconded by Ricky Bosse; All approved.

❖ Pastoral & Committee Reports:

* Pastor Glenn commented on his Pastoral reports, being available for questions, his continuing to study God's Word and the Holy Spirit being among us.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Review of Financial Statements:

*Thank you to Lori Wittner, Michael Bentke and Penny Spreen for auditing church financials.

*2024 Council approved streamlining of funds. Questions can be directed to Craig Blum, Joy Fuchs or Melisa Bosse.

* Audit Committee made suggestions as to direction of funds. Council will continue to seek advice from other professionals to decide outcome.

*No discussion

*Motion made for approval by Joy Fuchs; seconded by Elroy Maass; All approved.

❖ Elect 3 members to serve on nominating committee:

*Will include outgoing Council members: Charles Hahn, Sandy Blum, and Marvin Spreen

*Nominations include: Allison Crowson with two more nominations volunteers needed.

❖ Stained Glass Window Repair:

*Bulging stained glass windows in need of repair

*Paul obtained bid from Freebird Glass, INC. See their website for list of other repairs.

*Estimated cost to be approximately \$60,000

*Various Church funds available, including for personal donations.

*Beverly Roehling to do history search on Windows, contact her with information.

*Lengthy discussion on subject.

*Motion made for approval by Michael Bentke; seconded by Sara Ramirez; All approved.

Information:

*Bishop Michael Rinehart Feb 16th to preach with reception following.

*Updated committee structure with more information and opportunities to follow.

Additional requests/comments:

*Looking for old Church records including Baptismal or Marriage Licenses in German to be displayed for 155th celebrations.

*Rodney Wittner requested “spirit” moved volunteers to mow. Stated that they would be glad to teach anyone, as it is not hard to do.

Closing Prayer: The Lord’s Prayer

Meeting Adjourned:

*Motion made by Elroy Maass; seconded by Birdie Sommerfeld

*Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Conner, Secretary*

Letter To Zion’s Congregation:

Thank you to everyone in attendance at our annual meeting and for all your comments, questions, and discussion on the current activities moving our congregation forward into our 155th year, 2025. It will take everyone working together to accomplish all that we want our church to be. As we remember our past, there will always be change with new ideas and the work in front of us. That is who we are as Zion Lutheran Church. Going forward, we would like to ask for volunteers to help with our committee work. The Bldg. & Grounds committee will need help/volunteers with the church grounds, mowing, and maintenance. The Witness & Stewardship Committee will try to work together to be more effective but really need more members to reach out and do more. Parish Ed. & Worship Committees continue to be strong but welcome anyone to help. Contact anyone on the church council or come to our next meeting to serve where you feel most comfortable.

The all Committees meeting night is scheduled for Wednesday February 5th at 7 pm. Pastor Glenn will open with a small devotion for all and the committees can then breakout to organize, do their work and have fellowship & fun all at the same time. We look forward to seeing you there.

Zion Church Council



Jesus' Job Description

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor...Isaiah 61:1-2a

Jesus' ministry in Luke begins with this reading. He visits his home town Synagogue in Nazareth, as was his custom, and finds this particular place in the readings from the prophet Isaiah. This seems to suggest that he was looking for this specific section.

Whether that's true or not it is the basis for Jesus' ministry focus in the Gospel of Luke. That's important to consider because the different Gospels focus on different areas of Jesus' ministry.

The Gospels fit the genre of Biographies. Therefore, each Gospel writer focused on a different Christology, who was Jesus, not so much on what he did. How we understand Jesus is incredibly important to our understanding of the Gospels.

For me personally my biography could be divided into Glenn the Band Director and musician and Pastor Glenn. Those would be very different stories and paint a picture of a two very different people.

In the Gospel of Luke Jesus' ministry is defined by the reading from Isaiah. The spirit of God shines through Jesus. Secondly Jesus has been anointed, set apart, chosen.

What's important about this is that Jesus tells us what is important to him, therefore important to God and therefore important to us. There are so many who are trying to tell us what should be important to followers of Jesus but many of them have nothing to do with what was important to Jesus, and in fact many of them are in direct contradiction to what was important to Jesus.

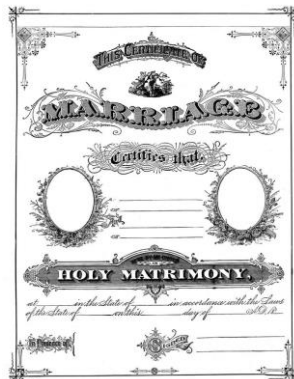
The oppressed, the brokenhearted, the captives, and prisoners need our attention. The year of the Lord's favor is the same as a year of Jubilee. Every 50 years debts were forgiven, slaves were freed and land was returned to its' original owner.

Peace, Pastor Glenn



On Sunday, February 16th, we will be celebrating Zion's 155th anniversary. Bishop Michael Rinehart will be presiding and there will be a light brunch following the worship service. If you have any old copies of marriage, baptismal or confirmation certificates or other historic items that we could use for a display, it would be greatly appreciated. Please feel free to bring them to the church and place them in the workroom. The worship committee will place them in the cafeteria for display during the brunch. If the items are already in a frame that would be helpful in keeping all the items safe and secure. All items to be returned to original owners after the service.

Thank you,
The Worship Committee





The family of Elmer Marburger would like to thank the members of Zion Lutheran Church for the cards, kind words and memorials following Elmer's passing. We would also like to thank Pastor Glenn for delivering the message and the many individuals who provided their assistance, including those who offered their services during the funeral service, hosted the reception or prepared the delicious food.



*Altar
Flowers*

The flower chart sign-up sheet is now on display on a table in the church foyer. Please sign-up to provide flowers on a Sunday morning. You do not have to designate a special occasion, you may just provide as a gift to the Glory of God.



Questions:

1. For how long did David reign?
2. How many Psalms are there in the Bible?
3. Jesus used a little child to show the futility of an argument among the disciples. What were they arguing about?
4. Whose twelve-year old daughter did Jesus raise from the dead?
5. What was the name of Ruth's great-grandson?

1. Forty years [2 Sam 5:4] 2. 150 [Ps 1:1-150:6] 3. Who is the greatest in heaven [Matt 18:1-4]
4. Jairus [Luke 8:41] 5. David [Ruth 4:22]

Youth activities



Youth Sunday School Program

The Youth Christmas Program, *Have You Heard the News?* was held on December 22nd. Participating were: Tyler Ramirez, Sandy Supak, Brazos Supak, Landon Guerrero, Emily Lehde, Chase Neumann, Madison Maass, Sofia Guerrero, Tucker Gurka, Louii Guerrero, Addison Lehde, Julie Maass, Kailyn Neumann, Emily Pohlloresky, Tyson Ramirez, Luke Hardy, Matt Supak, Chadd Neumann, Stacy Hardy, Lisa Conner, Pastor Glenn and Allison Crowson as the accompanist. Helping produce the program were Beverly Roehling, Linda Wagner, Mary Keienburg, and Theresa Rodenbeck.

Mary Keienburg

LOOKING AHEAD – DATES TO REMEMBER

Confirmation 

Confirmation Classes for the month of February will be February 2nd and February 16th



Valentine Party for Cradle Roll families will be February 9th at 10:15 am



SAVE THE DATE

Vacation Bible School will be June 15th thru 19th

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING (AND SOCKS)



tacklehunger.org

During the months of January and February, we are asking for donations of canned chili and soup for the Manna Food Pantry. We are also looking for donations of new socks for men, women, boys, girls and infants. There will be a table set up at the church to drop off your donations. Thank You!



Prayers thru the last months January have gone out to:

Family & friends of Tammy Brauner, Krista Engeling, Charles Hupe and Roy Lee Oakes

Joyce Boeker
John & Darleen Hardin
Mary Keienburg
Sandra Lange
Tracy Lehde
Veradell Lehde
Cindy Lyles
Sue Maass
Brian McKee
Evelyn Plueckhahn
Jerry Vaughn
Dean Winkelmann
Sandy Winkelmann
Carolyn Zibilski
Timothy Ballew
Gloria Hanath
Denise Jones
Terry Mantey
Tim Mantey
Mark Marburger
Shanan Marburger
Cari Stovall
Randall Wiggins
Dianna Marie Williams
Jana Wilson

Don Stelter

Rodney Maurer

Elmer Marburger

Jason Blum
M/M Larry Blum
M/M Paul Cmajdalka
Elvera Drews
M/M Wayne Fuchs
Shirley Gajeske
Shirley Ganske
M/M Wayne Ganske
M/M Rickey Gaskamp
M/M Larry Henske
M/M John Keienburg
M/M Elroy Maass
Ruth Maass
M/M Rhett Musick
Betty Pelkemeyer
M/M Thomas Roehling
Carol & Penny Spreen
Marvin Spreen
M/M Gary Wagner
M/M David Buck
M/M Ronnie Hohlt & family
Joyce Marburger
M/M Gene Draehn
Betty Wiesepape
Larry Krinke
Nina Runge
Linda Lehde
Erna Seilheimer & Family
M/M Allan Niemeyer
Joyce Meyer & family
Carolyn Heidemann
Connie Rohde
M/M Dennis Roehling
Sara, Tyler & Tyson Ramirez
M/M David Blum
M/M Donnie Lyles

Joyce Boeker
M/M Ricky Bosse
Gertrude Krinke
Judy Jeske
M/M James Vaughn
Gladys Hodde
M/M John Bilski
M/M Pete Gutierrez
M/M Mark Buck
Anna Blum Herrington
Shirley Schiller
M/M Charles Hahn
Bobbie Ising
M/M Gary Rosenbaum
M/M Fred Rau
M/M Kenneth Muchow
Citizens State Bank
Vincent & Shelly Orsak

Krista Engeling

M/M Don Lyles
Bertha Upshaw

Patsy Hodde

Gladys Hodde

Joyce Margurger

Delores Gaskamp

Louise Glaesemann

M/M David Buck

Sue Carol Smith

Joyce Meyer & Family



William Klingsporn	2-Feb
Emily Lehde	2-Feb
David Buck	3-Feb
Allyne Emshoff	3-Feb
Carson Lehde	4-Feb
Mandy Petersen	4-Feb
Chase Neumann	7-Feb
Alisa Niemeyer	8-Feb
David Blum	9-Feb
Jason Blum	9-Feb
Jon Little	9-Feb
Warren Niemeyer	9-Feb
Linda Lehde	12-Feb
Bobbie Ising	13-Feb
Melania Lehde	14-Feb
Mary Ann Meals	14-Feb
Leonora Blum	15-Feb
Steven Capan	15-Feb
Timothy Mantey	15-Feb
Kristy Pieper	15-Feb
Erwin Emshoff	16-Feb
Cynthia Koehler	16-Feb
Paul Wunderlich	20-Feb
Charles Rauch	21-Feb
Braden Roehling	21-Feb
George Lorenz	22-Feb
Shawnda Saunders	22-Feb
Larry Henske	23-Feb
Curtis Orts	25-Feb
Nancy Wunderlich	25-Feb
Ryan Blum	27-Feb
Bradley Grimm	27-Feb
Mark Hahn	27-Feb
Cindy Lyles	27-Feb
Margaret Melton	28-Feb
Lori Wittner	28-Feb

Jeanette Ford	1-Feb
Lydia Green	2-Feb
Linda Boehnemann	5-Feb
Bernice Vaughn	5-Feb
Sheila Muske	6-Feb
Tyler Ramirez	6-Feb
Russell Heidemann	7-Feb
Delfred Gaskamp	8-Feb
Kristie McKee	8-Feb
Ella Pieper	8-Feb
Shirley Ganske	10-Feb
Tim Pepper	12-Feb
Chadd Neumann	13-Feb
Carmen Niemeyer	13-Feb
Bobbi Jo Supak	13-Feb
Emily Maass	14-Feb
Shane Bentke	15-Feb
Dotsy Luhn	15-Feb
Tracy Lehde	16-Feb
Wrenley Pieper	16-Feb
Kelly Pohorelsky	19-Feb
Cooper Raley	19-Feb
Mary Keienburg	22-Feb
Lisa Conner	24-Feb
Bradley Grimm	27-Feb
Mark Hahn	27-Feb

Ricky and Marina Seilheimer	2-Feb
William and Karen Klingsporn	14-Feb
Bobby and Mary Lee Mertz	15-Feb
Jason and Emily Maass	16-Feb
Jerry Joe and Bernice Vaughn	19-Feb
Curtis and Jessica Meyer	23-Feb
Fred and Janice Rau	26-Feb



Articles for the March newsletter must be submitted by February 20th.
Thank You

Attendance

Date	Worship in-house	Worship Mail-out	Sunday school
12/22/2024	99	23	22
12/24/2024	193	23	0
12/29/2024	73	23	0
01/05/2025	74	23	13
01/12/2025	68	23	7
01/19/2025	65	23	11
01/26/2025	78	23	0

Offerings

Date	Regular	Memorial
12/22/2024	5135.68	0.00
12/24/2024	24196.00	0.00
12/29/2024	4263.68	1120.00
01/05/2025	4133.68	330.00
01/12/2025	7951.11	80.00
01/19/2025	3778.68	25.00
01/26/2025	2240.68	50.00



We are pleased to let you know that a deposit has been made to Zion Lutheran Church thru Thrivent Choice Dollars on behalf of:

Craig Blum
Kathy Blum
Theresa Rodenbeck

A special thank you to Carol & Rick Gaskamp for removing all the Christmas lights from the trees and removal and storage of the nativity scene. We are so very grateful for your help.

The Worship Committee



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February 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 <i>Confirmation Class</i> 10:15 – 11:45	3	4	5 <i>All Committees'</i> <i>Mtg. @ 7 pm</i>	6	7	8
9 <i>Souper Bowl</i> <i>Sunday</i> <i>Valentine Party for</i> <i>Cradle Roll families</i> <i>@ 10:15</i>	10 <i>Mondays w/MayDell</i> <i>10 am - noon</i>	11 <i>4-H Club Meeting</i> <i>@ 7pm</i>	12	13 <i>Ruth Circle Mtg. @</i> <i>11 am</i>	14	15
16 <i>Zion's 155th yr.</i> <i>celebration</i> <i>w/Bishop Mike</i> <i>Reinhart</i>	17	18	19 <i>Church Council Mtg</i> <i>@ 6:00 pm</i>	20	21	22
23 <i>Confirmation Class</i> 10:15 – 11:45	24	25	26 <i>Naomi Circle @</i> <i>6:30 pm</i>	27	28	29



FEBRUARY 2025 WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

DATE	Feb 2 nd	Feb 9 th	Feb 16 th	Feb 23 rd
Ushers	Trey & Stacy Hardy	Matt & Bobbi Jo Supak	Michael & Allison Bentke	Ricky & Melisa Bosse
Greeters	“	“	“	“
Acolytes	Tyson Ramirez	Sandy Supak	Chase Neumann	Emily Lehde
Lector	Sara Ramirez	Bobbi Jo Supak	Allison Bentke	Susan Bame
Altar Guild	Elvera Drews & Kim Cmajdalka	Judy Jeske & Carol Gaskamp	Allison Bentke	Don & Alice Studhalter
Bread	Elvera Drews	Judy Jeske	Allison Bentke	Ruth Maass
Communion Assistants	Trey & Stacy Hardy and Charles Hahn	Matt & Bobbi Jo Supak and Penny Spreen	Michael & Allison Bentke and Jennifer Lorenz	Ricky & Melisa Bosse and Shonda Ziese
Coffee Servers	Jason Blum	Don & Alice Studhalter	Carol Spreen	Ricky & Melisa Bosse
Media Production	Kim Cmajdalka	Steve Capan	Kim Cmajdalka	Steve Capan
Media Operator	Kim Cmajdalka	Carol Gaskamp	Melisa Bosse	Bobbi Jo Supak
Sound System	Brue Muske	Steve Capan	Bruce Muske	Steve Capan
Altar Flowers		Veradell Lehde in memory of Jane Little	Donnie Reynolds in memory of her mother, Bernice Bean	