

Zion Newsletter

From The Pastor

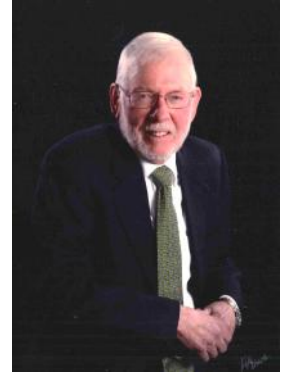
How was your trip? A lot of people ask that or a similar question when one gets back from a trip. The answers can vary from the weather was good (in our case) or bad. The traffic was good (in our case) or jammed all the time. The food was good (in our case) or we couldn't find a decent restaurant on the whole trip. We did eat at a place in "no man's land" where the food was good. BUT, Chyeral's food came first and she was about done when my food arrived after all kinds of arguing in the kitchen between our server and the cook. They were both elderly so maybe they were tired that day, or tired of running the business. It made dinner interesting because we could also understand most of what they were arguing about.

We saw a lot of God's beautiful creation in southern Utah as we toured 5 National Parks. It's too bad that scientists today have all kinds of wonderful explanations as to why things are what they are, but omitting who created the beauty of the world and urging people to be thankful for such beauty.

Because we were in both mountains and valleys and gorgeous canyons, we decided to have as our daily devotion a Psalm that mentioned mountains. I would find one and the next day Chyeral would find one. It made the devotions meaningful for what we were doing. We were thankful everyday for the safe travel we enjoyed and the beautiful weather we had every day.

I hope that if you travel this summer or sometime this year, God will keep you safe and you will take God with you in your devotions.

2018 June Newsletter



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Ladies Society

Thank you to everyone who helped at the Salad Luncheon on May 11th and also to everyone who attended. We heard many positive comments.

June 4th and 11th— Zion will be helping serve the Loaves and Fishes Community Meal at St. Theodore's. Please sign up to help.

June 6th at 6:30pm—planning meeting at Zion for the Owatonna Conference Fall Rally to be held here at Zion. Anyone is welcome to participate in planning this event.

June 25th—Kitchen Cleaning day at Zion.

June 29th -30th is the MN South District LWML District Convention at Verizon Wireless Center in Mankato. There will be a Basket Silent Auction for mites. Registration due by May 15. Cost is \$105 plus meals. "Gifts from the Heart Collection" will be baby kits and hospice kits. More information can be found on the LWML bulletin board.

Hannah Circle

June 5th @ 9:30 am at Church

Hostess: Marie Hinkley & Elaine Mucha



Martha Circle

June 5th @ 1:00 pm at Church

Hostess: Arlene Murray

Ladies Executive Board

June 25th @ 3:30pm

Ruth Circle

June 5th @ 6:30 pm @ Wedgewood Cove

Check out the LWML Websites.

The National LWML Website: www.lwml.org

The LWML Minnesota South District Website:
www.lwml.mnslwml.org

Readings for June

June 3rd The Second Sunday after Pentecost

Deut. 5:12-15

2 Cor. 4:5-12

Mark 2:23-28

June 24th The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Is. 40:1-5

Acts 13:13-26

Luke 1:57-80

June 10th The Third Sunday after Pentecost

Gen. 3:8-15

2 Cor. 4:13-5:1

Mark 3:20-35

June 24th The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Job 38:1-11

2 Cor. 6:1-13

Mark 4:35-41

June 17th The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Ezek. 17:22-24

2 Cor. 5:1-10

Mark 4:26-34

Upcoming Events

June 3rd—Mother's/Father's Day Breakfast @ 9-10:30am

June 3rd—Graduation Recognition

June 3rd—Free Swimming at Americinn, Albert Lea. Noon-4p

June 3rd—CALL MEETING; Information @ 3pm, meeting @ 4pm

June 4th—VBS decorating committee meeting @ 5:30pm

June 6th—LWML Fall Rally planning meeting @ 6:30pm

June 21-23—MN South District Convention @ Concordia College St. Paul.

June 24th—Pastor Natzke will be guest pastor.

June 27th—BINGO @ Good Samaritan

June 28th & July 1st—Pastor Heining will be guest pastor.



2018 Zion Graduates

Kylie Brown

Haley DeSart

Jackson Heller

Logan Stadheim

CONGRATULATIONS!

Fathers are wonderful people
Too little understood,
And we do not sing their **praises**
As often as we should...
But **FATHERS** are just wonderful
In a million different ways,
And they merit loving **compliments**
And accolade of praise,
For the only reason Dad aspires
To **fortune** and success
Is to make the family proud of him
And to bring them **HAPPINESS...**
And like our Heavenly Father,
He's a **guardian** and a guide,
Someone that we can count on
To be **always** on our side.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Second Sunday after Pentecost 3 8am Traditional Worship 9:00am Mother/Father Breakfast 10:30am Contemporary Worship Noon- Free Swim at AmericInn 4:00pm CALL MEETING 2018 Graduate Recognition Day	4 Loaves & Fishes 5:30pm VBS decorating committee meeting	5 9:30 am Hannah Circle 1:00 pm Martha Circle 6:30 pm Ruth Circle 7:00 pm Elders' Meeting	6 9am Quilters 6:30pm LWML Zone Rally Planning Meeting	7 6:45 pm Mid-Week Service	8 5:30pm Joyful Noise	9
Third Sunday after Pentecost 10 8am Traditional Worship 9:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Contemporary Worship	11 Loaves & Fishes	12 6:30 p Board of Ed. 6:30 p Board of Youth 6:45 p All Boards Meet 7:30 p Council Meeting	13 9am Quilters	Flag Day 14 6:45 pm Mid-Week Service	15 5:30pm Joyful Noise	16
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost 17 Father's Day 8am Traditional Worship 9:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Contemporary Worship	18	19	20 9am Quilters	21 6:45 pm Mid-Week Service MN South District Convention →	22 5:30pm Joyful Noise	23
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost 24 <u>Pastor Natzke – Guest Pastor</u> 8am Traditional Worship 9:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Contemporary Worship	25 Zion Kitchen Cleaning 3:30 p Ladies Exec. Board Meeting	26	27 9am Quilters 1:00 pm Bingo @ Good Samaritan	28 <u>Rev. Heining – Guest Pastor</u> 6:45 pm Mid-Week Service	29 →	30 →

Sunday	6/3		6/10		6/17		6/24	
	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>10:30am</u>	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>10:30am</u>	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>10:30am</u>	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>10:30am</u>
Acolyte:	Landon S	Samuel H	Travis O	Raven M	Shania P	Samuel H	Landon S	Raven M
A-V Team:	Robin P. Wayne P. Nancy G.	Darris D. James H.	Robin P. Fred R. Nancy G.	James H. David K.	Robin P. Brooks D. Roger P.	Darris D. James H.	Jim V. Brooks D. Wayne P.	James H. David K.
Comm. Assist:	Jerry Kruckeberg	Tim Kasper	Bill Podratz	Bruce Hayden	Ron Timm	Jeff Brown	Wayne Prudoehl	Dean Johnson
Elder:	Rick Ashling	Dick Mucha	Rick Ashling	Dick Mucha	Rick Ashling	Dick Mucha	Rick Ashling	Dick Mucha
Greeters:	Jean Prescher	B & P Bonfy	Ron Timm	Pam Doss	J & D Viktora	B & D Drescher	J & C Leininger	D & S Johnson
Lay Reader:	Kelly Schultz	Lois Palmer	Helen Johnson	Cathy Studier	Orda Podratz	Chandra Whelan	Ann Estes	Dana Nelson
Organist:	Angie Drescher		Angie Drescher		Angie Drescher		Angie Drescher	
Ushers:	Jim S. John D. Marv H. Fred R.	Tim K. Dana N.	Bruce B. Orlo W. Jerry K. Bill P.	Natalie N. Bonnie W.	Clint M. Christiaan O. Jock W. Dwight M.	Jeff B. Dana N.	Ron T. Jim V. Truman G. Dwight M.	Dean J. Dick M.

Thursdays	6/7	6/14	6/21	6/28
A-V Team:	Keith K.	Keith K.	Roger P.	Keith K.
Comm. Assist:	Kent D.	Kent D.	Kent D.	Kent D.
Elder:	Keith K.	Keith K.		Keith K.

Financial Assistants
Bruce Hayden Kelly Schultz
Flower & Altar
Linda Eggleston Jackie Bakken Nancy Golde



Rip Roarin' Raftin' Theme

Life is full of thrills and spills; we may not know what's around the bend, but God does! This year's theme is Splash Canyon where kids discover that, on life's wild ride, Jesus is by our side. God saves us through Jesus and gives us life and hope every day and forever.

To be successful we need volunteers to plunge into the task of teaching children that Jesus is our Savior and he will Keep us afloat through the water of Baptism. If you have heart for children, come join us on July 22nd—26th from 5:30-8:00pm, to share God's promise on life's wild ride!

Sign-up sheet and volunteer descriptions on the bulletin board.

You can register your children and/or grandchildren online at

<https://vbsmate.com/ZionAlbertLea>

Contact Cathy Studier at (507)383-6641 or LeAnn Houle in the church office (507) 373-8609 for more information.

Happy Father's Day!

What is a son in law? He is a man; who is the son of a different father and mother. He is a young man who was attracted to your daughter and they started dating. Usually the boy decides that this is the woman for him and asks that tough question. Will you marry me? If she says yes; then he becomes the husband to your daughter and your son in law. As the saying goes; "A person can choose their friends but not their relatives".

At first I think there may be way too much expectation from each party involved; the parents of the daughter, the daughter, the parents of the future son in law and the future son in law. It is a transition thing; each one learning how the other operates and thinks. Sometimes it creates a nervous tension between all parties when they get together; especially planning the wedding; but most of the time it works out well for all involved.

Not all son-in-laws are equal; some are better than others. That fact could depend on what his in-laws think of him. It takes time for both sides to adapt to each other. Sometimes no matter how good a husband he is to the daughter; the in-laws have a problem liking him. To make the son in law situation work well sometimes a parent has to keep quiet; if both people are happy, get along well, no one is being abused; then you should not interfere. Only offer help when help is asked for.

This new person in your life will be the father of your grandchildren if you are fortunate enough to have some. When and if they do have children; the children will most likely reflect the mannerisms of the parents. It is what they learn at home; after all we did the same thing. Some of the mannerisms come from your daughter and the way she was brought up. The rest will come from the son in law and how he was brought up. It is a combination of both sets of in-laws. Here is another time when your lips should be kept closed. If the children are well cared for, healthy, fed, clothed, and not being abused; then the only help that should be given is when help is asked for.

Their physical looks and actions on the other hand may resemble any and all family members. It is after all; a genetic thing. It is actually fun to see how the genetics come out in the grandchildren. I have a grandson who has the same eating likes and dislikes as his uncle brother to the mother.

Some parents may have only girls; some have only boys; some have a mixture of each and some parents have only one child. All those different combinations can add to the dynamics of the daughter/son in law relationship. So in some families the son in law; becomes a son the parents wanted but didn't or couldn't have.

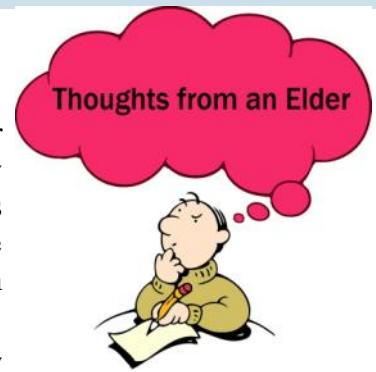
If you have a son who is not yet married; there may be a girl waiting for just that person. Maybe her father, when introduced to your son; might think; "this person, isn't quite good enough for my daughter. I may think at first: "My daughter deserves a better person than the one she has chosen". The problem with such examples is this; I am not the one in charge of deciding who is and who isn't a good choice; my daughter is; it is her life; and if my wife and I have done a good job of raising our daughter than she should be capable of choosing the right person.

So time has gone by for my wife and me; in June of 2018 my daughter and the man in her life will be married 25 years. That is a long time by the standards of the time we are in. I would say they both have done it right.

My son in law takes care of his family, he loves his wife, and he loves his children; he even cares about his in-laws. We have not lost a daughter; we have gained a son.

Chad you are a great son in law I couldn't have asked for more; I have a lot of respect for you.

To all the men who are fathers and a son in law. Happy Father's Day!



By: Roger Panzer

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.

We are happy to share the news that I have been called to serve Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Iowa City, Iowa. We got the chance to meet with my supervisor, Pastor Brent Hartwig after the Call Day service, and were able to talk about my responsibilities as a vicar, the church itself, and where we will be living. There is a parsonage for us on site, and our new address as of August is listed below.

I am so excited to serve in Iowa City, with all its unique attributes. I already know that I will be stretched outside my comfort zone, but that is what this year is all about, learning and growing as a servant of the Word and in faith toward Jesus. Anna is excited about the area and plugging into homeschool coops, the library programs, and of course getting to know the parishioners of Our Redeemer. Call week was a hard time for Anna with both boys having severe colds and receiving the sad news of her grandfather passing away. She will be flying to her home town in Southern California with Iden the first week of May for the funeral. Please pray for her safe travel and for her family as they say goodbye.

Thank you for sharing in this process, your gifts and support have made the road to this point smoother. We plan on moving out of Saint Louis at the end of June, will be visiting family for the month of July, and should be moved in to our new home at the beginning of August. It's going to be a busy summer and an even busier year. Please continue to pray for us all as we make this transition. You have been a source of encouragement for us and have shown me an example of what the Church truly is: the Body of Christ as a real and present blessing to people in need.

Blessings from the Otterman family!



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*In Loving
Memory of...*

Chuck Harty

Judy Hagen

Grace Arneson

Jerry Rasmussen

Erla Schenk