

Zion Lutheran Church

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A Time to Come Together as a Community in Worship

My dear friends in Christ Jesus, since March 2020 the Covid-19 virus has been the major story for this year. Fear about the virus has had our freedoms have been restricted, our travel has been restricted, our work environments have been altered, social distancing and masks are more than just terms and in some states it is a violation of the law to assemble or to sing hymns and songs of praise by Executive Orders from Governors and Public Health Officials.

You know this because you have read and seen these stories on the news, in social media, and heard about them on the radio. You have felt these changes and restrictions in your workplace, in the school you attend, and when you go out to eat in restaurants, if in fact, you are going out to eat.

All of this has isolated and divided us physically and spiritually, in our nation, and in our communities. The St Marys' Ministerial Association is hoping to gather and unite this community in worship and praise to our Lord, with a ***Block Party Tent Revival***.

It will be held in St Marys' Memorial Park on Sunday October 11, 2020 from 4:00pm until 8:30pm. It will feature live local bands playing Christian Music, and Preachers from St Marys congregations and organizations as well. There will be some prepackaged snacks and bottled water available for free to those attending the event. As we are outside, masks are optional.

The Local bands playing are: ***Gabe Maas, Grand Lake Worship and the Awaken Band***.

Local Pastors participating are: ***Rick Sheer, Tim Benjamin, Judy Baher, Bev Hurlbert, Fr. Alex Witt and Bill Maki***. The Fellowship of Christian Athletes will also be represented by ***Steve Stroh and Parker Miley***.

This event is in compliance with all that the Auglaize County Department of Public Health has required of us as we endeavor to gather in this outdoor setting.

Bring your family and your lawn chairs to Memorial Park where there is lots of room to socially distance. Prepare to sing and to hear the Word of the Lord and to see people you may not have seen in a while. Check out the website: <https://www.facebook.com/events/352929902528898>.

We hope to see you there.

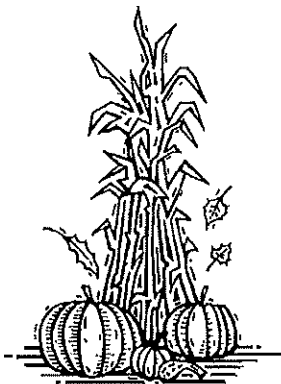
Pastor Bill Maki

October Birthdays

03–Andy Elking, Ann Maki, Isabella Ross, Steve
Opperman, Stella Yahl
04–Kevin Puthoff
05–Catherine Austin, Jeremy Kemmann, Elias Poe
06–Quinn Cisco, Holli Enderud, Robert Hance,
Hayden Roby
08–Angela Gibson, Benjamin Opperman, Bobby
Wingett
10– Jack Rouhier
11–Timothy Paul, Russell Nolan
12–Kermit Hecht
14– Rick Green, Rebecca Torsell
15–Samantha Ackroyd, Braden Elshoff, Hannah
Vondrell
16–Lindsey Karner, Mark Langsdon

17–Izetta Fulton
20–Ronald Langsdon, David Sprague, Michael
Weadock, Nathaniel Freewalt
21–Thomas Grunden
22–Ted Hertenstein, Ryan Wuebker
23–Karen Vornholt, Jodi Wasinski
24–Amelia Staugler
25–Miriam Johns, Suzanne Langsdon, Susan Nuss
26–Carly Gibson, Zoey Lampert
27–Ella Glass
28–Lee Smith
29–Brenda Henning, Joni Immenschuh
30–Deb Green, Kathryn Schneider
31–Darl Bishir

If your name was omitted or a correction needs to be made in this list of birthdays, please contact the church office, 419-394-3115.



October

Zion Women of the NALC News

Thanks to all women who voted for the offices of Chair and Secretary. Nora Staunton has been elected to Chair, and Sandy Wierwille has been elected to Secretary. Thanks to the four of you who ran for office! We appreciate your willingness to serve Jesus.

LWR kits and quilts have been put together with a few more to go until the delivery on October 17, in Fort Wayne. Next month there will be a total for each kit, quilts, and sewing kits to share with you.

Thankful Offering is scheduled for Wednesday, November 18 and Sunday, November 22. Remember the containers that you picked up last year in late November and December?

These containers should be holding your Thankful offering every time you are thankful for something. This offering is sent to Crime Victim Services, in Lima. If you don't have a container, there are some on the table in the Narthex. We are asking that you put your offering in an envelope and designate it as Thankful Offering. These current containers will be used again for next year, so please hold on to them!

Memorials

Gifts were given in memory of Phyllis Lutterbeck by Ed & Linda Yahl, Harry & Nora Staunton and Sandy Wierwille.

Gifts were given in memory of Harold Knatz by Ed & Linda Yahl, Harry & Nora Staunton and Carol Knatz & Family.



Minister to your ministers

In honor of Clergy Appreciation Month, use these alphabetical reminders of how to treat your pastors:

- Accept them as people.
- Build them up. Say "thank you."
- Communicate with them.
- Defend them when someone tries to run them down.
- Entertain them. They like to have fun, too!
- Family. Allow them to have a family life.
- Genuine. Be honest with them. Be yourself around them.
- Honor them. Don't put them on a pedestal, but respect them.
- Income. Pay them enough so money isn't a concern.
- Judge not! Avoid being critical.
- Kind. Treat pastors as you want to be treated.
- Love. See 1 Corinthians 13.
- Maintain. Their families have the same needs as other families.
- Nurture. Help them grow in grace.
- Offer to help. The list of things you can do is endless.
- Pray for them. Lift up their names to God daily.
- Quelch not. Encourage instead!
- Rejoice in and with them.
- Surprise them — in little and big ways.
- Trust them. Believe in them.
- Understand them. Put yourself in their place.
- Vacation. They need time away.
- Welcome them into your home. Don't wait for an invitation.
- eXpend yourself, not them.
- Yoke. Help them bear their burdens with grace and dignity.
- Zap all gossip!

Prayer List

We invite you to include the following, friends and family of our members, in your daily prayers:

- Larry Wilkins
- Janet Dicke
- Tanner Fortman
- Judy Von Blon
- Marvin Opperman
- Juli Clark
- Brent Paulus
- Jo Ann Cooper
- Adam Poe
- Judy Howell
- Debbie Fishbaugh
- Jack Rouhier
- Carol Singleton
- Don Deitsch
- Carla Sprague
- Dylan Koenig
- Rob Poe
- Bob Lutz
- Janice Daugherty
- Sandi Deerhake
- Kim Peyton,
- Pastor Tim Smith
- John Hesse
- Peggy Dubois
- Family of Robert Young
- Family of Carolyn Crouch
- Family of Terry Teeters
- Family of Barbara Vogel
- Families of Erin Rammel
- all those living with or around the Corona virus
- Sean Lawler
- Andrew Johnson
- Michael Carroll
- Eli Handy
- Nathan Adams
- Jacob Yahl
- Brad Platt
- Jason Gross
- Daniel C. Lukac IV
- Kyle Schmehl



October 2020 Calendar

T/1	9:00 a.m.	Women's Workday	7:00 p.m.	Women's James Bible Study
S/3	9:00 a.m.	Men in Mission Bible Study	T/15	9:00 a.m. Women's Workday
S/4	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service*	3:30 p.m.	Newsletter Article Deadline
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School	S/20	8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Svc. *
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service*	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
M/5	5:00 p.m.	Elder's Meeting	10:30 a.m.	Contemporary Worship Svc. *
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship	M/19	7:00 p.m. Sola Bible Study Group
T/6	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting	7:00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship Group
	6:00 p.m.	Trustee Meeting	T/20	9:00 a.m. Dorcas Quilting
	7:00 p.m.	Council Meeting	7:00 p.m.	Youth Committee Meeting
W/2	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting	W/21	11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Info. Deadline	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Info. Deadline
	6:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Worship*	6:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Worship*
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation
T/8	2:00 p.m.	Women's James Bible Study	S/25	8:00 a.m. Trad. Reformation Worship Service*
S/11	8:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Svc.	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School	9:15 a.m.	Confirmation Breakfast
	10:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Svc.	10:30 a.m.	Confirmation/Reformation Worship Service*
	4:00 p.m.	Community Worship Service		
M/12	Office Closed/Observance Columbus Day		M/26	7:00 p.m. Sola Bible Study Group
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship	7:00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship
	7:00 p.m.	Sola Bible Study Group	T/27	9:00 a.m. Dorcas Quilting
T/13	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting	W/28	11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
W/14	9:130 a.m.	Women of NALC Council Mtg.	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Info. Deadline
	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting	6:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Worship*
	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Info. Deadline	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation
	6:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Worship*	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Committee Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation		

November Newsletter Article Deadline

The deadline to submit articles for our November Newsletter is **Thursday, September 15**. Please submit all articles to the church office by 11:30 a.m. Choose one of the ways to submit your articles to us:

- Fax: 419-394-1239
- Bring it to the church office by the deadline.
- Write us a note on the "I Worshiped Today"
- Leave a message on our answering machine: 419-394-3115 after 4:30 p.m.
- Send your article to kbishir@hotmail.com

If we can't leave our footprints on the sands of time, we can at least keep them out of the police files.



2020 Flower Chart

The 2020 Flower Chart is available on the bulletin board by the alley entrance. We invite you to select the date you wish to provide flowers. On the Tuesday before the date you selected, order your arrangement from your favorite florist and contact the church office, 419-394-3115, to let us know what information you would like included in the bulletin. Dates still available in 2020:

*October 18

*November 22

*December 6 & 13

Men In Mission Project

Our Men in Mission are collecting supplies for flood buckets. This is a year round project, to have buckets available for when a disaster happens.

Flood Buckets and Supplies:

- 1 Gallon of Bleach
- 3 Black Trash Bags
- Cleaning Liquid (Murphy's, Pine Sol, Etc.)
- Comet
- Scrub Brush
- Dust Masks (N-95)
- Gloves

The buckets and lids have been supplied for you. The list of items to fill the bucket are taped to each bucket. Pick up a bucket and fill it with the required supplies and return it to the church.

Church Office Closed

The church office will be closed on Monday, October 12, in remembrance of Columbus Day.

Staff E-Mail Addresses

Zion is linked to the Internet. We are currently receiving e-mail service provided by bright.net. Staff e-mail addresses are:

- Pastor Bill Maki wem1@aol.com
- Kathy Bishir kbishir@hotmail.com
- Ann Maki annmmaki@yahoo.com
- Adam Poe ympoe@yahoo.com
- Mindy Thiebeau zionbpe@gmail.com
- General Mail zionlutheranstmarys@bright.net



We Are on the Radio

Our 8 a.m. worship service is broadcast live on WCSM radio 96.7 FM. Thank you to our primary sponsor of our WCSM radio broadcast—St. Marys Chrysler. Volunteers are needed to help with the sound board. No experience needed! Anyone interested in running the sound board during worship will be trained. We would like to have more people for rotation purposes. Contact the church office, 419-394-3115, or Pastor Bill if you can help.

One Warm Coat Drive

Warm Winter Coat Drive is in progress. We have a barrel in the portico. Coats can also be dropped off at Agape Ministries Monday-Friday 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturdays at Thrift Store 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. All size coats are needed but last year they were low on coat sizes from 1X, 2X, 3X, 4X.

Operation Christmas Child

Look for details or the shoe boxes to fill for Operation Christmas Child in October. Watch for the display table with the boxes to fill.

Confirmation, Sunday, October 25

Please pray for our students who will be Confirmed in the faith on Reformation Sunday, October 25, at the 10:30 a.m. service. They are:

- Chloe Gibson
 - Katie Mertz
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Annual Meeting, November 1

Our Annual meeting is scheduled for Sunday, November 1, at 9:15 a.m. (between services) in the sanctuary (with social distancing for seating.) No meal will be served. A quorum of 50 people is required for our meeting to be held. Please plan to attend.

Year-to-Date Financial Information

Financial Information: Our current financial information for Zion is as follows for **YEAR-TO-DATE** on September 2020:

- 1/1/2020 Beginning Balance - \$5,483.62
 - SEPT YTD Income - \$223,742.62**
 - SEPT YTD Expenses - (\$158,900.16)
 - Payroll WH/Benevolence (\$3,422.67)
 - SEPT Ending Bank Balance - \$66,903.41
 - Roof Principal Balance YTD - \$125,650.41
- **PPP Money Received - \$45,000.00**

Character is easier kept than recovered.

Items Being Collected for NALC Disaster Relief and LWR

Collected throughout year

- *One Bath towel (approximately 52" x 27" and 20" x 40" for LWR), or any other size, dark colors recommended
- *One wash cloth
- *Two bars of soap, equaling 8-9 oz., any brand, in original wrapper
- *One adult size toothbrush in original package
- *One tube of toothpaste, except buy two if giving sample sizes
- *One package of dental floss
- *One sturdy comb, remove package
- *One metal nail clippers (with or without attached file), remove packaging
- *One deodorant, any kind or size
- *Two lightweight cotton T-shirts (no onesies)
- *Two long or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (with or without feet)
- *Two receiving blankets, medium-weight cotton or flannel, or crocheted or knitted with lightweight yarn, up to 36" or 52" square
- *Four cloth diapers, flat fold preferred
- *One jacket, sweater, or sweatshirt with a hood, or include a baby cap
- *Two pairs socks
- *One hand towel, any color for NALC, dark recommended for LWR
- *Two or three bath-size bars of gentle soap equaling 8-9 oz., any brand, in original wrapping
- *Two diaper pins or large safety pins
- *One cloth bag or backpack for NALC
- *One sturdy drawstring backpack-style cloth bag, approximately 14" x 17" with shoulder straps for LWR
- *Four notebooks of wide or college ruled paper, no loose-leaf paper, 8"x 10 ½" size
- *One 30 centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- *One pencil sharpener
- *One blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- *Five to six unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers
- *Five black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink)
- *One eraser, 2 ½" for LWR, any size for NALC
- *One box 16 or 24 crayons
- *Twelve sheets assorted construction paper
- *One calculator for high school (for NALC)

The Zion Women Mission Action Committee encourages you to donate any one or more of the items listed above. You may bring your items to the church during the week or with you to worship and place the items in one of the boxes located by the elevator. If you are unable to bring the items listed above but wish to give a donation toward the purchase of these items, please earmark and envelope "Personal Care Kit" and place it in the offering plate.

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BOARD OF DEACONS: Keith Fledderjohann, Sandy Wierwille, Kermit Hecht, Steve McAfee, Judy Schultz,
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