



Zion Lutheran Church
210 North Wayne Street
St. Marys, OH 45885

April 21, 2024
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Setting 3

Page 138 Red Hymnal

PRELUDE COME THOU FONT OF EVERY BLESSING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL SONG *"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"* #634

(Main floor in front of Chancel step)

GREETING

P He is Risen!

C: He is Risen indeed!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin
and cannot free ourselves.

We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done
and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,
so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God,

Jesus Christ was given to die for us,
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins.

As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ,
and by his authority,

I therefore declare to you
the entire forgiveness of all your sins,
in the name of the Father,
and of the + Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

(Behind Altar)

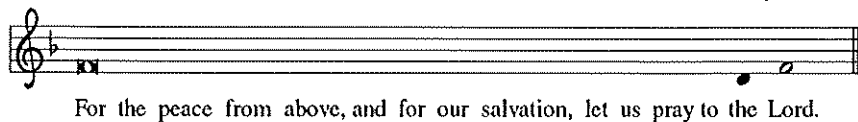
L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God who went
to the cross for our sake; the love of the Father who put an end
to the power of death through the resurrection of Christ; and
the promised Holy Spirit who gathers us together, be with you
all.

C: And also with you.

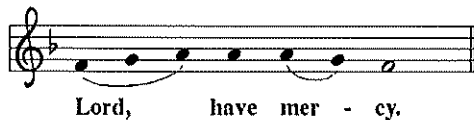
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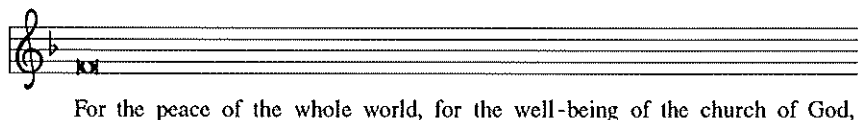
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



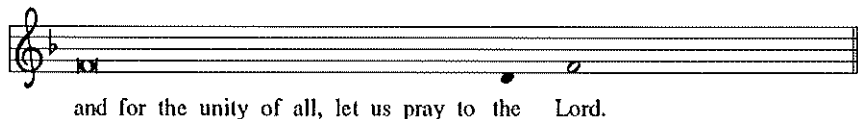
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



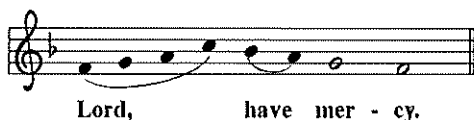
Lord, have mer - cy.



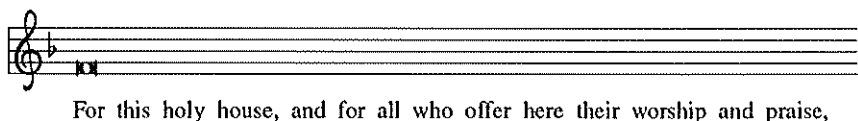
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



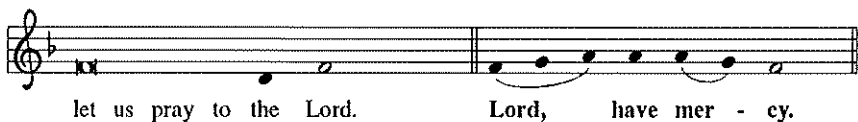
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



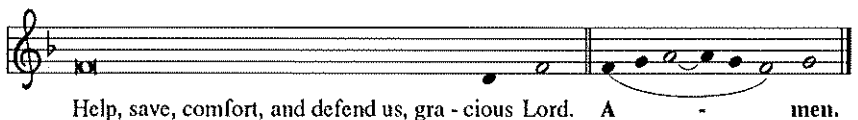
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb
who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of
God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,
glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
 slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Insert

FIRST READING

Acts 4:1-12

Insert

PSALM 23

Insert

SECOND READING

1 John 3:16-24

Insert

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
 words of e-ter-nal life. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

P: The holy gospel according to Saint John the tenth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *"Children of the Heavenly Father"*

#781

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Lord in your mercy...

C: Hear our prayer.

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY EARTH WITH HER TEN THOUSAND FLOWERS

CONGREGATIONAL SONG



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles - sing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

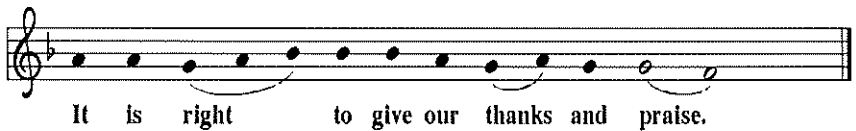
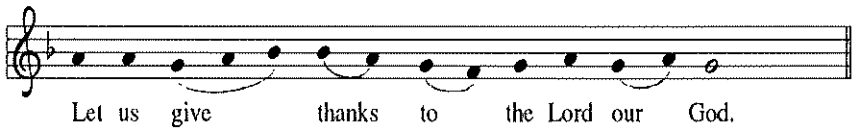
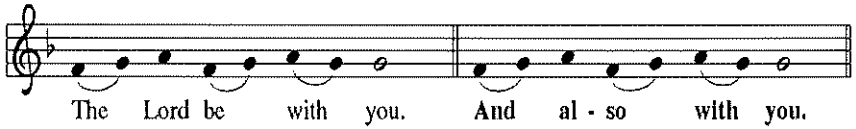
L: Let us pray.

Generous God, you have given us treasures too numerable to count. Grant us faith to be generous with all that you have

first given us: our time, our resources, our possessions. May we boldly trust that your providence, presence, and care are a never-ending reality in our lives.

C: Amen.

DIALOGUE



PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ; the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

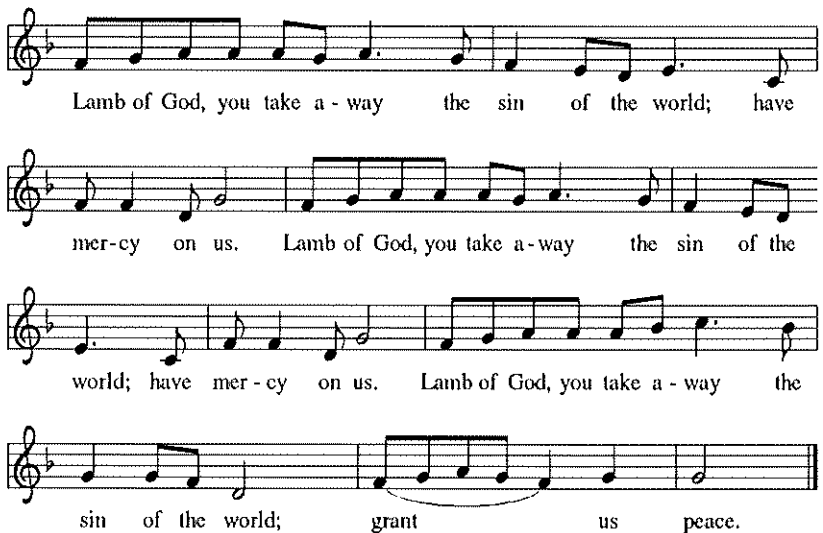
LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION SONG



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION HYMNS

"Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us" #789

"The King of Love My Shepherd" #502

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace, now and forever.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

L: Let us pray.

Gracious God, you have fed us at this holy meal with the bread of life and the cup of salvation. We praise you for the glorious resurrection of Christ which is a sign of your great love for your people. You have forgiven us through this sacrament and restored us to new and everlasting life.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

P: Pray in the Spirit at all times so that you may discern the will of God. Keep alert as you walk in faith. Speak with the boldness of the apostles who came before you so that all might know the good news. And may the Lord bless you and keep you, now and forever, in the name of the Father, the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit. (Ephesians 6)

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG

"This Is My Father's World"

#824

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Christ is Risen!

C: He is risen, indeed! Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

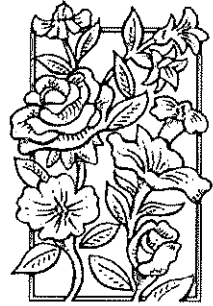
FESTIVE FLIGHT

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Memory Verse: Acts 4:12

¹²And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

The altar flowers are Given to the Glory of God for all our blessings, by Dan and Cheryl Macklem.



Today, Sunday, April 21^{st*}

Acolytes:	8AM:	Zoey Lampert
	10:30am:	Jessi Eberle
Communion	8AM:	Chris White
Assistants:	10:30AM:	Cheryl Macklem
Crucifers:	8AM:	Braylon Lampert
	10:30AM:	Will Ross
Ushers:	8AM:	D. Uhlenhake, J. Wurster, D. Henning, D. McAfee
	10:30AM:	D. Hoenie, S. & D. Brown, Mark Torsell
Fellowship	8AM:	Becky Harvey
Table:	10:30am:	Dan & Cheryl Macklem
Greeters:	8AM:	John & Amy Hesse
	10:30AM:	Dwayne & Ruth Hoenie
Readers:	8AM:	Linda Yahl
	10:30:	Deb Brown

Next Sunday, April 28th*

Acolytes:	8AM:	Colton Ankerman
	10:30am:	Cason Meinerding
Ushers:	8AM:	R. Weaver, J. Slemmons, D. Stetler, J. Wurster
	10:30AM:	Dan Macklem, Darl Bishir, K. Fledderjohann, S. Wierwille
	8AM:	Marilyn & Jody Slemmons
Fellowship Table:	10:30AM:	Sandy Wierwille
	8AM:	Judy Schultz
Greeters:	10:30AM:	Joni Immenschuh, S. Wierwille
	8AM:	Kathy Langsdon
Readers:	10:30AM:	Stephanie Ross

**Subject to change, correct as of time printed*

ATTENDANCE	Last Wednesday: 17
.....Sunday 8 a.m.: 46, 10:30 a.m.: 58, Total for the Day: 104	
.....Total for Week: 121	
Pianist	Miriam Johns
Organist	Merilee Miller
DIRECTOR OF BOARD OF PARISH EDUCATION.....	
.....	Mindy Thiebeau, zionbpe@gmail.com
OFFICE MANAGER	Kathy Bishir, kbishir@hotmail.com
OFFICE ASSISTANT ...	Position Available, Apply at Church Office
LAY LEADER.....	Heidi Yahl, heidiyahl@yahoo.com
PASTOR.....	William Maki, wllmmaki@yahoo.com
MINISTERS	All Members of Zion
CHURCH WEBSITE.....	www.zionstmarys.org
CHURCH OFFICE.....	419-394-3115

Calendar for April 21—May 5, 2024

S/21	8:00 a.m.	Worship+*
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Worship*
	6:30 p.m.	The Underground
M/22	7:00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship Group
	7:00 p.m.	Pastor's Bible Study
T/23	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Deadline
W/24	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	Worship*
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
TH/25	11:30 p.m.	Middle School Bible Release
S/27	7:00 p.m.	St. Marys Tri-Squares
S/28	8:00 a.m.	Worship+
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School—Fun Day
	10:30 a.m.	Worship
	2:00 p.m.	Women's Celebration
M/29	7:00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship Group
	7:00 p.m.	Pastor's Bible Study
T/30	8:00 a.m.	Men's Workshop
	9:00 a.m.	Dorcas Quilting
	9:30 a.m.	Anniversary Committee Meeting
	12:30 p.m.	Bulletin Deadline
W/1	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	1:00 p.m.	Book Club
	6:30 p.m.	Worship
	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
TH/2	11:30 a.m.	Middle School Bible Release
F/3		Ohio Mission Region Convocation

S/4		Ohio Mission Region Convocation
S/5	8:00 a.m.	Worship ⁺ *
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School—Year-End Breakfast
	10:30 a.m.	Worship*
	1:30 p.m.	Creative Crafters—“The Art of Fiber”

**Holy Communion*

+Livestreamed on www.zionstmarys.org & on WCSM 96.7 Radio



We invite you to include the following people in your daily prayers: Janet Dicke, Judy Von Blon, Brent Paulus, Sandi Deerhake, Michael Moore, Tom Kaster, Ronald Suchland, Vicki Bishir, Emily Henkle, Faith Williams, Don, Warren Hoenie, Bill & Carolyn Slemmons, Vicki Homan, Donna Maynard, Analisa Bouscaren, Carol Eshelman, Forrest Cooper, Kelsey, Anthony (Tony) Hardeman, Lisa Suchland, Eileen Zimmerman, Kate Elsass, Dyne Hoenie, Vic Von Blon, Teresa Roode, Heather, Christina Schelby, Connor Schelby, and the Family of Doug Coolidge.

Please pray for Sean Lawler, Andrew Johnson, Michael Carroll, Nathan Adams, Jacob Yahl, Daniel C. Lukac IV, Michael Franklin, Kyle Schmehl and Wyatt Duncan who are in the service. Please pray for them, their family and their safe return home.

Thank you to our Act Up performers: Xander Meinerding, Liza Yahl and Zaila Yahl. A special thanks to Sandy Wierwille for making the ladybug costume for the Act Up groups' performance.

Thank you to Stan & Debbie Brown and Family for hosting the Easter Breakfast for our congregation on Sunday, March 31.

Our loose offerings each Sunday/Wednesday for the month of April are earmarked for the NALC Disaster Response Fund. The Disaster Response Fund provides resources for: respond rapidly when domestic natural disasters occur, alleviate human suffering, provide transitional assistance, and enable those affected to begin the rebuilding process. For more information check out the April newsletter.

Auglaize County Crisis Center's pantry is depleted. They are asking for donations. The women will be collecting donations in April and May to help restock their shelves. A list of needed items was posted in the newsletter. Please place donations in the tub by the elevator. Thank you!

The trustees are announcing the part-time paid position, as Office Assistant, is now available. Inquiries and resumes are to be submitted to the church office.

We are looking for a Trustee, someone to complete an 8-month term, as member of the Board of Trustees. If you are interested, contact the church office or Dana Cook.

Thank you to everyone who gave to the Women's Lenten Fundraiser. We collected \$1,113 to go towards our programs and mission activities. If you forgot or still want to give, please drop off your donation at the church office. Thank you from the Women's Board for participating.

Monday, April 22, is the last day to purchase tickets to the Women's Celebration on Sunday, April 28th. Come celebrate the Women of Zion, young and old, or in-between, where ever you fit in! The Kitchen of Prayer is open for everyone.

The 2024 Flower Chart is 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. Upcoming date: **April 28**.

Sunday Funday is **Sunday, April 28**, for grades PreK - 5. Join us in the Auditorium, at 9:15 a.m., for a day filled with fun activities!

Zion's Women Celebration is **Sunday, April 28**, at 2 p.m., in the Auditorium. A light lunch will be served. "Tie on Your Apron in the Kitchen of Prayer" is the program. Wear your favorite apron to the event. Tickets are on sale now before church services or in the church office until, Monday, April 22. Cost is \$7.

Please save the dates for this year's North American Lutheran Church OHIO MISSION REGION ANNUAL CONVOCATION AND MISSION EVENT.

Dates: Friday, May 3 and Saturday, May 4, 2024.

Place: Saint John Lutheran Church in Grove City.

Who's invited? Every pastor and member of our North American Lutheran Church congregations in Ohio!

This annual gathering brings together members and pastors not just to transact the business we do together in our Region (the state of Ohio) and our five mission districts (Northwest, Northeast, Southeast, North Central, and Southwest Ohio), but also is a time to worship together, fellowship together, learn together, pray together, and plan together. This year the focus of **mission event on Friday, May 3**, will be on **senior adult ministry**, from ministering to seniors and their families to empowering senior adults to share the Gospel of Jesus with others.

Sunday, May 5, is the annual year-end Sunday School breakfast for students and parents. Join us at 9:15 a.m., in the Auditorium. Come hungry! **Thank you to Mindy Thiebeau** for her years of service as Board of Parish Education Director. Her last day will be Sunday, May 5. Help us shower her with cards in thanks. Send the cards to the church or her home.

Creative Crafters will meet In May we will have a guest speaker, Jeannine Roediger. She will present “The Art of Fiber” on Sunday, **May 5**, at 1:30 p.m. **Free**. Let’s fill the auditorium. This is open to all—men, women and children. Sign up at the table or on your “I Worshiped Today”, if you plan to attend.

Friday, May 10th, we will be hosting a Mother’s “Day “Cards and Crafts” event. Children will make a card and a sweet surprise to give to their mothers for Mother’s Day. This event will be held in the auditorium, at 7 p.m. A light snack will be provided. Cost is \$5 per child, please sign up by Monday, May 6th. (1st—12th Grade Youth).

SCUBA, Diving into Friendship with God VBS will take place at Wayne Street Church on June 3 - 6, 6:30 - 8 p.m. and volunteers are needed! Teen and adults are needed for all positions. Need not commit to all week! If interested, please let Mindy know ASAP.

We will be collecting new or good used Bibles, to be given to the NALC warehouse. The NALC warehouse distributes the Bibles to those who have experienced a natural disaster. *We will no longer collect ink cartridges.*

We have installed equipment for livestreaming of our worship services. The worship services can be found on our

Facebook page. Volunteers are needed to help with recording each of the services. Please contact the church office, 419-394-3115, or Pastor Bill about this ministry.

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.

Our Church History--For most of Zion Church history the pastor would occupy the parsonage, a house provided by the



congregation. The upkeep and cost of this home was the obligation of this congregation. Pastor Wilck who served Zion from 1997-2002 occupied the last parsonage provided by the church. It was located where the parking lot is currently located, facing Wayne Street. This parsonage, was a Sears home, and needed extensive updates. It was determined that it would be torn down. Starting with Pastor Maki in 2004, Zion pastors are provided with a housing allowance.

Weekly Budget	16 Week Budget	16 Week Income	Received 4/14/2024
\$6,271--Current	\$100,336	\$85,810	\$6,507
\$290--NALC Offering	\$4,640	\$2,207	\$182

Council Organization 2024

ORGANIZATION:

President *Neal Brady*
Vice-President *Cheryl Macklem*
Secretary *Sandy Wierwille*
 Assistant *Melanie Rose*
Treasurer *Stanley Brown*
 Assistant *Doug Stetler*

- **COUNCIL AT LARGE:** *Thelma Kellermeyer, Cheryl Macklem, Doug Stetler, Melanie Rose, Dwight Schramm, & Stanley Brown*
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- **YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE:** *Genevieve Brown*
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***Chairperson of the Board**