

# life <sup>6 ft apart</sup> together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF JANUARY 10 - 16, 2021



**ZION**  
LUTHERAN † ANOKA

## WORSHIP LEADERS

### PREACHING

Pastor Brent Campbell

### PRESIDING

#### TRADITIONAL SERVICE

Pastor Mike Rueckert

#### BLENDED SERVICE

Pastor Connie Tiede

Pastor Sue Wallager

### VERSE OF THE WEEK

And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Mark 1:10 & 11

## today - Baptism of Our Lord

### CHRIST CARE PRAYERS..

We celebrate with Alexandra Henry and Jordan Gilbertson who were married on January 9. Prayer of thanksgiving for the 40th wedding anniversary of Rich & Sylvia Goldman. We pray for the families of Darryl Wangsness and Sandra Herrmann who mourn their deaths.

### ALTAR FLOWERS..

In memory of Philip Martin in honor of his birthday given by his family.

### RADIO BROADCAST SUPPORT FUND...

Thank you to those who donated to our Sunday morning radio broadcast fund:

- Phyllis J. Leef, given in memory of Stephen D. Leef
- Gwen Rudney, given in honor of Donna Legrid and in memory of Dave Legrid

To make a gift to the Radio Broadcast Fund, note "radio broadcast" on the memo line of your check. If it is in memory of a loved one or in honor of an anniversary or birthday, enclose a note or post-it.

### Baptism Class

TODAY | 10:00 AM | ZOOM

### Blended Worship Service

TODAY | 11:00 AM | LIVESTREAM ONLY

### Kid City Sunday School

TODAY | 10:00 AM | LIVESTREAM ONLY

### Young Adult Small Group Bible Study

TODAY | 3:00 PM | ZOOM

### ADULT SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY STARTS MONDAY JANUARY 11

MONDAYS | 1:00 PM | ZOOM

TUESDAYS | 7:30 AM | ZOOM

WEDNESDAYS | 10:00 AM OR 6:30 PM | ZOOM

THURSDAYS | 1:00 PM | ZOOM

Our next study on Galatians titled *Galatians: Accepted and Free* starts this Monday. In order to be part of a small group we ask that you call the reception desk to sign up, we need an email address to send the Zoom link. Stop in during business hours to purchase your study guide for \$10. We are asking that you watch the video and do some "homework" prior to the first session - once you've signed up you should receive an email this week with the link and other information.

### TEXT TO GIVE

With Vanco's GivePlus, you can quickly and easily give to Zion using your smart-phone. For more information call the church office between 9 AM - 4 PM.

# this week

## PASTORS

Pastor Brent Campbell  
*Lead Pastor*

Pastor Mike Rueckert  
*Pastor for Children, Youth  
& Family*

Pastor Connie Tiede  
*Pastor for Worship,  
Welcome, & Missions*

Pastor Sue Wallager  
*Pastor for Spiritual Care*

Pastor Jim Barsch  
*Pastor for Adult  
Education*

Ken Johnson  
*Visitation Minister*

Pastor Mawien Ariik  
*Missionary in  
South Sudan*

Pastor Stephen Deal  
*ELCA Missionary in  
Central America*

Steve & Kim Blewett  
*Missionaries in  
Papua, New Guinea*

## ELECTRONIC GIVING

*Scan the QR code below  
for electronic giving via  
your cell phone!*



## MONDAY, JANUARY 11

**Galatians Bible Study - Section A**  
1:00 PM | ZOOM

**Social Equity Interest Meeting**  
6:30 PM | ZOOM

**Young Adult Bible Study**  
6:30 PM | ZOOM

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 12

**Galatians Bible Study - Section B**  
7:30 AM | ZOOM

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13

**Galatians Bible Study - Section C**  
10:00 AM | ZOOM

**Worship Team Rehearsal**  
5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

**Confirmation**  
6:00 PM | ZOOM

**Galatians Bible Study - Section D**  
6:30 AM | ZOOM

**The River Worship Service**  
7:00 PM | LIVESTREAM

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 14

**Galatians Bible Study - Section E**  
1:00 PM | ZOOM

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 15

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 16

**Traditional Worship**  
5:00 PM | LIVESTREAM ONLY

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 17

**Traditional Worship Service**  
8:00 & 9:00 AM | LIVESTREAM ONLY

**Baptism Class**  
10:00 AM | ZOOM

**Kid City Sunday School -**  
10:00 AM | LIVESTREAM ONLY

**Blended Worship Service**  
11:00 AM | LIVESTREAM ONLY

**Young Adult Small Group Bible Study**  
3:00 PM | ZOOM

## COME TO THE RIVER

"The River", Zion's Wednesday evening worship service, is live-streamed at 7 PM with Holy Communion celebrated virtually the first and third Wednesdays of each month.

## HELP WANTED VOLUNTEER POSITION - DÉCOR LEADER

With each season, the beautiful décor in our Sanctuary and church changes as we celebrate what God has done for us. Thank you to our décor leaders Carol Kronholm and Kathy Johnson as they help to make our church beautiful. Carol has decided to retire January 1 and Kathy will retire next year. We are looking for someone to replace Carol and who would be trained by Kathy and eventually take over the lead for Zion's décor team. A job description is available at the front desk, but each person brings their own gifts. If you have questions or would like to get more information, contact Pastor Connie.

## CAN YOU HELP NICARAGUA?

Nicaragua was hit by two hurricanes this past November causing the rivers to flood which destroyed crops, the seed stocks to plant, and washed out roads. It also contaminated the drinking water. People escaped with just the clothes on their back. In addition, the COVID 19 Pandemic has also hit Nicaragua hard since people were not able to take precautions during the hurricane. The hospitals are short beds and medication. For more information or to give go to: <https://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Relief-and-Development/Lutheran-Disaster-Response/Our-Impact/Hurricane-Response>

## JEST KIDDING

The church secretary prepared the bulletin for each week's services. One Sunday morning, she heard snickering from the pews. Quickly grabbing the bulletin, she found the cause. The sermon title for that day was: "What Makes God Sick: Pastor Joe Smith."

# coming up

## YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDIES BEGIN

- My Grandmother's Hands

SUNDAY, JAN 10 | 3:00 PM | ZOOM

This book study is being offered as a follow-up to the Dialogues on Race study from the fall. Even if you did not do that study, you are welcome to participate in this one! In this book study, we will be reading the book *My Grandmother's Hands* by Resmaa Menakem. This book focuses on the physical and psychological reactions our bodies have around racial tensions and helps us to explore how to heal and cope with those reactions. If this sounds interesting to you, please sign up!

- Esther

MONDAY, JAN 11 | 6:30 PM | ZOOM

Interested in a Bible Study on Esther? Join us Monday evenings to dive deep in the the book of Esther. This study is open to everyone who is interested and will be online only.

## THE DIALOGUES ON RACE - WHAT'S NEXT?

MONDAY, JAN 11 | 6:30 PM | ZOOM

The *Dialogues on Race Class* led to many thought-provoking discussions for those involved both online and face to face. Many participants want to keep those conversations going. Others have proposed action steps as we continue exploring social equity in our lives and in the life of Zion. Anyone who attended the classes, or anyone who is interested in the broad field of social equity is invited to a virtual meeting to explore options for possible next steps from the Eco Faith and Racial Justice Team at the Minneapolis Synod Office. (Those options are based on activities at other Lutheran churches in our Synod.) Please call the church office at 763-421-4656 to sign up or email Pastor Connie at [ctiede@zionanoka.org](mailto:ctiede@zionanoka.org).

## ZION PAGES

MONDAY, JAN 25 | 6:30 PM | ZOOM

We will be discussing *The Forgotten 500* by Gregory A. Freeman. This book was on our 2019-2020 reading list but due to COVID, we didn't get to discuss! Zion Pages meets the 4th Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. Contact Pastor Sue [swallager@zionanoka.org](mailto:swallager@zionanoka.org) for Zoom invitation.

## VIRTUAL NEW MEMBER COFFEE

SUNDAY, JAN 31 | 10-10:45 AM | ZOOM

Anyone interested in learning more about Zion (including those who may have joined our congregation during the pandemic) or are interested in becoming a member of Zion, is invited to a new member coffee with Pastor Brent and Pastor Connie. If you would like to participate, please email Pastor Brent [bcampbell@zionanoka.org](mailto:bcampbell@zionanoka.org) and he will send you the invite to the Zoom meeting, but you will need to provide your own coffee! We look forward to getting to know you and to telling you more about Zion.

## ANNUAL MEETING - SAVE THE DATE

SUNDAY, FEB 14 | 10 AM | VIRTUAL

The Annual Meeting of Zion Lutheran Church will be a virtual meeting, with members able to watch the meeting online. Copies of the annual report will be available online or at the church office by February 1. Absentee ballots for leadership elections and the 2021 Church Budget will be included in the February Herald.

## LIVE BROADCAST

SATURDAY 5 PM  
SUNDAY 8, 9 & 11 AM

[www.zionanoka.org](http://www.zionanoka.org)  
(click "Worship Online")  
and on  
[www.facebook.com/  
ZionLutheranChurch  
AnokaMn](https://www.facebook.com/ZionLutheranChurchAnokaMn)  
(Available anytime)

## LIVE CABLE TV BROADCAST

on  
Metro Cable Network  
Channel 6

## Traditional Service

SATURDAY | 5 PM\*

\*Rebroadcast:

Mon @ 7:30 AM,

Tue-Thu @ 7 AM

Fri @ 2 PM

## Blended Service

SUNDAY | 5 PM

## RADIO BROADCAST

on  
106.1 BOB FM  
SUNDAYS | 9 AM

## encouraging words

Start each day with encouraging words from Zion! Dial 763-506-8191 to hear a daily message of encouragement and hope.

# growing in faith together

## UPCOMING LESSONS

JANUARY 16/17  
1 Samuel 3:1-10  
John 1:43-51

JANUARY 23/24  
Jonah 3:1-5,10  
Mark 1:14-20

JANUARY 30/31  
Deuteronomy 18:15-20  
Mark 1:21-28

## prayer request

If you have a celebration or concern you would like the prayer team to include in their prayers, please email it to [swal-lager@zionanoka.org](mailto:swal-lager@zionanoka.org).

## prayer corner

Holy God, creator of light and herald of goodness, at the waters of his baptism you proclaimed Jesus your beloved Son. With the baptized of every time and generation, may we say yes to your call to repentance and be led to the life of abundance we experience in your kinship and your love.  
Amen.

## Lesson: Acts 19:1-7

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied — altogether there were about twelve of them.

## Sermon Scripture: Mark 1:4-11

John the Baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

## SPIRITUAL CARE AT ZION DURING COVID

During this time of COVID when you or your loved one is in need of a visit by a pastor, we are able to make phone visits with you. We are unable to go to most care facilities and hospitals, but we would love to keep in touch via phone. Call us at 763-421-4656 to let us know how we can walk with you in this time and support you in your spiritual journey.

## GIVING EVEN IN THE MIDST OF UNCERTAINTY

We are called to be the Church - the hands, feet and voice of Christ in the world. We appreciate your continued faithful giving.

- Mail your offering to 1601 4th Ave, Anoka, MN 55303
- Give online at [www.zionanoka.org](http://www.zionanoka.org) - click the GIVE TODAY button.
- Set up electronic transfer of funds for automatic payment of your offering each month by contacting Tracy Kinn, Director of Finance at [tkinn@zionanoka.org](mailto:tkinn@zionanoka.org).

Thank you for your faithful stewardship!

## WELCOME

God is here for you, in the word and sacraments, in the love of this community.

## CONTACT

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## OFFICE HOURS

MON - THU: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
FRI: 9:00 AM - 12:00 NOON  
*While in the building please wear a mask and maintain 6' social distancing.*

