

life together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF MARCH 17-23, 2024



ZION
LUTHERAN † ANOKA

WORSHIP LEADERS

PREACHING:

Pastor Connie Tiede

ASSISTING:

9 AM Katie Weiland

READERS:

5 PM Greg Bergeron

8 AM Marcia Wilson

9 AM Ron Gray

11 AM Steve Dussl

today - 5th Sunday in Lent

CHRIST CARE PRAYERS...We pray for the families of Steven Althouse and Mel Iseminger who mourn their deaths.

COMMUNION...Please let an usher know if you would prefer communion to be served to you in the pew.

CINNAMON ROLL SUNDAY

TODAY | 8:30 AM-12:30 PM | CORNERSTONE

Zion high school youth will be serving cinnamon rolls to help raise money for their Mission Trip. A free will offering will be taken.

ADULT FORUM - 3rd of a 3 part series

TODAY | 10 AM | LEGACY ROOM

Series: *The Inclusive Church* Disability Ministry

Note: No Adult Forum March 24 or 31.

PRAYER TEAM 2

TODAY | 11:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

COMMON GROUND

TODAY | 12:00 PM | YOUTH ROOM

ST. PATRICK'S DAY FAMILY PARTY

(In place of Sunday School)

TODAY | 10:00 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

EASTER GARDEN - Last day to participate!

Today is the last day to participate to the Easter Garden in memory of or in honor of someone special. Memorials are \$20 each. Envelopes are available at the front desk.

PALM SUNDAY PARADE! - MARCH 24

Your kids are invited to take part in the Palm Sunday Processional at the beginning of the 9:00 AND 11:00 AM services. Ann and Lee will meet you in the upper lobby to hand out palms and lead the children as we walk into the church with the worship leaders! Parents of young kids are welcome to join us, too! Following the processional, we'll help your children find you in the pews!

Please silence your cell phone. Thank you.

Welcome Guests!

Thank you for worshipping with us today. To learn more about Zion please fill out the information below and give to an usher or pastor as you leave or place in the offering plate. Or use this QR code.→ Information bags are available at the Welcome Center on the lower level.



Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

I'm looking for a church home I wish to join Zion Please have a pastor call me Invite me to the New Member Orientation

this week

PASTORS

Pastor Connie Tiede
Interim Lead Pastor

Pastor Sue Wallager
Pastor for Spiritual Care

Ken Johnson
Visitation Minister

Michael Busbey
*ELCA Missionary in
Central America*

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



**We welcome you exactly
as God created you.**

We worship God with everyone who chooses to participate, including the youngest of God's children who make noise to praise God in their own way. We find strength in our diversity, and strive to be united by our common humanity, while celebrating our differences.

We welcome people of all: races, ethnicities, backgrounds, generations, socio-economic status, political affiliations, physical and mental abilities; sexual orientations, gender identities, and their families.

All are welcome and encouraged to be involved in all aspects of our life together.

"Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love."

1 John 4:7-8

Welcome Statement adopted by
Zion's Church Council,
October 2022

MONDAY, MARCH 18

Global Health Ministries

9:00 AM | OFFSITE

MOZ - Ladder Golf

10:00 AM | CLC

"God Never Gives Up ..." Small Group

1:00 PM | LEGACY ROOM

Open Pickleball

2:30 PM | CLC

Pre-K Board Meeting

2:30 PM | LEGACY ROOM

TOPS

5:30 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

Divorce Care Group

6:30 PM | LEGACY ROOM

Scouts - Pack 233

6:30 PM | VARIOUS ROOMS

Italy Trip Choir Rehearsal

7:00 PM | CHOIR ROOM

Self-Defense Class

8:15 PM | CLC

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

"God Never Gives Up ..." Small Group

8:45 AM | LEGACY ROOM

Open Pickleball

9 AM | CLC

Quilters

9 AM | ART ROOM

Preschool Ballet

9:15 AM | THEATER

Church Council Meeting

6:30 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

"God Never Gives Up ..." Small Group

10:00 AM | LEGACY ROOM

Toddler Open Gym

10:30 AM | CLC

Lenten Service

12:00 & 6:30 PM | SANCTUARY

Kids w/Parent Ukulele Class

4:30 PM | CLASSROOM 11

Worship Team Rehearsal

5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

Ringmasters

5:45 PM | HANDBELL ROOM

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20 - cont'd

Adult Choir

7:15 PM | CHOIR ROOM

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

The Gathering

9:30 | YOUTH ROOM

Caregivers Support Group

10:00 | FIRESIDE ROOM

"God Never Gives Up ..." Small Group

1:00 PM | OFFSITE (ZOOM)

Open Pickleball

2:00 PM | CLC

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

Funeral for Marcia Kaweck

VISITATION | 10 AM | UPPER COMMONS

SERVICE | 11 AM | SANCTUARY

Recovery Team Training Event

5:00 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

Recovery Team Training Event

8:30 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Children's Choir Rehearsal

10:00 AM | SANCTUARY

Traditional Worship Service

5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

SUNDAY, MARCH 24 - Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday Worship Service

8 AM | SANCTUARY

9 AM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM

Walk Through Holy Week

10:00 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Blended Worship Service

11:00 AM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM

Prayer Team 3

11:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

Common Ground

12:00 PM | YOUTH ROOM

MATTHEW BAG MINISTRY

**We are currently collecting donations
of adult-size crew socks.** They can be
dropped in the *Matthew Bag* donation bins
at the Welcome Desk. Thank you.

coming up

MEN OF ZION LADDER GOLF

MON, MARCH 18 | 10:00 AM | CLC

Join the Men of Zion for Ladder Golf. Please bring your Ladder Golf Set(s) to the church at 9:45 AM for setup. Please bring Corn Hole Sets as a backup. We will have a free will offering lunch and recognition of game results. Bring a friend! Questions, please contact Doug Boxeth 763-222-3936 or Mike Kelly 651-233-3363.

SPRING PRESCHOOL BALLET

TUESDAYS, MAR 19, APR 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

9:15-9:45 AM | THEATER

Your child will learn ballet steps to instrumental and popular Christian music, begin & end class in prayer, and meet new friends. Ages 2-5 with a caregiver. \$10 per child. Register on Realm. Contact Lee at Lneitge@zionanoka.org for more info. *No class on March 26 (Holy Week).*

ZION PAGES BOOK CLUB

MON, MARCH 25 | 6:30 PM | THEATER

We will be discussing *The Indigo Girl: A Novel* by Natasha Boyd. This book is set between 1739 and 1744, with romance, intrigue, forbidden friendships, and political and financial threats weaving together to form the story of a remarkable young woman whose actions were before her time.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

MONDAY, APRIL 1 | 1 - 6:00 PM | CLC

Zion is hosting a blood drive. To sign-up, please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or Visit RedCrossBlood.org enter Sponsor Code: Zion.

SAVE THE DATE - JUNE 6 & 7

ZION ANNUAL SUPER SALE

Zion's Annual Super Sale will be held on Thursday, June 6 and Friday, June 7. Item drop off will start on June 2. This year's Super Sale will be coordinated by Bob and Pat Stearns.

SMALL GROUP STUDY ON ACTS

The week of April 8, we will begin a six-session study from *Acts: The Revolution of Faith* by bestselling author and pastor Randy Frazee as he guides small-group members through the growth of the early church. Frazee reveals what the author's words meant to his original readers and how they apply to us today. Sign up at the Welcome Desk starting today March 17. Books are \$14, available at the front desk.

HISTORIC CHURCHES OF MINNESOTA - FREE EVENT

SATURDAY, APRIL 13 | 1 PM | SANCTUARY

Come and hear Doug Ohman, Minnesota Photographer, Author and Story Teller present *Historic Churches of Minnesota*. Exploring the history of many of the states oldest churches. You will meet many of the people that Doug has visited with in his quest of photographing these community treasures. Sponsored by the Women of Zion. **Admission: FREE.** Everyone is welcome.

MOZ RETREAT - SAVE THE DATES

The 18th Annual Men's Retreat to Pasha Lake Cabins, Ontario Canada is scheduled for July 27th - August 3rd, 2024. Cost has yet to be determined. Please contact Brad Jacobson, at Mozretreat@gmail.com or call 763-443-3902 and leave a message. Pasha has reserved one cabin (8 guys) for us until we can confirm we will need a second cabin. Please contact Brad soon so he can make arrangements with Pasha.

REGISTER FOR ZION PRE-K!

We are taking registrations for the 2024-25 school year. All 3-5 year olds welcome. Use QR code for more info. Share with your friends and family!



LIVE STREAM

SUNDAY 9 & 11 AM

www.zionanoka.org
(click "Worship Online")

or

[www.facebook.com/
ZionLutheranChurch
AnokaMn](https://www.facebook.com/ZionLutheranChurchAnokaMn)

(Available anytime)

CABLE TV

Metro Cable Network
Channel 6

SUNDAY | 10 AM & 5 PM

RADIO BROADCAST

106.1 BOB FM
SUNDAYS | 9:10 AM

HEARING ASSISTANCE

Hearing assistance units are available at the sound booth at the back of the Sanctuary.

HOME VISITS

If you would like a visit from one of our pastors or lay visitors, please call the office at 763-421-4656 and we will be happy to visit you.

TEXT TO GIVE

With Vanco's GivePlus, you can quickly and easily give to Zion using your smartphone. For more info call the church office between 9 AM & 5 PM.

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Go to:

<https://cutt.ly/ziongivetoday>
or Scan this QR code



growing in faith together

UPCOMING GOSPEL READINGS

MARCH 23/24

Palm Sunday

Mark 15:1-39

MARCH 30/31

Easter

John 20:1-18

APRIL 6/7

John 20:19-31

encouraging words

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

prayer corner

God of suffering and glory, in Jesus Christ you reveal the way of life through the path of obedience. Inscribe your law in our hearts, that in life we may not stray from you, but may be your people. Amen.

prayer request

If you have a celebration or concern you would like the prayer team to include in their prayers, email it to swallager@zionanoka.org.

Lesson: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was married to them, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Gospel: John 12:20-33

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son-of-Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

KIDS SUMMER CAMPS - REGISTER NOW!

It's time to register for Zion Kids Camps! Our Vacation Bible School (VBS) theme *The Blessing Bus: LIVE* is back by popular demand in addition to two fun camps.

- **Family “Blessing Bus” VBS for Families w/kids age 0-5 + siblings**
SUNDAYS, JUNE 9, 16 & 23 | 10-10:50 AM
- **Zion Sports Camp - Grades K-5**
M-TH, JUNE 24-27 | 9 AM-NOON
- **PK “Blessing Bus” VBS - Age 3-5**
T-TH, JULY 9-11 | 9-11 AM
- **K-5 “Blessing Bus” VBS - Grades K-5**
M-TH, JULY 15-18 | 9 AM-NOON
- **Camp Create It - Grades K-5**
M-TH, JULY 29-AUG 1 | 9 AM-NOON
Family Program -
THUR, AUG 1 | 11:30 AM-NOON
- **KidSing Jr. - Age 3-7**
WED, JUNE 12, 19 & 26 | 9:30-10 AM
WED, JULY 17, 24 & 31 | 9:30-10 AM

WELCOME

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

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OFFICE HOURS

MON - THU: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
FRI: 9:00 AM - 12:00 NOON

