

life together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 8-14, 2024



ZION
LUTHERAN † ANOKA

WORSHIP LEADERS

PREACHING:

Pastor Connie Tiede

ASSISTING:

SUN Pr Mike Pancoast

SUN Pr Sue Wallager

READERS:

5 PM Judy Bendiske

8 AM Deb Oas Koepsell

9 AM Ken Johnson

11 AM Jim Bauer

today - Rally Sunday

CHRIST CARE PRAYERS...We pray for God's blessings on a new program year.

THANK YOU RECENT RADIO BROADCAST FUND SUPPORTERS

• Marilyn Herbold • Margaret & Al Steinbring given in honor of Al's 87th birthday

NOISY OFFERING

TODAY | 9 & 11 AM SERVICES | SANCTUARY

The Noisy Offering buckets are out this weekend.

Kids & Youth will be invited to help gather the

Noisy Offering during the closing hymn.

PRAYER TEAM 7

TODAY | 11 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

BAPTISM CLASS

12:00 PM | LIBRARY

RALLY DAY ICE CREAM FLOATS ARE BACK!

Today |10-10:50 AM | Fellowship Hall

Join us for treats and activities! Learn about our Children, Youth and Family programs, complete registration and health forms, meet and catch up with friends. In addition, get your Back-To-School Blessing Tags in various locations. Everyone is invited to decorate their own tag, perfect for backpacks, lunch boxes, laptop bags or even diaper bags!

SMALL GROUP STUDY BEGINS THIS WEEK

The first study of the program year will be season one of *The Chosen*, a dramatic video miniseries based on the Gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. Study guides can be ordered at the front desk for \$15. Sign up for a class at the Welcome Desk.

ADULT EDUCATION BROCHURES NOW AVAILABLE

Pick up a copy of the Adult Education Brochure for this year. It provides information on upcoming small group studies, the Adult Forum schedule, support groups and the list of books for the Zion Pages Book Group. Brochures are available on the tables outside the Sanctuary.

For safety reasons we kindly ask that parents and guardians attend to their children at all times in our church building.

**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
Lead Pastor

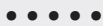
Pastor Sue Wallager
Pastor for Spiritual Care

Pastor Mike Pancoast
Interim Associate Pastor

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, SEPT 9

Ruth Circle

10:30 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

Worship Service at Walker

10:30 AM | OFFSITE

"The Chosen" Small Group Study

1:00 PM | LEGACY ROOM

Hannah Circle

1:00 PM | YOUTH ROOM

Foundation Meeting

4:00 PM | LIBRARY

TOPS

5:30 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

Divorce Care Group

6:30 PM | LEGACY ROOM

Scouts - Pack 233

6:30 PM | VARIOUS ROOMS

Sons of Norway

6:30 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

TUESDAY, SEPT 10

"The Chosen" Small Group Study

8:45 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Open Pickleball

9:00 AM | CLC

Lydia Circle

9:30 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

Anna Circle

1:00 PM | LIBRARY

Naomi Circle

1:00 PM | LEGACY ROOM

N.E.T. Meeting

6:00 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Grief & Loss Support Group

6:30 PM | LEGACY ROOM

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 11

"The Chosen" Small Group Study

10:00 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

6:00 PM | LEGACY ROOM

Knit One, Purl Two

1:00 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

Career Reboost Conversation pt 1 of 3

6:00 PM | THEATER

Ringmasters

6:00 PM | HANDBELL ROOM

Wednesday Night Program Orientation

6:00 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Worship Team Rehearsal

6:00 PM | SANCTUARY

Adult Choir

7:00 PM | CHOIR ROOM

THURSDAY, SEPT 12

The Gathering

9:30 | YOUTH ROOM

Open Pickleball

2:00 PM | CLC

FRIDAY, SEPT 13

SATURDAY, SEPT 14

Confirmation Brunch & Rehearsal

8:30 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Traditional Worship Service

5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

SUNDAY, SEPT 15

Traditional Worship Service

8 AM | SANCTUARY

9 AM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM

Adult Faith Forum

10:00 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Blended Worship Service

11:00 AM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM

Prayer Team 8

11:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

Confirmation (Affirmation of Baptism)

1:30 PM | SANCTUARY

CYF 2024-2025 REGISTRATION IS OPEN

Registration for our CYF program year at
www.zionanoka.org/registration-events/.

- Holy Shenanigans (ministry for families with children ages 0-5)
- Kid City (Sunday School, K-5th grade)
- Preschool Dance (ages 2-5 w/adult)
- KidSing (ages 3-8)
- Whirl (grades K-2)
- Joiz-N-Noiz (grades 3-5)
- Confirmation (grades 6-8)
- High School Youth Group (grades 9-12)

coming up

MOZ AND FRIENDS EVENT

MON, SEPT 9 | 10 AM | GEO. GREEN PARK
The next Men of Zion event will be Frisbee Golf. If the weather is nice, we'll meet at George Green Park in Anoka. If it is raining, we'll meet at Zion. Afterwards, we'll go to Culver's for lunch. All Men of Zion are welcome and invited. Come and renew friendships and make new friends. Questions? Call Norm at 763-614-9758.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

TUES, SEPT 10, 17 & 24 | 6:30-7:30 PM | LEGACY ROOM

All are welcome to attend a grief support group. Questions or more info contact Pr Sue at swallager@zionanoka.org.

ZION CAREER REBOOST

WEDS, SEPT 11, 25 & OCT 9 | 6-7:30 PM | THEATER

Facing a job change either by choice or not and need help reimagining your job or career? Zion is offering a series of 3 short career "reboost" seminars to help with crafting résumés, brushing up on interviewing skills and other questions. Led by Zion member Dave Recker.

JOIN ZION'S MUSIC GROUPS

The Zion Adult Choir, Ringmasters Bell Choir and Worship Team rehearse on Wednesday evenings:

- Adult Choir: 7-8:30 PM | CHOIR ROOM
- Worship Team: 6-7 PM | SANCTUARY
- Ringmasters: 6-6:45 PM | HANDBELL ROOM

Children's Choir, under the new direction of Callie Pendergrass, will begin Wednesday evenings in October. Watch for more info in the weekly E-update and October Herald. If you'd like to join a group or have questions, email Music Director Jonathan Campbell at jcampbell@zionanoka.org.

SUNDAY ADULT FAITH FORUMS BEGIN SUNDAYS | 10 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL.

- SEPT 15 - Family Promise: Join Exec. Dir. Director David Frei & Zion member Pat Stearns to learn about Family Promise and how our congregation continues to support the Anoka community.
- SEPT 22 - Zion Choir's Italy Trip: Join Jonathan Campbell and other choir participants as they share their experiences.
- SEPT 29 - Security Team Update/Review: Learn how we can continue to work on keeping each other safe while at Zion.

FAMILY PROMISE

COMMITMENT WEEK - SEPT 15-21

You can support Family Promise by providing a meal during commitment week. Meals can be ingredients to make a meal with instructions, a prepared meal, gift card to a common restaurant or frozen meals. Delivery is made to the families directly on the day of your choice. Contact Pat Stearns at pat.stearns@comcast.net for more information.

O.W.L.S PROGRAM & POTLUCK

THUR, SEPT 19 | 10:30 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Please sign up at the Welcome Desk by Monday, September 16.

BUILDING SECURITY UPDATE

Zion recently began having a visitor sign-in sheet at the front desk. All visitors working or volunteering on the second floor or going between first and second floor, need to sign in and get a visitor name badge (Monday-Friday not including evenings or weekends). Others attending Bible studies and meetings on the main floor will not be required to sign in. Thank you for your help in making this a smooth transition.

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)

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CABLE TV

Metro Cable Network
Channel 6

SUNDAY | 10 AM & 5 PM

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RADIO BROADCAST

106.1 BOB FM

SUNDAYS | 9:10 AM

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HEARING ASSISTANCE

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

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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.

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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.

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ELECTRONIC GIVING

Go to:

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



growing in faith together

UPCOMING GOSPEL READINGS

SEPT 14/15
Mark 8:27-38

SEPT 21/22
Mark 8:27-38

SEPT 28/29
Mark 9:38-50

Lesson: Isaiah 34:4-7a

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. Your God will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. God will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

Gospel: Mark Mark 7:31-37

Then Jesus returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. Jesus took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, Jesus sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

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, whose love streams like fresh water into the deserts of our hearts, you turn us from greed and partiality to healing and justice. Make us companions of those who long for your deliverance, and give us safe passage at the last into the land of your shalom. 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.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CYF PROGRAMS!

Parents and Guardians! Please consider signing up to volunteer for any of our CYF program ministries. We need you to help us make a difference in a child's life! Contact Lee Neitge lneitge@zionanoka.org (Holy Shenanigans), Ann Campbell acampbell@zionanoka.org (Kid City Sunday School) or Katie Weiland kweiland@zionanoka.org (Confirmation and High School) to find out how you can help.

The Minneapolis Area Synod invites you
to a Festive Service of Holy Communion and the
Installation of
The Reverend Jen Nagel
as Bishop of the Minneapolis Area Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
Saturday, September 21, 10:30 a.m.
Central Lutheran Church 333 South 12th Street
Minneapolis, Minnesota

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

