

life together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF MARCH 29 - APRIL 4, 2026



ZION
LUTHERAN † ANOKA

WORSHIP LEADERS

PREACHING:

Katie Weiland
Pastoral Intern

ASSISTING:

5 PM Pr Connie Tiede
8&9 AM Pr Mike Pancoast
11 AM Pr Sue Wallager

READERS:

5 PM Judy Bendiske
& Greg Bergeron
8 AM Marcia Wilson
& Joe Kyes
9 AM Ron Gray
& Kathy Quade
11 AM Jim Bauer
& Sylvia Goldman

today - Palm Sunday

CHRIST CARE PRAYERS...We rejoice with Lillian Tryggestad as she receives her First Communion. We pray for the families of Ronald Gross and Chet Tollefson who mourn their deaths.

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

THANK YOU RECENT RADIO BROADCAST FUND SUPPORTERS

- Ken & Sandy Benson, in memory of Verlyn Wennedt and Jerry Benson
- Guy & Pat Reuss

PALM SUNDAY PARADES & PROJECTS - *This will be in Lieu of Sunday School*

Procession - 8:50 AM | UPPER COMMONS
Activities & Crafts - 10-10:50 | UPPER COMMONS
Procession - 10:50 AM | UPPER COMMONS

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR ADULT FORUM TODAY.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

TODAY | 11:00 AM | THEATER

WORSHIP AT FARMSTEAD

TODAY | 1:30 PM | OFFSITE

PRAYER TEAM 1

TODAY | 11:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

Maundy Thursday Worship

APRIL 2 | NOON & 6:30 PM | SANCTUARY

Good Friday - Traditional Worship

APRIL 3 | NOON & 6:30 PM | SANCTUARY

Celebration of Easter

SATURDAY, APRIL 4 | 5 PM | SANCTUARY

SUNDAY, APRIL 5 | 8, 9:30 & 11 AM | 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
Pastor for Adult Education

Katie Weiland
Intern Pastor

Ken Johnson
Visitation Minister

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

Rev. Soliette Lopez Ortega
Y.A.G.M. - Mexico

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**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 30

Recovery Cafe

9:30 AM | YOUTH ROOM

Red Cross Blood Drive

1 - 6 PM | CLC

TUESDAY, MARCH 31

Open Pickleball

9:00 AM | CLC

Vets Group

9:30 AM | CORNERSTONE

Ukulele Rehearsal ages 4-Gr 5

10:15 AM | THEATER

Grief Share Group

11:00 AM | LIBRARY

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

Recovery Cafe

9:30 AM | YOUTH ROOM

Worship at Homestead

1:30 PM | OFFSITE

Worship Team Rehearsal

5:30 PM | SANCTUARY

Whirl - Games

5:30 PM | CLC

Whirl - Choir

5:55 PM | THEATER

Adult Choir

7:00 PM | CHOIR ROOM

THURSDAY, APRIL 2

The Gathering

9:30 AM | YOUTH ROOM

Caregivers Support Group

10:00 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

Sons of Norway Book Club

10:00 AM | LIBRARY

Ukulele Rehearsal ages 4-Gr 5

10:15 AM | THEATER

Worship at Homestead

10:30 AM | OFFSITE

Maundy Thursday Worship Service

NOON | SANCTUARY

6:30 PM | SANCTUARY

ACBC Volunteer Packing

2:00 PM | OFFSITE

Open Pickleball

2:00 PM | CLC

Life Recovery Bible Study

6:00 PM | LEGACY ROOM

FRIDAY, APRIL 3

Good Friday Worship Service

NOON | SANCTUARY

6:30 PM | SANCTUARY

SATURDAY, APRIL 4

Easter Worship Service

5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

SUNDAY, APRIL 5

EASTER

Easter Worship Service

8:00 AM | SANCTUARY

9:30 & 11 AM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM

ZION KIDS SUMMER 2026*

Register using the QR code below and complete your health form! Questions? Contact Lee lneitge@zionanoka.org.

AGES 0-5

• **Preschool Music + Dance**

JUNE 3, 10, 17 | 10:30-11:00 AM

JULY 15, 22, 29 | 10:30-11:00 AM

• **Toddler Tuesday Park Playdate**

JULY 28 | 10:00-11:30 AM

GRADES K-5

• **Sports Camp** JULY 6-9 | 9 AM-12 PM

• **Ukulele Basics** JULY 16, 23, 30 | 11-11:45 AM

• **Mini Camp Create It** AUG 18 | 9 AM-12 PM

GRADES 4-12

• **Summer Stretch**

THURSDAYS, JULY 8 - AUG 13 | 9 AM-5 PM

GRADES 6-12

• **Z-Team Training** MAY 17, 10 AM

CAMP WAPO

Grades 1-3 | JUNE 19-21

Grades 4-12 | JUNE 14-19

Scan this QR code to register:

* All participants must fill out

a NEW Summer 2026 Health Form



FAMILY PROMISE OPEN HOUSE -
SAVE THE DATE!

SUN, APR 26 | 2 PM | OFFSITE

The Family Promise Guest House (345 94th Ave, Coon Rapids) is close to completion! Zion will have an opportunity to see the house before it opens. In July, families will begin moving into the house and we will move back to a hands-on approach to working with the families.

coming up

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE MON, MAR 30 | 1 PM - 6 PM | CLC.

Zion is hosting a blood drive. To sign up, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit <https://www.redcrossblood.org/> enter Sponsor Code: Zion.

GATHERING FOR VETS

TUE, MAR 31 | 0930-1130 | CORNERSTONE
Vets of all ages are invited to join us. Bring your stories and memories to share. Family & friends are welcome.

NEW MEMBER COFFEE/ORIENTATION SUN, APR 19 | 10 AM | LEGACY ROOM

If you are new to Zion or would like to learn more about the Zion community, you are invited to a New Member Coffee. Contact Pastor Connie if you can join us or if you have any questions at ctiede@zion-anoka.org.

PRESCHOOL MUSIC AND DANCE WED, APR 8-MAY 6 | 11:15-11:45 AM | THEATER

Come sing, dance, play ukuleles, and have a ball Wednesday mornings; for children ages 2-5. This is a FREE, separating class; adults do not need to join their child, but must remain in the building for the duration of class. Register in person at the front desk or online and complete a Health Form. Contact Lee Neitge lneitge@zionanoka.org for more information.

MATTHEW BAG MINISTRY

We are in need of ankle length socks for our bagging events this summer. Donations can be dropped off in the Matthew Bag donation bin at the Welcome Desk. Thank you to all who have generously donated to the Matthew Bag Ministry.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all those who donated cookies or bars for our Dinner Church services during Lent.

"OUR NEIGHBORS' TABLE"

Zion's Social Justice Team invites & encourages you to join them in celebrating the gift of global diversity on the 2nd & 3rd Thursdays! Here are the restaurants and locations for this month:

• APR 9 | 12 PM: Arepas on the Go
9801 Zenia Ave, Brooklyn Park
(Common northern South American cuisine. Arepas are a corn flat bread stuffed with anything from cheese to traditional taco fillings.)

• APR 16 | 6 PM: Mrs. Taco
1574 154th Ave NW Andover

Come enjoy GREAT food, and the joy of being together. Plan on wearing your Zion name tag.

WOMEN OF ZION SPRING RETREAT

SAT, APR 18 | 9:30-11:30 AM |
FELLOWSHIP HALL

Pastor Mike will share from his book "God Meets Us in Our Suffering" which he co-wrote with Rolf Jacobson and Karl Jacobson. During the retreat you will be invited into conversation about suffering, faith and God's faithfulness, equipping you with knowledge and inspiration for your own life, and in your faithfulness to those whom you love who suffer. Sign up and purchase book at the front desk.

RECOVERING PEACE CONFERENCE

SAT, MAY 16 | 8:15 AM - 4:15 PM

Zion's Addiction Awareness Ministry is hosting the Recovering Peace Conference. Featuring keynote speaker John Noltner's *A Peace of My Mind*. For all who have or are experiencing addiction or have loved ones who do. Tickets (\$40) can be purchased on Realm or at the front desk. For more info use this QR code or pick up a list of speakers and conference schedule at the front desk. Visit the display at the Welcome Desk.



LIVESTREAM

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 | 5 PM

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RADIO BROADCAST

106.1 BOB FM
SUNDAYS | 9:00 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

April 4/5

Easter

Matthew 28:1-10

April 11/12

John 20:19-31

April 18/19

Luke 24:13-35

Processional Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet: "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

REGISTER NOW FOR CAMP WAPO!

Seeds Weekend for completed grades 1-3 is June 19-21 and week-long camp for completed grades 4-12 will be June 14-19. 8th graders are expected to attend camp as completion of their 8th grade retreat in preparation for their confirmation day in the fall of 2026. Please use the following link to register <http://lwlbc.com/zion-anoka>. Only pay the deposit at time of registration. All members of Zion will receive some scholarship dollars for camp thanks to the generous support of the congregation. For more information about camp, or if you have financial concerns, please email kweiland@zionanoka.org

prayer corner

God of our salvation, we give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord, who came in your name and turned the lonely way of rejection and death into triumph. Grant us the steadfast faith to enter the gates of righteousness, that we may receive grace to become worthy citizens of your holy realm. 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.

Zion Lutheran Church is hiring!

Director of Children's Ministry is a full-time to position. Zion is a vibrant, faith-filled congregation committed to sharing the love of Jesus and nurturing disciples of all ages. If you have a love for children's ministry, strong leadership skills, and a desire to serve in a dynamic church community, we would love to hear from you. For more complete job description go to www.zionanoka.org under Children's Ministry in the Documents Center.

Director of Middle School and High School Ministry is a full-time position which supports Zion's mission by nurturing the faith and spiritual formation of youth in grades 6-12. This role provides leadership, coordination, and creative oversight for middle school and high school ministry programs, including confirmation, youth gatherings, service opportunities, retreats, and faith-forming events. For more complete job description go to www.zionanoka.org under Middle School and High School Ministry in the Documents Center.

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

