

life together

THIS WEEK'S NEWS OF ZION LUTHERAN | ANOKA

WEEK OF JUNE 28 - JULY 4, 2026



ZION
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today -

CHRIST CARE PRAYERS...We pray for those recently diagnosed with and those continuing to battle cancer.

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

- Cara Fish, in memory of Shirley Dussl
- Florence Shebetka

PRAYER TEAM 5

TODAY | 11 AM | FIRESIDE ROOM

CONGREGATIONAL GODPARENTS NEEDED

Every child needs AAA (authentic, available and affirming) adults in their lives – the more the better! At Zion we believe in “marinating” our children in prayer and being present from the beginning. That is why we have Congregational Godparents – AAA adults who are willing to be present at the baptism of a child and pray for them every day and send cards (which are provided) on their birthdays and the anniversary of their baptism. It’s an easy job, but a vital one. We are in need of people who would like to be part of this ministry and be present at the baptism. Contact Kristine Johnson or Pastor Connie for more information.

SCAM ALERT

If you should receive an email from a Zion pastor or staff member requesting that you donate gift cards for someone in need, please delete the email. It is a scam. Zion congregation, pastors or staff will not send emails requesting gift cards or money. Please be on alert for such email scams. A good practice with any email is to check the sender's address. If the address does not end with @zionanoka.org, then the email is not coming from a Zion staff member. There are no signs of a breach of Zion’s systems or data. Thank you.

WORSHIP LEADERS

PREACHING:

Pastor Mike Pancoast

ASSISTING:

8 AM Pr Sue Wallager

9 AM Pr Sue Wallager

11 AM Pr Connie Tiede

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

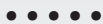
Pastor Sue Wallager
Pastor for Spiritual Care

Pastor Mike Pancoast
Pastor for Adult Education

Ken Johnson
Visitation Minister

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

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



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, JUNE 29

Recovery Cafe

9:30 AM | YOUTH ROOM

Open Pickleball

2:00 PM | CLC

Super Sale Recap Meeting

6:00 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Scouts - Pack 233

6:30 PM | YOUTH ROOM

TUESDAY, JUNE 30

Open Pickleball

9:00 AM | CLC

Vets Group

9:30 AM | CORNERSTONE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1

Recovery Cafe

9:30 AM | YOUTH ROOM

Knit One, Purl Two

1:00 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

Worship at Homestead

1:30 PM | OFFSITE

THURSDAY, JULY 2

Worship at Homestead

10:30 AM | OFFSITE

ACBC Volunteer Packing

2:00 PM | OFFSITE

Open Pickleball

2:00 PM | CLC

Life Recovery Bible Study

6:00-7:00 PM | LEGACY ROOM

FRIDAY, JULY 3

Observance of the
Independence Day Holiday

Building Closed

SATURDAY, JULY 4

Traditional Worship Service

5:00 PM | SANCTUARY

SUNDAY, JULY 5

Summer Choir Rehearsal

8:15 AM | CHOIR ROOM

Traditional Worship Service

8:00 AM | SANCTUARY

9 & 11 AM | SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM

SUNDAY, JULY 5 - Cont'd

Worship at Farmstead

1:30 PM | OFFSITE

GREETERS NEEDED -

We need you to help us be a welcoming church! Come share a smile and a warm greeting with all who come to worship. Please contact Linn Hauck at linn.hauck@gmail.com or Suzanne at sgaboury@zionanoka.org if you are interested or have questions.

ZION KIDS SUMMER 2026

Camps are set for this summer. Use this QR code to register and complete your summer 2026 health form! For more information or questions contact Lee at lneitge@zionanoka.org.



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - JULY 20-24

MON, TUE, THU, FRI | 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

WED | 8:30 AM - 2:30 PM

We will be doing a rehab on an existing house at 2560 Dunlap St N in Roseville. We have room for up to 10 volunteers each day. No experience necessary (min. age 16) all are welcome. Sign-up sheets at the front desk. We also need help to provide and serve meals, you can sign up to provide any part of the meal, a main dish, a salad, a dessert, coffee, snack, etc. Meals can be brought directly to the job site by the server for the day or dropped off at Zion the night before. Questions? Contact Anders Lindberg at 952-463-6266 guy-whogrows@gmail.com

REMINDER - HELP REDUCE WASTE

DID YOU KNOW..."permanent" name tags are always available at the Welcome Desk! Maybe you haven't made one yet. Or, maybe you have and forgot it at home! Go ahead and make an extra. THANKS for partnering with the Creation Care team!

coming up

GATHERING FOR VETS

TUE, JUN 30 | 0930-1130 | CORNERSTONE
Vets of all ages are invited to join us. Bring your stories and memories to share. Family & friends are welcome.

ZION CHURCH BUILDING CLOSED FRIDAY JULY 3

The church building will be closed in recognition of the 4th of July holiday. If you are in need of emergency pastoral care, please call Zion's main number, 763-421-4656 and the messaging service will reach the pastor on call.

SUMMER CHOIR - July 5, Aug 2, 23

Join us on Sunday mornings this summer! We'll learn a fun, easy song to sing in worship that day. Practice from 8:15-8:45 AM in the choir room. Sing in worship at the 9 AM service. NO ROBES! Questions? Contact Jon Campbell jcampbell@zionanoka.org.

ZION AT RIVERFEST - JULY 11

SAT, JULY 11 | 9 AM-5 PM | ANOKA
Stop by and visit Zion's booth at Riverfest. Our booth is located again this year at the corner of Jackson & 2nd Ave. in Anoka. Come spin the wheel for a fun prize or just stop by to say "hello." We would love to see you! Sponsored by the NET, Church Council and staff.

BAPTISM CLASS

SUN, JUL 12 | NOON | LIBRARY
If you are expecting, have had a baby or adopting and would like to know more about baptism, this class is for you. Contact Kristine at kjohnson@zionnoka.org for more info or to sign up for this class.

US FLAG RETIREMENT BOX

BSA Troop 233 has placed a US Flag Retirement Box located to the left of the Welcome Desk for you to drop off your old and worn flags for retirement. Thank you!

"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:

- JULY 9 | 12 PM: Bole' Ethiopian Cuisine
15609 Grove Circle N, Maple Grove
(Bold, highly-seasoned flavors, some might call spicy, but not necessarily hot).
 - JULY 16 | 6 PM: El Tarasco Taqueria
506 E. River Road, Anoka
(Traditional-style tacos, burritos, & bowls)
- Come enjoy GREAT food, and the joy of being together. Plan on wearing your Zion name tag.

ZION CANCER SUPPORT GROUP - NOW OFFERING EVENING CLASS

2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH (JUL 14, AUG 11, SEP 8, OCT 13, NOV 10)

6 PM | FIRESIDE ROOM

This is for anyone who has cancer, post-cancer, family members, friends; or simply KNOW someone with cancer and want to be supportive of them. Pastor Mike will facilitate, drawing from his own experience with cancer and using the book "God Meets Us in Our Suffering" (\$15) for which he is a co-author. Sign up at the Welcome Desk. *(Note: The 1 PM class will continue to meet on the 3rd Tuesday.)*

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Mon, July 27 | 1-6 pm | CLC

To sign up, please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit www.RedCross-Blood.org enter Sponsor Code: Zion.

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.

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 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 READINGS

July 4/5

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

July 11/12

Matthew 2:1-18, 14:6-11

July 18/19

1 Samuel 17 &
2 Samuel 11:1-27

GENEROSITY IN MOTION: COFFEE, DONUTS, AND COMMUNITY

There is something holy about gathering around a cup of coffee and a donut on a Sunday morning. It's where new members are welcomed, friendships are deepened, prayer requests are shared, and laughter echoes through the Cornerstone. It's where children proudly show off their Sunday school artwork, and where someone who walked through our doors feeling alone is reminded that they belong. Of course, coffee doesn't magically appear in the pot, and donuts don't multiply in the boxes (although we wouldn't mind if they did!). Each year, the coffee, donuts, cakes for special celebrations, and all the supplies that make our hospitality ministry possible cost \$9,393—about \$180.63 each week. We continue to offer these treats with only a free will offering because we believe hospitality is part of who we are as a church. Everyone is welcome at the table.

Thank you for the ways your generosity keeps this ministry brewing. The coffee may last only a few minutes, and the donuts disappear quickly, but the fellowship they nurture is truly priceless. Your generosity is always in motion—sharing Christ's love in ways both seen and unseen.

prayer corner

Faithful God, your love stands firm from generation to generation, your mercy is always abundant. Give us open and understanding hearts, that having heard your word, we may seek Christ's presence in all whom we meet. Amen.

ANNUAL SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Zion Lutheran will be partnering with United Methodist Church of Anoka for their annual United for the Community Back to School event. The event is August 13 from 5 to 7:30 p.m. At the event there will be free popcorn, hot dogs, chips, juice boxes, bottled water and ice cream. There will also be a bike and backpack giveaway along with live music. Please drop off your items at Zion by August 2. These are the items Zion is asked to collect.

- Crayola colored pencils (12 count)
- Crayola watercolor paint sets (8 count)
- Glue sticks
- #2 pencils
- 2 pocket folders in red, blue, yellow, green
- Spiral or composition notebooks (wide & college rule) in the same color

Monetary and gift card donations will also be accepted, and can be dropped off at the front desk with Kristine, if you want us to shop for you.

"JEST" KIDDING

As part of his talk at a banquet, the minister told some jokes and a few funny stories. Since he planned to use the same anecdotes at a meeting the next day, he asked reporters covering the event not to include them in their articles. Reading the paper the following morning, he noticed that one well-meaning cub reporter had ended his story on the banquet with the observation "The minister told a number of stories that cannot be published."

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.

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



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