

# Zion Lutheran Church and School

Welcome to Zion! We're excited to have you with us worshipping our Lord together! It's our prayer that you experience the love of Jesus in a deep and meaningful way.

## Word and Sacrament

- **Catechism Class** will continue this Tuesday, October 10, at 6 p.m., in the library. This is when our new members go through confirmation instruction and it's a great chance for current members to refresh their memory on what we believe and why. Come join us!
- **Sunday, October 29**, is the annual "Trick or Treat for change!" The children's Sunday School classes will be visiting the adult classes and collecting change to donate to a local ministry. Bring your coins!

### Bible Studies and Small Groups for Adults

*But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. (2 Peter 3:18a)*

Day	Time	Topic	Leader	Location
Sunday	9:30 am	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> John	Dottie Rogers	East Conf. Room <i>Near Elevator</i>
		People of the Reformation	Pastors	Adult Ed Room <i>Basement</i>
		Reformation Principles	Ken Ray, Wayne Weber	Old Conf. Room <i>Basement</i>
		Acts	Various	West Conf. Room <i>Ministry Center</i>
		Women's Bible Study	Marla Ray	Copy Room <i>Ministry Center</i>
Sunday	9:30 am	3 years and under		Little Lambs Room
Sunday	9:30 am	Preschool—Jr. High		Zion School
Sunday	9:30 am	Sr. High		Youth Room
Tuesday	9:00	Pericopes <i>A study of the weekly church readings</i>	Pastor Kale	West Conf. Room <i>Ministry Center</i>
Wednesday	10:30	Martin Luther and the Reformation	Pastor Meyer	West Conf. Room <i>Ministry Center</i>
Thursday	7:00pm			
Saturday	9:30	"Made to Crave" <i>Living a Healthy Christian Lifestyle</i>	Women's Study	West Conf. Room <i>Ministry Center</i>

## Evangelism

- **Trunk or Treat:** This year we are expanding Trunk or Treat into a more comprehensive Harvest Celebration. **DATE CHANGE:** The event will be held **Monday, October 30, from 6:29 p.m.—9 p.m.** The 2017 theme is "Let Jesus Light Your Way!" This is an excellent opportunity to show that Zion is "A place where God's love works in and through his people." In addition to our Trunk or Treat, we will provide food, games, face painting and more. **How can you help?** Pray that this is a successful community outreach ministry to our families, friends and neighbors.
- **Bethalto Parade Float:** As part of our celebration of the Reformation anniversary, Zion will be putting together a float for the Bethalto Halloween parade. If you can help out, please give Pastor Kale a call or send him an email at [pastorhanson@zionbethalto.org](mailto:pastorhanson@zionbethalto.org).
- **Prayerwalking Bethalto** is still going on! Go out for a walk, take a friend and pray for every house you pass! Then, mark off the streets you've prayed for on the map back in the Ministry Center.
- **Mission Trip:** If you are interested in a mission trip to one of the hurricane-stricken areas to help clean up and rebuild, we are looking at sending a group in January. Please contact DCE Kristen if you would like to be informed of more details when they become available.

## Fellowship

- **The Men's Club** purchased a Christmas Cottage for the Bethalto Christmas Village. If you would like to help decorate or have any ideas for decorating, please contact Gary Ahasay (240-2777) or Eric Neunaber (377-8118). There will be a get-together to set up the cottage later this month.



- **Join us for the following weekly events:**
- **Yoga** - Mondays, 8:00 p.m., Ministry Center
- **Zumba** - Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m., School Gym
- **Walk/Run** - Saturdays, 8:00 a.m., Culp Lane Park
- **Made to Crave Women's Bible Study** - Saturdays, 9:30 a.m., West Conference Room
- **Free will donations will be collected by the leader at each event to support the Underwear Drawer in Cottage Hills.**

## Church Office

- **Pastor Kale** is on vacation and will be back in the office on Tuesday.
- **A Free Will offering** for Parish Nurse, Cathie Ketterer, will be taken next weekend (October 14 & 15) after all services. The Parish Nurse Program will be discontinued in 2018.
- **The Parish Nurse, Cathie Ketterer**, will be here on Wednesday, October 11, from 8—11 a.m.
- **Flowers on the Altar** are in honor of Pastor Appreciation Sunday. October, Pastor Appreciation Month, is an especially great time to keep our pastors in prayer and offer words of encouragement. –With heartfelt thanks, Members of Zion
- **Flu Shots:** Parish Nurse, Cathie Ketterer, will have flu shots on **Wednesday, October 18, 8:30 a.m.—11 a.m. No appointment necessary.**
- **Men's Club** will have a meeting on Wednesday, October 11, 7 p.m., at the Gate House.
- **Zion Men's Club** will host a breakfast on Sunday, October 15, between the 8 & 9:30 a.m. services.
- **Gluten free communion wafers** are now available. If you need one, please speak to a pastor or elder before the communion service.
- **Quarterly Voters' Meeting:** The next quarterly voters' meeting will be held on Monday, October 9, at 7 p.m. Babysitting will be available during the meeting.
- **Offering Update** as of October 1

Offerings Received Last Week	\$19,625	Offerings Received YTD	\$655,684
Offerings Budgeted Per Week	\$18,167	Offerings Budgeted YTD	\$735,457
Resulting Shortfall Last Week	(\$1,458)	Year to Date Shortfall	\$79,773

**Amount Owed to Bank for Line of Credit: \$69,000**

## Service

- **Meal Prep:** Saturday, October 14, 10 a.m., in the church kitchen. We will be preparing healthy, family-friendly meals together! Cost will be around \$3 or less per serving. RSVP required by Wednesday, October 11. Call or email Elizabeth O'Dell to RSVP or for any questions (618-540-1523 or [wrknmom98@hotmail.com](mailto:wrknmom98@hotmail.com).)

## Youth

- **College Care Packages:** Do you know a college student that could use some encouragement? Fill out a form and drop it off in the church office, and the youth group will send them a care package! Blank forms are in the clear paper organizer marked "Zion Youth," by where Heralds are picked up. *Please fill out a new form each year.*

## School

- **Box Tops for Education:** Thanks to everyone who saves these labels and turns them in to school. Every box top clipped is worth 10 cents! The **Box Top Bonus App** is another way to earn cash for the school. Download the App today at the Apple Store or Google Play, check out the offers for bonus earnings, scan your receipt and watch the earnings for the school stack up. This money helps with the non-budgeted items needed at school.

- **38<sup>th</sup> Annual Night of Knights Auction:** Mark your calendar for Friday, November 3, 2017 at the Doubletree Hotel in Collinsville. Doors open at 5 p.m., dinner buffet begins at 6:30 p.m., and live auction starts at 8 p.m. If you are alumni and haven't attended an auction, you are eligible for a buy one ticket get one ticket half price. Reservations are required and due by October 14. Tickets are \$55 each. Contact the school office for details. Also, donations are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off in the school office.
- **Metro-East Lutheran High School** is looking for **host families** for two students coming for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter (October 16 thru December 8) of this current year. These two gentlemen are in their final year of school at Concordia University-Nebraska and will be serving in various capacities during their time at MELHS. If you are interested, please contact Dr. Jay Krause at 618-656-0043 or email at [jay.krause@melhs.org](mailto:jay.krause@melhs.org).
- **Metro-East Lutheran High School** invites prospective students to come and "Shadow" for a day and see what it is like in the life of a Knight. Prospective students are encouraged to shadow one of our current students and spend the day in classrooms, chapel, lunch, and visiting with students, faculty and staff, and become familiar with the daily ministry of Lutheran High. Interested students should contact the school office at 618-656-0043 for more information.

## Misc.

- **Flat Luther Contest:** Over the summer and through October 31, Flat Luther has been traveling with you to so many places. Our goal is to help Flat Luther get to 500 places by October 31, and he's well on his way! There is also a special contest to see who can help Flat Luther visit the most Lutheran churches and the most pastors. If you have visited churches or pastors with Flat Luther, please fill out the form (available in the Ministry Center) and return it to DCE Kristen by Sunday, November 5. The top 10 winners in each category will win a prize!
- **Older Adult Retreat:** "In Christ Alone We Stand" – Redeemed, Reformed, Renewed – Growing in Christ XVII. The Lutheran Older Adult Retreat, sponsored by the Southern Illinois District and Lutheran Senior Services will apply Reformation themes to your life in the beautiful surroundings of Pere Marquette Lodge in Grafton, IL, on October 25-26. For information and registration information, please contact Margo Wolf at 618-622-0264 or [dmwvete74@gmail.com](mailto:dmwvete74@gmail.com) or [www.sidlcms.org](http://www.sidlcms.org).
- **Prayer Breakfast:** The 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Bethalto, will be held on Tuesday, October 24 (7—8:30 a.m.) at the Bethalto Senior Citizens Center. The Guest Speaker will be our own Pastor Kale Hanson. The ticket cost is \$12 per person. For the purchase of tickets, please contact Pastor Meyer at 377-9815.
- **You are invited to the Alton Symphony Orchestra Concert** on Saturday, October 21, 2017 at 7 p.m. The theme of this concert is "**The Overture to Your Evening.**" Remember those famous melodies used in old cartoons? You will hear those famous melodies in the *Egmont Overture* by Beethoven, Rimsky-Korsakov's *Russian Easter Overture*, Tchaikovsky's *1812 Overture* and *Offenbach's Orpheus in the Underworld*. All concerts held at Hatheway Cultural Center on the Campus of Lewis and Clark College in Godfrey, Illinois. Tickets may be purchased at [altonsymphonyorchestra.org](http://altonsymphonyorchestra.org) or at the door. Season Tickets: five concerts for the price of four @ \$40 for adults or \$20 for Seniors. Single tickets for Adults: \$10; Seniors (62 and over): \$5; Children (Grade 12 and under): FREE; Lewis and Clark Community College Faculty, Staff, Students: FREE. More information and ticket purchases can be found on the ASO website: [www.altonsymphonyorchestra.org](http://www.altonsymphonyorchestra.org). **Upcoming events:** Saturday, December 9, 7 p.m. "A Sleigh Ride Holiday"; Sunday, February 25, 3 p.m. "Tribute to America"; Sunday, April 15, 3 p.m. "Amen"; and Saturday, April 21, 7 p.m. "A foreign Flavor."
- **Annual Christmas Bazaar:** Concordia Lutheran Church, Highway 140 Circle Drive, Cottage Hills, will have their annual Christmas bazaar on Saturday, November 4, from 9 a.m.—3 p.m. For more information call 377-8091 or 670-6809.
- **Total Saturday/Sunday Worship Attendance** for 10/1/17 was 431 compared to an attendance of 440 on 10/2/16.

## Activities This Week

TODAY:	Senior High Night Youth Board	4-6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
MONDAY:	<b>Church Office Closed</b> Braille (Highland) Matins Choir <b>Voters' Meeting</b> Yoga	9:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m. <b>7:00 p.m.</b> 8:00 p.m.
TUESDAY:	Pericopes (Zion Library) Braille (Wood River) Adult Confirmation Quilters (Adult Ed. Room) Handbell Choir	9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY:	Quilters (Adult Ed. Room) Parish Nurse Martin Luther and the Reformation (Zion Library) Zumba Junior Confirmation Adult Choir Men's Club	8 a.m.—12 p.m. 8—11:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY:	Zion Braille Work School Board	9:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.
SATURDAY:	Walk/Run Club (Culp Lane Park) Sisterhood of Stitching Women's Bible Study – "Made to Crave"	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.

## Worship Services

Saturday:	6:00 p.m.
Sunday:	8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School:	9:30 a.m.

## Contact and Connect

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At Zion, God's Love Works in and through His People.

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