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October 2021 Newsletter

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October SERVANT SCHEDULE:

	USHER	LECTOR	COMM. ASST.
<u>3</u>	Emilie Pietz	Lynette Sallee	Lynette Sallee
<u>10</u>	Bill Cowen	Vickey Cowen	Vickey Cowen & Kathy Trask
<u>17</u>	Pam & Phil Koterba	Falan Aanenson	Falan & Cameryn Aanenson
<u>24</u>	Foss Wilson	Linda Robinson	Linda Robinson & Lana Papp
<u>31</u>	Sharon Nordahl	Angie Simac	Angie Simac & Falan Aanenson



*IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO FULFILL YOUR DUTY, PLEASE FIND YOUR OWN REPLACEMENT



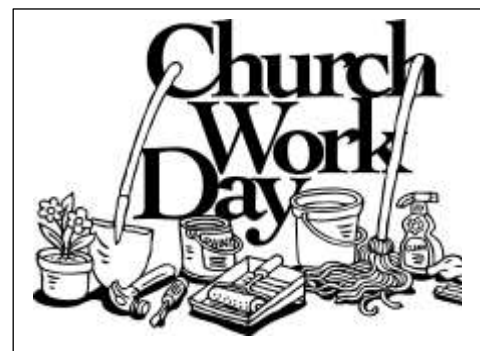
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WORSHIP, FAITH IN ACTION, OUTREACH, FELLOWSHIP, NEWS, EVENTS, CAUSES, HAPPENINGS, COMMUNITY, STEWARDSHIP, MINISTRY, CONNECTIONS & MORE!

Zion Lutheran Church Cleaning Day!

Join us in serving the church at our church-wide cleaning day!

October 3, 2021
Directly After church
No Adult Forum





Friends in Christ,

Blessings on our extended summer as we move into fall! The leaves on the trees outside my office window are turning from green to gold. When I step outside, a chill in the breeze brings me reviving freshness, as if change is about to take hold. And, of course, a quick glance at our church calendar reminds me how excited I am for all that is to come!

First thing's first, I want to announce a new journey upon which we are about to embark as a congregation this fall. The church council has offered me a position as Zion's Youth and Family Director! This position will coincide with my interim pastor work until ZLC calls a full-time pastor. After which, I look forward to remaining within the folds of this loving congregation, while having conversations with your new pastor to see how this position aligns with her or his leadership and that of the council's going forward.

My focus will be on our Youth Group for highschool youth. Meanwhile, I want to maintain a strong commitment to and appreciation for Falan, Fos, Lana, Lynette, and Starla who are leading, and will continue to lead, B.L.A.S.T. and confirmation classes for our 2nd-8th graders on Wednesday afternoons. We will work together as a team to keep tabs on our ZLC youth and their families. We may plan some things together but, for the most part, Youth Group will take place later in the evening on Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

starting on October 13th!

Dinner will be provided for highschool youth every Wednesday night, starting at 6:30. If you would like to help plan or cook dinner between the hours of 5:30 and 6:30 p.m., please let me or Lana know. Even though our activities after dinner may include leaving the church premises, youth can drive to, be dropped off, be picked up, and drive home from Zion every Wednesday at the above start and end times.

Before October 13th, I will be in touch with each highschool-aged youth and their parents to announce our first gathering and also garner ideas for the year. I'd love to hear what personally piques the interests of our youth as we seek to grow in relationship with God while engaging the world around us. If you have any specific questions about Youth Group before we get going, please feel free to reach out to me.

In addition to presiding on most Sundays, I will continue to provide pastoral care as well, especially in emergency situations or when called upon to offer a prayer or listening ear. Since I will be balancing both of these positions part-time, I'm going to need your help making the needs of our congregation and its members known.

Also, I want to encourage everyone to check out our fall programs in detail. They are listed, some in more ways than one, in this newsletter and our other forms of church communication. Get involved in small groups that help garner relationships built on trust and compassion. Seek out ways to plug yourself into the shared life of our congregation--ways that place God and Christ at the center of your life, work, and play. There are so many ways to occupy our time or our childrens' time, especially as we work to navigate involvement in sports, clubs, and programs. I challenge you to prioritize your church community this fall. Do so and see the Spirit of God working in the world, your life, and your family's life in ways that might move you into new ways of being and perceiving your surroundings.

Above all, feel blessed to be a blessing today and throughout every season. All small things--your service, your giving, your presence, or simply your ascending prayers--work to bless us and God's church in immeasurable ways.

Peace be with you, Pr. Stacey

Growing in Faith

Zion Lutheran Church has many ways to grow in faith all while getting to know the people in our church family. Weekly worship services take place on Sundays at 9:30 am. For even more ways to make connections & grow in faith take look at what's happening at Zion every week!

- **ZLCW Circle Bible Studies:**
 - Hosanna Circle** – Bible study meetings the 2nd Thursday of the month at 4 pm in the Fireside room. Contact person: Lynette Sallee 406-535-5236
 - Rachel Circle** – Bible study meetings the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 9:30 am in the Fireside Room. Contact person: Debby Shobe 406-535-5864
 - Ruth Circle** – Bible study meeting the 2nd Thursday of each month at 1:30 pm in the Fireside Room. Contact person: Kathy Trask 406-535-5601
- **Women's Podcast group**— The Podcast group meets the second Tuesday of the month. They will meet at 6:30pm during the odd months and 12:00pm during the even. Check the calendar for where they will be meeting next.
- **Men over Lunch**—Join this lively men's group each Wednesday at 12:00 pm for good food and good company! Men Over Lunch meet at the Elks
- **B.L.A.S.T.** – Stands for Believe, Learn, and Seek Truth. 2nd -6th grade kids meet Wednesdays after school at 3:30 – 5:00pm
- **Confirmation Classes** – 7th & 8th grade kids meet at 3:45 pm on Wednesdays in classes designed to teach bible lessons in preparation for the Affirmation of Baptism.
- **Youth Group** – High Schoolers meet from 6:30- 8:00pm on Wednesdays with dinner provided.
Starting October 13th

Have you found our worship services online?

The easiest way to find our online worship videos is to go to our website: www.zionlewistownelca.com

On the front page of the website are two icons:



will take you directly to our YouTube channel where you can watch at the same time as an in-church service. Previous services are also available here. Check out Playlists to find funerals and Children's Time videos.



facebook

will take you directly to the Zion Facebook page. Click on the More tab and scroll down to Videos to find some of our past worship videos.

On our website you can also point to the Worship tab and a drop-down menu will show Video Worship Services. These videos are from previous services along with access to a bulletin for each service.

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Youth Group


KICK OFF

Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Starting Wed. October 13th!

(Meet @ the church)

Dinner @ 6:30 w/ a **BOMB!**
evening activity starting at 7!

Be on the look out  for a schedule of fun activities
after we meet on the 13th to discuss ideas!

Contact Pr. Stacey w/ Questions: 406-272-2014



B.L.A.S.T.

Highland Park kids should find a buddy and walk to Church

Lewis and Clark kids will meet their driver in the parking lot as usual.

-Falan 😊



Believe Learn and Seek Truth

Upcoming Lessons

6 Adam & Eve

13 Rich Man's Questions

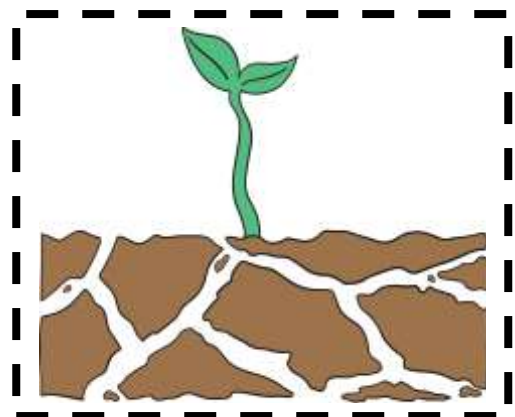
20 No BLAST

27 Movie Day with Dinner. Pick up at 6:30pm

October Social Concern is...

ELCA Disaster Relief

September Social Concern: **The ELCA Disaster Relief** supports ELCA members as they give themselves freely in transforming service with the neighbor. Through a wide range of daily vocations and ministries, they nurture faith, build alliances and gather resources for a healed, reconciled and just world. As church together, they faithfully strive to participate in God's reconciling work, which prioritizes disenfranchised, vulnerable and displaced people in our communities and the world.



Thank you for your generous support of \$1975 to the Trust Scholarship Fund in September!

Halloween is on a Sunday!!

KIDS wear your costumes to church.
After Church join us in the parking lot for a
TRUNK or TREAT

ZION MEMBERS

There will also be a Trunk Decorating Contest!!
With a first-place prize!!!

SO, DECORATE YOUR TRUCK BED OR TRUNK OR
JUST BRING CANDY FOR THE KIDS.



Zion Lutheran Church Bazaar

Important dates:

- November 13, Cutting of the Greens
- November 15, Wreath making
- November 16-18, Lefse Making at 4:00pm
- December 4, BAZAAR



Please return your wreath forms to the church if you still have them.



Mark your calendar for October 1st (Friday):

Volunteer and Pastor application/registration opens for Montana folk!! Plan your week at camp as a pastor or adult volunteer (Camp Grandparent, etc) Serve as a resource to our staff and campers, as well as helping FLBC with basic functions like dishes, cleaning, maintenance work, and more, while enjoying time with the FLBC community in God's Great outdoors on Flathead Lake.

The application/registration opens for out-of-state, Pastors and adults on November 1st! Beat the crowd who want to come to "the last best place"Montana!!! Information/FAQs as well different application options (printable vs online app) will be available at <https://flbc.net/donate-volunteer/#volunteer>

FLBC is also looking to hire a paid Staff Chaplain/Weekend Coordinator for Summer 2022! Contact Margie Fiedler at margie@flbc.net for more information.

Day Camp Sign-Ups for Summer 2022 are opening on October 14th (Thursday) at 10am! FLBC would love to help your congregation do Day Camp in your community this upcoming summer. Day Camps are a great outreach opportunity! Sign up on October 14th by contacting the FLBC office at 406-752-6602 or carlee@flbc.net. Have questions or want to learn more? Day Camp Coordinator, Carlee, would love to talk to you!

Upcoming Retreats/Events (learn more at <https://flbc.net/annual-programming/>):

- Saturday, October 9th, 2021: Fall Harvest Festival & Auction AND the FLBC Annual Meeting
- November 4-7, 2021: Quilting & Crafting Retreat
- December 3-5, 2021: Advent Retreat

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