#### THE VISITOR

Easter 2023 ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH Issue #2

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#### Pastor's Letter

'God has made everything beautiful in its time.

God has set eternity in the human heart;

yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end.'

Ecclesiastes 3:11

This March & April there will be lots of wonderful opportunities for you to get involved in the life of your congregation. Lent lunches and devotions each

Wednesday 11:30-12:30 will provide an opportunity to be fed spiritually and physically. Lenten Holy Listening Sessions on Sunday evenings at Bootleggers 6:30-7:30pm will provide a chance to learn from community members and enjoy fellowship with parishioners. The 1st Men's Night Corn Hole Tournament Sunday, April 16th will kick-off our new men's ministry and an opportunity for connection between gentlemen in our congregation, and to invite others in the community to have a positive experience with Zion. Worship will involve art displays each week as we journey towards our fantastic Easter Celebration. While our usual children's and youth programming continue through March and April, we will be a happily busy and bustling place to be. There is much to be excited about at Zion this time of year.

We welcome your input. As staff and church council dream of what is ahead for Zion we welcome your ideas. A Dream Box has been established outside the office doors, near the sanctuary. Simply place your dreams for Zion in the box. These will be read and considered by staff and council. We are eager to see where the Spirit may be leading our congregation. Another opportunity for your input involves church visitation and re-invigorated church teams. Who should be on our list to be visited by pastors or our communion servers? We would love to expand our list with your help. Simply call the church office or write out a name and give it to our pastors at any of our worship services. We appreciate your assistance in ensuring those who want pastoral care are known to us. We are also growing our church teams. Here is a beautiful opportunity to serve in your church with a group of church members who share a similar passion. Some of these teams, or committees, have been active in the past at Zion, and are now re-starting. Some are brand new. We would like around five members on each team. So let us know if you are interested, or the Spirit is nudging you to serve on one of these following great teams. Each team will have a staff member and a council member supporting their good work: Personnel, Building & Grounds, Worship, Visitation, Stewardship, Education with Children, Education with Youth, Adult Ministry, Welcome & Fellowship.

This has been a busy first month in ministry with you. I have officiated four funerals, supported nominations, budget, and annual meeting preparations, worked with 9th grade confirmation, met with the Hannah Bible Study ladies, led worship services at two nursing homes, visited church members at home, met with church council, led staff development, and participated in numerous worship services. It is a joy to be in ministry with you. I thank you for the warm welcome and look forward to all God has in store for us together.

-Pastor Elaine Sveet Lead Pastor



#### **Stay Connected**

TOGETHER IN We have many ways for you to keep updated on Zion and Zion's events.

**Website:** Check out our website for an updated calendar, links to services, resources for bible study and other information <a href="https://www.zionlutheranminot.org">www.zionlutheranminot.org</a>

Facebook: We keep our Facebook page updated with last minute changes or announcements. Look for us @zionlutheranminot

Instagram: Zion can also be found on Instagram. Visit us zlcminot

**Seasonal Newsletter "The Visitor":** We send out by email or regular mail with more in-depth information about up coming events and a recap of past events.

**Weekly In-Person Service:** Our service times are Wednesday at 6:15pm, Saturday @ 5:00pm and Sunday @ 10:00am.

**Weekly On-Line Service:** We have two services that we live stream for you to watch on Facebook or YouTube. Join us for our Wednesday Service @ 6:15pm and Sunday @ 10:00am.

\*If you are not receiving the Visitor by email and would like to, call the church office to be sure we have an updated email.

\*\*If you do not have access to email, you can request paper copies of the Visitor.

\*\*\*Contact the Church Office: (701) 852-1872 or email zlc@srt.com

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#### **Hymn of the Month**



In honor of Women's history month our monthly hymn for March is "I Need Thee Every Hour" by Annie S. Hawks. I first heard this hymn sung by contemporary Christian artists Selah. It is a melancholy tune that speaks to the importance of the Divine in everyday life. The story goes that Annie wrote this song on a sunny June morning in 1872. She later wrote "One day as a

young wife and mother of 37 years of age, I was busy with my regular household tasks. Suddenly, I became so filled with the sense of nearness to the Master, that, wondering how one could live without Him, either joy or pain, these words, *I need thee every hour* were ushered into my mind, the thought at once taking full possession on me." 16 years later Annie's husband, who aided her in writing this song, died. It was in the shadow of his death that the words she had written years later took new meaning of comfort and peace in the midst of sadness.

Our April hymn of the month is from the new Lutheran hymnal, All Creation Sings, "Touch that Soothes and Heals." I selected this Easter hymn because of the rich text by Mary Louise Bringle that speaks not only of seeing Jesus' wounded hands and feet but of being his hands and feet in the world today, showing love and serving others.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing. (Psalm 100:1-2)

Blessings,

Pastor Natasha Kolles

#### New Team Members Needed!

Zion Lutheran is looking for volunteer members to form Teams for the following groups:

<u>Committees</u> Personnel Building & Grounds Education– Children, Youth, Young Adult Worship Stewardship Welcome & Fellowship Visitations

By volunteering, you will help make decisions, give input, and support the projects and ministry of these groups.

Please email zlc@srt.com or call 701-852-1872 if interested.



# April 2 Palm Sunday

9:00 am Caramel Rolls 10:00 am Worship & Kids' Sabbath



# April 6 Maundy Thursday

7:00 pm Worship



## April 7 Good Friday

12:00 pm Worship 7:00 pm Worship



# April 9 **Easter Sunday**

8:00 am Worship-Traditional Service 10:00 am Worship-Led by Praise Band



#### FAITH EDUCATION by Chris Torgeson

#### **FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT**

#### \*Friday, March 17th at 5:30pm

\*Join us for Sloppy Joes and St. Patrick's Day Snack Mix!

"Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile"



#### FED & FORGIVEN

\*There will be a Holy Communion Education/ Enrichment Event on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>April 5th</u> from 5:30-7:00pm. This event will be a time of

exploring and learning about the sacrament of Holy Communion through a variety of hands on activities. We hold one event in the fall and one



event in the spring. These 2 events together give us a broader understanding of Communion from a Lutheran perspective. The events can be done in any order but families are encouraged to attend both events at some point.

\*Please contact Chris if you would like materials to preview prior to the event. I have age appropriate resources available for preK-adults that can be used to enhance the understanding and appreciation of Holy Communion.

#### \*Children's Ministries Team

- \*This team helps support the ministry of our children and families through helping hands for some of our projects, but also to help maintain the vision for the ministry we feel God is calling us to here at Zion.
- \* Our next meeting is <u>Sunday, March 12th</u> <u>at 11:00am.</u> Child Care provided for those who need.

#### **CHURCH SCHOOL UPDATE**

- \*Jesus and His Miracles Rotation
  - \*Wednesday—March 1, 15, 22, 29 \*NO CHURCH SCHOOL MARCH 8th
  - \*Sunday—February 26, March 5, 19, 26 \*NO CHURCH SCHOOL MARCH 12th
- \* Kids' Sabbath—April 2nd at 10:00am
  - \*Join us Palm Sunday for a special Kids' Sabbath as we share what we have learned about Jesus's Miracles as well as share some special Palm Sunday Music.

#### \*Saul to Paul Rotation

- \*Wednesday-April 12, 19, 26
- \*NO CHURCH SCHOOL APRIL 5th
- \*Sunday—April 16, 23 <u>AND</u> Wednesday April 26 at 4:30pm for the last lesson
- \*NO CHURCH SCHOOL APRIL 9th
- \*Kids' Sabbath—April 30th at 10:00am
- \*End of the Year Celebration—Following worship on April 30th from 11:00-12:30pm you are invited to join us for a Potluck—we will provide hotdogs, chips, lemonade and dessert. There will be games, book giveaway and much more!

#### \*Summer Day Camp/VBS —July 17-21

- \*For all ENTERING Grades 1-6
- \* 9am-3pm (Mon-Thurs) & 9-11am (Fri)

#### \*PreK/K Day Camp—July 17-19

- \*For all entering Kindergarten/Preschool
- \*9:00 am-12:30 pm

#### **CAMP METIGSOHE**

\* Any Zion Youth attending Camp Metigoshe (or another Bible Camp in Western ND) is encouraged to let us know. We are putting our Annual Summer—Who's at Camp Board so you can see who is going to

#### **CONFIRMATION UPDATES**

We are cruising right through this year of confirmation! We have learned a lot so far both on site (in class) and off site (in the community learning) but it isn't over yet! Here are some dates to look out for:

March 1st- 6th-8th Grade class on-site

March 8th- No Confirmation- Spring Break

March 29th - 6th-8th Grade class onsite

**April 5th– No Confirmation– Holy Week** 

May 3rd- End of the Year Party

\*Parents & Students, make sure you are on the remind app for full confirmation schedule.\*



#### **SENIOR SUNDAY**

I can't believe it is already that time of the year again to start congratulating our 2023 Seniors! On Sunday, May 14th we will be congratulating the class of 2023 as they receive their beautiful quilts made by the ZLC Quilters. Details will be sent out to the seniors and their families, so be on the lookout for that!

Here is Zion's class of 2023: Jenna Boehm,



Coltan Francis, Haeven Freeman, Jaxen Grosche, Kayleigh Haaland, Hunter Horner, Nicholas Hynson, Carter Korslien, Dane

Krumwiede, Brayden McLean, Justin Moldenhauer, Mikkail Nehring, Zachary Nehring, Kendall Nordgaard, Gage Olson, Erik Sivertson, Jonathan Skalicky, Noah Stenvold, Benjamin Svangstu, Adam Woodbeck

Congratulation class of 2023!

#### YOUTH GROUP

#### **IGNITE 9TH-12TH GRADE**

This group of high schoolers have done so many great things this year and I can't wait for the fun to continue! Here are some dates to put on your calendar!

March 1st— Activity/Game Night

March 8th- No Youth Group—Spring Break

March 15th – Service Project Night

March 22nd- Food and Devotions

March 29th - Activity/Game Night

April 5th- No Youth Group- Holy Week

April 12th - Service Project Night

April 19th – Food and Devotions

April 26th – Activity/Game Night

Seen you soon!

#### J-WALKERS 6TH-8TH GRADERS

\*J-Walkers meets from 7-9pm\*



You won't want to miss these events! Mark these dates on your calendar for the last three meetings of the year!

March 24th— Painting Night!

April 21st– Outdoor (hopefully) games!

May 19th– End of the year party!

Let's have some more fun!

#### **KORTNI'S KORNY CORNER**

Q: What do you get when you push a bunch of Easter eggs down a hill?

A:Spring rolls!

Q: What is a flower's favorite kind of pickle?
A: A daffo-dill!

#### **Announcements & Upcoming Events**

#### Be a Worship Leader!

We have many openings for worship assisting like readers, ushers & communion servers.



You can sign up on our website at

www.zionlutheranminot.org or click here.

Would you consider how you can help?

#### **Elected on February 20th**



Congratulations to the following who were elected at the annual meeting and thank you **JELECTION** for your service to Zion.

#### Council (3 for a 3-year term)

Matt Sundahl+Sherry Broderick+John Gruenberg

Kristi Asendorf (2 year term)

Annlea Eskelson (Youth for 1 year term)

**Trust Committee** (3 year term)

Carrie Francis Michael Peterson Dave DeMers

Brian Eichhorn Mike Uran

**Nominations Committee** (3 year term)

Melody Sundbakken • Erin Heninger • Kayla Cole

#### **Swedish Meatball Dinner**

with Famous Augustana **Rice Pudding** 

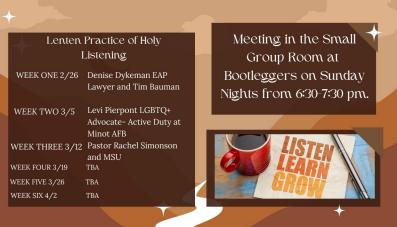
**Christ Lutheran Church** 502 17 St. NW - Minot

Sunday, March 12 **Serving 10:30 am - 2:00 pm** 

Adults: \$15.00 Children 12 & under free-will offering accepted Dine-in or Take-out available

















#### Lent to Easter

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# Join our Faith Family Attend New Member Orientation Sunday, April 23rd. from 9:00-9:45 am in Zion's Fellowship Hall

New members will be received at the 10:00am worship service. If you are interested in joining our Faith Family, please contact the office (852-1872 or <a href="mailto:zlc@srt.com">zlc@srt.com</a>) to be added to the new member list. Information regarding orientation will be mailed the middle of April.

We look forward to meeting you!



#### **Baptisms**

Mallory Renee Leonard Eddie Taylor Leonard Lochlan Michael Heth Ansen Albert Stenvold

#### **Funerals**

Kenny Javar Darlene Dickman Harry Hughes Lois Jensen William Jensen



### <u>Designated funds to which you may donate in</u> memory/honor of someone:

Zion General Fund & Building Fund & Community Outreach & Education & Global Missions & Music Ministry & Playground & Prayer Shawl & Trust & Youth Ministry & ZLCW

If no specific fund indicated, gifts go to Undesignated Fund



#### In memory of Marilyn & Ernie Selland

**Undesignated** - Paula Selland

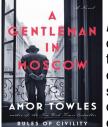
#### In memory of Darlene Dickman

Undesignated - LaVerne & Kandi Mikkelson

#### In memory of Isabelle Thompson

Global Missions - Butch & Ruth Ann Rexine General Fund - Robert & Connie Knudson

#### **Upcoming books for Book Club**



**March Book of the Month: A Gentleman in Moscow** In 1922, Count Alexander Rostov is deemed an unrepentant aristocrat by a Bolshevik tribunal, and is sentenced to house arrest in the Metropol, a grand hotel across the street from the Kremlin. Rostov, an indomitable man of erudition and wit, has never worked a day in his life, and must now live in an attic room while some of the most tumultuous decades in Russian history are unfolding outside the hotel's doors.. Unexpectedly, his reduced circumstances provide him entry into a much larger world of emotional discovery.

Brimming with humor, a glittering cast of characters, and one beautifully rendered scene after another, this singular novel casts a spell as it relates the count's endeavor to gain a deeper understanding of what it means to be a man of purpose.



LISA SCOTTOLINE desperate for a baby. Unable to conceive, they find themselves facing a difficult choice they had never anticipated. After many appointments with specialists, endless research, and countless conversations, they make the decision to use a donor.

Two months pass, and Christine is happily pregnant. But one day, she is shocked to see a young blond man on the TV news being arrested for a series of brutal murders—and the blond man bears an undeniable and uncanny resemblance to her donor.

Delving deeper to uncover the truth, Christine must confront a terrifying reality and face her worst fears. Riveting and fast-paced with the depth of emotionality that has garnered Lisa Scottoline

legions of fans, the New York Times bestseller, Most Wanted, poses an ethical and moral dilemma: What would you do if the biological father of your unborn child was a serial killer? (\*Book Descriptions Found on Amazon.com)

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#### **Zion Lutheran Church**

1800 Hiawatha Street Minot, ND 58701





#### Our Purpose:

Loved by God – Living out the Love of Jesus

#### **Our Guiding Principles:**

growing spiritually to be more like Jesus
actively caring for one another
welcoming and inviting all people
giving generously to join in God's work
joyfully serving as Christ's hands and feet
living faithfully in daily life

#### **Zion Lutheran Church**

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Pastor Natasha Kolles