



Alleluia! Christ is Risen! He Is Risen, Indeed—Now What?

I love Holy Week and Easter. Sure, things get a little busier than usual here at the church—but what a gift it is to walk through such sacred days together. The contemplation of Holy Week, the joy of Easter morning... it's holy, beautiful, and deeply meaningful.

Now that Holy Week has passed, and we're wrapping up the year's programming—like church school and confirmation—I find myself asking: *Now what?* We've celebrated the Risen Christ. We've sung the "Alleluias." We've proclaimed victory over the grave. So how do we continue to live into the mystery and wonder of the resurrection?

The tomb is empty. Jesus is alive. And still—life keeps moving. We return to work, school, appointments, laundry, and all the everyday stuff. But beloved, *everything has changed*. Resurrection isn't just a one-day event. It's a way of life.

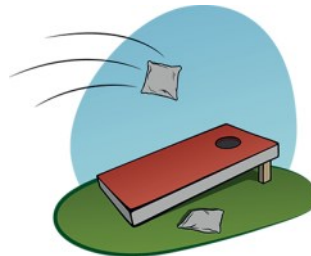
Jesus didn't rise from the dead just to say "Surprise!" He rose to walk with us—to show us that even in the ordinary, resurrection hope is still unfolding. It's in every act of forgiveness, every handshake, every laugh shared over coffee, and every courageous "yes" to love in a weary world.

So this Easter season, let's keep our eyes open for resurrection—not just in the church, but in our homes, schools, grocery stores, and throughout our city. Let's practice seeing with Easter eyes. Let's live like death doesn't get the last word—because it doesn't.

You are a beloved child of God. You are held. You are called. And yes—you are part of the ongoing story of resurrection.

-Pastor Natasha Kolles

Zion's 3rd Annual Corn Hole Tournament.



Join us for our 3rd annual Corn Hole Tournament! Now open to everyone! Tournament includes Pulled Pork Meal, snacks,

drinks, door prizes, winners grand trophy and a silent auction. Tickets Price: \$30 a team, \$20 for single, and \$10 for just the meal. Tickets can be purchased on our website or in the office. <https://zionlutheranminot.org>

Sunday May 18th 2pm-5pm



IN MEMORY OF JOAN ODLAND

Undesignated: Connie Knudson

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Designated funds to which you may donate in memory/honor of someone:

Zion General Fund ~ Building Fund ~ Community Outreach ~ Education

Music Ministry ~ Outdoor Enhancement ~ Trust ~ ZLCW

*If no specific fund indicated, gifts go to the
Undesignated Memorial Fund*

April 2025- Baptisms

4/27 Hazel Rae Heupel

April 2025-Funerals

4/22 Darlene VanArsdale

Welcome New
Members:

Glenn and Sandra
Schell

Congratulations to the graduating seniors of Zion staff, Eric's daughter Natalie, Chris's daughter Kiera, Pastor Natasha's daughter Medora, and Pastor Elaine's son Ethan!

Zion was filled with joy on Easter Sunday! We had 511 worshippers at Easter. That is 108 more worshippers than 2024. We loved seeing the new photo area being utilized too. Thank you to all our musicians, ushers, communion servers etc., who helped make Easter and Holy Week a wonderful honoring of our Lord.



The following groups & ministries are happening now! You are invited to attend any of the following (*bring a friend*):



Men's Breakfast

Come and have breakfast with Zion dudes/fellows/gentlemen where you will eat, pray, and talk. This group meets once a month. This will be the last meeting until next fall



Next meeting is Saturday, May 17th @9am



Meets @ 2pm on the 2nd Thursday of the month in the Board Room.

This circle joins together for a monthly Bible study led by one of our pastors. Contact the office for more information.

Next meeting is Thursday, May 8th @2pm



**Quilting Ministry
Meets @ 9am on the 3rd Monday of the month in the Fellowship Hall.**

Many hands are needed to cut pieces, pin, sew and tie.

No experience necessary!

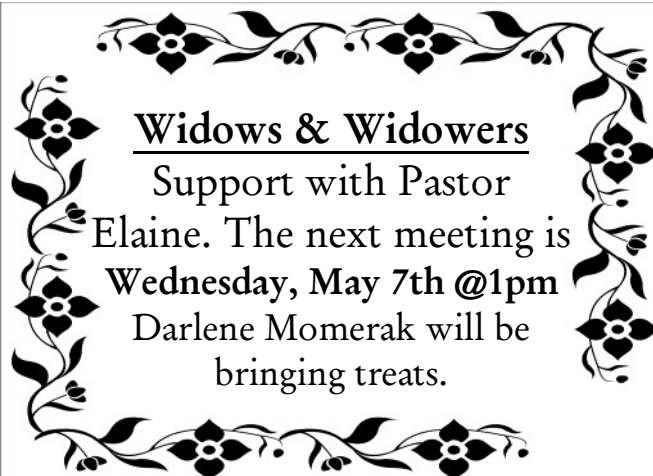
Next meeting is Monday, May 19th @ 9am.



Meets every Tuesday 1pm in room 407. You can use the Southwest entrance

This group meets weekly to enjoy the art of painting. You do not have to know how to paint to join. A short lesson is given at

the beginning of the session, then conversation and painting on your own continues until 4pm. Bring your own supplies and any paint medium except oil paints due to allergies.



Widows & Widowers

Support with Pastor Elaine. The next meeting is Wednesday, May 7th @1pm
Darlene Momerak will be bringing treats.



Meets @ 5:30pm on the 2nd Tuesday of the month in Youth Room.

Yarn is available if you wish to make shawls at

home. Prayer Shawls are given to people who are seriously ill or grieving.

Next meeting is Tuesday, May 13th @5:30pm

Sisterhood Ministry

Meets monthly



Meet other women of the church while learning, celebrating and being a servant of God through monthly service projects throughout the year.

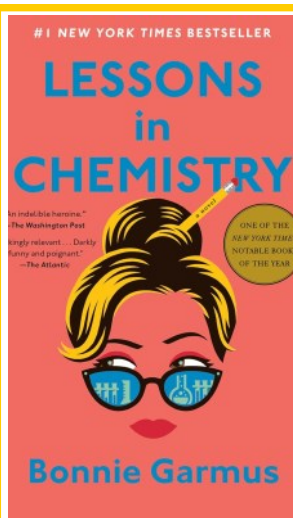
Zion Walkers



ZION WALKERS begin in May. This spring and summer enjoy an opportunity to gather weekly to walk our

neighborhood. Wednesdays we'll meet at the cross by our southeast door for a prayer together and then head out walking together. What a great opportunity to take care of our bodies, connect with each other and church staff, and enjoy the great outdoors. Come when you can - **Wednesdays 1pm starting May 17th!**

Coming up!



Book Club— *Meets every 2nd Tuesday of the Month at 6:30pm.*

May's book is "Lessons in Chemistry"

Chemist Elizabeth Zott is not your average woman. In fact, Elizabeth Zott would be the first to point out that there is no such thing as an average woman. But it's the early 1960s and her all-male team at Hastings Research Institute takes a very unscientific view of equality. Except for one: Calvin Evans; the lonely, brilliant, Nobel-prize nominated grudge-holder who falls in love with—of all things—her mind. True chemistry results.

But like science, life is unpredictable. Which is why a few years later Elizabeth Zott finds herself not only a single mother, but the reluctant star of America's most beloved cooking show *Supper at Six*. Elizabeth's unusual approach to cooking ("combine one tablespoon acetic acid with a pinch of sodium chloride") proves revolutionary. But as her following grows, not everyone is happy. Because as it turns out, Elizabeth Zott isn't just teaching women to cook. She's daring them to change the status quo.

*Excerpt from Amazon.com

****The Next Book Club Meeting is Tuesday, May 13th at 6:30pm**
This is the last meeting until September**

OWLS Event Monday May 5th 1pm

Zion's Older Wiser Lutherans are invited to gather at the church in the north board room for refreshments and an opportunity to create gifts for Zion's graduating seniors. Please bring a photo of yourself around High School graduating age. We look forward to this time to visit, connect and bless our high school graduates.



MINI CAMPS at ZION

Registration for all mini camps opens May 1st on zlc.org. All camps begin with prayer and conclude with a blessing. Scholarships available, so the small fee won't be a barrier for anyone.

Learn to Crochet Camp - Wed. June 11th & 18th 6-8pm. Have fun learning a new skill or improving. All supplies provided. Cost \$15. Led by Kristi Asendorf & Sue Nelson.

Hockey Skills Camp - Mon. June 23rd & Tues. June 24th 6-8pm. Have fun perfecting some stick handling skills and shooting, and finish with a fun street hockey game. Cost \$30. Led by Coach Shaun Brentrup and High School hockey players Oliver Sweet and Nolan Callahan.

Soccer Skills Camp - Tues. June 24th & Thurs. June 26th. Ideal for 4-8yr olds. Enjoy some outdoor fun in the excitement of soccer. Cost is \$30 Led by Coach Rich Jensen and High School athlete Tayson Solper.

Baking Camp - Tues. June 10th & Tues. June 17th 6-8pm. Enjoy time in the kitchen whipping up some delicious treats to take home. Cost is \$15. Led by Diana McLean

Creative Writing Camp - Mon. June 23 & Wed. June 25th. Enjoy a relaxed atmosphere to allow your creativity to soar with writing prompts and time to work on your own projects with tips to grow your personal writing skills. Cost \$15. Led by author Elaine Sweet and high school comic book and movie script writer Ethan Sweet.

Financials

	Year to Date
Income	\$158,260.46
Expenses	\$171,093.79
Net	(12,833.33)

Thank You

For your continued support of Zion Lutheran and Zion's mission!

Please scan this QR code to give an offering to ZLC



Worship Date	On-Site	Online	Total
April 2nd	90	135	225
April 5th, 6th, and 9th	230	243	473
April 12th & 13th- Palm Sunday , No Worship 4/16	309	204	513
Maundy Thursday April 17th, Good Friday two services April 18th	158	216	374
No Worship Sat 4/19, Easter Sunday two services 4/20	511	304	815

4 ways to Give



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RebelGive
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www.zionlutheranminot.org



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Check or in Giving Envelope to
1800 Hiawatha Street SE
Minot ND 58701



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Sign up with your bank for recurring giving direct from your account

Every financial gift is important to Zion. If you'd like to register for onlinegiving/automatic giving through Rebel Give. Please contact the church office or click the link on our Zion website.
God bless you in your giving.



Did you know that in the summer offering tends to be lower each year. With vacations and busy schedules, giving often goes down during the summer months—but our ministry continues! We invite you to consider setting up recurring online giving to help keep our church financially strong all year long. You can sign up on our website by pressing the green give button.

Reach out to Amanda in the office for extra assistance!

Day Camp/VBS at Zion

***Grades 1-6—June 3-6**

- *For all ENTERING Grades 1-6
- * 9am-3pm (Tues-Thurs) & 9-11am (Fri)
- *Lock-in will be Thursday Night for all those ENTERING Grades 4-6
- *Cost-\$45/member & \$50/non-member



***Program/Worship** for ALL AGES will be **Thurs, June 5th**



***PreK/K Day Camp—June 3-5**

- *For all entering Kindergarten/Preschool
- *9:00 am-12:30 pm (Tues-Thurs)
- *Cost-\$35/member & \$40/non-member



Just a reminder to be sure to let the office know if you have a camper registered for Camp Metigoshe. Send your invoice to zlc@srt.com. The Zion Trust Fund will pay for 1/2 the cost of attending any ELCA Camp for any member of Zion. If you have not registered for Camp Metigoshe yet, we encourage you to register right away! Sessions are filling fast. They are on their way to a record breaking year for campers! If you need more information, go to the Camp Metigoshe website at www.metigosheministries.com or call the church office.

1/2 Scholarship from Zion Deadlines

- *Deadline for June Camps is May 1st
- *Deadline for July Camps is June 1st
- *Deadline for August Camps is July 1st
- ♦If you miss the deadline, you are still eligible for a scholarship reimbursement check. Please submit your paid invoice to zlc@srt.com

Food Faith Family Teams

A huge thank you to all the teams who served our Wednesday night meals. A SPECIAL THANK YOU to our FFF Coordinator, **Diana McLean and the Food Prep Team: Shar Weltikol, Donna Schlosser, & Darla Felber!** Thank you to all who supported this ministry!



Summer Events

Mark Your Calendars

***Thursday, June 5th**

***Day Camp Program and Worship**



***Wednesday, June 25th**

- *BINGO- "Carside Style" with prizes
- *Come sit outside or in the back of your pick-up/SUV for BINGO



***Wednesday, August 6th**

***Special Fellowship Event-TBA**

***Wednesday, August 27th**

- *Fall Kick-off Carnival
- *Backpack Blessing Worship Service

CONFIRMATION UPDATE



Come support our 6th-9th grade Confirmation Students as they lead worship on **Wednesday, May 7th at 6:15pm.** Following worship 6th-9th graders are invited to stay for a small End of the Year party!

UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported Zion's Youth throughout our fundraisers this past year! We're incredibly excited for our upcoming trip to Seattle at the end of July — and it wouldn't be possible without your generosity and encouragement.

Thank you for believing in and standing behind our youth!

SENIOR SUNDAY

Sunday, May 11th @ 10am is our annual Senior Sunday service. Come give your best wish to the class of 2025 and hear about their future plans! Zion's 2025



graduating seniors; Sydney Aberle, Luke Atkinson, Carson Brekke, Griffin Broderick, Nolan Callahan, Carter Coleman, Carson Deaver, Bostyn Edwards, Mason Eichhorn, Ashlynn Getzlaff, Chayse Grosche, Kaden Henderson, Aidyn Hokanson, Medora Kolles, Jamison Longie, Erin McLean, Brooklyn Mosser, Madyson Rexine, Elisabeth Schaefer, Jayda Schall, Xander Soine, Ethan Sweet, Jayden Thomas, Nicholas Thomas, Grant Thorson, Elle Tiedman and Kiera Torgeson.

Congratulations Class of 2025!

KORTNI'S CORNY CORNER

Q: If April Showers bring May flowers, what does May bring?

A: Pilgrims!

Q: Who conducts the spring orchestra?

A: May-stro

YOUTH GROUP

IGNITE 9TH-12TH GRADE

Wednesdays from 8-9:30pm

May 7th– End of the year Party!



We will take a small break and then continue to meet every other week outside during the summer!

Thanks for a great year of Youth Group and Bible Study High Schoolers!

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know “approximately 1.8 million cases of skin cancer is diagnosed in the U.S. each year”?

-skincancer.org

Fingers crossed — it's finally that time of year to spend more time outside!

School's almost out, lake houses are opening up, and we're dusting off those lawn chairs. Stores are stocked with new swimsuits, pool floats, and coolers to help us make the most of our short North Dakota summers. But one thing you *shouldn't* pass by on your way to grab that new Slip 'N Slide is sunscreen.

Yes, we know—it can smell a little weird, take a while to rub in, and it might slow down that tan some of us are chasing. But here's the deal: applying sunscreen with SPF 15 or higher can reduce your risk of developing skin cancer by **40%**. Back in 2008, the National Council on Skin Cancer Prevention launched **National Don't Fry Day** to raise awareness about UV exposure and encourage sun-safe habits. It falls on the Friday before Memorial Day—just in time for summer fun.

So before you fill up that kiddie pool or throw on your new shades, don't forget to lather up. A simple layer of sunscreen can help protect you and your loved ones from skin cancer. Stay safe and enjoy the sunshine!

*Lord, thank you for sunshine and sunscreen.
Amen.*

Holy Week

Word Search




DIRECTIONS:
Find and circle the
vocabulary words
in the grid. Look
for them in all
directions including
backwards and
diagonally.

CELEBRATION
CRUCIFIXION
EASTER SUNDAY
FASTING
GOOD FRIDAY
HOLY SATURDAY
HOLY WEDNESDAY
HOLY WEEK
JESUS CHRIST



LAST SUPPER
LENT
LITURGY
MAUNDY THURSDAY
MOURNING
PALM BRANCH
PALM SUNDAY
PASSION
PRAYER

PROCESSION
REDEMPTION
REFLECTION
RESURRECTION
RISEN
SAVIOR
SCRIPTURE
SERVICE
TOMB

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
4 Global Music Weekend 9:15am Coffee Fellowship 10am Worship and Baptism— Brooks Gidley	5 Cinco de Mayo 1pm OWLS Spring Event	6 1pm Watercolor Group	7 1pm Widows & Widowers 5:15pm Food Faith Family 6:15pm Worship Confirmation 7pm Confirmation 8pm HS Youth Group	1 Global Missions Envelope Month 7:30pm Narcotics Anon.	2 	3 Global Music Weekend 5pm Worship and Baptism— Malina Vetter
11 Senior Sunday 9:15am Coffee Fellowship 10am Worship 1:30pm Kiera Torgeson Senior Recital	12 	13 1pm Watercolor Group 5:30pm Prayer Shawl 6:30pm Book Club	14 	15 2pm Somerset Worship 7:30pm Narcotics Anon.	16 	17 5pm Worship
18 9:15am Coffee Fellowship 10am Worship 2pm Cornhole Tournament	19 Sewing Day 6pm Finance Mtg	20 1pm Watercolor Group 6:30pm Council Mtg	21 	22 7:30pm Narcotics Anon.	23 2pm Nolan Callahan Grad Party	24 5pm Worship
25 9:15am Coffee Fellowship 10am Worship 2:30pm Thorson Grad Party	26 Memorial Day Office Closed 	27 1pm Watercolor Group	28 2pm Prayer Circle	29 7:30pm Narcotics Anon.	30 Synod Assembly 	31 Synod Assembly 5pm Worship

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

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