

HAPPY
New Year 2023



A Grateful Goodbye

It has been a great joy and privilege to serve as your interim lead pastor for most of the past year. Zion is a wonderful church – great people, great staff and great leadership. From my first day here I felt warmly welcomed and accepted. But now that you have selected your new pastor it is time for me to move on. I have no immediate plans for another church so I will just be taking life easy for a while.

I am very excited for Zion as you step into the next chapter of your life as God’s faithful people. At a time like this I am always reminded of God’s words from Jeremiah 29:11 *“For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.”*

Thanks for a wonderful time together and God’s richest blessings for the future!

Pastor Steve Sathre



Winter 2023 Worship Schedule

Sunday Church School 9:00am
Worship 10:00am

Saturday Worship 5:00pm

Wednesday Church School 4:30pm
FFF Family Meal 5:15pm

Worship 6:15pm
Church School 7:00pm
Confirmation 7:00pm
Ignite 8:00pm



MEMORIALS & GIFTS

October 11—December 20, 2022



In memory of Jill Roloff

Memorials: Paul & Ellen Metz,
Judy Teets, Denise Johnson,
Dana Perry, Brenda Foster,
David & Myrna DeMers,
Armend & RaNae Lynner,
William & Lisa, Jacky Smith
David & Joanne Swonger,
Ronald & Duska LaCount,
Larry Wahlund, Kylene Askvig,
Dale & Kay Mattern,
Wes & Rhonda Maas,
Bev Roen, Eleanor Berg,
Charles & Sandy Swenson,
Marlyn & Virginia Korslien,
Pat White, Opal Thompson,
Marlys Sundbakken

In memory of Jill Roloff

General Fund: Mary Ann Stoa

Music: Carmen & Edgar Wheeling,
Sonja Hernes

Global Missions: Ruth & Larry Rexine

Trust: Connie & Robert Knudson

ZLCW Quilters: Pat Juergens

In memory of LeRoy Haugeberg

Trust: Pheobe Haugeberg

In Memory of Rick Erickson

Greg Simonson

Zion Lutheran Church Trust

Ray Lakoduk

Designated funds to which you may donate in 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 the Undesignated Memorial Fund



PLEASE NOTE: Church envelopes have not been shipped to Zion yet as the company we order from, has had staffing and equipment issues. We will let you know when they come in. Sorry for the delay. Until your church envelopes come in, please use green offering envelopes located in racks outside the sanctuary doors.

2023 Envelopes will located on a table in the hallway outside the office. Households who use automated giving (*Rebel Give or Bank Pay*) or who do not regularly utilize envelopes will not have an assigned box. Please let the church office know if you cannot find a box of envelopes with your name on it but would like some.

Loose checks received in the offering plate will be recorded to member accounts. If giving cash, please make sure to put it in an envelope with your name on it. **Thank you!**



Introducing Our New Lead Pastor!

Voting her in by an overwhelming majority vote, we are excited to welcome Pastor Elaine Sweet as our new Lead Pastor! Her background and skills are a perfect fit for Zion as she has ministered for 20 years in many backgrounds and settings. She has experience as a solo pastor, co-pastor, lead pastor/head of staff, director of Christian development, youth director, chaplain, and online mental health support provider. She is a compassionate, team-oriented leader with a strategic approach to assessing needs, setting goals, identifying and implementing solutions, and monitoring progress. She excels at cultivating meaningful relationships with people of all ages and backgrounds and is skilled at helping others nurture and utilize their unique gifts for ministry.

Pastor Elaine is passionate about worship, connecting scripture to everyday life, promoting peace, and being part of a team that leads faith development. Her authentic spiritual demeanor allows her to maintain a continuous focus on God that positions her to consciously use her gifts and implement her passions in ways that both benefit others and support her own well-being. We are thrilled about the possibilities for Zion that will surface through Pastor Elaine's leadership and look forward to the future with her!

A special thank you to all of you who have volunteered in so many ways to help the ministries of Zion Lutheran Church. We appreciate the worship assistants, office help, children's ministries volunteers, youth ministries volunteers, FFF volunteers, musicians, council members, trust members, committee members and all others who help our church run smoothly.



Thank you to our staff who are leading our congregation as we head through transitions and busy seasons. Thank you to our Lead Custodian/Audio-Visual Technician Eric for making sure Zion looks good, sounds good, and is able to be seen world wide.

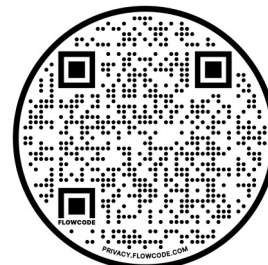
A special thank you to the call committee for their roll in helping find our new lead pastor.

Thank you for all of your prayers and kind words as you keep Zion Lutheran lifted up through out the year!



We are in need of worship assistants in all areas! Where can you plug in? We need ushers, communion servers, readers, a clicker, and greeters.

To sign up on line, please scan this QR Code:
Or sign up at the ushers station.



Stay current with Zion Lutheran's activities and updates.



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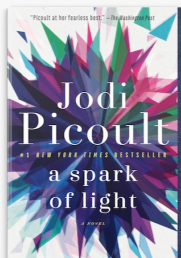
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Find us at **Zion Lutheran Church @ZionMinot**



Want to know more about Zion Lutheran?

Visit Zion Lutheran's Website at <https://zionlutheranminot.org/> or connect with a staff member at 701-852-1872.



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

January- *A Spark of Light* by Jodi Picoult

A Spark of Light tells the stories of the lives of a group of people when a man enters an abortion center in Mississippi and begins shooting. The shooting develops into a hostage situation, and the hostage negotiator soon learns that his teen daughter, Wren McElroy, is one of the hostages inside.



February- *The Midnight Library* by Matt Haig

In a between life and death state, Nora finds herself in a large library where, as long as it stays midnight, she has the option to try out all the lives she might choose to live. The process of doing so enables her to eradicate the numerous regrets she has.



Upcoming Meetings

Meeting-Monday, January 9th at 6:00 pm at Zion.
Discussing school supplies.

Meeting-Monday, February 13 at 6:00 pm at Zion.
Discussing "Project Bee."

Please contact Cindy Palen with any questions.

Prayer Shawl Ministry— meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 5:30 pm.

Quilting/Sewing Ministry—meets every 3rd Monday of the month from 9:00 am—12:00 pm.

Watercolor Painters—meets every



Continued Stewardship at Zion.

As we begin a new year, we celebrate what we've accomplished here at Zion. It is customary to focus on stewardship each fall, and we asked you to consider your participation in the church. If you responded, we thank you. If you are still thinking about it, please take a moment and submit a pledge card for 2023.

We've been talking for the past four months about connecting with our church. It was part of our fall stewardship campaign so it was tied to finances and giving. But this concept is not so much a catch phrase as it is a challenge. It is an attempt to get the people of Zion Lutheran connected into true community with the church, and in the church. And despite our best efforts, we know there are those in this congregation who don't feel loved, or that anyone cares.

What does this mean? It could mean we all need to work harder to provide opportunities for individuals and families to connect. God made us for community in church, not isolation. We grow the most when we in relationship with other believers. So, it's the responsibility of all of us to pursue that community building, to intentionally seek relationships. Sometimes it may seem a little awkward, but it's really worth it. It's worth putting yourself out there and trying to find connections with others. Church is all about relationship.

Here's some ideas: Stick around for little while after worship service and find someone to talk to, even someone you don't know well. Take a chance and talk to people you don't know. You may make a new friend. Another way: Make an effort to join a group or volunteer to be part of a committee. You could find it very easy to do, and you will find a welcoming group of people. A third idea: Offer the generosity of you. And, accept the generosity from others. Invite someone for coffee during the week. Invite people to join in on Wednesday's Food, Faith, and Family meal and worship. Ask someone to have coffee on Sunday mornings at 9:15. Purposely sit in a different place in worship and notice who is around you. An opportunity to build a relationship!

Zion Lutheran is about connecting. Connecting the God. Connecting with Community. Connecting with God's Community.

Rich Jensen,
The Stewardship Committee

Stewardship

31% OF HOUSEHOLDS TURNED IN THEIR PLEDGE CARDS.

\$354, 472.00 WAS PLEDGED SO FAR FOR 2023.

A TOTAL OF \$33, 112.00 WERE NEW PLEDGES.



THANK YOU! *thank you* **THANK YOU!**

Financials	November	Year to Date
Income	\$39,496.48	\$581,570.00
Expenses	\$43,392.72	\$550,196.03
Net	(\$15,559.81)	\$31,373.97

Have you signed up for automated giving through RebelGive?

If you have not, go to Zion's website and click on the Green "GIVE" button on the bottom right of your screen. It is very easy, just follow the flow and you can be set up in a couple of minutes. You can also scan this QR code with your phone and it will take you to Rebel Give for Zion Lutheran Church.



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ways to Give

In Person
Cash or Check
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On-line
RebelGive
for one time giving or
recurring giving
www.zionlutheranminot.org

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

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



Just Be

Lutheran Campus Ministries MSU Soup Day

The LCM Soup Ministry has grown from serving 150-200 students each week in the beginning of 2018-19 school year to serving approximately 450-500 students each week! Our assigned dates this winter are **February 14th, and May 2nd** and your help is necessary to support this ministry. Soup is made there and we only have to help put together the lunch bags and hand them out. Zion needs to provide 6 volunteers from 10:00 am to 1:00pm. Parking passes are available in the office for MSU parking lots. You can also contact the office to sign up. Zion is happy to partner with Lutheran Campus Ministries for this important ministry to the MSU community. Zion has supported MSU Soup Day for many years. How can you help with this wonderful ministry?



Pause to recharge your spirit for the new year at this one-day event to breathe and reflect on God's blessings!

**Saturday, January 21st
10 am through 4 pm.**



Keynote Speaker
Rev. Lisa Lewton

Life can be a whirlwind with the routines of responsibilities of work, kids, marriage, church, and community. Our keynote speaker, pastor and author Rev. Lisa Lewton will guide us through the benefits of reflection and gratitude and the promises of God's grace and faith, all while giving an infusion of hope and encouragement.

Register on-line at instillflcminot.evenbrite.com or by calling the church office at 701-852-4853.

The cost is \$25 and includes a copy of P. Lisa's book and lunch.

DEADLINE

To Submit any annual reports for the Annual Meeting is due **January 15th, 2023.** Please email to zlc@srt.com or turn it into the church office.



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH 11:00 AM

VOTE FOR NEW LEADERSHIP
APPROVE THE ANNUAL BUDGET,
& HELP DIRECT THE FUTURE OF
ZION

ANNUAL MEETING

FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

by Chris Torgeson

Thank you!



A huge thank you to all who helped with the Christmas Kids' Sabbath. Also a big thank you to everyone who served as Workshop Leaders, Shepherds, Music and Nursery Staff.

Church School News

- *Our next rotation we will be studying the Lord's Prayer. This will be an opportunity to dive into the different parts of the Lord's Prayer and explore other prayer practices.
- *We start back on **Wednesday, January 11th** & **Sunday, January 15th.**



TRAINING will be **Wed, Jan 4th at 7:00pm**. Child care will be provided for those who need.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR WOMEN (Married, Single, etc.) CHECK IT OUT!!!

MOMS on a Mission

We will begin a new study on Monday, January 23rd at 9:00am. We will dive into the book "**When Less Becomes More**" by Emily Ley. This is a great opportunity to begin the new year evaluating our time and seeking the slow, simple and good in our lives. All that God provides is good and being mindful about our world is a gift to ourselves and those around us. Purchase the book and come ready to slow down and enjoy the good life we have!



Sign up on our website or [click here](#).

SOUL Sisters

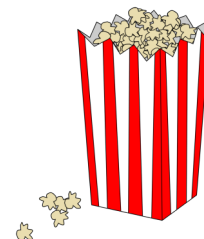
Monday Evening Women's Opportunity
We will begin our next session of SOUL Sisters on **February 27th at 7pm**. Join us for a Lenten journey from Feb 27-Mar 27.
More details coming in January!
Sign-up on our website or [click here](#).

Upcoming Family Movie Nights

***Sunday, January 22nd**

***3:00pm**

- *Mark your calendar today!
- *Snacks and popcorn will be served.
- *Title to be released SOON!



***Friday, March 3rd**

***5:30pm**

- *Mark your calendar today!
- *Light supper meal and popcorn will be served.

CAMP METIGOSHE

Registration opens **January 1st!** Don't miss out on your favorite camp experience! Register today! Remember—send your confirmation e-mail/invoice to zionbookkeeper@srt.com so we can follow all the Zion kiddos going to camp this summer! Our generous congregation supports every Zion kiddo that wants to go to camp with 1/2 scholarship in order to attend one camp each summer. **Additional financial support will be provided to those who need...we want everyone to experience camp!** Chris and Kortni love to go visit your kiddos at camp—but we can only go if we know they are going to be there!

Angel Tree Thank You

A HUGE thank you to ALL of you who purchased Christmas gifts for both North Central Human Services and Nexus PATH!
We served over 33 families from Minot and the surrounding area!



CONFIRMATION UPDATE



Confirmation has been going great over the passed couple of months. With being able to learn together, go offsite into the community and help, and even having some fun along the way. Our confirmation kids

have helped out at Matthew25, The Men's Winter Refuge, and the Lord's Cupboard just to name a few. I look forward to the New Year with this group of kiddos and all the craziness that comes along with it! Here are some dates to mark on your Calendars:

January 11th: Classes Resume

January 27th: 6th-8th Grade Lock-up Retreat

February 22nd: Ash Wednesday

6TH-8TH GRADE RETREAT

We are host our own 6th-8th grade retreat for the second year in a row! On **Friday, January 27th from 5-11pm** we will be learning about Holy Baptism and Holy Communion. This event is important to attend since we do not teach these important topics during class because they need more time to be discussed. But it wont be all learning, we will of course play games, eat food, and watch a movie. You wont want to miss it!



This event is required for all 6th-8th graders

Wishing you a happy New Year! May it be filled with new adventures and good fortunes!

YOUTH GROUP

IGNITE 9TH -12TH GRADE

Crazy to think we are entering the second half of our youth group year already! These kiddos continue to amaze me with their creativity, willingness to help, and great conversations. Here's to a great second half of the year! We hope to see you at some of these upcoming events:

January 11th: Activity

January 18th: Service Project

January 25th: Food & Devotions

February 1st: No youth group

February 8th: Service Project

February 15th: Activity

February 22nd: Food & Devotions



Can't wait to see you guys there!

J-WALKERS 6TH-8TH GRADER

*J-Walkers meets from 7-9pm *

With the Synod Gather, sickness, and Mother Nature, J-Walkers hasn't had the best of luck meeting, but New Year New hope! We will be meeting in **January on the 13th and in February on the 17th**. I can't wait to kick off the new year with you guys!



KORTNI'S KORNYP CORNER

- ◆ What New Year resolution should a basketball player never make?
- ◆ To travel more!



JANUARY

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Sunday

Monday






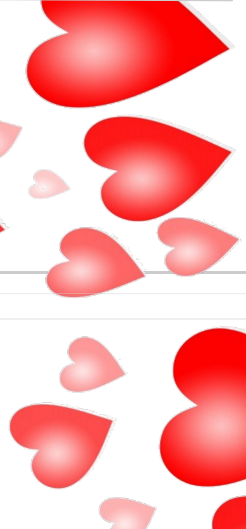
Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

<p>February</p>			<p>Missions Envelope Month 2:00pm ZLCW Board Mtg 4:30pm Church School 5:15pm FFF Meal "Chicken Nuggets" 6:15pm Worship 7:00pm Church School 7:00pm Confirmation 8:00pm Ignite</p>	<p>8:00pm Narcotics Anon</p>		<p>4 5:00pm Worship</p>
<p>5 9:00am Church School 9:15am Coffee Fellowship 10:00am Worship</p>	<p>6 LOVE</p>	<p>7 9:00am Pastors Text Study 10:30am Team Mtg 1:00pm Watercolor Grp</p>	<p>8 4:30pm Church School 5:15pm FFF Meal—TBA 6:15pm Worship 7:00pm Church School 7:00pm Confirmation 8:00pm Ignite</p>	<p>9 2:00pm Hannah Circle 8:00pm Narcotics Anon</p>	<p>10 </p>	<p>11 2:00pm ZLC Praise Music Monthly Rehearsal 5:00pm Worship</p>
<p>12 Annual Meeting Kids Sabbath 9:15am Coffee Fellowship 10:00am Worship 3:30pm Order of the Arrow</p>	<p>13 6:00pm Sisterhood Mtg "Project Bee"</p>	<p>14 <i>Happy Valentine's Day</i> 9:00am Pastors Text Study 10:00am Zion Serves Soup 10:30am Team Mtg 1:00pm Watercolor Grp 5:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:30pm Book Club</p>	<p>15 4:30pm Church School 5:15pm FFF Meal "Pulled Pork" 6:15pm Worship 7:00pm Church School 7:00pm Confirmation 8:00pm Ignite</p>	<p>16 8:00pm Narcotics Anon</p>	<p>17 7:00pm J-Walkers </p>	<p>18 5:00pm Worship</p>
<p>19 9:00am Church School 9:15am Coffee Fellowship 10:00am Worship</p>	<p>20 9:00am Sewing Day</p>	<p>21 9:00am Pastors Text Study 10:30am Team Mtg 1:00pm Watercolor Grp 6:30 Council Mtg</p>	<p>22 Ash Wednesday 4:30pm Church School 5:15pm FFF Meal—"Subs" 6:15pm Worship 7:00pm Church School 7:00pm Confirmation 8:00pm Ignite</p>	<p>23 8:00pm Narcotics Anon</p>	<p>24 </p>	<p>25 5:00pm Worship</p>
<p>26 First Sunday of Lent 9:00am Church School 9:15am Coffee Fellowship 10:00am Worship 10:00am Pastor Elaine Sweet's Installation</p>	<p>27 </p>	<p>28 9:00am Pastors Text Study 10:30am Team Mtg 1:00pm Watercolor Grp 6:30pm Trust Committee Mtg</p>				

AUTHORIZATION FORM

Zion Lutheran Church, Minot



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TYPE OF AUTHORIZATION	<input type="checkbox"/> New authorization <input type="checkbox"/> Change donation amount <input type="checkbox"/> Change donation date <input type="checkbox"/> Change banking information <input type="checkbox"/> Discontinue my electronic donation. If discontinuing, please sign line below.		
First Name: _____ Last Name: _____			
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<input type="checkbox"/> Send email notifications to me about my gift			
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Date of 1st donation: _____	Repeat this gift?	Funds:	Amounts:
Donation ending:	<input type="checkbox"/> No, just one time	<input type="checkbox"/> General	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Never	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, set up recurring:	<input type="checkbox"/> Building	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Specific date: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Every week	<input type="checkbox"/> Global Missions	\$ _____
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Zion Lutheran Church

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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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2023 Council Members

John Butgereit, President
Melissa Helgesen, Vice-President
Rich Jensen, Secretary
Erica Atkinson, Treasurer
John Thompson

3 Open Positions*

Open Position, Youth Member*

Lead Pastor Elaine Sweet
Pastor Natasha Kolles

*** Will Be Voted in at the Annual
Meeting 2/12/23**