

April 27, 2024 – May 3, 2025

Please call the church office, 829-4317, at any time with any need you may have. You may leave a voice mail during times the office is not staffed. We will forward your message to the appropriate person. If there is an emergency, please contact Pastor Benson, 218-821-9784, or one of the Elders. Please contact the church office if you wish to include someone on the Weekly Prayer Card. Announcements are printed on Thursday afternoon. Please have requests submitted to the office before noon on Thursday.

Those who have requested prayers this week.

Joanne	Dellis	Tim
Donna	Phyllis	Elaine
Jerry	Dean	Alta
Keith		
Victoria <i>Daughter of Les</i>	Kris <i>Friend of Mary</i>	Faye <i>Ali's future grandmother</i>
Laurie <i>Friend of Jim</i>	Jon <i>Claudia's son</i>	Henry <i>Claudia's grandson</i>
Ruby Rose <i>Douglass' niece</i>	Clayton <i>Tom's son-in-law</i>	Mac <i>Mindy's son</i>
Jeff <i>Friend/relative of Shelly</i>	Derrick <i>Doro's son</i>	Jeanette <i>Ken's brother's mother-in-law</i>
Paul <i>Friend of the Ken & Nicole</i>	Marlys <i>Ed's wife</i>	Charlie <i>Great-grandson of Charlie & Sharon</i>

Birthdays

Apr 27	Apr 28	Apr 29	May 1	May 3
Brandon	Joanne	Andrew Rob	Ava Stephanie Brooklyn	Judy

Anniversaries

Reggie & Barb – April 26, 28 years
 Jacob & Marsha – April 27, 6 years
 Keith & Cindy – May 1, 43 years

Other Prayers

- God's wisdom for President Trump and his staff, Governor Walz and all elected officials as they grapple with our community, state, nation, and world.
- Guard and protect EMSs, policemen, firefighters, military men & women.
- Comfort for all who struggle with depression and anxiety, especially those who are contemplating suicide. Help them find their value in You.
- Comfort for those who mourn and families going through hospice.
- Comfort and strength for those who are imprisoned or incarcerated and their families.
- Comfort for the family of Carl, who passed away last Sunday.
- Comfort for the family of Barb, whose funeral was yesterday.

The Congregations of the Lake Superior Circuit:

Rev. Matthew Kohl – Our Redeemer, Cloquet

Rev. Robert Franck – Mt. Olive, Duluth

Rev. Joel Brutlag – Redeemer, Duluth

	ELDERS	RSST	ACOLYTES	READER
Sun, 9 am	Josh K & Chad P	All available	Carter & Lydia	Amber H
Mon, 6 pm	Collin R	All available		

OUR RESPONSE TO THE LORD

General	\$630.00	Weekly Budget Needs	\$7,107.30
Lent	\$2,599.58	Easter	\$4,193.10
Online Giving – General	\$2,791.11	<- Total General Offering	\$10,213.79

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS

Special Needs	\$5.00	Youth	150.00
Sound System	\$10.00		

*****Upcoming Events*****

- **Sun, Apr 27 @ 11:30 am – Endure Youth Manditory Meeting/Bible Study**
- **Thu, May 1 at 6:00 pm – VBS Volunteer Meeting**
- **Wed, May 8 at 6:00 pm – VBS Work Night**
- **Sun, May 11 & 18 – Confirmation Sundays**



Pastor Steve's last weekend at Zion will be Sunday, June 1 and Monday, June 2. He will start at Mt. Olive Rockford, IL July 1 and will be installed Sunday, July 6. We'll miss you Pastor Steve. God speed!



Thank you to all who volunteered to be on the Call Committee. Your response was overwhelming. Following MN North District's suggestion, we have put together a committee of 9 people.

Those of you who have expressed interest but are not on the actual committee will be placed on a backup list in case of need. More call information will be provided once the committee meets and gets more directions from the LCMS MN North District office. Bless you all for volunteering and may the Lord truly bless our efforts.

Today's Light Devotional Bible Readings: Everyone is invited to join in reading the Bible in a 2-year church plan. Each week we will list the daily passages to read. There are no readings assigned for Sunday, it is a day of rest and worship.

The next week's readings are:

Monday, Apr 28: Amos 7:1-17

Tuesday, Apr 29: Amos 8:1-14

Wednesday, Apr 30: Amos 9:1-15

Thursday, May 1: Obadiah vs 1-21

Friday, May 2: Johan 1:1-2:10

Saturday, May 3: Jonah 3:1-4:11

Sunday Church

Help Thy Neighbor

Some members in our congregation are suffering health issues and could use a hand. If you're ever willing and able to help someone in need, please sign up on the list in the Gathering Hall and let us know what you're good at. There are many ways to help. You could be a blessing to someone who's struggling. 😊

ZION'S WEEKLY CALENDAR		
Sun, Apr 27	9:00 am	<i>Worship</i>
	10:20 am	<i>Bible Study/Sunday School</i>
	11:30 am	<i>Endure Youth Mandatory Meeting/Bible Study</i>
Mon, Apr 28	6:00 pm	<i>Monday Worship</i>
Wed, Apr 29	10:30 am	<i>Bible Study</i>
	6:30 pm	<i>Confirmation & SHY</i>
Thu, May 1	6:00 pm	<i>VBS Volunteer Meeting</i>
Sun, May 4	9:00 am	<i>Worship w/LS</i>
	10:20 am	<i>Bible Study/Sunday School</i>
	11:30 am	<i>Board of Youth Meeting</i>

The directories are (finally) in!!

Heidi Newman will be available on Sunday after service to distribute them.

I plan on being available Sunday, May 4 after service as well.

If you have questions, please call the church office.

Minnesota North District (LCMS) 25th Convention Report:

I attended this convention with Pastor Steve in Grand Rapids, MN, on February 23-25, 2025, as Zion's Lay Delegate. MN North District prepared and published what is called "The Proceedings of the 25th Convention of the Minnesota North District of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod," which I received via email message from MN North District on April 11, 2025. I have organized the materials from this convention, including the above-referenced Proceedings, into a report to be made available for any Member of Zion who is interested in reading it. The report is 106 pages long. Your options for viewing it are to check out the hardcopy I have prepared and delivered to the Church Office, or you can contact me and I will email it to you (a 4.7MB .pdf file).

Respectfully submitted,

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