### WEEK OF JANUARY 31st, 2016

# **ZION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

STATS	<u>Sunday, January 31</u>	8:00 am	<u>MISSION FESTIVAL</u> Worship with Holy
HOW GOD'S PEOPLE RE- SPONDED TO THE LORD'S GOODNESS January 24, 2016 Unified Envelopes \$3,447.00 Loose \$71.16 Sunday School \$5.00 Facility Improvements \$50.00	Pastor/Teacher Conference Monday, February 1, 2016 Pastor Conference Tuesday, February 2, 2016	9:00 am 9:15 am 9:25 am 10:30 am 2:00-5:00 pm	Communion Coffee Hour Sunday School Adult and Youth Bible Classes Worship with Holy Communion "Joyful Generosity" for Council/Board Members at Riverfront Grille
Missions \$5.00 Miscellaneous \$55.00	<u>Monday, February 1</u> Tuesday, February 2	7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Bible Information Class Evangelism Board
Total: \$3,633.16	<u>Wednesday, February 3</u> Thursday, February 4	6:00 pm	Public School
HOW THE LORD STRENGTH- ENED HIS PEOPLE THROUGH THE WORD AND SACRAMENT	Friday, February 5	·	Catechism
Sunday, January 24, 2016 Attendance: 173	<u>Saturday, February 6</u> Sunday, February 7	11:00 am 	Funeral for Sally Reetz TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY Worship
CONTACT US		9:00 am 9:15 am 9:25 am	Coffee Hour Sunday School Adult and Youth Bible Classes
Zion Lutheran Church 133 Commercial Street	7101111	10:30 am	Worship

## ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWS

CHRISTIAN FUNERAL: The Lord Jesus called home to heaven the soul of our sister in the faith, Sally Jo Reetz, on Monday evening, January 25, 2016, at the age of 79. A Christian Funeral Service will take place at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chesaning on Saturday February 6, 2016, at 11:00 am. The family will be at the church beginning at 10:00 a.m. to welcome family and friends. A luncheon will follow the service.

**FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY:** In late February, we will be hosting a 9-week course open to the public which will help young and old to better understand insurance, investing, our unnecessary reliance on debt, and how your family can truly be at peace with their finances. Contact Matthew Augustine at 1-920-327-9613 for more information or register online via ZionLutheranWELS.com

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR:** The flowers on the altar today were donated by Pam Vincke in loving memory of Richard and Ernestine Numerich.

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#### **Zion Lutheran School**

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**WELS MISSIONS DOOR OFFERING:** Today, as you exit the church, a door offering will be taken by our Women Serving Christ. The money given will be donated to our WELS Missions. Thank you for supporting our synod!

**THANK YOU:** "Dear Members of Zion Ev. Lutheran Church - Thank you very much for the scholarship gift you recently gave me! I really appreciate it! It is very comforting to me to know that God has blessed me so much through my home congregation. The scholarship gift is a big help to me as I carry out my studies here at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. Thank you very much for your support as I continue along the path of becoming a pastor in our synod." -Luke Thomford

**FOOD PANTRY RUNNING LOW:** The items in the food pantry in the basement are running low! Boxes of food are put together with the items donated to the food pantry and these boxes are given out to needy families in the community who may not be able to afford the food that they need. This is also a good opportunity to share God's Word with these families when they might need it the most. Please support these families by donating non-perishable food items to the food pantry. These items can be brought in at any time and placed in the Sunday School room directly to the right of the east set of stairs leading to the basement. If you do not wish to shop for food, but would still like to donate money to this cause, Valerie Wille has kindly offered to shop on your behalf. If you have any questions, please call the church office at 989-845-3006. Thank you!

**THANK YOU:** "Dear Members of Zion Lutheran Church, As the Apostle Paul thanked the church in Phillipi and wrote, "I thank my God every time I remember you...because of your partnership in the Gospel from the first day until now" (Phillipians 1:5), so I am thanking you so much for your concern and support of the Gospel. The Lord has blessed and provided me with a congregation that truly supports this Gospel work and has supported me through my studies in preparing for the public ministry. I cannot express enough thanks and praise to you for your financial support not only in this year, but in all the years past. It is truly a blessing from the Lord. Thank you members of Zion for you encouragement, support, and prayers. God's Word is Our Great Heritage." -Hans J. Thomford

**FORWARD IN CHRIST:** It's time to renew subscriptions to Forward in Christ - This is a great monthly magazine with several articles and interesting stories. The cost is \$12.00 annually. Please have your money to Terry Barancik by Sunday, February 7, 2016. Cash or checks payable to Terry Barancik as she will be sending Northwestern Publishing House one check from our church. If you have any questions, please see Terry. A sample of this magazine is in the Mother's room if you'd like to look at one. Subscriptions can be given as gifts also.

**OLD FASHION POTLUCK:** Please join us on Sunday, January 31 for an old-fashion potluck dinner after 2nd service. We will be celebrating Mission Sunday. All table service and drinks will be furnished. Please bring a passing dish and join us for Christian fellowship—bring a friend too! If you have any questions, please contact Terry Barancik at 989-845-7777.

**FRANKS RECEIPTS:** Thank you to everyone who has been bringing in Frank's Receipts this school year! The allotted time period for these receipts is drawing to a close, however. All Frank's Receipts must be turned in by **February 27**, **2016**. Please, keep bringing them in until this date. The points we acquire from these receipts can help out our school in various ways. Thank you!

**MISSION FESTIVAL SUNDAY:** Pastor Kurt Lueneburg, Director of the WELS of Christian Giving, will serve as our guest speaker today, January 31, 2016. He will also present Bible Class this morning as well. Below is a brief biographical sketch written by Pastor Lueneburg about himself: "As I drove home from the 2005 synod convention, which discussed our church body's financial challenges, I asked the Lord, "What can I do to inform your people about the exciting gospel ministry you carry out through WELS? How can I encourage your believers to support this ministry with their generous gifts? Two months later, Jesus led me to accept his call into the Ministry of Christian Giving. After 21 years of serving congregations in Memphis, Tennessee, and Cannon Falls, Minnesota, I started serving as a current giving counselor in WELS' Minnesota and Nebraska districts. In 2012 I accepted the call to be WELS' director of Christian Giving and began serving in the position in 2013. As a counselor, I greatly enjoyed the opportunity to meet God's gifted people, hear their faith stories, and nurture them in the gracious richness of our Lord Jesus Christ. It was a blessing to see the Spirit compel them to bring thank offerings to our Father who graciously gives all of us one blessing after another in Christ. Now as director I'm privileged to encourage Christian giving through our team of Christian Giving district chairmen as they help congregations grow their mission offerings. All to God's glory and by his grace! My wife, Susan Ann, and I live in Ixonia, Wisconsin, and worship at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Watertown, Wisconsin."

**PREGNANCY COUNSELING CENTER MEETING:** The Pregnancy Counseling Centers of Saginaw and Flint would like to invite you to their annual meeting on Sunday, January 31st at 3:00 p.m. This meeting will take place at St. Paul's Parish Center (2745 W. Genesee, Saginaw). This meeting will consist of topics such as year-end activity reports, election of new directors to the Board, the meeting of clients, etc. There will be a potluck and fellowship afterwards.