

# ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL NEWS

JULY 2015

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## SUMMER SERVICE TIMES



**Sunday 1st Service**  
8:00 am

**Sunday 2nd Service**  
10:00 am

**Monday Service Time**  
7:00 pm

IT WAS YOU WHO SET  
ALL THE BOUNDARIES OF  
THE EARTH; YOU MADE  
BOTH SUMMER AND WINTER.

PSALM 74: 17, NIV



## FAIR QUESTIONS— HONEST ANSWERS

## Do We Have Guardian Angels?

*Scriptural answers to questions people often wonder about Christianity.*

*Swim at Your Own Risk. No Lifeguard on Duty.* Those words might sound a bit perilous to a parent whose teenager is spending a lazy summer day at a lesser known beach. But to the teenager, the words call out, "Freedom!" No authorities within sight to spoil the fun. Now that's a good time! Until help is needed.

Like lifeguards, God's angels watch over us. Angels are spirit beings, without the earthly limitations of physical form, created by God as his agents for earthly missions. "For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways" (Psalm 91:11).

Angels have been, and will continue to be, sent by God to battle evil and frustrate the ways of the wicked. For example, angels appeared in the ancient cities of Sodom and Gomorrah to announce their doom (Genesis 19). This mission of justice, though, falls in line with a greater purpose for which angels are created and called. "Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation" (Hebrews 1:14)?

Just like we believe in a God whom we cannot see, we believe in angels whom we cannot see because the Bible convinces us so. Just like God cares for all people, but shows special attention to his children who love and believe in him, angels show the same special attention to believers. Every believer. Every minute. "Sent to serve."

Is there a specific angel, a guardian angel, assigned to each believer? Jesus once taught about the care of God for children when he said that "their angels in heaven always see the face of my Father in heaven" (Matthew 18:10). That doesn't necessarily mean that one, specific angel is assigned to a believer for life, but it does mean that there are plenty of angels around and assigned to help. Also, those angels are holy, they are heavenly, and cannot lead us astray.

So put your faith in God to forgive you, bless you, and to take care of you not only with normal circumstances like lifeguards or a job, but also in his invisible, miraculous ways like sending angels. He remains superior to angels, by the way, so only God deserves your praise and prayers.

The Bible says that even angels praise him (Psalm 148:2)!

For more Questions & Answers, go to [www.WhatAboutJesus.com](http://www.WhatAboutJesus.com), then *Questioning God*.

## COORDINATING COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

1. The Coordinating Council met on June 16, 2015, and opened with devotion.
2. The minutes of the regular meeting on May 12, 2015 were accepted and approved.
3. Pastor's Report: A motion was made and approved to release Howard Andersen and Chad Elrod at the request of the Elder's Board. A motion was also made and approved to release at their request Arica Therrien (Rupnow) and her daughters, Angela and Raychel.

### 3. REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND BOARDS

- Financial secretary Kevin MacNeill reported that May offerings were good, but Zion is still behind by \$5,300 overall this year.
- Church treasurer Robert Wille reported that Zion is \$24,000.00 behind in making pension payments.
- School Board Chairman Jim Emmendorfer reported that an announcement will be put in the bulletin asking the congregation about someone donating a used riding lawn mower to the school.
- Elder's Board chairman Steve Lane reported that they are making calls on members.
- Property Board Chairman Ray Klipper reported that we are still waiting for Maurer to finish paperwork.
- Evangelism Board: Chairman Clayton Kaufmann reported that they are attempting to request the Peet Center for the Thanksgiving Candle Walk and to fix up the Mother's Room.
- Family Ministry Board: No report from Chairman Brian Rohac.
- Adult Discipleship Board: No report from Chairman Tom Hoover.

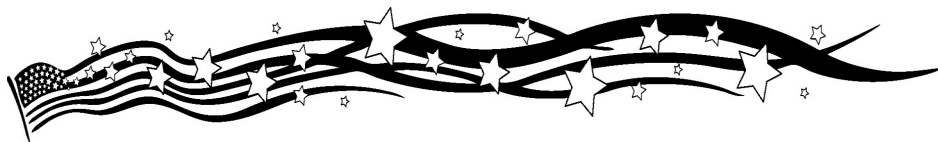
### 4. OLD BUSINESS

- **Heating and Cooling:** Maurer Heating and Cooling is still working on paperwork for the new heating and cooling system.
- **Electronic Giving:** The internet is not strong enough yet in the back of the church to do a demonstration for the congregation, but hopefully it will be soon!
- **Future of Christian Education:** There is a meeting scheduled for June 30, 2015 at 7:00pm at Zion Lutheran School.
- **Concealed Weapons Policy:** Pastor Thomford presented a policy and Council discussed it. It is currently tabled until the next meeting.
- **Church Picnic:** The church picnic has been rescheduled for August 9, 2015. The plan to hold it in the evening remains the same.

### 5. NEW BUSINESS

- **July Council and Board Meetings:** The next meeting will be held on August 11, 2015.
- **Church Secretary:** Pastor Thomford reported that there have been two applications for the position.
- **New School Board Member:** A motion was made and approved to welcome Joe Jensen as the 5th school board member.

6. The meeting closed with prayer.



## FINANCIAL NEWS

### FUND SUMMARY ANALYSIS MAY 2015

\$24,476.49	May 2015 Offerings/ 4 Sundays, 1 Monday
<u>-\$2,995.50</u>	minus memorials and non-budget offerings
<b>\$21,480.99</b>	Offerings to pay 2014-2015 budget
\$5,370.25	Offerings per week, 4 Sundays/ 1 Monday
\$5,328.00	Offerings per week needed to pay budget
<b>\$42.00</b>	Over/needed per week in May 2015

### YEAR TO DATE OFFERINGS

\$264,375.53	July 1, 2014 through May 31, 2015
<u>-\$20,869.44</u>	minus memorials and non-budget offerings
<b>\$243,506.09</b>	Offerings to pay 2014-2015 budget
\$5,073.04	Offerings per 48 Sundays
<u>-\$5,328.00</u>	minus needed to meet budget
<b>\$254.96</b>	Under budget per week
<b>\$12,238.08</b>	Under budget for 48 Sundays

### OFFERING STATISTICS

May 26, 2015	June 14, 2015
<b>\$770.00</b>	<b>\$4,522.25</b>
May 31, 2015	June 15, 2015
<b>\$3,914.20</b>	<b>\$356.00</b>
June 1, 2015	June 21, 2015
<b>\$35.00</b>	<b>\$3,989.00</b>
June 7, 2015	June 22, 2015
<b>\$5,851.80</b>	<b>\$455.50</b>

## SUMMARY OF VOTER'S MEETING

June 7, 2015

19 voters attended the Voter's meeting on Sunday, June 7, 2015. Reports from the various committee chairmen were given. Robert Wille reported that he is currently holding \$25,000 in unpaid bills, most of which is for the pension fund. The voters adopted a budget of \$292,348.00 for the 2015-2016 fiscal year. Pastor Thomford noted that we have given \$800.00 of our \$5,000.00 mission subscription for 2015. The voters approved the replacement of a window in Karen Thomford's classroom at a cost of about \$900.00. Pastor Thomford and Robert Wille reported on the possibility of acquiring two parcels of land east of the school property. The owner wishes to get rid of the property, and Zion could possibly own the property by simply paying the back taxes on the land. The voters gave permission to the Council to pursue this issue and find out more information.

## ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDLY

“Do not waste time bothering whether you “love” your neighbor; act as if you did. As soon as we do this, we find one of the great secrets. When you are behaving as if you loved someone, you will presently come to love him.”

—C.S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*



## FINALIZED 2015-2016 BUDGET

		14-15 Budget	14-15 Actual	15-16 Proposed	Budget Diff
1	Advertising Evangelism	\$300.00	183.65	\$300.00	\$0.00
2	Communion Supplies	\$300.00	\$323.52	\$300.00	\$0.00
3	Maintenance & Repair	\$2,200.00	\$2,891.50	\$2,200.00	\$0.00
4	Adult Education Expense	\$400.00	\$205.53	\$300.00	-\$100.00
5	Conference Expenses	\$600.00	\$336.71	\$600.00	\$0.00
6	Insurance/Comp-Liability	\$6,000.00	\$5,273.60	\$6,000.00	\$0.00
7	Insurance/Health	\$26,000.00	\$22,240.00	\$35,000.00	\$9,000.00
8	Janitorial Supplies	\$1,000.00	\$545.90	\$800.00	-\$200.00
9	Salary Expense	\$146,987.00	\$122,489.16	\$149,018.00	\$2,031.00
10	Vicar Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
11	Pastor/Teacher Mileage	\$3,500.00	\$2,573.91	\$3,000.00	-\$500.00
12	WELS Missions and Synod	\$5,000.00	\$940.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
13	Pension Expense	\$6,600.00	\$1,000.00	\$6,600.00	\$0.00
14	Office Supplies Expense	\$3,500.00	\$4,332.82	\$5,500.00	\$2,000.00
15	Choir Expense	\$100.00	\$19.90	\$100.00	\$0.00
16	Snow Removal	\$1,000.00	\$440.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
17	Copier Lease & Maintenance	\$2,000.00	\$1,308.61	\$4,000.00	\$2,000.00
18	Payroll Taxes	\$12,000.00	\$9,297.06	\$12,000.00	\$0.00
19	Postage Expense	\$1,200.00	\$960.03	\$1,200.00	\$0.00
20	Offering Envelopes	\$850.00	\$871.60	\$850.00	\$0.00
21	Sub. Minister Expense	\$1,000.00	\$1,302.20	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
22	Sub. Teacher Expense	\$500.00	\$80.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
23	Sunday School Expenses	\$600.00	\$2,130.31	\$1,000.00	\$400.00
24	VBS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
25	Telephone Expense	\$2,100.00	\$1,664.29	\$2,100.00	\$0.00
26	Moving Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
27	Utilities Expense	\$20,000.00	\$17,680.91	\$18,000.00	-\$2,000.00
28	Garbage Removal	\$1,500.00	\$1,385.57	\$1,600.00	\$100.00
29	Secretary Wages Expense	\$21,840.00	\$15,327.38	\$20,000.00	-\$1,840.00
30	Organist Wages Expense	\$3,900.00	\$3,040.00	\$3,900.00	\$0.00
31	Youth Program Expenses	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
32	Textbooks & Workbooks	\$4,000.00	\$2,746.92	\$5,000.00	\$1,000.00
33	Classroom Supplies	\$2,000.00	\$1,294.54	\$1,000.00	-\$1,000.00
34	Computers replace/Repair	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
35	Continuing Education	\$1,000.00	\$60.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
36	Pioneers (self-funded)	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
37	Sports & Gym Rental	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$200.00
38	Other Gifts Expense	\$0.00	\$12,383.04	\$0.00	\$0.00
39	Janitorial Wages	\$2,880.00	\$2,200.00	\$2,880.00	\$0.00
40	Total Expenses	\$281,257.00	\$237,528.70	\$292,348.00	\$11,091.00

\$5,593.00 needed per week  
Outstanding Bills: \$24,000.00

## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



Jonah Baker	7/3	Janice Palmer	7/17
Sophia Trisch	7/5	Raymond Klipper	7/18
Brennan Neumeyer	7/7	Hannah Mose	7/18
Donald Krause	7/8	Dale Peters	7/19
Brenden Quakenbush	7/8	Terry Aldrich	7/21
Ryan Fox	7/10	Rikki-Jo	
Carol Schmiede	7/12	Cunningham-Jolly	7/24
Ruby Andres	7/13	Patricia Goodrich	7/25
Jeffery Barancik	7/14	Donald Gregory	7/26
Alex Cohoon	7/14	Jo Ann Humpula	7/27
Patrick Hook	7/15	Albert Kreger	7/27
Caleb Ockerman	7/16	Luke Thomford	7/27
Patrick Peterson	7/16	Donna Schoch	7/28
Howard Andersen	7/17	Elizabeth Russell	7/29
Betty Donovan	7/17	Ron Devereaux	7/30



Jack & Linda Evans	7/4
Dale & Betty Donovan	7/7
William & LuAnn Hedrich	7/14
Clifton & Lynn Deming	7/16
Eric & Kimberly Blaine	7/22
Terry & Karen Aldrich	7/24
Jason & Trisha Turnwald	7/25
William & Ruth Bleisner	7/26
Matthew & Katie Augustine	7/27

## AREA WELS NEWS

### MICHIGAN LUTHERAN SEMINARY ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

The Annual MLS Foundation Golf Outing will be held on July 18, 2015. To register for the golf outing or to request more information, contact the Foundation office at 989-793-7511 or visit [mls-foundation.org/golf.html](http://mls-foundation.org/golf.html).

### 63RD WELS BIENNIAL CONVENTION

Michigan Lutheran Seminary is hosting the WELS 63rd Biennial Convention July 27-30, 2015. They will be needing many volunteers in the weeks leading up to the convention, as well as during and after the convention. Go to the MLS website for sign-up information. If you would like to sign up by phone, please call 989-793-1010, extension 222.

### NORTHWESTERN PUBLISHING HOUSE

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### SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT INVITATIONAL

The Tri-City WELS Men's Basketball League will be hosting its first ever softball tournament on August 22-23, 2015, and members from Zion are encouraged to participate. It is open to all WELS/ELS members, high school and up. The price is \$100/team and includes softballs, ASA umpires for the championship round, and great fellowship with many other area WELS churches! The tournament will be played at Monitor Township Park (4585 3 Mile Road, Bay City, MI 48706). Our roster and payment is due on August 8, 2015. If you are interested, please sign up on the sheet provided on the bulletin board in the lobby of church. If anyone is interested in being the contact person for this event, please let Pastor Thomford know. Thank you!



## ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL NEWS

**ZION CAMPING:** This year's Zion camping weekend will be held August 21-23, 2015 at Bay City State Park, home to a campground, nature center, and many walking & biking trails. The cost for two nights will be \$54, plus \$11 if you need a State Park sticker for your vehicle. Activities and group meals will be planned soon; please check the weekly announcements or website ([www.zionlutheranwels.com](http://www.zionlutheranwels.com)) for that information in the next few weeks. Campsites can be booked now! Call Jeff or Terry Barancik at 989.845.7777 for information about which campsite to reserve to make sure you get a site close to other members. We look forward to camping with you August 21-23, 2015!

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES:** Although students are probably just settling into their summer routines, we're already thinking about next school year! School supply lists for the 2015-2016 school year have been published so that parents may school shop at their leisure this summer. We can't wait to see you all again in September!

### ZION LUTHERAN SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST 2015-2016

ITEMS NEEDED	P	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
#2 pencils		12	12	12			4	4	4	4
3 ring Binder 1.5inch			1	1	3	3	1	1	1	1
3X5 Lined Index Cards		100								
BIBLE ( <i>purchased at school</i> )					NIV	NIV	NIV	NIV	NIV	NIV
Book Bag	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
CATECHISM ( <i>purchased at school</i> )									1	1
Crayola Markers (Basic Colors)	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1
Colored Pencils	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Crayons - get a box of:	24	24	24	48	48	48	24	24	24	24
Crayola Watercolor Paints	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Elmer Glue 4 Oz.	3	3	1				1	1	1	1
Eraser - no toy		2	4	4	4	4	1	1	1	1
Glue Stick	10	10	10	10	10	10	8	8	8	8
HYMNAL ( <i>purchased at school</i> )			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Inside Shoes (No slippers)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Kleenex Large boxes	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Loose Leaf paper (100 count pkg) w=wide c=college					3W	3W	4C	4C	4C	4C
Lysol Disinfecting Wipes	2	2	1	1	1	1				
Mechanical Pencil .9				4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Plastic spoons (pkg of 50)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Paper Cups (8 oz.)			1pkg	1pkg	1pkg	1pkg				
Paper Cups (5 oz.)	1	1								
Paper plates 1 pkg (no Styro-foam)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Paper Towel	1	1								
Pencil Box Large (for Art supplies)		1	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1
Pocket folders without prongs		2	2	4	4	4	4	2	2	2
Protractor							1	1	1	1
Ruler Metric & Standard		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Scissors	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Small pillow/mat for rest time		1								
Spiral notebook (1 subject) w=wide c=college		2W	2W				6C	6C	6C	6C

# KICKIN' IT WITH JESUS SOCCER CAMP

## WHEN

**August 3<sup>rd</sup> - 7th, 2015**  
**9am-Noon**

## WHERE

**Zion Lutheran School**  
796 Hampton Street, Chesaning

Register online at:

**ZionLutheranWELS.com**

## AGES 4-13

## COST

**\$13/child**

## FREE BAG

**Free bag given to the first  
90 children enrolled!**



## FACEBOOK UPDATES

**Learn about the camp &  
Zion Lutheran School at...**

**Facebook.com/ZionChesaning**



Find us on:  
**facebook®**

## CONTACT US

**Phone: 989.845.2377**

**Online: ZionLutheranWELS.com**



# SOCCER CAMP 2015

August 3-7, 2014, 9:00—12:00 p.m.  
Zion Soccer Fields  
Participant Application Form

**APPLICATION  
DEADLINE:**  
July 15, 2015

Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Church Home: \_\_\_\_\_

Anything we should know about the health of any participating children with relevance to the activities we have planned: \_\_\_\_\_

Who to contact in case of emergency: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**1st child's name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Age:** \_\_\_\_\_

Yrs. Soccer Experience: \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

**2nd child's name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Age:** \_\_\_\_\_

Yrs. Soccer Experience: \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

**3rd child's name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Age:** \_\_\_\_\_

Yrs. Soccer Experience: \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

**4th child's name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Age:** \_\_\_\_\_

Yrs. Soccer Experience: \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

## Jersey Sizes

**Youth**  
S,M,L

**Adult**  
S, M, L, XL

Participants must be age 4-13. They are responsible to bring their own soccer shoes, shin guards (mandatory), and sunscreen (recommended).

### THE PARTICIPANT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS OR HER OWN MEDICAL COVERAGE

NOTICE OF WARNING: There is potential risk in training and participating in any sport, and we have tried to create a safe environment. The coaches have established rules for participating, and proper conduct on or about the playing field must be followed. AGREEMENT: I have read and understand the policies and the risk involved. I hereby agree that my children will follow all rules for good order and safety during this camp. I agree and understand that neither Zion Lutheran school, nor any of the volunteers involved are liable for any injuries received while participating or playing in the activity for which I am registering, or for the loss or damage to equipment. I agree that I shall make no claim and bring no action, suit, or proceeding for any and all damages, losses, liabilities or costs in any manner suffered or incurred as a result of my participating in the activity for which I am registering herein, and I hereby release Zion Lutheran School and its officers, directors, and pastor from any and all damages, liabilities, or cost in that regard.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS CORRECT AND COMPLETE. I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE WITH IT.

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE



**CHURCH & SCHOOL CALENDAR — JULY 2015**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>JULY</div> <div>1st Service Deacons: M. Hook, L. Thiel, B. Rohac</div> <div>1st Service Usher: C. Hook 2nd Service Deacons: D. Archibald, R. Peterson, R. Birchmeier, J. Ruthig</div> <div>Counters: 5 T&amp;R Bleisner, 6 P&amp;P Bleisner (Mon), 12 Schoch/Mose, 13 MacNeill/Mose (Mon), 19 Huggard/Klipper, 20 Borucki (Mon), 26 Neumeier/Theile, 27 Donovan (Mon)</div> <div>Office Helpers: Virginia Kautz and Harriet Kukulis</div> <div>Trash Removal: Drew Archibald Flower Committee: Judy Mahoney</div>						
<div>SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</div> <div>8:00 am Worship</div> <div>10:00 am Worship</div>	<div>5</div> <div>7:00 pm</div> <div>Monday Worship</div>	<div>6</div> <div>7:00 pm</div> <div>Family Ministry Board Meeting</div>	<div>7</div>	<div>8</div>	<div>9</div>	<div>10</div>
<div>SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</div> <div>8:00 am Worship with Holy Communion</div> <div>10:00 am Worship with Holy Communion</div>	<div>12</div> <div>7:00 pm</div> <div>Monday Worship with Holy Communion</div>	<div>13</div> <div>No Board or Council Meetings</div>	<div>14</div>	<div>15</div>	<div>16</div>	<div>17</div>
<div>EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</div> <div>8:00 am Worship</div> <div>10:00 am Worship</div>	<div>19</div> <div>7:00 pm</div> <div>Monday Worship</div>	<div>20</div>	<div>21</div>	<div>22</div>	<div>23</div>	<div>24</div>
<div>PASTOR THOMFORD ON VACATION</div>						
<div>NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</div> <div>8:00 am Worship with Holy Communion</div> <div>10:00 am Worship with Holy Communion</div>	<div>26</div> <div>7:00 pm</div> <div>Monday Worship with Holy Communion</div>	<div>27</div>	<div>28</div>	<div>29</div>	<div>30</div>	<div>31</div>
<div>PASTOR THOMFORD ON VACATION</div>						

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