



# From the Pastor's Cup...<sup>9</sup>

February 2024

## Nebraska Synod Theme for February is: Have THE Conversation

Conversation is an exchange involving active listening as well as taking turns sharing ideas and stories. It can be easy to fall into monologuing, lecturing, or tuning out especially when we think we know the answers. As a result, we avoid having the difficult conversations. Faith-filled disciples are called to be honest and engage with each other in Christ-like love.

### Questions to Consider:

- What is your prayer when engaging in a hard conversation?
- When was the time you had a hard conversation? What did it feel like? What did you learn from it?
- What is THE conversation that you need to **GO** have and with whom?

**Prayer:** Engaging God, who is not afraid of any conversation, give me the words, wisdom, and heart to join in difficult conversations. Amen

### Dear Church Family,

#### *How many times is the phrase, "Do not be afraid," in the Bible? -*

His name is Brad Rodgers. Brad and I attended elementary school, played Little League baseball, and were Cub Scouts in Lyons, NE. Brad's dad was transferred to Kearney, NE, by the NE Dept. of Roads when Brad was a third of the way through seventh grade. End of story, right? Well, no it isn't.

Brad went on to be an MD first in Valentine, NE and from then on in Kearney, NE. When I was called to be the associate pastor at First Lutheran Church in Kearney, NE, our paths crossed again. Brad and his family were members at First Lutheran, not only Brad but his younger sister, Janet, and her family, and Brad's parents, Daryl and Gina Rodgers were members there too!

Brad was also my personal doctor while I was in Kearney with checkups and flu shots. Brad has continued to make these checkups...or better yet, "check-ins" with me yearly with a phone call. The latest was while I was driving to Good Sam in Beatrice to make a few visits. Brad always likes to open with a joke. This is the joke he told me that day, "Why is it wrong to iron a four-leaf clover?" To which I responded, "I don't know Brad, why is it wrong to iron a four-leaf clover?" And here is Brad's punchline, "You should

never press your luck!” And then Brad asked me, “How many times is the phrase, ‘Do not be afraid,’ in the Bible?”

I quickly thought of the angel Gabriel saying this to Zechariah, Mary, and Joseph in the New Testament so I hesitantly said, “Three times.” Brad laughed and said, “No, 365 times!” Then he went on to tell me that through his personal spiritual revival and Bible study, he came across this number of 365 in November of 2023. It was then that he said he is going to apply the phrase “**do not be afraid**” to his daily devotional in 2024 because 2024 is a Leap Year! **Do not be afraid** because God is God and in control so worrying will not make a difference! With ALL that Brad is responsible for he certainly has a strong faith.

**2024 is a Leap Year!** February has 29 days and not 28. I have another friend, Pete Balaban, a pastor in Oklahoma, who in his recent on-air blog (12/27/2023), said that “**do not be afraid**” is equivalent to saying, “**Merry Christmas!**” Pete just had his second knee replacement and was doing his on-air blog from his hospital bed a day after surgery. As of yet, I have never had a knee replacement, but I have a brother who had both his knees done at once, and a sister who had one done and then six weeks later the other. I would guess that both in their recovery said the words, “**Do not be afraid!**” I doubt if either one said, “**Merry Knee Replacement!**”

So, I think I will take up Brad’s challenge and add **do not be afraid** to my daily devotions with Karen. And all the time, in the back of my mind, I will be waiting for Brad’s call!

Sincerely Pr. Jer

## **9 am SUNDAY COFFEE FELLOWSHIP IN FEBRUARY 2024**

**What’s So Amazing About Grace** by Philip Yancey – It’s one thing to talk about grace; it’s another to taste its power. Through candid video interviews, Philip Yancey integrates true-life faces and experiences in ten powerful sessions that might just change popular preconceptions and bias.

**2/4/2024 – The Art of Forgiving: Responding with Grace When it Seems Impossible**

**2/11/2024 – Skin-Deep: The Power of Grace to Penetrate Racism**

**2/18/2024 – Grace Put to the Test: Grace in the Face of Disagreement**

**2/25/2024 – Grace Abuse: Cheapening Grace and Robbing Its Power**

## **8<sup>th</sup> GRADE CONFIRMATION WEDNESDAYS IN FEBRUARY 2024**

***Reminder to start thinking about your Bible verse and My Faith Project for Confirmation Sunday on April 28, 2024. My Faith Project will be displayed on Sunday, April 21, 2024, in the fellowship hallway. My Faith Project is explained at the end of this booklet.***

### **2/7/2024 6-6:45 p.m. – Connecting with God thru Prayer**

Video Clip by The Skit Guys – World vs. Christian Prayer

**Bible Text: Psalm 23; 51; 150; Luke 11:1-13**

**Lesson Focus: When we pray, no matter how we pray, we open a connection with God.**

**Big Question: How do I know God is listening?**

**Key Words: INTERCESSION, CONFESSION, BLESSING, SUPPLICATION**

**Snack & drink plus staying the hour: Paxton Parde's family.**

**2/14/2024 6-6:45 p.m. – Serving Others thru Vocation** - Ash Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> Grade w/council worship duties.

Video Clip by The Skit Guys – Rich Young Ruler

**Bible Text: Colossians 3:12-17**

**Lesson Focus: God calls us to mercy and serve others in all we do.**

**Big Question: I don't know what I want to do when I'm an adult, so how can I have a vocation now? Key Words: VOCATION, AVOCATION, CALL**

**Snack & drink plus staying the hour: McCoy Peters' family.**

**2/21/2024 6-6:45 p.m. – Theology of the Cross/Theology of Glory** – 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday in Lent 7<sup>th</sup> Grade w/council worship duties.

Video Clip by The Skit Guys – Sheep & Goats

**Bible Text: 1 Corinthians 2:1-13**

**Lesson Focus: God overturns human expectations.**

**Big Question: What's so great about the cross?**

**Key Words: THEOLOGY, THEOLOGY OF GLORY, THEOLOGY OF THE CROSS, EGOTISM GRACE**

**Snack & drink plus staying the hour: James Scholl's family.**

**2/28/2024 6-6:45 p.m. – Saved by Grace** (simultaneously saint and sinner) – 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday in Lent 8<sup>th</sup> Grade w/council worship duties.

**Bible Text: Ephesians 2:8-9; John 3:17; Acts 6:8; 7:54-60**

**Lesson Focus: No matter what I do, God is always ready to love and forgive me.**

**Big Question: Am I good enough?**

**Key Words: SALVATION, GRACE, FAITH, WORKS, WORKS RIGHTEOUSNESS**

**Snack & drink plus staying the hour: Jayden Wiese's family.**

## PREVIEW of Zion's 2024 Lenten Season



**Ash Wednesday Imposition** of Ashes with Holy Communion

7 P.M. February 2024

For all who participate in worship on this night, we have a free tangible gift of the **CROSS IN MY POCKET**. These palm size crosses come individually wrapped in white, natural wood and dark wood.

**What does the CROSS IN MY POCKET mean?** It is a simply understanding between my Savior and me. When I put my hand in my pocket to retrieve a coin or a key, the cross is there to remind of the price Christ paid for me. It also reminds me to be thankful for my blessings!



ZION'S MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE

**IN THE SHADOW OF THE CROSS**

**WEEK ONE – 7 P.M. FEBRUARY 21, 2024**

The shadow of the cross looms over every interaction, to give spiritual insight. A visual or tactile element helps us to identify the theme of each week. Our theme this week is: **THE SHADOW OF BETRAYAL**

**WEEK TWO – 7 P.M. FEBRUARY 28, 2024**

The shadow of the cross looms over every interaction, to give spiritual insight. A visual or tactile element helps us to identify the theme of each week. Our theme this week is: **THE SHADOW OF SERVANT**

**WEEK THREE – 7 P.M. MARCH 6, 2024**

The shadow of the cross looms over every interaction, to give spiritual insight. A visual or tactile element helps us to identify the theme of each week. Our theme this week is: **THE SHADOW OF HUMILITY**

**WEEK FOUR – 7 P.M. MARCH 13, 2024**

The shadow of the cross looms over every interaction, to give spiritual insight. A visual or tactile element helps us to identify the theme of each week. Our theme this week is: **THE SHADOW OF FALSE ACCUSATION**

**WEEK FIVE – 7 P.M. MARCH 21, 2024**

The shadow of the cross looms over every interaction, to give spiritual insight. A visual or tactile element helps us to identify the theme of each week. Our theme this week is: **THE SHADOW OF A LAST CHANCE**

# Zion Lutheran Church Council Minutes January 10, 2024

Meeting was called to order by President Alan Folkerts

Members present: Brenda Gronewold, Kristi Dorn, VeAnn Jurgens, Kenny Reed, Cindy Parde, DeAnn Oltman, Carrye Meints

Absent: Neal Meints

Pastor Jer shared: Regroup & Reflect

Motion made and seconded to accept meeting agenda for 1-10-2024 meeting.

Motion made and seconded to accept minutes from December 6, 2023 meeting.

## Upcoming Weddings:

7/27/2024 – Emily Lenner & Brendan Lipovsky

11/2/2024 – Maggie Parde & Cole Baumgartner

## January Events:

- Pastor and Karen on vacation Saturday, 1-27-2024 to Wednesday, 1-31-2024
- Annual Meeting Sunday, January 21, 2024

**December's Mileage:** 646 miles

## **Celebrating God's Work in Progress – Old Business**

- **Annual Meeting** - Discussed agenda for the upcoming meeting.
- **Doors** - Alan talked with Sandy Meints and Blake Meints. Checking into some doors from Florida that are built to stand up to hurricane weather. Checking into price and see if these will fit into the existing frame.
- **Heating and Air Conditioner Units** - Property Committee looked into this. We have 3 units that are not working. The council decided to replace all the units and still use existing piping. This will cost \$70,000.00.
- **Non-member fee for Funerals**- Going over letter Fox Funeral Home has from us. We are updating and getting a new letter to send out.

## **Discerning God's Will – New Business**

- **Flowers During Christmas** - Council will post when to bring flowers for the Christmas season.
- **Contract for Elevator Maintenance** - We have a contract for elevator maintenance for one visit a year. The charge will be \$450.00. We will set a month for that to take place in, so we have a record and if any problems arise.
- **Cancellation of Church** - Due to the predicted weather of 45 degrees below wind chill for Sunday, January 14, council decided to not have church. This for the safety of all members, Pastor, and anyone involved in the service.

## **Ministry Team Report as of December 1, 2023**

Financial-General Fund Balance on hand 12/1/2023 \$125,823.78

Income - \$28,210.15

Balance on hand – 12/31/2023 \$134,552.54

Sinking Fund - \$55,700.04

Seminary Fund - \$41,813.73

Thrivent Mutual Fund - \$2,776.58

Open Savings - \$35,287.70

Motion was made to approve the Financial and Ministry Team Reports.

Next Council Meeting will be February 7, 2024.

Devotions - 7:00

Committees – 7:05

Council – 7:30

We closed with the Lord's Prayer

Respectfully submitted,

Carrye Meints, Secretary

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE:** Did not meet

**HOSPITALITY:** Did not meet

Looking at doing something February 11<sup>th</sup> ahead of Valentines Day

**MEMORIAL COMMITTEE:** Did not meet

**PARISH ED PARISH ED:** 1/10/24 Meeting Notes

Members Present: Heather Hippen, Kate Meints, Allison Lane, Jay Bartlett, Nicole Behrends, Lanette Nelson & Courtney Schlake

- Balance as of 1/10/24
  - \$886.11
- Expenses
  - \$43.41 for First Communion Books
- Old Business
  - Heather submitted the annual report & Allison submitted expense report
  - Heather wrote a Thrivent grant for VBS kit
- New Business
  - Kate ordered First Communion Books
  - New Parish Ed members are Courtney Schlake & Alyssa Lieneman

**PARK BOARD:** Did not meet

**PROPERTY & MANAGEMENT:** Present- Jordan Busboom, Conner Mason, Kenny Reed, Doug Parde, Alan Folkerts. Chris Mason

**Old Business:** window project was started January 3<sup>rd</sup>. should be completed in around 30 days.

**New Business:** received a quote for new AC units in the church.

**PUBLICITY :** Did not meet

**STEWARDSHIP** Did not meet

**WILLIE & ANNA MEINTS ENDOWMENT:** Did not meet

**WORSHIP & MUSIC:** Did not meet

**YOUTH:** Did not meet

## **Zion Lutheran Church Annual Meeting** **January 21, 2024**

Meeting was called to order by President Alan Folkerts.

A quorum of 61 members were present.

Opening devotions were given by Pastor Jer.

Minutes from the 2023 Semi-Annual meeting were read by secretary, Carrye Meints. The General Treasurer's report was given by Kristi Dorn. Motion was made and seconded to accept minutes and financial report.

Committee reports were given. Motion was made and seconded to accept committee reports. Motion carried.

Ballots were presented. Names for church council were Kevin Buhr, Jason Wallman, and Paul Jurgens. Cindy Lieneman and Mary Lenners were nominated for the Auditing Committee. Karen Gilbreath, Marcia Busboom, and Hannah Hrenchir were nominated for Synod Assembly. Linda Blackwell and Annette Wiese were nominated for the Nominating Committee, with Brenda Gronewold and VeAnn Jurgens as outgoing council members. Paul Remmers was nominated for the Endowment Committee.

Election was held and ballots were collected.

## **Celebrating God's Work in Progress – Old Business**

- President Alan Folkerts gave an update from Property and Management
  - Stained glass Windows - The work on the windows began January 2, 2024. They are also working on the frames. The window cost has been taken care of through the Endowment Committee.
  - Tuck-point - They should be here in the spring of 2024 to finish.
  - Doors - We will be replacing the doors in the Fellowship Hall. They will use the existing frames. We have a bid of \$10,000.00 for fiberglass doors.

## **Discerning God's Will – New Business**

- **Budget** - President Folkerts went through the budget.
- **Future Maintenance Projects**
  - **AC Units** - We will be needing new units. 3-4 of the units are not working at all.
  - **Projector and Screen** - There has been a donation to have a projector and screen on a movable cart. Looking into the one that best suits the needs of our church. The projector would sit on the cart as well.
  - **Anniversary Committee**- Mert Rademacher presented the update. The theme will be "Reflecting Zion's Past. March 14, 2024 will be the kickoff with Bishop Scott Johnson coming. In July Arden Dorn will be here to assist Pastor and on October 27, 2024 Casey Lieneman will be here. In the old school house will be the Heritage Room. This room will hold items from the past. All of the remodeling done has been by volunteer work.
  - **Park Board** - Paul Jurgens gave an update. The concession stand profit was up by 23.7%. The batting cages, women's restroom were all added and updated. The next project is the retaining wall with the area to the fence to be level so fans can sit and watch the games easily from that area. All of the work has been done by volunteers. Paul gave a thank you to all of those involved.
  - **Cemetery Fence** - Les Lieneman gave an update. They were waiting for approval from the Nebraska state government. This coming year they will proceed. It will be a wrought iron fence to replace the chain link. There will not be any gates.

## **Election Results –**

- Council members with terms ending in 2027 will be Keving Buhr, Paul Jurgens, and Jason Wallman.
- Cindy Lieneman and Mary Lenners will join the Auditing Committee with Jason Wallman going off.
- Nominating Committee will be Linda Blackwell and Annette Wiese. Brenda Gronewold and VeAnn Jurgens will join as outgoing Council members.
- Karen Gilbreath, Marcia Busboom and Hannah Hrenchir will be representing Zion at the Synod Assembly.
- Paul Remmers will be joining the Endowment Committee.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the 2024 Annual Meeting of Zion Lutheran Church. We closed with a prayer and the song “This Little Light of Mine.”

Respectfully submitted, Carrye Meints, Secretary

## **Welcome to the new Council members for 2024**

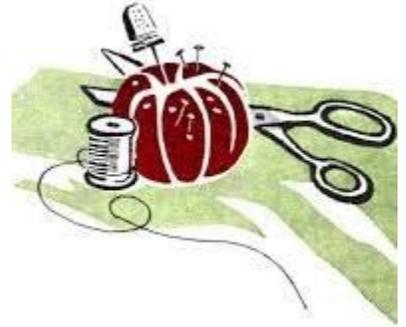
**Kevin Buhr, Paul Jurgens and Jason Wallman.** Thank you for your willingness to serve. **Also thank you to the outgoing Council members – Alan Folkerts, Brenda Gronewold and VeAnn Jurgens.** Thank you for serving on the Zion Council for the past 3 years.

**The installation of the Church Council members** will be next Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup>.

**A special Thank you to Elnora Lenners and Dorothy Trauernicht** for the time and commitment to the Funeral Luncheon ministry of Zion. These two ladies have graciously given many hours over the years as our food coordinators for the luncheons provided as a part of our service to the bereaved and families and we thank you with grateful hearts!! Many volunteers are the helping hands behind serving meals for these families and we appreciate everyone. Those who have benefited from this simple meal have shared how nice it is to gather with loved ones at the time of loss. This is truly a ministry of compassion and healing and Elnora and Dorothy have had a big hand in this and for that we are truly grateful!!

## **LWR Sewing Days for February:**

We are always looking for people to help with our blanket sewing days! No experience needed! We have all jobs available – making coffee, ironing, matching fabrics, preparing the blanket tops, sewing the blanket binding, tying the blankets – or just come and enjoy the fellowship of this group! Mildred Fossler has been assembling tops ever since we took a break last Fall. Come and enjoy an hour – a few hours - the whole day (bring your lunch) – or both days with us in the Parish Hall basement.



**February sewing days will be February 12th & 13th and February 26th & 27th. From 9am – 3 pm.**

**Questions contact-** Denise Schlake-Ideus 402-806-2236 or Karen Gilbreath 402-661-9362.

**The Prayer Chain List has been updated.** I have mailed the new list out to the phone list members. It doesn't affect the text message/email list members. **Janet Harms will be the new captain** of this list as Betty Daubendiek wanted to be removed from this duty. **Thank you, Betty, for your years that you helped as the captain.** Connie Thornburg will be still the captain for the text message/email list – with Mary Lenners as back up for her. **Thank you to you both also!** If you have any questions you can check with Karen in the office.

## **Youth News/ Sunday School News**

**The Willie and Anna Meints scholarship applications are located in the back of the church on the Welcome Center.** Students entering college can apply for the scholarship for up to 4 years. **Applications must be received by February 15, 2024, following the start of the students' first college year.** Applications received after the February 15, 2024; deadline will not be considered. **NOTE: Please make sure to read through the qualifications listed on the application.** A printout of the student's grades are needed upon completion of their 2023 Fall semester.

Committee Members: DeAnn Oltman, Steve Oltman & Laura Fikar



# ZION SUNDAY SCHOOL

December 2023 Perfect Attendance



### Little Angels

Graham Schlake  
Hudson Ideus  
Henry Behrends  
Palmer Parks

### Pre-K

Jaxson Lane  
Ace Bartlett  
Marlowe Sutter

### Kindergarten

Aceson Wendeln  
Allison Ideus  
Claire Freeman  
Paul Nelson  
Emmalynn Blecha  
Luna Meints  
Tucker Parks

### First Grade

Aiden Schlake  
Beau Gronewold  
Carson Behrends  
Chesleigh Ideus  
Connor Jensen  
Everett Meints  
Hudson Schlake  
Logan Hippen  
MJ Detert

### Second Grade

Mac Sutter  
Emma Lane

### Third Grade

Emerson Ideus  
Everly Meints  
Layton Lieneman  
MacKenzie Ideus

### Fourth Grade

Ava Meints  
Brixton Coffin  
Debreigh Wendeln  
Bryleigh Ideus  
Devyn Gronewold

### Fifth Grade

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### Sixth Grade

Tavin Lieneman  
Millie Garton  
Sadie Gronewold

### Seventh Grade

Brogan Ideus

### Eighth Grade

James Scholl  
Henry Garton

Dear Parents of the First Communion Class,

I wanted to reach out as First Communion classes are just around the corner. Classes will start on Wednesday, February 28th at 6 PM in the parish hall and run for 5 weeks. The fifth week will be the Wednesday prior to Maundy Thursday. On this night we will be meeting with Pastor Jer and asking that one parent attend as we will be practicing for their First Communion celebration that will take place at the Maundy Thursday service. In the past we also made the communion bread as a group that evening for Maundy Thursday with the assistance of Annette Wiese. Any questions prior to or during classes feel free to reach out to me. My cell phone is 402-228-6318. If school is canceled the rule is class would be canceled also.

I'm excited to meet and spend time with your wonderful children. Feel free to reach out with any questions or suggestions. Sincerely,

Karla Carstens

Dear Lord, we thank you and praise you for the most precious gift of Holy Communion. We ask you to bless all those who are preparing to receive Your body and Your blood for the first time. May we truly understand, honor and thank you for this amazing gift you have given us. Amen

## **Middle School and High School Parents – Summer Retreat opportunity!!!!**

Middle School and High School Parents – Summer Retreat opportunity!!!! Hannah is planning a summer youth retreat to Colorado leaving July 10<sup>th</sup> and returning home July 13<sup>th</sup>. Things we will be doing will be one day spent going white water rafting. I am currently searching for a place to stay via Vrbo. I do need to start getting a head count as places are going fast. Please use the QR code to let me know if you are interested at the end of the month, I will be using the numbers to solidify a place in Colorado. The theme of this retreat will be Crossroads – when you're faced with a challenge which way to go. I do need parents to come along and assist on this trip. We will be renting a van or bus to travel. If you love to cook or want to help with the cooking, please let me know. If you have questions or want to help with this trip contact Hannah Hrenchir.



## **Reflecting Zion's Past and Growing in God's Grace**

Anniversary year 2024 is here although the official organizational date was March 14, 1874. It is now time for Zion to give tribute to and celebrate the 150 years that have passed. But also celebrate our growth and look forward to Zion's future.

Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup> is Zion's kickoff Sunday, with Bishop Scott Johnson delivering a message during that service. A catered meat/potato meal will be served after the service. The side dishes will be provided via potluck. Be looking for more details in the February Sunday Bulletins regarding sign up so that a projected number count can be determined.

To help defer renovation cost for the Heritage Room in the German Schoolhouse, silent auctions are going to be held coinciding with each Recognition Sunday. If you have any items or service that you want to donate, please connect with Connie Thornburg or Janet Harms by February 9<sup>th</sup>. Bidding will commence on February 10<sup>th</sup> and will end March 10<sup>th</sup> for the first silent auction.

There will be two additional Recognition Sundays. July 21<sup>st</sup>, Arden Dorn, son of the Zion congregation will be assisting Pastor Jer with the service. October 27, Casey Lieneman, also a son of Zion will be joining us for a Recognition Sunday.

Each of these two Sundays will also have a silent auction connected to it. If your donated serve or item fits those timelines better, please indicate that when contacting the committee. An example of that might be Christmas ornaments would best be on the October silent auction closer to Christmas.

Now is the time to be connecting with anyone who you think might be interested in any of these three recognition Sundays. Let's fill the pews as they did for so many years!

# **Thank you's Received!**

## **Zion Blanket Sewing Ladies:**

**Thank you for your generous gift to Mother-to-Mother Ministry.** Through your donation we are able to continue assisting families in Beatrice and the surrounding area. You truly make a difference for us, and we are extremely grateful.

**Thank you for the 6 beautiful quilts!** We really appreciate your thoughtfulness. I know they will be well loved and appreciated by kids who need them.

Thanks again for thinking of Us!  
With gratitude, Mother to Mother Ministry

## **Zion Lutheran Church**

Thank you for your generous gift to Mother-to-Mother Ministry the of \$2,027.00 for Mother-to-Mother Ministry. Through your donation we are able to continue assisting families in Beatrice and the surrounding area. You truly make a difference for us, and we are extremely grateful.

With gratitude, Mother to Mother Ministry

## **Sympathies**

**Our deepest sympathies to the family of Idonna Meyer –** Idonna's funeral was held at Zion on Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>. Please keep Roy Meyer, Russ Meyer, and Rhonda Wachholtz and their families, and the extended families and friends here at Zion in your prayers.

**Our deepest sympathies to the family of Reverend Roger Sasse.** Roger passed away January 5<sup>th</sup> in Lincoln, his funeral will be held at a later date because of the frigid weather. Please keep Deric & Ivy Bloom and family in your prayers.

## YOUR VOCATION FOR THE MONTH

What you do for God!

### WORSHIP LEADER SCHEDULE

#### February 4

**Pastor:** Jerry Gilbreath  
**Organist:** Alnora Daubendiek  
**Acolytes:** Jayden Wiese  
Max Cornelius  
**Lector:** Sandy Meints  
**Greeters:** Council  
**Special Music:** Men's Choir  
**Breakfast Club:** Jennifer Mahler

#### February 11

**Pastor:** Jerry Gilbreath  
**Organist:** Shirley Gronewold  
**Acolytes:** James Scholl  
Brogan Ideus  
**Lector:** Denise Schlake-Ideus  
**Greeters:** Todd & Jeni Bohlmeier  
Donny & Gayle Schuster  
**Special Music:** Kids of the Kingdom  
**Breakfast Club:** VeAnn Jurgens

#### February 18

**Pastor:** Jerry Gilbreath  
**Keyboard:** Jannel Ideus  
**Guitar:** Deric Bloom  
**Acolytes:** McCoy Peters  
Konnor Kolm  
**Lector:** Doug Parde  
**Greeters:** Doug & Rhonda Dorn  
Kyle & Michelle Kolm  
**Special Music:** Endless Hallelujah  
**Breakfast Club: Need Volunteer**

#### February 25

**Pastor:** Jerry Gilbreath  
**Organist:** Alnora Daubendiek  
**Acolytes:** Bella Buhr  
Kipton Lovitt  
**Lector:** Carrie Reed  
**Greeters:** Kenny & Carrie Reed  
Kim & Connie Thornburg  
**Special Music:** Amigos  
**Breakfast Club: Need Volunteer**

**February Table Troop:** Duane Parde (Leader) Janice Parde, Gary Wiese, John & Marcia Busboom, Doug & Rhonda Dorn, LeAnn Fossler.

**February Altar Guild:** Marcella Rademacher, Susan Newman, Carol Young, Sandy Meints.

## Snow Brigade

**A new mailing will be sent out this week – so watch your mailbox for the schedule for February through May. February schedule as follows-**

**For the week of Jan 29: Jordan Busboom **\*\*Captain\*\***, Eric Parde – Tractor, Chris Fossler – Tractor, Duane Jurgens, Greg Robinson, Larry Johnson, Hunter Blackwell, Keith Parde, Steve Oltman, Donny Schuster.**

**For the week of Feb 5<sup>th</sup>: Alan Wiese **\*\*Captain\*\***, James Meints – Tractor, Kenny Newman, Paul Jurgens, Gerald Ideus, Todd, Bohlmeier, Brian Garton, Josh Gronewold, AJ Wiese.**

**For the week of Feb 12<sup>th</sup> : Mark Buhr**\*\*Captain\*\***, Gary Gronewold – Tractor, Stan Lenners – Tractor, James Lenners, Billy Harms, Larry Gronewold, Dale Zimmerman, Luke Ideus, Justin Hippen.**

**For the week of Feb 19<sup>th</sup>: Greg Dorn **\*\* Captain\*\*** - Dean Zimmerman – Tractor, Russ Wallman- Tractor, Paul Remmers, Craig Ideus, Terry Gronewold, Dave Holland, Alex Buhr, Mike Busboom.**

**For the week of Feb 26<sup>th</sup>: Matt Meints **\*\*Captain\*\***, Les Lieneman – Tractor, David Meints – Tractor, Gary Wiese, Andy Schoen, Perry Jurgens, Kenny Jurgens, Josh Nelson, Jeff Wiese, Jason Lovitt**

## Your help is needed!

### Heritage Room

The Anniversary Committee is still looking for individuals who have an interest in helping arrange and display the timeline of Zion's history.

This is a project that we hope to complete by the last recognition Sunday which is October 27<sup>th</sup>.

If you know of anyone who may be interested, please contact Mert Rademacher.

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1 Don Schuster DeAnn Smith	11 Brynn Sullivan Jaimie Sutter	22 Shawn Meints Pastor Jer Gilbreath
2 John Busboom Zachary Coffin	15 Zackary Hoffman Crew Meints	23 Graydon Day Caroline Ideus
3 Suzy Brown	Curtis Meints	Les Rademacher
4 Irene Busboom Alnora Daubendiek Michele Kolm Calvin Remmers Jeff Winkle	Dennis Remmers Anthony Schoen	Pam Trauernicht
7 Kelly Lenner	17 Olivia Wollenburg	24 Morgan Behrens Caleb Oltman Vivian Schuster
8 Thees Busboom Cindy Lieneman Lane Frost	18 Layton Lieneman Keith Parde	25 Austin Gronewold Brian VonSeggren
9 Hailey Parde Paul Wallman	19 Elliott Mencil Kim Thornburg	26 Paul Remmers
10 Darvin DeBuhr Leon Jurgens Kaitlyn Buss	20 Chad Buhr Danelle Evers Paul Nelson Braxton Trauernicht Jamison Wallman	27 Monica Busboom Carrye Meints Tucker Parks Dalton Sullivan Tanden Wiese
	21 Marcia Busboom Evan Buss Alyssa Jurgens Amy Parde	28 Aubrey Wiese 29 Patti Behrens Robert Harms Dustin Trauernicht

**If I have missed your birthday, please call or text me and I will get you added for next year's calendar. Karen at 402-661-9362. And I apologize!**

# FEBRUARY 2024

				1	2	3 Parish hall rented Riley F.
4 8:45 SS 9 am BKF Club/ Adult SS 10 am Worship/Comm/Men Choir/Installation of 2024 Council members	5 7 pm Men's Choir	6	7 6 pm 7 & 8 Confirm 7 pm Committees 7:30 pm Council	8	9	10
11 8:45 SS 9 am BKF Club/ Adult SS 10 am Worship/kids of the Kingdom	12 9-3 Blanket sewing 7 pm Men's Choir	13 9-3 Blanket sewing	14 6 pm Endless Hallelujah practice 6 pm 7 & 8 Confirm 7 pm Ash Wed. Services	15 <b><u>Last Day for the Willie &amp; Anna Meints Scholarship Application</u></b> Ladies Aid	16	17
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