

TOGETHER IN FAITH

“Bonded in Christ’s love, we teach, preach, and equip God’s people for discipleship here and throughout the world.”
~Zion Lutheran Church Mission Statement

Zion Lutheran Church

“A place to belong, a place to believe, a place to become.

Sunday Service 10:00am

Interim Pastor –Rev. Dr. Renae Koehler

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I wish you a meaningful 4th of July. This holiday is a great reminder that patriotism is about our shared commitment to liberty, justice, and equality for all. Let's keep working to make the American promise a reality for everyone. Let us pray;

Spirit of Freedom, We ask You to bless our nation with compassion and truth. Strengthen our collective resolve to protect the vulnerable, welcome the stranger, and heal the earth. Manifest prosperity and peace in our farm families and towns. Grant our leaders the wisdom to make choices that promote equality, healthcare for all, education, and mutual respect. On this day of celebration, let us remember that the pursuit of happiness belongs to everyone. Help us to build bridges instead of walls, and to live out the beautiful promise of true equality. In the spirit of liberty and love, we pray. Amen.

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Zion Lutheran Church Council Meeting June 10, 2026

The meeting was called to order by President Les Lieneman.

Members present: Paul Jurgens, Jenny Busboom, Dennis Remmers, Laurie Wallman, Les Lieneman, Jason Wallman, Laurie Leners & Tony Hoffman

Member absent- Kevin Buhr and Todd Bohlmeier

Motion made and seconded to accept meeting agenda for 6-10-2026 meeting.

Motion made and seconded to accept minutes from 5-6- 2026 meeting.

Celebrating God's Work in Progress-Old Business

- **Copiers** - were delivered and printer software installed on church computers.
- **Future Council Meetings-** will be Aug 5, Sept 9, Oct 7, Nov 4, Dec 9 2026.

Discerning God's Will – NEW Business

- **July 19th** - Arden Dorn will substitute preach for us.
- **Property and Management account-**the current account will be combined into the general fund account. Bills will be distributed by the church treasurer and approved by council.
- **Wedding approval-** the wedding for Cassie Janzen and Kale Harms 5/22/27
- **Semi Annual-** Semi Annual meeting prep discussed
- **Boiler Project-**Looking at a starting date of July for the Project.
- **Projector update-** funds are being secured and looking to finalize a projector and screen project very soon.
- **Pastors Mileage-** 543 miles Approval for itemized miles.

Weddings in 2026 & 2027

- 9/12/26- Brady Ideus & Lauren Trauernicht
- 9/19/26- Brett Oltman & Taraesha Cole.
- 10/24/26- Micheal Knipe & Bibiana Ornelas
- 6/18/27- Katie Bohlmeier & Travis Hula
- 8/28/2027-Carley Leners & Collin Hartig

Ministry Team Report as of June 10th , 2026

- Financial- General Balance on hand - 5/1//2026- \$123,854.24
- Income - \$11,274.38
- Balance on hand – 5/31/2026 \$107,937.16
- Sinking Fund - \$61,855.62
- Seminary Fund - \$73,039.77
- Thrivent Mutual Fund - \$3,200.37
- Opening Savings - \$39,659.62

Motion was made to approve the Financial and Ministry Team Reports

Next Council Meeting will be Wednesday Aug 5th, 2026

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING DATE – Mark your calendar for the Semi-annual meeting as it has been schedule for July 12th right after the 9:00am church service. Please plan to attend.

CHURCH STATISTICS

Sunday May 24th

Attendance: C - 70
Offering: C - \$2,337.00

Sunday May 31st

Attendance: C - 95
Offering: C - \$3,179.06

Sunday June 7th

Attendance: C - 101
Offering: C - \$5,020.00

Sunday June 14th

Attendance: C - 65
Offering: C - \$9,941.98

Sunday June 21st

Attendance: C - 86
Offering: C - \$2,742.00

QUILT OF VALOR - SANDRA BUSBOOM MINNICK

On June 14, 2026 a Quilt of Valor is being awarded today to Sandra Busboom Minnick for her 25 years of Military service. She enlisted in the Nebraska Air National Guard in 1977 and retired in December 2002 as a Master Sergeant E7 Budget Analyst. Throughout her career and travels she was proud to represent her Country, the Air National Guard, and women in the Military.

The Quilts of Valor Foundation began in 2003 when quilter Catherine Roberts' son was deployed to Iraq. Her dream showed a young soldier in despair being comforted by someone putting a quilt around his shoulders. The message was clear: quilts bring comfort and hope. The mission of Quilts of Valor Foundation is to cover service members and veterans with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor. Early on its mission was to award quilts only to combat wounded returning from Iraq and Afghanistan. Later it expanded to include veterans from any conflict, past and present. This mission was expanded a few years ago when the word "combat" was removed from the mission statement. The foundations feels it is appropriate and important to recognize and thank our fellow Americans who have put their lives on hold to protect the freedoms we all enjoy.

Today, Sandra's quilt was made by Forest Acres Quilting Club focusing a panel commemorating the US 250th celebration. The club was founded in 2016 by Susan Hottovy of Adams. Additional members are Velma Lassen, Janie Oltman, Meredith Smidt, Lorna McMurray, and Vicki Johnson. They have awarded 84 quilts, including 5 for the female Honor Flight and 3 for a Purple Heart Honor Flight. 75 were personally stitched and quilted by FAQC.



SANDRA BUSBOOM MINNICK

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE:

May 6, 2026

The Endowment Committee met on May 6, 2026, with the following in attendance: Paul Remmers, Kevin Trauernicht, Doreen Busboom, Linda Ideus, Lynette Dorn and Council Representative Jenny Busboom.

The minutes from the February meeting were read and approved by Jenny Busboom.
Seconded by Doreen Busboom.

Kevin Trauernicht gave the treasurer's report:

Checking account: \$20,127.46
 Watch Tower CD: \$27,064.32
 Edward Jones: \$ 3,275.80
 CD's: \$70,839.16

A motion was made by Jenny Busboom to close the account with Edward Jones and deposit into the checking account. Second, by Kevin Trauernicht.

The investment at Watch Tower will come due on May 20th. Lynette Dorn made a motion to redeem the investment and move to the checking account. Seconded by Doreen Busboom. These funds will be invested in a CD with First State Bank Nebraska.

Council Representative Todd Bohlmeyer, met with the committee and discussed the issue with the current boiler and the new option that is being discussed. If approved this project may start in July and was requesting funding from the Endowment Committee. We will discuss more on how much we will contribute when final estimate is given.

Our next meeting will be August 5th. Linda Ideus made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Second, by Kevin Trauernicht.

HOSPITALITY: Did not meet.

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE: Did not meet.

PARISH ED: Did not meet.

PUBLICITY: Did not meet.

PROPERTY & MANAGEMENT: Did not meet.

STEWARDSHIP: Did not meet.

WILLIE & ANNA MEINTS ENDOWMENT: No Report.

WORSHIP & MUSIC: Did not meet.

YOUTH: Did not meet.

PARK BOARD:

June 4, 2026

Roll Call: Greg Dorn, Jared Ideus, Blake Meints, Terry Oltman, Kevin Meyer,

Greg Robinson, Todd Bohlmeier

3-5-26 Minutes Approval

- Motioned, 2nd, and Unanimous Approval Treasurers Report
- Checking Balance: \$6,584.37

Old Business

- 2026 Games of Freeman to play Home Softball Games at Zion in Fall 2026. Park gets concessions proceeds and 1/2 the gate.
 - o Adams 9U and 11U Baseball played 8 Home Games at Fuller Park
- Electric Service Work
 - o Electrician ran electric to the Flag Pole Light, and replaced the old knob and tub fuse panel that is no longer code to a up to date Circuit Breaker Panel, wiring to batting cage in process.
- Playground Landscape Bark
 - o Planning in early July to haul and install
- Tree Pile
 - o With Rain we can now get a burn permit and burn tree pile in late June, want to still coordinate wind. Greg R handling permit
- Infield Grass
 - o Still plans after Freeman Softball to scrape grass on transition and bring in field edge.
- Land Transfer
 - o Todd will contact attorney about drawing up paperwork. Still looking for some legal info to provide.

New Business

- None

Adjournment

- Motioned and Approved Unanimously. No known next meeting date.

GRACE CIRCLE:

On June 10, Grace Circle met for their monthly meeting at Arden and Roxanne Dorn Heritage barn. Roxanne gave the lesson "God's Name." Lesson closed with prayer and reciting hymn #538.

Business meeting was opened by reading of the Apr. meeting minutes. There were no minutes for our May outing to Pastor Renae's acreage. Treasurers' report was given. Nine people answered roll call. Offering of \$55.00 was taken. A fine of \$0.25 was paid if we still need more rain. Birthday and anniversary money was also paid to the Action fund.

We decided to reorder Gather mag. when we are caught up with the bible studies.

Lorene thanked everyone for the card that was sent following her surgery. Roxanne was thanked for hosting the meeting at their barn.

No further business, meeting adjourned.

MISCELLANEOUS

THANK YOU – The Heritage Committee would like to thank Jerod Ideus for his vision, direction, and labor on the “work in progress” Veteran Room in the German Schoolhouse. It may not be completely finished but please go across the road and see what is happening. Arnold Buhr began this work with all the frames he made and we hope to continue his work just in a new location. The authentic medals in some of the frames will be given back to the veteran’s families in the near future after we make sure they are represented by pictures.

THANK YOU – Zion Lutheran Congregation thanks for letting us use your VBS décor for our VBS week at St. Paul’s. We appreciate your kindness! ~ St. Paul’s VBS committee

THANK YOU – The family of Art Schuster wants to thank everyone for their prayers, visits, food, and cards after the loss of Art. Art always thought that Zion was part of his family. God Bless you all ~ Sharon, Randy, Brian, Tim, & Debra

FATHER’S HONORED – **newest father is Cole Schuster** and the **wisest in turn is Gilbert Wolken**. Congratulations to Cole on being our newest father of baby Bergen born on April 2nd. Congratulations to Gilbert for being our wisest father! Candy bouquets were given to both from Zion Church. Happy Father’s Day to all the fathers, grandfathers, father figures!

CELEBRATE AMERICA 250 🇺🇸 - The Zion Park Board expresses its gratitude to all who contribute and support our ballpark. Maintaining the park requires significant time and financial resources. We would like to take this opportunity to extend our thanks to the family of Leonard and Caroline Gronewold. Our appreciation goes to Jeff, Pam, Jim, and their families for their generous donation towards the acquisition of a new flag and flagpole for our park. We hope everyone has had the chance to see it proudly displayed! It is a wonderful enhancement to our park, coinciding with our Country's celebration of 250 years of freedom! 🇺🇸

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - 🇺🇸 Sunday School Teachers Needed for the Upcoming Year! 🙋

We are looking for volunteers to help teach our Sunday School students this coming year!

Open Positions:

- * 2nd Grade Teacher (will assist another teacher)
- * 4th Grade Teacher (will assist another teacher)
- * 8th Grade Teacher

Teaching Sunday School is a wonderful opportunity to share God’s Word and help nurture the faith of our children and youth.

If you are interested or would like more information, please reach out to a member of the Parish Education Committee.

Contact:

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Thank you for helping make a difference in our Sunday School program!



BULLETIN SPONSORS:

June 7th: Sponsored by Gilbert & Debbie Wolken

June 10th: Sponsored by Gilbert & Debbie Wolken

June 17th: Sponsored by Gilbert & Debbie Wolken

June 24th: Sponsored by Gilbert & Debbie Wolken in honor of Patty Thomas and Delayne Curry's birthday's today.

IF INTERESTED IN SPONSORING A WEEKLY BULLETIN, you may do so by contacting the Church secretary and making a check out to Zion Church for \$75.00.



SNOW BRIGADE:

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU – Please thank all of these men for their help this winter. We appreciate you all!

Luke Ideus, Gary Gronewold , Stan Lenner, Justin Hippen, Mark Buhr, James Lenner, Billy Harms, Larry Gronewold, Dale Zimmerman, Mike Busboom, Dean Zimmerman, Russ Wallman, Dan Jurgens, Greg Dorn, Paul Remmers, Craig Ideus, Terry Gronewold, Alex Buhr, Jeff Wiese, Les Lieneman, David Meints, Jason Lovitt, Matt Meints, Gary Wiese, Andy Schoen, Perry Jurgens, Kenny Jurgens, Josh Nelson, Kyle Schlake, Eric Parde Chris Fossler, Steve Oltman, Jordan Busboom, Greg Robinson, Hunter Blackwell, Keith Parde, Taiten Harms



WORSHIP LEADER SCHEDULE

July 5th - 9:00am

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Renae Koehler
 Organist: Alnora Daubendiek
 Acolytes: Grayson Borgman
 Korbin Busboom
 Lector: Connie Thornburg
 Greeters: Carol Young
 Sharon Schuster

July 12th - 9:00am

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Renae Koehler
 Organist: Shirley Gronewold
 Acolytes: Cash Harwood
 Millie Garton
 Lector: Peggy Johnson
 Greeters: Eddie & Lynette Dorn
 Michael & Doreen Busboom

July 19th - 9:00am

Pastor: Rev. Arden Dorn
 Organist: Alnora Daubendiek
 Acolytes: Tavin Lieneman
 Alexis Folkerts
 Lector: Denise Schlake-Ideus
 Greeters: Kim & Alan Folkerts
 Danelle & Brian Evers

July 26th - 9:00am

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Renae Koehler
 Organist: Alnora Daubendiek
 Acolytes: Nolan Buhr
 Millie Garton
 Lector: Linda Blackwell
 Greeters: Steve & Rose Gronewold
 Dennis & Rhonda Fossler

July Altar Guild: Rhonda Fossler, Linda Ideus,
 DeAnn Oltman, Annette Wiese

July Table Troop: Lynette Jurgens
(Leader), Steve & Peggy Johnson, Larry
 Gronewold, Eddie & Lynette Dorn, Gary &
 Brenda Gronewold, DeAnn & Terry Oltman



July

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| 1 Bibiana Ornelas | | |
| 2 Sydney Carstens
Cody Buss | 16 Perry Jurgens
Tracy Lidolph | 23 Bristyl Brown
Carley Remmers
Dale Hrenchir |
| 8 Kyla Davison
Kate Meints
Dillon Buss
Chandler Brandert | 17 Devon Busboom
Tandon Dorn | 24 Anora Schoen
Aspyn Kay Schmitter |
| 9 Natalie Denny
Natalie Coffin | 18 Jamison Theye
Tiffany Trauernicht | 26 Natalie Niles |
| 10 Cindy Parde
Declan Petrzilka | 19 Cheryl Folkerts | 28 Eldon Menci |
| 12 Lori Robinson | 20 Brett Oltman | 29 Nicole Bartels
James Scholl |
| 13 Camden Behrens | 21 Lawrence Jurgens
Troy Otto | 30 Denise Schlake-Ideus |
| 14 Scott Carstens | 22 Ross Eickhoff
Matthew Ideus
Brooklyn Lidolph | 31 Jen Busboom
Cindy Gronewold
Steve Johnson
Dawson Smith |



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4 Happy 4th of July
5 9:00am Worship/Communion Grace Circle serving summer fellowship after service	6	7	8 Grace Circle 7pm – Committee Meetings 7:30pm – Council Meeting	9	10	11
12 9:00am Worship/Baptism SEMI ANNUAL MEETING Grace Circle serving summer fellowship after service	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 9:00am Worship/Communion Grace Circle serving summer fellowship after service	20	21	22	23 Ladies Aide	24	25 Newsletter Printing Day!!!!
26 9:00am Worship Grace Circle serving summer fellowship after service	27	28	29	30 Ladies Aide	31	

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"ZION A PLACE TO BELONG, A PLACE TO BELIEVE, A PLACE TO BECOME."



Sunday Worship – 10:00am
CAN'T MAKE SERVICE WATCH US LIVE ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE "ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH - PICKRELL"
SUNDAY SCHOOL- 8:45am
Adult Bible Study – 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month
9:00-9:45am

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