



From the Pastor's Cup...

November 2023

GO AND...Be Honest (Nebraska Synod theme for the month of November)

Honesty requires vulnerability, and a willingness to really listen. Assumptions and half-truths can lead us to misunderstand the situation and story. What does reconciliation mean as we strive to move from places of misunderstanding? God calls us to be honest. Sometimes, that might look like lament or confession, and other times hymns and praise and gratitude.

Questions to consider:

- > When was a time you didn't tell the whole truth...or were not honest?
- > What piece of history should you/could you explore with a lens of honesty?
- > In what way are you being dishonest in your life?
- > **Go** and express gratitude by saying thank you to someone who deserves it.

Prayer: Reconciling God, we ask for forgiveness the times we have not reconciled our differences and acknowledged the hurts and wounds we have caused. Amen.

Dear Church Family,

This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it! Psalm 118:24

Reforming thanksgiving! Two words that come to mind as we fast approach the season of Advent. Good days and bad are ALL made by God, but God doesn't label days as good or bad, we do! That is a tough lesson to learn, I know that to be true.

Reforming thanksgiving! Reformation is a revolution within Christianity that started in 1517. Depending on whom you talk to, reformation is either still happening or needs to happen again. Monk Martin Luther proposed ninety-five statements for debate about the Christian faith. With the invention of Gutenberg's printing press, Luther's Ninety-five Thesis hit Europe like a banner headline, "Pope Wrong? Monk Challenges 1,500 Years of Church Teaching!"

Reforming thanksgiving! The big question boiled down to, "How does God save people?" The Roman Catholic Church said, "God saves people by grace through faith and by good works." Martin Luther's response was/is, "God saves people by grace through faith alone." So, is the Reformation over? The Reformation slogan *Ecclesia semper reformanda*—"The church is always reforming"—states the obvious. In Christ alone we confess him to be Lord and Savior.

Reforming thanksgiving! People say, "Thanks, God," in many ways. Some people are better at it than others. In our consumption on Thanksgiving dinner and dessert, we commemorate Pilgrims—good people to be sure, but not God. Giving thanks is not something that we should save for a single day on the calendar. Giving thanks is even more than our prayers before meals. Ideally our entire lives should be an offering of thanksgiving. Maybe it's a matter of perspective. When we realize that God is the source of all things, we realize we all dependent on God.

Reforming thanksgiving! Perhaps **reforming thanksgiving** begins with our simple gratitude that God is God, **and we are not!** That is a tough lesson to learn, I know that to be true, too!

Sincerely Pr. Jer

9 am SUNDAY COFFEE FELLOWSHIP IN NOVEMBER 2023

Join renowned teacher and historian Ray Vander Laan as he guides us through the land of the Bible. In each lesson, Vander Laan illuminates the historical, geographical, and cultural context of sacred Scriptures. Filmed on location in the Middle East, the faith lessons will transform your understanding of God and challenge you to be a true follower of Jesus.

WHEN THE HARD TIMES COME – Are you going through a difficult period of life? The loss of a loved one? Unemployment? A crisis of faith? During these desert times, it's easy to think God has disappeared. Instead, discover that it's only when we are totally dependent on him that we find him closer than ever and can experience God's amazing grace and provision.

10/22/2023 – Join the Journey

10/29/2023 – It's Hot Here and There is No Way out

11/5/2023 – Help is Here

11/12/2023 – When Your Heart Cries Out

11/19/2023 – They Were Not Wandering

11/26/2023 – Ears to Hear

12/3/2023 – There's Hope in the Desert

8th GRADE CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE FOR WEDNESDAYS IN NOVEMBER 2023

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.

11/1/2023 – 6-7 p.m. – Overview of the Apostles' Creed

Movie, **Bonhoeffer: The Life and Writings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer** - Session One, "What is the church?" (20 minutes)

Bible Text: Deuteronomy 6:4; Mark 12:28-34

Lesson Focus: The Apostles' Creed states our shared beliefs as a community of faith.

Big Question: What do I believe?

Key Words: CREED, BELIEF, CHURCH, MONOTHEISM, TRINITY

AND Exploring Article One

Movie, **Bonhoeffer: The Life and Writings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer** - Session Two, "Living in Christian Community" (20 minutes)

Bible Text: Genesis 1:1-2:25

Lesson Focus: God's creative work in the world is ongoing.

Big Question: How do we know God is still creating stuff today?

Key Words: CREATE, CREATION, SUSTAIN, EX NIHILO, STEWARDSHIP

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

11/8/2023 – 6-7 p.m. – Exploring Article Two

Movie, **Bonhoeffer: The Life and Writings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer** - Session Three, "Religionless Christianity" (20 minutes)

Bible Text: Matthew 1:18-25

Lesson Focus: Jesus came to teach us how to live and free us from sin and death.

Big Question: Wait, God became human?

Key Words: CRUCIFIED, RESURRECTION, ASCENDED, LORD, REDEMPTION

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

11/15/2023 – 6-7 p.m. - Exploring Article Three

Movie, **Bonhoeffer: The Life and Writings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer** - Session Four, "Come and Die" (20 minutes)

Bible Text: John 14:15-17; Acts 2:1-13

Lesson Focus: The Holy Spirit nurtures and advocates for us.

Big Question: The Holy Spirit works in my life every day?

Key Words: HOLY SPIRIT, COUNSELOR, PENTECOST, CHURCH

- Snack & drink plus staying the hour: Bella Buhr's family.

DECEMBER 2023– BREAK for Thanksgiving Eve Service & Sunday School Christmas Eve Program Practice

Zion Lutheran Church Council Meeting October 4, 2023

Meeting was called to order by President Alan Folkerts

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

Absent: VeAnn Jurgens

Pastor Jer shared: Regroup & Reflect

Motion made and seconded to accept meeting agenda for 10/4/2023 meeting.

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

Upcoming Baptisms:

- 11/5/2023—Baby Boy Kurt & Anna (Jurgens) Siebert

Upcoming Weddings:

- 10/21/2023 Trip Cornelius & Amya Beach

October Events:

- 10-8-2023 Good Neighbor/New Member Sunday
- 10-23-25-2023 Synod Leadership Gathering/Kearney

September's Mileage: 264 miles

Celebrating God's Work in Progress – Old Business

- **Tuck Point** – All still in progress
- **Good Neighbor Sunday/New Members**– October 8, 2023
- **Windows** – Got the contract and had to pick out the color of the framework. It will be bronze. Should start in April or May.
- **Door Update** – Waiting for a price.
- **Outlets** – Talked to James Buhr about the heat tape for the outlets outside by the downspouts to get fixed.

Discerning God's Will – New Business

- **Church on historical Registry** – Connie Thornburg is checking into having the church put on the historical registry. This allows the church to qualify for grants not able to receive at this time.
- **Insurance** – Gold Plus for Pastor and Karen
- **Giving Envelopes** – Checking into how long we have to keep these.

Ministry Team Report as of October 4, 2023

- Financial-General Fund Balance on hand 9/1/2023 \$111,151.79
- Income - \$27,549.73
- Balance on hand – 9/30/2023 \$107,442.84
- Sinking Fund - \$55,123.43
- Seminary Fund - \$41,380.87
- Thrivent Mutual Fund - \$2,750.78
- Open Savings - \$30,255.63

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

Next Council Meeting will be November 8, 2023.

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:

**Zion Lutheran Church
Endowment Committee
Special Meeting**

Sunday, October 22 (after church)

Members Present: Kelly Lenners, Keith Parde, Denise Schlake-Ideus and Council Rep Kristi Dorn

New Business:

- 1) The Endowment Committee recently received a generous donation for the stained-glass window repair project. The total cost of the project is \$136,000. This committee has given \$100,000 to the project. Kelly made a motion for the Endowment Committee to fully fund the stained-glass window repair project. Denise seconded the motion, and it passed.
- 2) The Endowment Committee is to receive the church offering on Sunday, October 29.

There will be a notice in the bulletin regarding the stained-glass window repair project being fully funded through generous donations to the Endowment Committee. Another notice in the bulletin will briefly explain the Endowment Committee and past projects funded. Denise will give a temple talk for the Endowment Committee, for which Kelly will provide the content.

Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted, Denise Schlake-Ideus

HOSPITALITY Did not meet.

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE Did not meet.

PARISH ED: 10/1/23 Meeting Notes

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

Balance on hand

\$1,531.42 as of 10/2/23

Old Business

Rally Sunday on 9/10 was a success with approximately 70 kids attending.

New Business

We are working on picking out a Christmas Program.

Christmas Eve Program Practice Schedule:

- November 29th – 6:30pm-8pm - Grades 7 & 8
- December 6th – 6:30pm-8pm – Grades 2-8
- December 13th – 6:30pm-8pm – Grades 2-8
- December 20th – 6:30-pm-8pm – ALL Sunday School Kids

In case you missed the Sunday School calendar here are upcoming dates the kids sing:

- November 12- Kids of the Kingdom
- November 26 – Amigos
- December 3rd @ 6p – Candlelight Service (Amigos Sing)
- December 10 – Kids of the Kingdom
- December 24th @ 6pm – Christmas Eve Program (ALL Kids Sing)

PROPERTY & MANAGEMENT: Neal Meints, Conner Mason, Jordan Busboom, Alan Folkert

Old Business: Turned in Color selection for windows.

New Business: Will get tree cleaned up by parish hall.

Talked to James Buhr about plug ins for gutters.

Park Board: Greg Robinson, Terry Oltman, Paul Jurgens, Kenny Reed

Approved minutes as read.

Checking	\$4,513.67
Savings	\$4,206.67

Batting Cage	\$38,500+	
Bathroom	\$10,500.00	(\$8,000.00 donated
Retaining Wall, we have donation of \$8,000.00.		
	\$2,400.00 for blocks est. total	\$9,000.00

New Business: Pickleball Courts

Publicity: Did not meet

STEWARDSHIP: Did not meet

WILLIE & ANNA MEINTS ENDOWMENT: Did not meet.

WORSHIP & MUSIC: Did not meet.

YOUTH: Did not meet

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.

Bulletins Sponsored in October

The Week of October 8th: by Patty Thomas and family in Memory of Shirley Gronewold (her mother) for her birthday that would have been October 7th.

The Week of October 22nd: by Lorene Wallman in memory of Eldon (her Husband) who passed away 5 years ago on October 19th and his birthday would have been the 20th.

The Week of October 29th: by Alnora Daubendiek and family in Memory of Ed Daubendiek – His birthday was today.

Grace Circle News

Grace Circle met on Oct. 11th, 2023, at 1:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. The lesson Holy Places, Sanctuary was led by Mickey Larkins. The lesson closed with singing, Lord, prepare me to be a Sanctuary.

Chairwoman Elnora Lenners opened the meeting. Roll showed 8 members present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and treasurers' report was given. Treasury has a balance of \$112. Offering was taken. Janice Jurgens will be put on our inactive member list.

Thank You cards were read from Karen Gilbreath (birthday), Marsha Busboom (Warrens Table) and Jon Gronewold (serviceman).

Members gave 25 cents to the card fund for the rain that is coming. Halloween cards were signed to be sent to our shut-ins and serviceman.

Elnora reminded everyone to bring the Thank Offering box to the Nov. meeting. She also asked us to think about what we want to do for our Dec. meeting and where we would like to donate our treasury money.

Officers for next year are Elnora Lenners, Chairman, Mickey Larkins, Secretary/Treasurer, Betty Daubendiek, Action/Growth. Yearbook information was finalized.

No further business, the meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Secretary Mickey Larkins

Grace Circle members please bring your Thank Offering Boxes to the next meeting November 8th at 1:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

LWR Quilts for 2023

The ladies have worked so hard on the quilts this year like they always do! There are so many beautiful ones. Some have already been delivered to CASA, the Sober Living House in Beatrice, Table Grace in Omaha, we will be delivering some to the City Mission in Lincoln also. And we have saved some back for those that might find themselves in need. Denise and Gerald Ideus and Pastor and Karen will be delivering quilts and school kits to Omaha the Week of October 30th to be shipped to the warehouse in Minnesota. Here is a number of and where the quilts have gone so far.



LWR Quilts Boxed 125

CASA 17

Sober House 2

Table Grace 26

Saved back 16

Done so far 186 + working on some that will go to the City Mission in Lincoln

Also if anyone is clearing out their sheets and need to find a new home for them the quilting ladies would be happy to take them off your hands for future quit backings!



Zion's Candles, Carols and Christmas Stories

6 pm Sunday, December 3, 2023 – We will again be celebrating Zion's annual candlelight service on the First Sunday in Advent. We are inviting all of Zion's choirs to participate! Pastor will again be contacting individuals for solo music. We will also have narrators reading Christmas stories from 1800's to 1990's. Please attend this festive night!

All Saints Sunday

The saints that will be recognized on Sunday, November 5th are Elmyra Graham, Caroline Gronewold, Gary Ideus, Marilyn Folkerts, Elsie Zimmerman, Ethel Wallman, Brenda Jurgens, Ron Graham, and Marie Schoen.

We invite the families of these saints to stop by and take one of the roses on the altar home after worship.

We will also be recognizing these newest saints who were baptized this past year into our church family. They are Josephine Gronewold, Bexley Schuster, Kit Meints, Avery Frerichs, Emma Frerichs, Hooper Mencl, Sloane Sturek, Everlee Glynn, Kathryn Lineweber, Barrett Buss, Aspyn Schmitter, Wilke Siebert (will be baptized on November 5th).



Thank you received!

Thank you for the thoughtful donation of \$500.00 to the Hope Crisis Center. Your donation will go towards providing a safe shelter location for victims and their children. We and those we serve deeply appreciate your generosity!

The Hope Crisis Center Staff

We want to extend a heartfelt thank you for all the kindness shown to us with the passing of our mother and grandmother, Doris Dorn. We are blessed with supportive and caring family and friends. God Bless You All. The Doris Dorn Family

Thank you for the gift card to Harbor Freight for Pastor Appreciation Day!

Pastor Jer

Thank you to those that donated time and donations to the Warrens Table

Service Project Tuesday night September 26th. This community outreach touches the hearts of those that provide and receive and is a gift to our community. We served 114 with both inside and drive through dining. Thank you to the Zion Congregation members that donated hamburger, time prepping the hamburger and cookies and bars. Monetary donations from the Grace Circle and Thrivent Grants help fund the meal provided. Four Zion members served the meal from this well-organized church kitchen. Three women from Christ Episcopal church do the running for the drive thru with such caring hearts. During Covid the drive-through option was offered, and it continues and has become a ministry in its own. These women and/or members of the Episcopal church minister to those that maybe were not comfortable in coming in, they offer friendship, love and prayer in the parking lot, showing the love our Jesus calls us to do!

Thank you to Lynette & Eddie Dorn, John Busboom, Irene Busboom, Mary Lenner, Rhonda Dorn, VeAnn Jurgens, The Hollands, Amy Wallman, Sharon Schuster and Connie Thornburg for your part in this ministry.

God Bless ~Marcia

“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace” 1 Peter 4:10

Dear Zion Quilting Ladies

I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to everyone for the wonderful donation of quilts to CASA of Gage County. The smiles on the faces of the recipients are a direct reflection of the great things Zion does. Your efforts are not only appreciated, but also celebrated.

Amber Lovitt Gage County Executive Director

Dear Zion Lutheran Church

On behalf of all we serve through Table Grace Ministries, we'd like to sincerely thank you for your donation in the amount of \$4,864.00 Contributions like yours are vital as we continue our work of Nourishing Hungry Bodies and Souls". Because of the support of people like you, Table Grace is able to sustain its mission year after year through our Community Café', Music Ministry, healthy fellowship, Job Experience Program and Mobile Grace Food Truck.

Thank you again! With your help we will be able to continue dishing out Grace by the plate for all those in need.

Respectfully,

Matthew M & Simone G Weber

Dear Zion Lutheran Church,

On behalf of Legion Post 27, we want to express our heartfelt gratitude for your generous \$100 donation. Your support for our efforts in honoring and remembering our fallen heroes on Memorial Day by putting out American flags at the cemetery is greatly appreciated. Your contribution allows us to continue this meaningful tradition and pay tribute to those who have served our nation.

Thank you for your kindness and for standing with us in our mission.

Sincerely,

Aaron Crooks, Adjutant

Legion Post 27

Thank you church family for your monthly donations, to families that have given donations in memory of their loved ones, and to those congregational members that have given generous monetary gifts to the Endowment Foundation. It is thoughtfulness like this that has allowed the committee to be able to give towards projects that keep our beautiful church and parish hall a wonderful place to gather and worship. Most recent projects funded through the Endowment Foundation have been tuckpointing on the exterior of the church, the new elevator in the parish hall, the improvements made to the upstairs of the parish hall, and now the stained-glass window project. **Bless you all for these wonderful gifts!**

Zion Endowment Foundation Committee

GOOD NEIGHBOR & NEW MEMBER Sunday

During the past year, Zion has received seventeen new church family members. These new members have transferred their church membership to us, and it is now time to recognize them.

Amya Beach from St. John's Beatrice

Brandy Coffin, Brixton, & Brooks

from St John's Beatrice

Zach & Natalie Coffin, Chloe &

Sydney Brauer from Holy Cross

Beatrice

Ryan & LeAnn Harms, Coral – Ryan from Soap Creek, LeAnn

& Coral from Christ Lutheran

Heath Hovendick – Christ Church Episcopal Beatrice

Dale & Hannah Hrenchir - Dale was a former Zion member in

1984. Hannah from First Evangelical Church Lincoln

Deb Hrenchir – Trinity Lutheran- Fairfield California (also a former member of Zion)

Ernie & Janice Jurgens from First Lutheran in Wilbur (also

former members of Zion)

Janie Vrtiska – Sheridan in Lincoln



YOUTH NEWS

Thank you to all the Confirmation Kids and parents that helped with the roadside pick up on Wednesday night's service project. What a great group of helpers we had!

We picked up about 120 lbs of trash in the 6 miles we walked. Also, a thank you to Cindy Lieneman for walking the mile west of their house we were able to include that in the total miles walked (7). A **BIG thank you** to Eddie and Lynette Dorn for the donation of the hamburger for the sloppy joe meal.



Sunday School News

Christmas Program Practices for November & December

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LYON (Lutheran Youth of Nebraska)

Friends, fun, fellowship, learning, worship and prayer.

Deacon Ross Murray will be our guide as we dive into Ester and Nicodemus' stories of honesty and learn how we can advocate for the people and issues that are important to us. Bethlehem Wahoo youth are serving as our hospitality team. Amy Woods is planning service-learning activities. Gotta Be Me and Walk for Water are two of our afternoon workshops. Bishop Scott Johnson will lead the conversation as we explore how we are called to be mindfully honest while honoring the diversity of church and the communities where we dwell. And of course, a campfire and s'mores.

LYON 2023 – November 17-19, at Carol Joy Holling.

For details and to register go to <https://nebraskasynod.org/>



Do you have a special talent or treasure you would be willing to put on a silent auction for Zion?

The auction will begin November 5 with all proceeds going to the 150th Anniversary Celebration. We will **wrap up on December 3rd**. Perfect for gift giving this holiday season!

Pastor Jer has started the collection donating a quilt stand, an original painting of the church, and a chess/checkerboard the he has all hand made. Karen has also donated two quilts she has assembled & sewn!

Needing ideas? Below are some things to consider:

- Holiday baking of candies/cookies
- Holiday wrapping/ shopping
- Cleaning services
- Snow removal
- Babysitting
- Meat bundle
- Weekend getaway pkg at your second home
- Lawn Care service
- Football/ Baseball/ volleyball tickets for one game
- Endless opportunities!

Contact anyone on the committee if you have questions or something to donate.

YOUR VOCATION FOR THE MONTH

What you do for God!

WORSHIP LEADER SCHEDULE

November 5

Organist: Alnora Daubendiek
Acolytes: Bella Buhr
Brogan Ideus
Lector: Brian Garton
Greeters: Council
Special Music:
Breakfast Club: Need Volunteer

November 19

Keyboard: Janelle Ideus
Guitar: Deric Bloom
Acolytes: Logan Busboom
Kipton Lovitt
Lector: Amy Wallman
Greeters: Steve & Peggy Johnson
Paul & Cindy Jurgens
Special Music: Endless Hallelujah
Breakfast Club: Need Volunteer

November 12

Organist: Shirley Gronewold
Acolytes: Avery Busboom
Konnor Kolm
Lector: Gary Gronewold
Greeters: Gary & Brenda Gronewold
Linda & Gary Hooper
Special Music: Kids of the Kingdom
Breakfast Club: Mert Rademacher

November 26

Organist: Alnora Daubendiek
Acolytes: Henry Garton
Colt Rinne
Lector: Mickey Larkins
Greeters: Duane & Janice Parde
Lorene Wallman
Special Music: Amigos
Breakfast Club: Need Volunteer

November Altar Guild: Cheryl Folkert, Danelle Evers, Carrye Meints, Linda Blackwell, Denise Ideus

November Table Troop: Eddie & Lynette Dorn leaders, Gary & Brenda Gronewold, Dave & Carrye Meints, Kenny & Janet Schuster, Steve & Peggy Johnson, Larry Gronewold

Snow Brigade:

Week of November 6th: Greg Dorn Captain**, Dean Zimmerman – Tractor, Russ Wallman – Tractor, Paul Remmers, Craig Ideus, Terry Gronewold, Dave Holland, Alex Buhr, Mike Busboom.

Week of November 13: Matt Meints – Captain**, Les Lieneman – tractor, David Meints – tractor, Gary Wiese, Andy Schoen, Perry Jurgens, Kenny Jurgens, Josh Nelson, Jeff Wiese, Jason Lovitt.

Week of November 20: Jordan Busboom Captain**, Eric Parde – Tractor, Chris Fossler – Tractor, Duane Jurgen, Greg Robinson, Larry Johnson, Hunter Blackwell, Keith Parde, Steve Oltman, Donny Schuster.

Week of November 27: Alan Wiese Captain**, James Meints – tractor, Kenny Newman, Paul Jurgens, Gerald Ideus, Todd Bohlmeier, Brian Garton, Josh Gronewold, AJ Wiese.

Upcoming Changes to Zion

Fellowship after Worship



It has been suggested to discontinue ushering the congregation out of church to allow for conversation with others around you. We plan to try this for a few months to see how it goes. We hope you take the opportunity to visit with fellow Zion members and guests. Thank you ~ The Church Council

Communion Cards

When we are done with our current supply of Communion Cards the Council is also wanting to try ~ having the information printed on the back cover of the bulletin with the idea of tearing it off and handing it to the ushers as going up to communion ~ instead of having the cards in the pews. Will try this also a few times to see how this goes.

NOVEMBER
BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 Jerod Ideus
Tony Oltman | 11 Eloise Blecha
12 Cullin Bloom
Carrick Eickhoff
Gary Wiese | 20 Montanna Bender
22 Ernest Jurgens
Bernice Parde
Kaylyn Parde |
| 2 Donald Fossler
Lily Wiese | 13 Shirley Gronewold
Terry Oltman | Lorene Wallman
Della Dorn |
| 3 Deb Winkle | Larry Schuster | 24 Abby Hovendick
Neal Meints |
| 4 Alex Buhr | Debreigh Wendeln | 25 Hudson Ideus
Colt Rinne |
| 5 Jordan Freeman | 14 Elnora Leners
Dean Siefkes | 26 Bob Folkerts
Justin Hippen |
| 6 Madison Detert | Brian Sullivan | Ashton Niles
Amy Oltman |
| 7 Karen Buhr
Nevaeh Niles | 15 Micah Jensen
Burdette Schoen | 27 Scott Leners
Deb Hrenchir |
| 8 Allison Scott | 17 Cassie Eickhoff
Logan Hippen | 28 Luke Ideus
Ashley Oltman |
| 9 Ace Bartlett
Kalleigh Bender | 18 Cassie Thornburg
Elaine Waltke | |
| 10 Ellis Freeman
Kyle Kolm
Laura Parde
Brooke Barr | 19 Gerald Ideus | |



Operation Christmas Child

With the holiday season upon us we will again be collecting filled shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Operation Christmas Child is celebrating its 30th year of ministry this year. For some children this is the first gift box they will have ever received.



Send off week is November 13th-20th. A sample box, mailing labels and information can be found on the display table. Encourage your Sunday School classes or groups to build a shoebox together. Each box will require a \$10 donation for shipping and processing expenses. This will also allow for tracking as to the final destination of your package. We are hoping to receive a grant to cover some of these expenses through Thrivent.

Items that cannot be included in the boxes are listed on the information forms along with ideas for different age groups of children. Personal notes and photos can be included for the children as well. Information can also be found online at samaritanspurse.org. Let's make a difference by demonstrating God's love to these children in need during the holiday season.

Final pickup at Zion so can get to drop off spot is Friday November 17.

Any questions feel free to reach out. Karla Carstens 402-228-6318 or at karlakcarstens@gmail.com passe

Our Deepest sympathies to Shirley Reentz. Shirley called October 26th and said that her husband Rev. Dr. Jack Reentz passed away on October 14th in Ocala Florida. He was 87 years old. If you would like to send a card to Shirley, her address is:
6081 SW 103 Loop
Ocala, FL 34476
Her phone number is 352-861-8382. And the obituary and service is online at National Cremation Rev. Dr. Jack R. Reentz.

November 2023

			1 6 pm confirmation 7th & 8 th Drop off for LWR 9-4 Omaha	2 Drop off for LWR 9-4 Omaha	3 Drop off for LWR 9-4 Omaha	4
5 All Saints Sunday 8:45 SS 9 am BKF Club/Adult SS 10 am Worship/Men's Choir/Communion	6 NO Men's Choir	7 Text Study 6:30 pm Bible Study	8 1:30 pm Grace Circle Bring Thank Offering 6 pm confirmation 7th & 8 th 7 pm Committee Mtg 7:30 pm Council Mtg	9	10	11
12 8:45 SS 9 am BKF Club/Adult SS 10 am Worship/Kids of the Kingdom	13 7 pm Men's Choir	14 Text Study 6:30 pm Bible Study	15 6 pm confirmation 7th & 8 th	16 Ladies Aid	17	18
19 8:45 SS 9 am BKF Club/Adult SS 10 am Worship/Endless Hallelujah	20 7 pm Men's Choir	21 6:30 pm Bible Study	22	23 **Thanksgiving**	24	25
26 8:45 SS 9 am BKF Club/Adult SS 10 am Worship/Amigos	27 **Newsletter Print day** 7 pm Men's Choir	28 6:30 pm Bible Study	29 6:30-8:00 7 & 8 grade Christmas Program Practice	30 Ladies Aid		