

# MT. ZION HERALD

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## **When is the last time you invited friends or family to church?**

Many studies have shown that of those who are members of a Christian congregation, about 90% are there because they were brought or invited by a family member or friend. Special evangelism efforts can be used by God to bring unchurched people into the church. But the ordinary means our Lord uses is the day-to-day witness that Christians give in their daily vocations in their families and among friends and co-workers. It's within those authentic and genuine relationships that there will be opportunities to have sincere and in-depth conversations about the faith. It's within

those relationships that trust is built and an openness can be created to what God's

Word has to say.

So especially as we struggle with maintaining attendance and attracting new members, now is the time to ask yourself: Who can I invite to church or to come to an adult instruction class to learn more about the faith? Who could I be more intentional about speaking with regarding church and what Lutherans

believe? Am I hesitant because I fear what others will think more than I fear God? Do I have the salvation of other's souls in mind or just an earthly relationship? Now is the time to overcome our hesitancy and

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become more active in confessing our faith and encouraging others toward the fellowship of Christ's holy church. For only in Him is there eternal life and salvation. In this increasingly secularized and godless world, remember what the Scriptures say, "Behold, now is the

accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation" (2 Corinthians 6:2). God grant us all increasing faithfulness in confessing what we believe before others in both word and deed.

-Pastor Koch

## Jesus on Worry

*by Rev. Dr. Scott Stiegemeier*

In the Bible, Jesus says things like "do not be anxious" and "do not worry." That's a lot of pressure. You're having a bad day. You are having a hard time pulling your mind out of a painful cycle of fear and self-judgement. Then you remember that Jesus said, "don't be anxious." But you ARE anxious. So now you're not doing what Jesus told you to do, and maybe He's mad at you too, you worry-wart. It's like worrying means you're a bad Christian, or even a false Christian. Thus, on top of everything else, you now start to worry that maybe God's not on your side anymore. If you are worried that you are disappointing Jesus because you worry too much, then we need to re-frame the words

of Jesus in way that is more in line with what we know about the character of God. Think of it this way. If you are a small child and there is a terrible thunderstorm outside and



you are frightened, and then your dad puts his arms around you and says, "It's OK. Don't be afraid. You're safe. I'm here. Don't worry." Is he condemning a child for being afraid? No, He is telling you that you don't have to be afraid because he's right there, and he's got you. That's good news, not

condemnation, not accusation. So, when Jesus says, "don't worry," it's like He's saying, "You don't have to worry. You don't have to worry that God will take care of you. He will."

## Sacramental Sight & Creation

by Rev. Donavon L. Riley

One of the strangest lies of the modern world is this: that Christians have always treated creation like raw material. As though the world were only a storehouse of resources waiting to be stripped bare.

But this, to a great extent, is a post-industrial imagination, born from the era when factory smokestacks took the place of church towers and steeples as signs of power, and when efficiency became a god.

Unlike so many modern Christians who are indifferent — or contribute — to on-going pollution, soil loss, energy consumption, and environmental degradation, pre-modern Christians often saw creation very differently.

Read the Irish monks who blessed bees and wells, Saint Francis who preached to birds, the Anglo-Saxons who called the sea *hwæl-rād*—the whale-road, the Syriac Christians who spoke of creation as a great hymn of praise, or the medieval farmers who arranged their feast days and fasting days around grain, vineyard, lambing season, and harvest.



This was not pagan worship of nature. This was sacramental sight. This was holy seeing.

The world was recognized as filled with gift because it was made through Christ, held fast in Christ, and moves with groaning toward Christ. So forests were not only timber. Rivers were not only drainage ditches. Animals were not only stock to be counted. Creation was fellow handiwork beneath the same Maker's hand. And every Sunday, that vision is placed again

into our hands in the holy cup.

Before wine was poured into a cup upon the altar, it first lived as sunlight in vine leaves, rain sank into roots, soil raised grapes, and yeast breathed through crushed fruit.

Long before Adam learned the names of animals, the deep pattern of wine was already asleep in creation, because Christ intended that one day He would place that cup into your hands and say:

This is My Blood, given for you.

The Eucharist reveals what creation is for: not for stripping bare, but for thanksgiving. The old word *Eucharist* means thanksgiving because rescued people receive the world in another way:

not as owners, but as stewards; not as consumers, but as grateful guests.

If bread and wine can become bearers of divine mercy, then we must think again

before we treat the earth that brings them forth as something to be used up and thrown away.

## What Do You Want?

### *LCMS Stewardship Ministry*

One of the best-known and most-beloved psalms is Psalm 23, the “Shepherd Psalm.” There we learn that the Lord is our Shepherd. And since He is our Shepherd, we will not want. We will not suffer want because the Lord, our Shepherd, will lead us to green pastures and beside still waters. In other words, the Lord, our Shepherd, will provide for all that we need in both body and soul.

Yet, we live as though this is not the case. We live as though we actually suffer from want, that the Lord, our Shepherd, will not provide for all that we need. And thus, we live as though the Lord is not our Shepherd. And that means that we live as though we are not the Lord’s sheep.

When do we live as though the Lord is not our Shepherd? When we put anything else before Him and His provision for us. When we think that going to work is more important than receiving His gifts in church on Sunday (in violation of the First and Third Commandments). When we fail to give generously of the first fruits of what the Lord has provided for us because we don’t know what the future will bring (even

though He has promised that He will lead us to green pastures and still waters).

We live as though we are not the Lord’s sheep when we think that the Lord is only in the business of helping those who will help themselves. We act this way because our minds are set on earthly, temporal things and not on heavenly, eternal things. We act this way because we have stopped hearing the call of our Shepherd, which comes through His Word.

Through the Word of God, the Shepherd calls us to Himself. Through the Word, the Holy Spirit gathers and enlightens us with His gifts. Through the Word, we are kept holy and nourished in the one true faith, the faith that follows our Shepherd wherever He leads us. He promises to lead us to our true home, to the land flowing with milk and honey, to a better country, not of this world, but a heavenly one.

And so, here’s the Good News: the Lord is your Shepherd, even and especially for wayward sheep. For Jesus seeks and saves those who are lost. He finds the lost sheep and carries them back to the fold. He is the Shepherd who lays down His life for His sheep. The Lord is your Shepherd. Let us live as His sheep.

## News from Missionary Micah Wildauer

**Greetings in the name of our risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.**

"If the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you."  
Romans 8:11

I write to you this day with praise to God Almighty for His gracious provisions and a brief email update of our family. Thank you for your continued and numerous prayers on behalf of our family these past eight months. Today also marks the end of the Easter season and the entrance into the celebration of Pentecost where the Church receives the gift of the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life.

As many of you know, Robin was diagnosed with breast cancer back in October 2025. We made the quick and temporary move to Bremen, Indiana, where Robin could receive treatment at the Center for Cancer in Goshen, Indiana. She made it through her prescribed six rounds of chemo and recently underwent surgery to remove the cancerous tissue that remains. By God's grace, she is on the road to being cancer free. She has received the pathology report from the surgery and is awaiting an appointment next week with the surgeon to understand the next steps. We are uncertain whether she will need radiation, further surgery, more diagnostics, or will be free to go. Please pray for her ongoing recovery from surgery and for a clear report for this next doctor's visit on Tuesday. For those who would like to know more or see previous updates, please click on the following Caring Bridge page (a sign-in may be required): Robin's Caring Bridge

Seeing the change of the seasons in northern Indiana has been fascinating for our kids. None of them truly remember winter and snow, but it was noted on how everything appeared cold and dead though covered in bright snow (and lots of it!). With Christ's resurrection, we celebrate the birth of new life as seen everywhere. We are newborn souls in the new creation to come, this through faith in Christ and His victory over death. Where cancer tried to usher in the fear of death, Christ reigned throughout this season for us in which we have never lost hope in Him. For Robin especially, her confidence in Christ has not wavered. Christ is our hope and life.

May the joy of Christ's resurrection remain eternally yours.

Your servants in Christ,  
Pastor Micah Wildauer & Family  
LCMS Missionary—Church Planter, Belmopan, Belize

## Learn Pickleball at Mt. Zion with Joe and Judy

Have you wondered about what all the excitement is about pickleball but haven't had an opportunity to ask?

Are you interested in a social activity with fellow Christians?

Have you wanted to find a fun activity to get a little exercise?

Join us for an Introduction to Pickleball Get Together! We will talk through and show the basics of the game and allow time to get on the court and practice the basics of serving and returning the ball. Then we will start playing an actual game to learn how the scoring and rotation of players is done.

Pickleball is played by people of all ages and abilities - from beginners who have little to no team sports experience to advanced players. So join us if you've never played, or if you know the game and want to help others learn it.

Even though the game is played in pairs, you don't need to come with a partner. You will rotate in and be paired up. If you do come with a partner, you will also rotate and could be playing opposite them. But the most important rule in pickleball is that everyone HAS FUN and is considerate of other players.

What to know:

- Dress comfortably for getting a bit of exercise.
- Wear clean tennis shoes. If it's wet outside, wear a different pair of shoes into the building and change into your tennis shoes so we don't get moisture on the court.
- Bring a pickleball paddle if you have one, otherwise there will be several to use.
- Bring a refillable water bottle.

A few other things to know:

For liability reasons, by participating in this activity, you agree to not hold Mt. Zion liable for any injury you might sustain while playing. We will discuss the importance of safety and ways to avoid injury.

For the same reason, we are not opening this to the public. We also have only one court to play on which limits us to 4 people playing at one time - ideally only 8 people per session to allow everyone a good amount of playing time.

But we will try to have plenty of time slots to allow anyone who would like to participate.

Children 12 and older will be able to join us but younger children with experience with playing a ball-hitting sport may also be successful.

Anyone playing will be asked to assist with setting up and taking down, which includes moving the tables and chairs and putting the net together and taking it down.

After a few times playing, you will be ready to join a social league in your community or at an athletic facility. We will share information about some in our area.

If there is interest, we can discuss continuing to have dates and times for playing at Mt. Zion or organizing outdoor play together.

For any questions, call Judy Beiler at 414-758-3449 or text with a date and time you plan to attend. We look forward to a time of fun and fellowship with you!

Dates for Learn to Play:

Tuesday June 2, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Friday June 5, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Saturday June 6, Noon - 3 pm

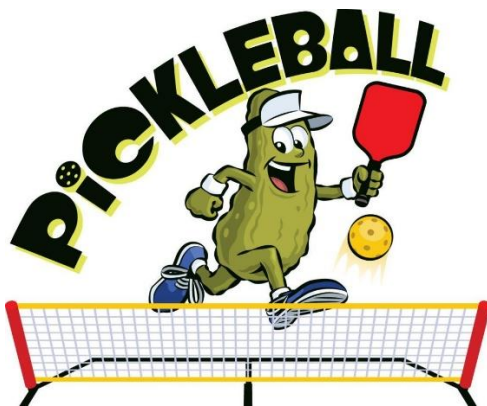
Tuesday June 9, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Thursday June 11, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Monday June 15, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Friday June 19, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

More dates can be added depending on interest.





The Ladies' Guild will no longer be sponsoring a rummage sale, so please do not drop off items in the church basement. Blessed Again Resale Shop (7624 W. Hampton Ave.) would be a great place to donate your items. Thank you for all of your support for our sales during the past decades.

The next meeting of the Guild will be on September 8, 2026. All ladies are invited.

## Lutheran Witness Subscriptions

New and renewal subscriptions for *The Lutheran Witness* are due in June. Sample copies are in the narthex. Please sign up on the table in the narthex or contact Sara Kohlmeier if you would like to add a subscription. Cost is \$23.50/year (\$1.95 per issue).

## June Ushers & Communion Assistants Schedule

Sunday, June 7	9 AM	Joe B./Brayden N.	Communion Asst. – Rhett Nowotny
Sunday, June 14	9 AM	Jacob Frusti	Communion Asst. – Joe Beiler
Sunday, June 21	9 AM	Jake Tietyen	Communion Asst. – Dan Kohlmeier
Sunday, June 28	9 AM	Brayden Nicholson	Communion Asst. – Rhett Nowotny

### Saturday Usher

Saturday, June 6	5 PM	Kyle Wendtland
Saturday, June 13	5 PM	Eric Lawson
Saturday, June 20	5 PM	Matt Kalchbrenner
Saturday, June 27	5 PM	Joe Beiler

## July Ushers & Communion Assistants Schedule

Sunday, July 5	9 AM	Andrew Brondos	Communion Asst. – Joe Beiler
Sunday, July 12	9 AM	Levi Frusti	Communion Asst. – Dan Kohlmeier
Sunday, July 19	9 AM	Dan Kohlmeier	Communion Asst. – Joe Beiler
Sunday, July 26	9 AM	Brayden Nicholson	Communion Asst. – Rhett Nowotny

### Saturday Usher

Saturday, July 4	5 PM	Eric Lawson	
Saturday, July 11	5 PM	Kyle Wendtland	
Saturday, July 18	5 PM	Matt Kalchbrenner	
Saturday, July 25	5 PM	Blake Taylor	

## August Ushers & Communion Assistants Schedule

Sunday, Aug. 2	9 AM	Jake Tietyen	Communion Asst. – Joe Beiler
Sunday, Aug. 9	9 AM	Jacob Frusti	Communion Asst. – Dan Kohlmeier
Sunday, Aug. 16	9 AM	Blake Taylor	Communion Asst. – Rhett Nowotny
Sunday, Aug. 23	9 AM	Jason Leon	Communion Asst. – Dan Kohlmeier
Sunday, Aug. 30	9 AM	Levi Frusti	Communion Asst. – Joe Beiler

### Saturday Usher

Saturday, Aug. 1	5 PM	Kyle Wendtland	
Saturday, Aug. 8	5 PM	Matt Kalchbrenner	
Saturday, Aug. 15	5 PM	Eric Lawson	
Saturday, Aug. 22	5 PM	Kyle Wendtland	
Saturday, Aug. 29	5 PM	Matt Kalchbrenner	



June : Sara Kohlmeier

July: Barbara Cooper and Brenda Kalchbrenner

August: Marlaina Socha and Coral Taylor

# Birthdays and Anniversaries



Happy Birthday to the following Mt. Zion members:

## June

3 <sup>rd</sup>	Richard Cook	16 <sup>th</sup>	Kyle Wendtland
4 <sup>th</sup>	Carol Kosloske	17 <sup>th</sup>	Eugene Miller
5 <sup>th</sup>	Fallon Meiling	21 <sup>st</sup>	William Halverson
6 <sup>th</sup>	Zoe Frusti	28 <sup>th</sup>	Rebecca Grek
8 <sup>th</sup>	Kimberly Tietyen	28 <sup>th</sup>	Ruth Young
16 <sup>th</sup>	Harper Nicholson	29 <sup>th</sup>	Jacob Tietyen

## July

10 <sup>th</sup>	Rick Voit	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Jean Jordan
15 <sup>th</sup>	Shirley Boehlke	24 <sup>th</sup>	Chloe Wieting
15 <sup>th</sup>	Madelyn Grek	25 <sup>th</sup>	Karen Jeffrey
15 <sup>th</sup>	Scott McIntosh	30 <sup>th</sup>	Donald Savaglia
18 <sup>th</sup>	Daniel Wilant		

## August

1 <sup>st</sup>	Kathleen Rowell	21 <sup>st</sup>	Jodie Awe
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jill Widenski	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Lois Leslie
4 <sup>th</sup>	Lowell Tietyen	24 <sup>th</sup>	Luke Wieting
5 <sup>th</sup>	Barbara Cooper	25 <sup>th</sup>	Kevin Ernst
9 <sup>th</sup>	Megan Lawson	25 <sup>th</sup>	April Leon
12 <sup>th</sup>	Jeremy Tietyen	25 <sup>th</sup>	Ralph Manske
16 <sup>th</sup>	Ethan Lawson	29 <sup>th</sup>	Cary Stelloh
18 <sup>th</sup>	Christie Halverson		

# Baptismal Anniversaries

## June

1<sup>st</sup> Di Anna Halverson  
2<sup>nd</sup> Ashley Leon  
7<sup>th</sup> Zoe Frusti  
11<sup>th</sup> Madeline Halverson  
14<sup>th</sup> Gabrielle Beiler

17<sup>th</sup> Michael Halverson  
20<sup>th</sup> Kyle Wendtland  
26<sup>th</sup> Carol Kosloske  
26<sup>th</sup> Sawyer Nicholson  
28<sup>th</sup> Brayden Nicholson

## July

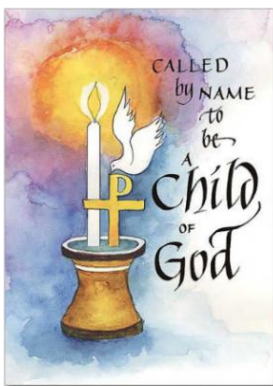
1<sup>st</sup> Richard Cook  
7<sup>th</sup> Kimberly Tietyen  
10<sup>th</sup> Jill Bayer  
21<sup>st</sup> Jacob Tietyen

26<sup>th</sup> Fallon Meiling  
28<sup>th</sup> Ruth Young  
29<sup>th</sup> Harper Nicholson  
30<sup>th</sup> Chloe Wieting

## August

1<sup>st</sup> Jean Jordan  
1<sup>st</sup> Scott McIntosh  
3<sup>rd</sup> Shirley Boehlke  
4<sup>th</sup> Rick Voit

8<sup>th</sup> Rebecca Grek  
10<sup>th</sup> Barbara Cooper  
25<sup>th</sup> Megan Lawson  
31<sup>st</sup> Karen Jeffrey





## Happy Anniversary to the following couples:

### June

16<sup>th</sup> Dan and Sara Kohlmeier (42)  
20<sup>th</sup> Luke and Hannah Wieting (11)

21<sup>st</sup> Rev. Aaron and Laura Koch (40)  
24<sup>th</sup> Lowell and Judy Tietzen (31)

### July

11<sup>th</sup> Andrew and Kelly Pergande (17)  
17<sup>th</sup> Bradley and Julie Stack (22)

24<sup>th</sup> Ralph and Beverly Manske (44)

### August

3<sup>rd</sup> Joe and Judy Beiler (35)  
6<sup>th</sup> David and Sharon Czerwinski (43)  
10<sup>th</sup> Cory and Carolyn Nicholson (24)

19<sup>th</sup> Tim and Becky Grelk (20)  
26<sup>th</sup> Rhett and Michelle Nowotny (3)

## Official Acts

### Funerals

+Gordon David Hakala+  
Died: April 21, 2026  
Funeral: April 28, 2026  
at Mt. Zion

+Dale Delbert Wehrman+  
Died: April 30, 2026  
Funeral: May 8, 2026  
at Mt. Zion

Join us for  
**Vacation Bible School**



**Theme: River of Life**



**July 27-31**

**9:00 am - 11:30 am**

**3K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Welcome**

**Our Father's Lutheran School**

**6023 South 27th Street**

**Greenfield, WI 53221**

**Phone Number: 414-282-8220**

**Register  
HERE by  
Friday,  
June 26!**



**Sign up to  
volunteer  
HERE!**



## Daily Bible Readings

*(Readings in italics are optional extended readings.)*

June 1	Eccl. 9:1-17 John 9:24-41	June 17	Prov. 17:1-28 <i>Prov. 18:1—20:4</i> John 16:17-33
June 2	Eccl. 10:1-20 John 10:1-21	June 18	Prov. 20:5-25 <i>Prov. 21:1-31</i> John 17:1-26
June 3	Eccl. 11:1-10 John 10:22-42	June 19	Prov. 22:1-21 John 18:1-14
June 4	Eccl. 12:1-4 John 11:1-16	June 20	Prov. 22:22—23:12 John 18:15-40
June 5	Prov. 1:8-33 John 11:17-37	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	Prov. 24:1-22 John 19:1-22
June 6	Prov. 3:5-24 John 11:38-57		June 22
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	Prov. 4:1-27 John 12:1-19	June 23	Prov. 27:1-24 <i>Prov. 28:1—29:27</i> John 20:1-18
June 8	Prov. 5:1-23 <i>Prov. 6:1—7:27</i> John 12:20-36a	June 24	Prov. 30:1-9, 18-33 John 20:19-31
June 9	Prov. 8:1-21 John 12:36b-50	June 25	Prov. 31:10-31 John 21:1-25
June 10	Prov. 8:22-36 John 13:1-20	June 26	Joshua 1:1-18 Acts 8:1-25
June 11	Prov. 9:1-18 John 13:21-38	June 27	Joshua 2:1-24 Acts 8: 26-40
June 12	Prov. 10:1-23 <i>Prov. 11:1—12:28</i> John 14:1-17	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Trinity</b>	Joshua 3:1-17 Acts 9:1-22
June 13	Prov. 13:1-25 John 14:18-31		June 29
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	Prov. 14:1-27 John 15:1-11	June 30	Joshua 5:1—6:5 Acts 10:1-17
June 15	Prov. 15:1-29 John 15:12-27		
June 16	Prov. 16:1-24 John 16:1-16		

# **Mt. Zion Lutheran Church**

## **Church Council Meeting**

Tuesday, May 12, 2026

In the absence of President Scott McIntosh, Vice-President Blake Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. 7 members were present.

Pastor Koch opened the meeting with a meditation on the week's Old Testament reading from Numbers 21.

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes from the April 2026 meeting were accepted as printed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Andrew Brondos presented a printed report for April. The report was approved as presented.

**President's Report:** Pastor Koch reported that President McIntosh is at home and his cancer is in remission. He is working to regain his strength. Scott welcomes calls and visits.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Koch said that this Sunday will be the final week of the regular Bible Class and Sunday School schedule. He will be leading Summer Bible Classes on individual topics. He reported that he will be gone the last half of June, as he and Laura celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary. Pastor Fabrizio will fill in for him while he is gone.

Pastor is planning to teach an Adult Instruction class in the Fall, as long as there are at least two prospective participants.

A circuit Ascension service will be held on Thursday, May 14th at Our Father's, beginning at 6:30 p.m. He encouraged all of us to attend. We will not be attending Higher Things this year. Pastor said that it will probably be an every other year event for us.

### **Membership Changes**

**Transfers in** - Jim and Lana Hertel from Hales Corners Lutheran Church, Hales Corners, WI

**Removed from Membership** - (These will need to be ratified at our next Voters' Meeting.)

Megan Lawson, moved to Minnesota

Sally (Kalchbrenner) Pattie (Attending Salem Covenant Church in Minnesota)

Lois Leslie, living in Indiana and sadly, has joined a Non-Christian religious body

Don and Karen Savaglia, self-exclusion

## **Board Reports**

**Elders:** Blake Taylor and Rhett Nowotny are planning a mini-golf outing for the men's group. It will be held on a Sunday in late June. Watch for more details. The elders also discussed membership changes.

**Trustees:** Michael Halverson was unable to attend the meeting, but he provided a written report. The Spring clean-up is scheduled for May 30th beginning at 9:00 a.m. The sump pumps have all been installed. He received quotes from Certa-Pro for painting the exterior of the church. Since no donations have been received for this fund, it was moved, seconded, and passed to proceed with painting the exterior of the church, including the three crosses, with two coats of the same color, to be paid with money in the memorial fund.

**Education:** There will be a joint VBS with Our Father's again this year, It will take place at Our Father's the mornings of July 27-31. Volunteers are still needed.

**Outreach:** Pastor Koch contacted Michael Usner regarding a monthly maintenance package for our website. The cost would be \$147/month. After discussion, it was moved, seconded, and passed that we would try this service for the rest of the year and then evaluate the benefits to us. When we put together the next budget, we will decide if we should renew the service.

**Old Business:** We shared details of the pickle ball discussion with members who could not attend last month's meeting. Andrew was instructed to contact the insurance company and come up with a simple waiver for participants to sign.

Lawyer Angela Knight sent a letter on our behalf to the lawyer representing Joy Fricke's estate, and as of today, it appears that the matter is settled. Pastor expressed gratitude for Angela being willing to do this for us pro bono.

**New Business:** Michael Halverson requested approval to spend \$1500 to purchase two commercial dehumidifiers for the church basement. The council approved the expense, with funds to come from the church and parsonage maintenance budgeted line item.

Pastor Koch asked if the council would be willing to present a motion that Mt. Zion serve as the sponsor of his June 2027 Luther/Germany tour. The council approved setting up a restricted fund to hold tour receipts until payments are due.

With no other new business presented, the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Pastor Koch closed the meeting with the Collect for the week.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sara Kohlmeier  
Secretary

Upcoming Meetings for 2026  
Voters' Meetings - 6/14/26; 9/13/26; 12/13/26  
Church Council - 10/13/26; 11/17/26

**Treasurer's Report for April 2026**

**Beginning of Month Balance Retained In Checking: \$23,201.41**

Receipts		Expenses	
Plate Offerings	\$13,360.50	Salaries/Wages	#####
Weekly Envelopes	\$6,083.00	Pastor's Home Equity Fund	\$325.00
Electronic Offerings	\$9,669.06	FICA	\$576.51
Communion/Altar	\$101.15	Utilities	\$1,465.24
Missions	\$74.74	Pension & Insurance	\$3,167.16
Gift & Memorial	\$16,321.86	Car Allowance	\$461.55
Buck of the Month	\$15.00	Conferences	\$58.50
Mt. Zion Care Team	\$250.00	Church & Parsonage Maintenance	\$67.11
Thrivent	\$62.00	Grounds Maintenance	\$205.00
Interest	\$0.37	Sunday School	\$179.41
		Music/Choir	\$309.77
		Worship Supplies	\$360.42
		Dues, Subscriptions, & Fees	\$1,303.00
		Office Supplies	\$97.34
		Postage	\$23.41
		Guest Pastor	\$150.00
		Prepaid Expenses	\$1,640.92
		Mt. Zion Care Team	\$142.35
<b>Total Receipts for April 2026:</b>	<b>\$45,937.68</b>	<b>Total Expenses for April 2026:</b>	<b>#####</b>

**Restricted Funds in Checking as of 4/30/26**

Communion/Altar	\$145.61	Congolese Outreach	\$500.00
Missions	\$3,750.19	Mt. Zion Care Team	\$359.48
Gift & Memorial	\$23,488.03	Pastor's Home Equity Fund	\$2,600.00
Buck of the Month	\$2,235.76	New Window Fund	\$1,160.00
Outdoor Painting Fund	\$0.00	Water Fountain Fund	\$0.00
Germany Trip	\$0.00		

**Operating Fund as of 4/30/26**

	Beginning of Month Balance	<u>\$23,201.41</u>
	Receipts	\$45,937.68
	Expenses	-\$21,565.72
	End of Month Balance	\$47,573.37
	Restricted Funds	\$34,239.07
	Actual Operating Funds	<u>\$13,334.30</u>

**Year-To-Date Change in Account Balance as of 4/30/26**

	Year-To-Date Receipts	\$114,250.09
	Year-To-Date Expenses	-\$87,247.43
	Change in Account Balance	<u>\$27,002.66</u>

Submitted by Andrew Brondos, Treasurer, on 5/12/26



The 2026 **Issues, Etc.**  
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b> Justin, Martyr	<b>2</b>  Pickleball – 6:30-8:30	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Boniface of Mainz, Missionary to the Germans  Pickleball – 6:30-8:30	<b>6</b>  Pickleball – Noon – 3 pm  Divine Service –5 pm
<b>7</b> Divine Service – 9 am  Bible Class - 10:20 am	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>  Pickleball – 6:30-8:30	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> St. Barnabas, Apostle  Pickleball – 6:30-8:30	<b>12</b> The Ecumenica I Council of Nicea, AD 325	<b>13</b>  Divine Service –5 pm
<b>14</b> Elisha Divine Service – 9 am  Voters' Meeting – 10:20 am	<b>15</b>  Pickleball – 6:30-8:30	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>  Pickleball – 6:30-8:30	<b>20</b> Buck of the Month Divine Service –5 pm
<b>21</b> Buck of the Month Divine Service – 9 am Lutheran Witness Orders Due	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> The Nativity of St. John the Baptist	<b>25</b> Presentation of the Augsburg Confession	<b>26</b> Jeremiah	<b>27</b> Cyril of Alexandria, Pastor and Confessor  Divine Service– 5 pm
<b>28</b> Irenaeus of Lyons, Pastor  Divine Service –9 am	<b>29</b> St. Peter and St. Paul, Apostles	<b>30</b>				<b>Private Confession &amp; Absolution:</b> Sat. 4:15-4:45 or Sun. 8:15- 8:45 or by appointment

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