



# ANNOUNCEMENTS – January 29, 2023

## This Week at Zion

### Sunday, January 29 – Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

8:30 a.m. Classic Worship – Sanctuary/ with Children’s church  
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School/Youth, Adult Bible Study  
 & 101 Membership Class  
 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship – MMC/ with Children’s church  
 4:00 p.m. Confirmation

### Monday (1/30)

*[Pray for those outside the faith.]*  
 10:00 a.m. Monday Morning Bible Study

### Tuesday (1/31)

*[Pray for our ministry together as we seek God’s face.]*  
 6:30 p.m. Men’s Bible Study

### Wednesday (2/1)

*[Pray for all that work for the well-being of our communities.]*  
 9:00 a.m. Forest-Aires

### Thursday (2/2)

*[Pray for the healing of those who face long recoveries.]*  
 10:00 a.m. Women’s Guild Meeting  
 7:00 p.m. Monthly Trustees Meeting

### Friday (2/3)

*[Pray for those in medical, governmental, and educational settings.]*

### Saturday (2/4)

*[Prayer Walk Your Neighborhood. Share the good news of Christ!]*

### Sunday, February 5 – Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

8:30 a.m. Classic Worship – Sanctuary/ with Children’s church  
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School/Youth, Adult Bible Study  
 & 101 Membership Class  
 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship – MMC/ with Children’s church  
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## From The 66...

### 1 Corinthians 1:18

**“Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?”**

God’s ways are certainly not the world’s ways, including the way God tells us to manage the resources He’s given to us. The world says, “hold on, hold back and gather up.” Jesus says to store up treasure in heaven where moth and rust do not destroy and where no thief breaks in to steal. Whose way do you think is best? What is wiser: the wisdom of the financial gurus or the foolishness of God?

## & the book of numbers.

### LAST WEEK:

#### God’s People Assembled: (as of 1/22/23)

Classic 8:30 am: 59  
 Contemporary 11:00 am: 54  
 Online: see us on Facebook and zionlc.org (worship tab)  
 8:30 a.m. Children’s Church: 6  
 11:00 a.m. Children’s Church: 2

Christian Education Youth: 14 Adults: 22

#### God’s People Give with *Treasure* (as of 1/22/23)

Digital: \$1,190.00  
 In-person: \$2,791.00

#### God’s People’s Response through December 2022:

Giving: \$563,487; Expenses: \$563,487  
 Budget: \$541,199

*To hit stewardship forecast for 2022: \$10,408/ week*

For ways to contribute please go to our website [www.zionlc.org](http://www.zionlc.org) and look under the “Give” tab. Thank you for your continued support!

## Happy Birthday!

## Happy Anniversary!

For the safety of our members and friends we have blocked out this section. If you’d like a copy in full, please contact Zion, [office@zionlc.org](mailto:office@zionlc.org). Thanks!

## Looking Ahead. Giving Back. Noting an Opportunity.

**Red Letter Challenge (RLC) – BEING challenge 2023** – Last year we highlighted the *Red Letter Challenge*, the red letters of Jesus, through a 40-day devotion and sermon series. Being, Forgiving, Serving, Giving, Going. In 2023, we will drill down into that and present the BEING challenge. In it we will be discovering habits to develop our discipleship (our “doing”) through remembering that it comes first through our “being” with Jesus. Book are in the atrium. Questions about the series, ask PJ. Ask Chris about the book, family connections, and missional community connections/ possibilities.

**One At A Time -- Sunday Adult Bible Study** – Nobody grows up dreaming of waking up, going to work, heading home, watching Netflix, scrolling through social media, and then doing it all over again the next day until their last breath. We all want to be used to change the world. But it's easy to get caught up in the everyday stuff of life until the years slowly go by, and with each passing year, the question seems to get louder: *Am I making any difference in this world?* Making a difference isn't measured by a viral post or a name on a building. It isn't determined by a following or a fan base. It isn't dependent on what's in your bank account or who's in your contacts. Want to make a difference? Focus on the One. Then focus on the one. That's it. *One at a time*. Dan Hamilton is leading.

**New Members Class – Discipleship 101** – Adult Bible Hour – We'll learn not only about some of the foundations of the church but go through the Bible as well. Interested? Contact PJ! More to come.

**Sunday School** is studying a series on The Life of Jesus that will last the rest of the school year. The youth are continuing their study called Dark Room Faith, which looks at the deep questions of faith that reside in the dark corners of our minds.

**Children's Church** is intended for ages 4-9. Older kids (age 10+) are encouraged to be upstairs in the worship service and so that confirmation students can take sermon notes. One adult helper and one teen helper are needed each week; contact Chris Graves ([cgraves@zionlc.org](mailto:cgraves@zionlc.org)) if you would like to take turns being that helper. **Nursery** -- Our nursery is for children ages 0-3. We have a paid nursery attendant, and the hours are 8:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Parents, you are welcome to keep your child with you in the worship service if you prefer, but if they have the wiggles and you want to take them to the nursery, please be sure to sign them in before heading back upstairs to the worship service.

**Weather Cancellation Information** -- In the event that Sunday and/or church-wide ministry events need to be cancelled for weather-related reasons, leadership will do three things: 1) A post will appear on our FB/ Instagram page(s), 2) A mass email will be sent out, and 3) a cancellation notice will appear on WCPO (ABC 9) and WKRC (CBS 12). The listing will be: "ZION LUTHERAN - ANDERSON TWP." or "Zion Lutheran - Anderson". For smaller/ more specific weekday events, ministry leadership will attempt to contact through email, text, and/or phone as soon as possible. If you personally cannot make it or decide not to brave the elements and are in a volunteer position for the event, please contact the ministry/ event leader directly as soon as possible to cancel. Thanks!

**LCMS Life Grant Update** -- Last year (2022), Zion applied for and received a *Life Ministry Million Dollar Life Match* grant from the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS) to make an impact in and support local pro-life efforts. The given grant amount was \$2500! Along with that, Zion added \$5000, committed from its own giving in 2022, and we were able to bless *A Caring Place* ([acaringplace.org](http://acaringplace.org)), a local pregnancy help center, in its efforts to serve the Mt. Carmel area and beyond. Lastly, many in our congregation purchased items specifically for *A Caring Place* from the Christmas giving tree in the atrium and added to that support. All-in-all, we thank God, the LCMS, and all who gave at Zion, for the ability to support local pro-life efforts, families, and children in acts of mercy in our greater community! -PJ

**Survey Monkey - Survey Results** -- Thanks to all who took the time for the digital survey sent out early this year (2023). We are ever-striving to best utilize the spiritual gifts, passions, and experiences of our people for better connection and growth in the faith of Christ and the community of believers here at Zion. Thanks again for your time given! -PJ

**Craft and Devotion Kit for Kids and Families** -- If you would like a craft and devotion kit for kids and families at Lent, please contact Chris Graves ([cgraves@zionlc.org](mailto:cgraves@zionlc.org)) by **January 29**.

The next **Zion Women's Guild/LWML** meeting will be held in our Fellowship Hall on **Thursday, February 2 @ 10:00 a.m.** We will pray for our college students and pack 'goodie' boxes to send to them. All ladies are invited to join us.

**Altar Care Volunteers:** Thanks so much to everyone who has offered to help out in the new year!

**Zion's Children's Ministry** is hosting a family movie night on **Friday, February 3, 6:30 p.m.** We will have movie snacks, but please bring your own beverage. The movie is TBD, so watch for the title soon! RSVP to Elizabeth Hoffmann ([elizabeth.hoffmann@uhealth.com](mailto:elizabeth.hoffmann@uhealth.com)).

**Spaghetti Dinner** -- The youth ministry is hosting the annual spaghetti dinner fundraiser on **Saturday, February 11**. Reservation times are 5:00-7:00 p.m. and the cost is a freewill donation. Make a reservation in the atrium or through Sign-up Genius. We hope you can come! [Click this link to sign up!](#)

**Flowers given for the Glory of God** are provided by Soozie Tomes, For the Blessing of our first born, Emily; LaVerne Macke, In Memory of her Husband, Don. **Trustees – we thank our trustees for their care of God's House!** If you happen to see something concerning as you drive by the building or have a building-related issue, please contact: Dave Boyles, 513-504-3050 -- Trustee