

April Echo

Monthly News & Updates

From the Pastor's Desk

New Life In Christ!

Have you ever wanted to live in an actual castle? I'm sure that there are some who would say yes. It seems that you might have had your chance in Italy a few years ago. In 2017, Italy was giving away 103 properties for free, including castles! What's the catch, you ask? Boredpanda.com says that these castles are in a state of advanced disrepair. Buyers must pay for the renovations that are in accord with the historical architecture. That could cost millions of dollars for the new owner!

If you want a castle, you have to pay for your own renovations.

Nicodemus is a man we read about in the Scriptures. He came to bury Jesus' body in a tomb along with Joseph of Arimathea. John 19:39 says, "*Nicodemus also, who earlier had come to Jesus by night, came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds in weight. So they took the body of Jesus and bound it in linen cloths with the spices, as is the burial custom of the Jews.*"

Nicodemus earlier had come to Jesus by night. This is the same guy who had an encounter with Jesus in John chapter 3. Nicodemus was a Pharisee, who was all about keeping the Law. The Pharisees followed all 613 commandments found in the Mishnah. As a Pharisee, and a member of the Sanhedrin, Nicodemus believed that one had to follow all the commandments in order to be counted as righteous.

He was trying to restore his own life.

However, Jesus tells Nicodemus in John 3, "*Unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.*" Jesus gets right to the point with good ole Nic. Your greatest and best works will not do. You must be born again. Jesus will use that term, 'born again' eight times in eight verses!

Of course, Jesus is talking about baptism. Through the water and Word, we are born again. In baptism, God delivers to us all that Christ accomplished on the cross and the empty tomb. He gives us a complete restoration that is 100% free! How many of you caused your own birth? Did any of you have the doctor ask you to push yourself out of the womb? Did any of you decide that you would be born? Those are all silly questions. None of us can cause ourselves to be born. In the same way, the Holy Spirit has brought you into life. Luther says that baptism, "works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare." (Small Catechism, Baptism, Part 2). In the Large Catechism it says, "Here in baptism there is freely brought to everyone's door such a treasure and medicine that it utterly destroys death and preserves all people alive." (LC, IV, 43)

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Upcoming Events

- April 13- Christ in the Passover
- April 14- Maundy Thursday
- April 15- Good Friday
- April 16- NO SAT WORSHIP
- April 17- Easter Sunday
- April 23- Steps of Hope
- April 23- Confirmation Examination
- April 24- Confirmation
- April 28- LWML Meeting

For More Events visit our Google Calendar

(Click link below)

[Zion Lutheran Calendar](#)

It seems that Nicodemus got the message in John 3 as he shows up again in John 19. He left behind the idea of trying to renovate his own life by his own good works. You are new creation in Christ! The old has gone, and the new has come! You have been restored, forgiven, and renewed in Jesus' death and resurrection!

Come worship with us this Easter as we celebrate the new life we have in Christ!

Easter Sunday Worship:

Sunrise Service – 7am

Inside Traditional Sanctuary Worship – 9am & 11am

Outside Contemporary Worship – 9:15am

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MEMORIALS

If you would like to donate in memory or celebration, please contact the church office at zionchurch@zionnewpal.org

In Memory of Marlis Ortel

To: Zion Lutheran Church

From: Gerald & Karen Roesener

From: Mike & Judy Imel

From: Arnola Coffman

From: Tom & Nancy Frandescon

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ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to donate altar flowers, please use the sign up link or contact the church office at zionchurch@zionnewpal.org

April 24 2022

Altar flowers were given in celebration of Eliot Bloomer's Baptismal Birthday by Dennis and Cheryl Singer

To Sign up, please click the arrow in the bottom right corner or click on the link below

[Sign Up Genius](#)

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READERS/ USHERS

Readers

8AM Service

4-3- Jeff Rosenthal

4-10 Joel Brutcher

4-17 Dennis Singer

4-24 Tim Frank

10:30AM Service

4-3 Martin Kottlowski

4-10 Nic Elizondo

4-17 Pastor Baumann 11am

4-24 Keith Wheeler

Ushers

8am Service

*Tim Frank

Kurt Radtke

Jeff Rosenthal

Jim Reiman

Alicia Rode

10:30am Service

*Dean Landes

Bill Spalding

Rick Folkening

Kerry McKinley

John Felgenhauer

Altar Guild

8am- Lesley Grotelueschen

Kathy Trautmann

10:30am- Tonia Chisham

Jodee Tuggle

5pm- Sandy Meyers, Tina

Machina

Acolytes

April

April 9- Kaitlyn Scroeder

April 10- 8am- Heidi Bloomer

Mission of the Month

Support for Displaced Ukrainians

As the situation in Ukraine continues, the church prays for peace and for those in harm's way. The LCMS International is working with several Lutheran church bodies and missionaries in Europe to help our brothers and sisters in Christ as they are displaced from the war. April's Mission of the Month will go to the LCMS to help in that effort. You can simply write 'Mission of the Month' in the memo of your check, or give through our online option.

Birthday's

March

1- Candace Carter
Donna Griffin
Jacob Spalding
Michelle Wolfla
2- Chelsea Everhart
3- Martin Ellis
Patrice Green
Kaysone Saysana
4- Marilyn Rathmacher
Kim Willoughby- Archer
5- Darla Carter
Steven Roland
Randy Wood
6- Adam Ellis
Emily Randall
Stephen Schroeder
7- Rowan Althaus
9- Alicia Dirr
Carson Lundquist
Brianna Zieger
10- Jagger Finchum
Donald Riley
Lynda Utt
11- Maryellen Carter
12- Darcy Finchum
13- Chase Erwin
Luba Settlemyre
14- Mandi Dodd
Molley Wilkins
Ellie Zartman
15- Brenna Bailey
James Dudley

15- Logan Haynes
Caroline Riffle
Elizabeth Wall
16- Joshua Dirr
Tom Finchum
17- Anna Amberger
Nicholas Bradley
18- Jim Diller
19- Mary Atkins
Casey Koons
Kaitlynn Naffzinger
Karina Noyed
20- Janus Cook
Dean Everhart
Josie Noyed
Jason Singer
21- Noah Finchum
23- Bob Meister
24- Austin Boothe
25- Bryan McKee
Noble Mitchell
26- Gracie Castner
Sondra Craig
Darcy Miller
27- Kellen Belk
Abigail Singer
Ethan Sturgeon
28- Jeff Rosenthal
Jodee Tuggle
29- Daniel Bowers
30- Pam Harrison
Christopher Morris

Anniversaries

April 4- Fred and Myra Huber
April 11- Nic & Haley Elizondo
April 17- Doug & Kathy Schildmier
April 18- Michael and Hilary Grady
April 18- Gary and Sharon Standerfer
April 20- Tom and Donna Visnack
April 20- Tom and Tami Phillippe
April 22- Chris and Jackie Koons
April 23- Mark and Jodee Tuggle
April 28- Jeff and Carol Rosenthal



Welcome New Members!

We welcome you in the name of the
Lord!
Casey, Mandi, Nora & Becca Dodd
Jack & Kristy Dempsey

March Baptisms

Wyatt Isaiah Nichols - March 5th
Elise Mae Schildmier- March 6th
Adalyn Grace Wallen- 3/13

Sunday School, Bible Studies & Small Groups

Men's Bible Studies

Thursday's at Sero's - 6 am. Contact Bill Spalding at wkspalding@sbcglobal.net for more information

Women's Bible Studies

The ladies of Zion will meet on Thursdays during lent @ 6:45pm in CRA. Contact Melissa Amberger with questions, Kathleen.melissa@gmail.com

Sunday school Classes

- A Study of the Large Catechism in Conference Room A at 9:15 am with Pastor Baumann
- Children PreK - 6th Grade in Various rooms . (Begins in the Cafeteria) **NO CLASS APRIL 2**
- Jr./Sr. High Youth in Youth Room. **NO CLASS APRIL 2**
- Discover Zion in Pastor Taylor's office Sunday mornings at 9:30am. There is also an opportunity to zoom. Meeting ID 957 9470 5546, Passcode 44v0hk
- Marriage Class in 5th Grade class room at 9:15am led by Kristie Sombke

Tuesday Bible Study

- The Gospel of Mark on Tuesday's at 9:30am in Gathering Area with Pastor Taylor

Glorify God With Music

- Please Join Us Raising Praise Zion Lutheran Church Handbell Choir Rehearsal on Wednesday 6:45-7:45 p.m. In the Sanctuary Contact: Carol Rosenthal croenthal@zionnewpal.org.
- Following a very long pandemic break; it's time to tune our voices and start singing again as a group. Welcome all soprano, alto, tenor, & bass voices... no prior choir experience needed! Please contact Lynda Utt at 317-508-1353 or lyndao410@hotmail.com if you would like more information.

Confirmation Class:

Public confirmation classes will take place Sundays at 5 p.m. in Conference Room A.

In Our Prayers...

In Our Prayers Members:

Don Ortel, Althea Rudisell, Mindy Althaus, Bob Robertson, Ann Dunaway, Helen Heffelmire, David Trautmann, Dan Groteleuschen, Diane Morris, Bill McDowell, Pam Harrison, Kathy Morrison, Lois McDowell, Janus Cook, Steve Lewer, Melissa Waterman, Ron & Lois Blackwell, Addison Bowers, Tami Phillippe, Mike Imel, Paul Ortel, Rose Polster, Vernice Gish

Family & Friends:

Oguerita McKinney, Jim & Mary Sue Kraft, Justine Handley, Rita Hartzburg

Announcing...

March Board Meetings

April 5- Board of Christian Education

April 12- Elders

April 27- Outreach

April 28- LWML Meeting

Steps of Hope Walk/Run

5K Saturday, April 23rd at 9am.

Register at <https://runsignup.com/Race/IN/NewPalestine/stepsofhope>.

Steps of Hope Ministry was created to support grieving families due to miscarriage, infant loss, and infertility. This is often a mourning that families keep to themselves. It is difficult to share the unseen. We connect with these families and offer support. We've shared devotional books, meals, and caring conversations.

Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the Lord. Psalm 31:24

Questions or if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact Jena Schumacher or email stepsofhopeministry@gmail.com

LuFest 2022 – April 8

Join us at the **LuFest**, LHS's 40th annual dinner-auction, on **Friday, April 8**. Celebrate the blessings our Lord has provided through Lutheran High School and raise money to support its ministry. Get more info, reserve your seat at LuFest.org.

We seek donations of new, high-quality items, services, or experiences to include in the auctions.

Please drop them off at the LHS office weekdays between 7:30 am and 4:00 pm by March 25.

Questions? Contact Julie Pflug, 317-224-1108 or jpflug@lhsi.org.

Changing Electronic Giving

Electronic giving to Zion has been available thru VANCO for several years. It was accessible from the Zion website “Give Plus” link or the “Give Plus” phone app. Late last year, VANCO modified their system and replaced the “Give Plus” link and “Give Plus” phone app with a new “VANCO” link and “VANCO” phone app. The link can be accessed from the Zion website “zionnewpal.org” just like the “Give Plus” link from the past. But for those who were using the “Give Plus” phone app, they must convert to the new “VANCO” phone app.

Delete your old “Give Plus” phone app and install the new “VANCO” phone app from your app store. The mobile app code for Zion Lutheran Church is “ACWW92”.

Restore Rejoice- Hearing Loop

We rejoice in the new installation of the hearing loop system at Zion.

Users with a t-coil in their hearing aid can now listen to the sound system directly through their hearing aids. Please check with your hearing care professional to see if your hearing aid is equipped with a t-coil and properly adjusted. Non-hearing aid users can pick up a loop receiver and listen through a headset. Visit www.ThunderHearing.com for more information or call 855-566- 7488 x4 to talk to our friendly customer service. For more detailed information about loop systems, visit our installer’s website www.ThunderHearing.com

You Can Make a Difference!

We are looking to Expand Zion’s Visitation Team for 2022! Monthly 1-2 people visit, call, or send cards to members who would benefit from this contact. Ironically some of our most active & committed visitors in the past, now find themselves on the receiving side of this ministry. Thank you for serving in this role! Volunteers are needed, so we can continue this ministry without making it a burden to just a few. The only qualification is a Caring Heart. As they say: Many hands make light work. Please prayerfully consider joining our team. Glorify God by sharing Christ’s love with those ill or shut-ins by serving on Zion’s Visitation Team. Contact Cheryl Singer, Parish Nurse with any questions or interest 317-861-8635.

LWML Save the Date

All women are invited to our quarterly meeting on Thursday, April 28, 2022 at 6:30pm in the gathering area. The speaker will be Jane Schmidt of Little Angels Gowns- the organization that transforms used bridal outfits for stillborn babies. Light refreshments will be served. Upcoming dates: The Spring Rally Zone will be held at Cornerstone Lutheran Church in Carmel on Saturday, May 7. The LWML Indiana District Convention will be held at Concordia Lutheran High School Fort Wayne, June 17-19, 2022.

Christ in the Passover - Wednesday, April 13th @ Zion Lutheran Church 6pm-8pm

Please join us for Christ in the Passover as a representative from Jews for Jesus will be present to walk us through the Seder meal. Christ in the Passover shows the link between the ancient Festival of Redemption and Christ the Lamb of God. The missionary from Jews for Jesus will use visual items walk through a Jewish Passover seder, weaving the story of the Exodus together with the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

We will begin with a simple meal together at 6pm. The Passover presentation will begin at 630pm. A love offering will be collected for the missionary from Jews for Jesus. Please Contact the church office to sign up at zionchurch@zionnewpal.org or 317-861-5544 or use the link below.

[Sign Up Link](#)

Wednesdays In Lent @ Zion Lutheran
Beginning on March 2nd - Dinner @ 5:30pm
Worship @ 7pm
Witnesses to Christ: People from His Passion

John tells us why he wrote his Gospel: “Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name” (John 20:30–31). Life! When we believe that Jesus is the Christ, God gives us life—abundant life, forgiven life, and eternal life.

Historically, the Fourth Gospel is likened to an eagle—an image that suggests John soars to heights of glory and grandeur. That’s because the evangelist paints a stunning portrait of Jesus, who is the bread of life, the resurrection and the life, and the way, the truth, and the life. Life in Jesus. That’s God’s gift to you!

This Lent, our life in Christ will be strengthened as we hear the witness of those in John’s Gospel who journeyed to the cross. Along the way, we’ll meet villains, such as Barabbas and Pontius Pilate, as well as sinners, such as Peter (who denied Jesus *three* times), Mary Magdalene (who was possessed by *seven* demons), and Judas Iscariot (who betrayed Jesus for *thirty* pieces of silver).

Please join us for worship as we hear the witness of these people in John’s Gospel:

Wednesday, April 6th: *Pontius Pilate*, John 19:1–16

Lenten Dinners

There will be a free will offering dinner provided each Wednesday at 5:30pm during Lent.

Holy Week Services

Maundy Thursday at 7pm

Good Friday at 4pm & 7pm

NO SATURDAY WORSHIP

Easter Sunday

Sunrise worship at 7am

Traditional Worship at 9am & 11am

Contemporary at 9:15 (Outdoors)

Please bring your lawn chairs

**Easter Breakfast will be provided by youth from 8am- 10:45am

Easter Egg Hunt

Between Services at 10:20am

Begin at Dani’s Dreams Pavilion

CONNECTING WITH COLLEGE STUDENTS

On behalf of Parish Services please consider supporting staying connected to College Students. The weekend of April 9/10, there will be packages mailed to the twenty-four (24) college students for which we have current information on.

These packages should arrive when they are back from Spring Break! Please consider contributing funds or donating items to include in the packages. Some ideas could be: *travel sunscreen, chapstick, travel hand sanitizer, candy, snacks, instant coffee, hot chocolate, gum, novelty items, notes of encouragement, small school supplies, etc.* We have commitments for donations of *homemade cookies, toothpaste and toothbrushes. A collection box was placed in the Narthex in March. Thank you in advance for supporting Parish Services' College Connections. Please contact Jeannette Steward (jnetsteward@gmail.com), Mary Gobble or Jill Scott with any questions or comments.

For any college student for which we don't have current school/address information for, please send that to Jeannette Steward at jnetsteward@gmail.com

EASTER EGG HUNT

Please join us on Easter Sunday (April 17th) for our Easter Egg hunt. It will begin at approximately 10:20am (between services). We will gather at the Dani's Dreams Pavilion to get into our age groups then let the kids have some fun. *Also, we are in need of candy donations to make this a rousing success.* Be on the lookout for a basket in the gathering area to place individually wrapped candies. If you would like to help or have questions, please contact Brady Gurganious at bgurganious@zionnewpal.org.

WOODLAND TERRACE

Pastor Taylor will be leading worship at Woodland Terrace Sunday, April 3rd at 2pm.

COULD YOU HELP?

Zion Church & School is in need of paper towels. Please drop off any donations to the church & school office. Thank you for your help to keep Zion clean!

PUBLIC CONFIRMATION

Public confirmation will be Sunday, April 24th at 1pm. Everyone is invited to join the confirmands and their families in a full worship service at 1pm at Zion. A celebration for the confirmands will follow at the Sugar Creek Silos, 1164 W 300 S, Greenfield, IN

CEMETERY

We are coming upon the spring and summer seasons. The cemetery will need mowing. Please remove all flowers and memorials off the ground by May 1st in order for the mower to get around the cemetery.

FAITH COURSES

Have you ever read a book and thought, "**that was really good, but if I had someone help me process what I just read, it would mean even more to me!**" Good news! Concordia Publishing House (CPH) has just the thing for you. Take a look at cphfaithcourses.com. There you can see what 'courses' or books you can purchase to read through and watch instructional videos that enhance what you are reading. This can be done by an individual or in a group setting. Note: you will need to set up an account with CPH to access the videos. If you should see one that interests you or a group you are connected to, please let Brady know how he can help you. (bgurganious@zionnewpal.org)

Confirmands 2021-2022

Lucy Bailey
Austin Boothe
Heidi Bloomer
Reagan Bowers
Gabrielle Brown
Abigail Engler
Jadon Junkins
Tanner Mitchell
Victoria Miano
Delaney Pass
Kaitlyn Schroeder
Isabelle Singer
Elijah Taylor



Together with their families,
The honour of your presence is requested at the

8th Grade Confirmation
at Zion Lutheran

1pm

Starting Promptly
at 1 PM

Sunday

24

April

Zion Lutheran Church
6513 W 300 S
New Palestine

Reception to follow at the Sugar Creek Silo's from 4pm -6pm.

Reception:
Sugar Creek Silos

1164 W 300 S
Greenfield, IN, 46140

4-6pm

www.zionnewpal.org
317-861-5544

ZION SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

In It Together

And let us consider one another in order to provoke love and good works, not neglecting to gather together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging each other, and all the more as you see the day approaching (Heb. 10:24–25).

Provoking love and good works, providing encouragement, and gathering sound like effective ingredients for a good and productive relationship, event, or project. We can share that kind of partnership as we work together with children and families that we share in ministry at Zion.

In it together with us, in fact leading the way and working right next to us and doing the best of work, is the Holy Spirit. We work in subjective partnership not only as we teach God's Word but also as we practice it. We also get together to grow in our relationships with parents, students, and our congregation to strengthen our ministry, and celebrate each other. We can worship with each other and enhance our spiritual partnerships.

As partners in the Gospel, we work together to avoid those things that get in the way of growing relationships. Sin and Satan like to erect spiritual obstacle courses within ourselves and among our partners—running interference that seeks to rob us and others of the blessings of our partnership. When hardships rob us of the partnership, we run for shelter and sustenance to God's Word and supplication with Him to glue our partnerships together. He does just that.

And so, we can say with Paul, *I give thanks to my God for every remembrance of you, always praying with joy for all of you in my every prayer, because of your partnership in the Gospel from the first day until now (Phil. 1:3–5).*

As we come to the last two months of the 2021-2022 school year, we have built a great partnership. As come to the end of this school year, let's all remember to... Enjoy God. Enjoy our partnership. Enjoy the opportunity to grow in Christ. We are all in this together. Isn't it a great place to be?

Honor Roll for the 3rd Quarter

Congratulations to our middle school students on their hard work and determination throughout the third quarter!

5th Grade

High Honors: Dean Everhart, Noah Finchum, Owen McMurray, Emilee Neff, Abigail Singer

Honors: Caiden Cartwright, Layla Durham, Ethan Engler, Aidan Grimes, Liam Whittaker

Honorable Mention: Callie Atkins

6th Grade

High Honors: Quade Bloomer, Eleanor Everhart, Lanie Greene, Lillian Pass, Josiah Werner, Ellie Zartman

Honorable Mention: Ella Boyd, Naomi Eckart, Jacob Ledbetter

7th Grade

High Honors: Ema Amberger, Reagan Crabtree, Laney Salyer, Taylor Stone, Maddux Tindall

Honor Roll: Miriam Gurganious

8th Grade

High Honors: Abbey Engle, Tanner Mitchell, Delaney Pass, Kaitlyn Schroeder, Isabelle Singer, Elijah Taylor

Read-A-Thon 2022

Read A Thon has been a Success. Congratulations Zion students read for a total of 103,375 minutes!!! Students have earned an Ice Cream Party!

Now for some exciting results! Our 2nd Grade class knocked it out of the park with a grand total of 8577 minutes read! Way to go 2nd Grade!!! 8th Grade squeaked by 2nd grade with highest class participation with 55.5% (8th) and 54.55% (2nd) .

Let's give special recognition to this year's top readers:

Jacob Ledbetter (6th) with 2166

Hadley Warner (1st) with 1848

Penelope Ostermyer (2nd) with 1580

Our students have done a great job getting sponsors, but here's a special shout out to those with 3 or more:

Richie & Drew Shoop, Everett Boyette, Ellyanna Lee, Joshua Rulli, Eliot & Quade Bloomer, Grace & Ema Amberger, JD Dishroom, Owen McMurray, Madison Holton, Emma Branch, Lottie Robertson, Andrew Schildmier, Victoria Paul, Logan Haggard(5), Hadley Warner(7), and Vivian Frazee with a record 10 sponsors!!

Again, thank you for supporting your amazing reader(s) and the library at the same time!
Melissa Amberger, ZLS Librarian

Celebrations in February and March at Zion

Over the past months, Zion students have had some opportunities to celebrate together.

2-22-22 was a day to Dress up, eat tacos, and remove the masks from the daily protocols of the school day. Students and Staff enjoyed celebrating together and enjoying one another's smiles throughout the school!

March 2nd and 3rd Preschool students celebrated Dr. Seuss and the writings he has created for children.

March 3rd Zion students prepared boats for the Annual Sci=Fest. Students were able to create a boat that would hold marbles at Zion. Students in grades 3-8 who won at Zion were able to participate in the Sci-Fest at LHSI. Congratulations to our winners...

March 14 Pi Day was celebrated in Middle School as students identified the number 3.141593..... on 3-14-22

March 17th Preschool students celebrated their 100th Day of the school year. Students wore or brought in “100” of something special.

March 23 and 25 were celebration days with our parents on Parent Visit Days. Zion was honored to welcome parents into the school to see their students in action, take a walk through the halls, and enjoy a snack. Building relationships is an important part of what we do, having parents join us makes it even better!

Middle School Authors presented their final presentations of their research projects to their classmates

2nd Grade March Book Madness allowed students to prepare a Book Talk to encourage others to read their favorite stories. Congratulations to Portia Finchum on receiving the Golden Book.

5th and 6th Grade Students and Parents - God's Design, My Best for You

In 5th and 6th grades, parents and students are invited to a retreat entitled "God's Design, My Best for You." The retreat will be for parents and their children to discuss human sexuality and God's design for His people. We are blessed to offer this every year at Zion.

Talking to our children is easy until it comes to the topic of their changing bodies and sexuality. Studies conclude that the more openly parents talk to their teens about sex, the less active kids will be in premarital sexual behavior. Surprisingly, over 70% of parents do not attempt to guide their children in education and conversations about sexuality. We want the families of Zion to discuss this critical topic together before the world talks to our children about it.

Please mark your calendars to attend this retreat with your son or daughter on Saturday evening, April 9 and Sunday, April 10, at Zion Lutheran. More information will follow to register you and your child. The Pre-Retreat Parent meeting will be on Tuesday, April 5th at 6:00 pm. Parents will have a Pre-View of the weekend and how to prepare.

PTL Events

It's Time for Spring Flowers! Let Us Help You Get Yours!

Now, it is time to purchase your spring flowers for your home and support PTL, at the same time. The beautiful flowers we have had in the past will be offered again this year from Schlegel Nursery. Flower order forms have been sent home earlier this month. Look and see what beautiful display you would like at your home this year. Orders are due by March 31. Flowers will be available for pick up at Zion on Monday, April 26, from 3:00 – 6:00 pm. Funds from this year's Spring Flower Sale will go towards hanging systems for displaying artwork in the hallways.

PTL April meeting will be announced soon. The April meeting helps prepare for the final months of the school year, including Flower Sale Pick-Up, Teacher Appreciation Week, Parent Events, and End of the Year Picnic. Look for an opportunity to serve your school and classroom as we come to the end of the year.

Giving thanks for our Administrative Assistants at Zion

Join us in celebrating and thanking our Administrative Assistants/Secretaries on Wednesday, April 27th. We are thankful for Liz Amberger, Kapri Briones, Sara Everhart, and Lindsay Ruth.

Enrollment for 2022-2023

Zion continues to offer Christian education to students and families in our community. The coming year is exciting as we prepare for additional students and families at Zion. We do have several classes that are full for the 2022-2023 school year. If you, or someone you know, is looking for Christian education, please be sure to contact our Admission Director, Lindsay Ruth or Principal, Kristie Sombke. Getting your child off on a great path is important. We are here to support you as you make those decisions.

Holy Week

Zion staff and students will focus in on Jesus Death and resurrection during Holy Week. Chapel for K-8 students will be on Good Friday, April 15th. Preschool students will attend their regular Wednesday chapel. K-8 students will attend chapel on Good Friday at 9:00 am.

Spring Events

***All Good Things* - Fine Arts Festival at Zion**

Zion will host its own Fine Arts Festival this year on Thursday, April 21st. Zion will be hosting Clinician Josh Pedde, from Indianapolis Children's Choir Director. Mr. Pedde will lead the students through the day as they learn and finesse the work prepared through the spring semester. The evening will conclude with a Special Fine Arts Concert on Thursday, April 21st at 6:30 pm. The concert will be held in the Gymnasium.

Field Trips

In our Upcoming Events, you can see that there are opportunities for classes to do extended learning off campus. Several classes will have Field Trip for off-campus learning and enrichment. Teachers are honored to have parents participate by driving students to activities as needed.

Summer Camps

Many families have asked about Camp opportunities for their children for the summer. Look at some listed below. Staying active in the summer is a great way to take up some new and exciting learning opportunities. IUPUI, LHSI, Camp Lakeview, Camp Lutherhaven, or Purdue

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Questions or if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact Jena Schumacher or email stepsofhopeministry@gmail.com

Spring Track 2022

Spring Track season will begin this month. Athletes in 5th-8th grade are invited to join the team this spring. Thank you to our coaches who will lead our team this spring: Carl Schumacher, Marla Stone, and Krisha Werner.

Upcoming Events to Mark on Your Calendars

Be sure to look at the events and activities listed below. This will help as you plan your spring months of the school year. If you have any questions, contact your child's teacher, the school office, or Mrs. Sombke

Flower Sale Orders Due – March 31

Spring Break - March 27 - April 1

God's Best for You Parent Meeting – April 5

Lu-Fest 2022 - Lutheran High School of Indianapolis' Annual Dinner and Auction – April 9

God's Best for You Retreat for 5th & 6th Grade – April 9 & 10

Holy Week – April 10-17

4th Grade to IMS – April 14

Maundy Thursday – April 14

Good Friday K-8 Chapel at 9:00

Easter Sunday - 17

Easter Monday, No School - April 18

Kindergarten Field Trip to Farm to Table – April 21

Fine Arts Festival - April 21

Midterm for 4th Quarter – May 22

All Lutheran Schools Track Meet - April 22

Steps of Hope Walk-Run – April 23

Public Confirmation of Faith – April 24

PreK to Children's Museum – April 26

Administrative Assistants Day – April 27

6th Grade Outdoor Education – April 27 & 28

Zion Walk-A-Thon – April 29

7th & 8th Grade Class Trip – May 3-6

5th & 6th at Indianapolis Indians Baseball Game

Teacher Appreciation Week – May 9-13

PreK End of the Year Celebration – May 15

Preschool 3's End of the Year Celebration – May 17

4th Grade Trip to Corydon – May 17

Zion Track and Field Day – May 20

K-8 Awards Day – May 26

8th Grade luncheon – May 26

8th Grade Graduation – May 26 at 7:00 pm

Last Day of School – May 27