

ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

FEBRUARY HIGHLIGHTS

J100 Continues!

Please join us each Sunday during worship for the J100 Challenge
Also, please join one of the discussion groups available:

Sundays @ 10:10AM in Zion's Quilter's Room

Sundays @ 7:00PM at the Waterville Fire Station

Mondays @ 7:00AM at the Coffee Gallery in Waterville on Third Street next to Subway

Wednesdays @ 10:00AM in
Zion's Conference Room

Wednesdays @ 7:00AM at
Dino's Restaurant, Maumee

Thursdays @ 7:00AM in
Zion's Conference Room

Thursdays @ 5:00PM in Zion's Library

SOUP SUPPERS AND LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICES
Every Wednesday from February 22 through March 28
Soup Supper at 6:00pm
Worship Service at 7:00pm

WORSHIP HOURS

Traditional Service 9:00 am
Sunday School 9:50 am
Contemporary Praise Service 10:45 am

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Dear Partners in Mission,

Happy New Year! Zion Lutheran Church is thankful for each and every one of you who call Zion your home church. We truly do consider you partners in mission, as each and every one of us is needed to fulfill the mission God has given to Zion.

In the past few years, our church has prayed about how we can better serve our community and become a resource for health, education and spiritual growth. We want to know that if we closed our doors, people would miss us and the loving service we offer to our city. The Pockets of Hope free tutoring program is one excellent way we have been reaching out to students and their families, and now we would like to announce two new additions to our church outreach efforts: a fitness center and an indoor children's play area. Both of these new additions are open and available for your use as well as the use of others in our community. We know it can be hard to find time to exercise and come up with extra money for gym memberships, so we wanted to offer a free and convenient place for people to exercise. The fitness center includes a recumbent bike, treadmill, elliptical and Total Gym XLS. There are also some small barbells, bars, kettle weights stretch-bands, an exercise ball, medicine ball and workout videos for you to use.

Because it can be difficult to find places for kids to play during the winter, we also set up a small play area in the fellowship hall as a place for young children to get rid of some of their limitless energy. The kids play area has a crawl-through caterpillar, a play house with a soccer goal and basketball hoop, toy cars and ride-on cars, blocks and a little bus with a slide. If you would like to donate an item for our play area, please stop by the church office and talk with us first.

As we said earlier, the fitness center and play area are available for you to use free of charge. They will be open during office hours--Monday-Friday from 8:30am-3:00pm. The fitness center will have extended hours on Tuesdays from 6pm-7:30pm, Wednesdays from 7pm-9pm and Thursdays from 5pm-7:30pm. Additional days and times may be available on certain weeks when requested. We ask that you sign in at the church office or in the fitness center each time you exercise. You may also want to explore connecting with other families and taking turns watching the kids play as one of you gets in a workout. We highly recommend that you do not work out alone, but always have a 'fitness buddy' come along with you.

These new additions were funded and made possible by your votes on the Mission Endowment Fund ballots. Thank you for helping us make this church a better resource for our community!

God's peace be with you,

Pastor Dan and Pastor Steve



Fitness Center



Caterpillar



Play House



J100 Bible Reading Plan for 2012

	Essential Jesus	
Jan 8- Jan 14	WHO IS JESUS?	Stories 1-5
Jan 15- Jan 21	The Need for a Savior	Stories 6-10
Jan 22- Jan 28	Previews of a Savior	Stories 11-15
Jan 29- Feb 4	Psalms About a Savior	Stories 16-20
Feb 5- Feb 11	Prophecies About a Savior	Stories 21-25
Feb 12- Feb 18	More Prophecies About a Savior	Stories 26-30
	NEW TESTAMENT	
Feb 19- Feb 25	The Birth of Jesus	Stories 31-35
Feb 26- Mar 3	The Beginning Ministry of Jesus	Stories 36-40
Mar 4- Mar 10	The Sermons of Jesus	Stories 41-45
Mar 11- Mar 17	The Parables of Jesus	Stories 46-50
Mar 18- Mar 24	More Parables of Jesus	Stories 51-55
Mar 25- Mar 31	The Miracles of Jesus	Stories 56-60
April 1- April 7	The Crucifixion of Jesus	Stories 76-80
April 8- April 14	The Resurrection of Jesus	Stories 81-85
April 15- April 21	More Miracles of Jesus	Stories 61-65
April 22- April 28	The Prayers of Jesus	Stories 66-70
April 29- May 5	The Hard Sayings of Jesus	Stories 71-75
May 6- May 12	The Early Church of Jesus	Stories 86-90
May 13- May 19	The Second Coming of Jesus	Stories 91-95
May 20- May 26	WHO IS JESUS TO YOU?	Stories 96-100
May 27- June 2	Ending Celebration	YOU DID IT!



Who is Jesus?

1. Truth Beyond Facts: John 1:1-18
2. Living Like Jesus: Philippians 2:1-11
3. It's All About Jesus – Colossians 1:15-23
4. What is God Like? Hebrews 1:1-4
5. The Big Church: 1 Peter 2:4-10

The Need For a Savior

6. It's Sin! Genesis 3:1-24
7. Stupid Sin: Exodus 32:1-33:6
8. Not Just the Bad Guys: Psalm 14:1-7
9. He's Against It: Isaiah 59:1-21
10. Ho, Ho, Ho? Amos 5:1-27

Previews of a Savior

11. Significant Symbols: Exodus 12:1-30
12. True Bread: Exodus 16:1-35
13. The Snakes: Numbers 21:4-9
14. The New Temple: 1 Kings 8:1-21
15. Running on Empty: Jonah 1:1-4:11

Psalms About A Savior

16. The Case for Christ: Psalm 2:1-12
17. At the Cross: Psalm 22:1-31
18. Deep Waters: Psalm 69:1-36
19. Who's Talking? Psalm 110:1-7
20. Try to Remember: Psalm 118:1-29

Prophecies About a Savior

21. Chosen People: Genesis 12:1-9
22. The Good Shepherd: Jeremiah 23:1-9
23. O Little Town of Bethlehem: Micah 5:1-5
24. The Humble King: Zechariah 9:9-17
25. Future Clues: Zechariah 12:1-13:9

More Prophecies About a Savior

26. God With Us: Isaiah 7:1-25
27. Hope for the Future: Isaiah 9:1-8
28. Chosen Servant: Isaiah 42:1-9
29. Man of Sorrows: Isaiah 52:13-53:12
30. Mission Statement: Isaiah 61:1-11

The Birth of Jesus

31. Favor With God: Luke 1:26-56
32. Just the Facts: Matthew 1:18-25
33. Blockbuster Truth: Luke 2:1-40
34. Searching for Jesus: Matthew 2:1-23
35. His Father's Son: Luke 2:41-52

The Beginning Ministry of Jesus

36. This is My Son: Matthew 3:1-17
37. Deliver Us From Evil: Luke 4:1-13
38. Who's He Think He Is? Luke 4:14-30
39. With Authority! Luke 4:31-44
40. The Leadership Style of Jesus: Luke 5:1-11

The Sermons of Jesus

41. The "New" Reality: Matthew 5:1-48
42. Hungry For God: Matthew 6:1-34
43. The Great Communicator: Matthew 7:1-29
44. No More Mr. Nice Guy: Matthew 23:1-39
45. The End: Matthew 24:1-51

The Parables of Jesus

46. Have Mercy! Luke 10:25-37
47. Rich Toward God: Luke 12:13-21
48. Happy Meal: Luke 14:1-24
49. Sinners Welcome! Luke 15:1-32
50. Uncommon Prayer: Luke 18:1-14



THE FAITH 5: FAITH ACTS IN THE HOME

We want to equip and empower parents to connect what is happening at church to their lives at home, showing their children that faith is not just a "church thing," but a relationship with God that involves everything we do, everywhere we go, every day of the week. To help families to accomplish this, we have embraced the Faith 5 concept created by *Faith Inkubators*. We encourage families to incorporate a 5-10 minute "family huddle" into their evening routine that includes these five simple faith acts:

1. *share* highs and lows of the day (Name something good and bad you experienced today. Can't think of a personal one? Check out the headlines from the news and teach empathy and compassion for the broader world).
2. *read* a daily Bible verse (Each month Zion will provide a Faith 5 calendar with daily Bible readings- or pick your own Bible verses)
3. *talk* about how the daily Bible verse relates to your life, (Explore the verse a bit. What does it mean in your own words? How might it relate to where you are today in your highs and lows?)
4. *pray* for each other's highs and lows, for your family, and for the world. Simply talk to God, thank Jesus for the good, and ask the Holy Spirit for guidance in specific problems.
5. *bless* each other. (make a cross on your forehead, say God bless you, Jesus loves you, or come up with your own blessings to use).

This simple five-step process not only helps parents to maintain great relationships with their children, but also helps to ensure that they raise kids who turn out to be strong, thoughtful, empathetic, positive and caring Christians. Who wouldn't want that?

People interested in learning more about Faith 5 may contact Pastor Dan at 419-878-0266 or pastordan@zionwaterville.com.

FAITH 5 BIBLE READING CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY 2012

~ February 2012 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Psalm 109:12	2 Peter 1:18-19	3 Hebrews 4:16	4 Genesis 6:8
5 Psalm 94:18	6 I Corinthians 6:9	7 Isaiah 59:1-2	8 Ephesians 2:20-22	9 Isaiah 58:10	10 John 15:5	11 Acts 4:29
12 Psalm 46:10	13 John 14:1-2	14 Joshua 1:9	15 Ezekiel 26:26	16 Psalm 40:17	17 Psalm 40:4	18 Revelation 1:17-18
19 Isaiah 40:26	20 Psalm 116:8	21 Philippians 4:6-7	22 Proverbs 3:5-6	23 Romans 8:28	24 Romans 8:31	25 Romans 8:38-39
26 Matthew 6:33	27 I Timothy 2:4	28 I Tim 6:10	29 Proverbs 1:7	Notes:		

1. SHARE highs and lows of the day
2. READ a daily Bible verse
3. TALK about how the daily Bible verse relates to your life
4. PRAY for each other's highs and lows (you may include other prayers as desired)
5. BLESS each other (make a cross, say God bless you, You are a child of God, or create your own blessing)

Valentines Day February 14, 2012



Toledo/Perrysburg, OH

WELCOMES THE CAKEWALKIN' JASS BAND

Proceeds benefit the
Tumaini Medical
Mission of Hope to
Tanzania. Sponsored in part
by the NW Ohio Evangelical
Lutheran Church.
Come early for dinner and
drinks.

Music starts at 7:00
\$15 Tickets available online at
www.toledofunnybone.com
and at the box office.



Tumaini



Medical Mission

As Disciples of Christ, we follow His example
to heal, teach, and feed the body and soul.

The Tumaini Medical Mission of Hope Goals are to:

- Provide hope for two remote villages outside of Dodoma, Tanzania where adequate health care is not available
- Focus on the health care needs of pregnant women, mothers and their infants, and small children
- Bring medical supplies and medicine to treat local ailments and illnesses
- Teach local healthcare workers in basic assessment skills and treatments
- Show local residents methods of safe storage and handling of food and water
- Encourage residents to use their skills to generate additional sources of income
- Support our brothers and sisters in Christ and
- To make the love of Christ known to others

Dear Partners in Mission,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

It is hard to believe that I have served as your pastor for nearly five years! Thank you for calling me to join you in fulfilling God's mission here at Zion. These last years have been filled with joys, struggles, celebrations and tragedy, but we thank God that He is with us through it all to give us His peace that passes all understanding. Jessica and I continue to thank God for the encouragement and love you have shown our family. We are honored to be your partners in ministry as we continue to reach out for Christ. Thank you for striving to make our church, community and world a better place by sharing your gifts both inside and outside our church building. The song is true that says, "I am the church; you are the church; we are the church together." As we begin another year of mission and ministry, it is my prayer that the people of Zion will continue to BE the church by seeking to deepen our relationship with Christ and invite others to join us on the life-long journey of faith.

However, before we 'dig in' to the next year of service, it is important to take time to celebrate and give thanks for the ministry that happened over the last year. Highlights that come to mind as I think through the last twelve months include: 7 baptisms and 14 weddings, having over 100 people participate in the E100 Bible reading challenge, reaching out to children struggling in school through the Pocket of Hope free tutoring program, connecting kids with Jesus through the summer community Vacation Bible School, combining food, folks and fun while raising money for the hungry through the men's pancake breakfasts, building two homes in Haiti through our Jesus' Birthday offering, giving cards, meals, encouragement and prayer shawls to people going through hard times, a successful and inspirational women of faith trip to Indiana, helping to raise up and teach children through our excellent preschool, witnessing the huge impact of our mission endowment fund that continues to bless local, national and global ministries, helping people break free from debt and manage money God's way through our first Financial Peace University class, and hosting parents helping parents, Waterville Playshop, AA, and the only anger management group in the area.

A question that has both challenged me and guided my ministry is, "If your church closed its doors tomorrow, would anyone in your community notice?" As I look at the many ministries listed above, I am confident that the answer to this question would be, "yes." Let me say a public thank-you to all of you who gave your time, talent and treasure to make all these ministries happen. God has done great things through you, because you were willing to say yes to Him. I hope that in 2012, Zion is able to expand and strengthen these ministries and add many additional highlights to our list of ways we make a difference in our community over the next 12 months.

On a final note, I am excited to begin this year with another 20 week Bible reading challenge that will attempt to answer the question, "Who is Jesus?" I pray that each of you would not only discover the answer to this question, but also grow in your relationship with Christ as you explore an even more important question, "Who is Jesus to me?" Let these verses guide your journey: Matthew 11:28-30, John 3:16-17, John 11:25, Ephesians 2:8-10, Colossians 1:15-23, Philippians 2:5-11, 1 John 4:10-12.

Trusting in God's Amazing Grace,

Pastor Dan

2012 Endowment Applications Now Available!

Do you know about a great program or cause that could use a financial boost? Or what about a capital project within Zion that needs funding? As we start a new year, Zion members may again apply for grants from the Mission Endowment Fund and the Capital Improvement Endowment Fund.

Over the last seven years, the Mission Endowment Fund has granted a total of \$760,500 to over 100 different organizations representing a broad spectrum of mission projects throughout our community, across the country and around the world. Over that same period, the Capital Improvement Endowment Fund has provided \$84,500 for a number of improvements to Zion's facilities and additions to its furnishings.

Applications for the 2012 funding year are now available in the church office, in the family life center and on line from Zion's website at www.zionwaterville.com. If you download the application from Zion's website, you can enter all the information on the form using your computer. It is a "fill in the blanks" document that can be saved on your computer. After you have typed in all the information and saved the file, you may mail a printed copy to the church office, or attach the document file to an email addressed to the office.

All applications must be submitted and sponsored by an active member of Zion. Each Capital Improvement application must be accompanied by a Mission application from the same sponsor. Applications must be received by the church office no later than March 12, 2012. Apply early - now is the time to get involved in "bringing mission to life!"

Zion Endowment
"Bringing Mission to Life"



Community PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Prepared by the ZMC (Zion Men's Club)

The **First Saturday of the Month**
from 8:00am to 11:00am

- Pancakes • Scrambled Eggs • Sausage
 - Fresh Fruit • Coffee • Juice
- \$ 5.00 per person \$ 4.00 - 12 yrs. and younger

2012: January 7th - **February 4th** - March 3rd

**** This season we have a goal to raise \$2500. When we do, we will partner with Kids Against Hunger and package 10,000 meals. 5000 will be delivered to local charity groups, and 5000 will be sent overseas.**

MISSIONARY SPOTLIGHT~ Brian and Kristen Konkol



Brian & Kristen serve with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America's (E.L.C.A.) Global Mission unit. They have a son names Khaya which means 'home' in Zulu. They are currently residing in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa, and serving as Country Co-Coordinator of the South Africa based Young Adults in Global Mission Program (Y.A.G.M.) They also facilitate the ELCA's Ministry Upstream & Downwind (M.U.D.) program which provides one-year service and learning opportunities in South Africa for E.L.C.A. young adults (between the ages of 21-30). As the young adults offer themselves in service, they also learn more about themselves, their relationship with God, and their place in God's world. Young adults are transformed by their experiences, equipping them to take on responsibilities within the E.L.C.A. and to provide a global perspective on issues facing the church and society.

You can find much more information and regular updates on the Konkol family by visiting their blog <http://briankristenkonkol.blogspot.com/>.

COMMUNITY CORNER~

- Waterville Community Church invites all kids K-4th grade to **ANOTHER DAY IN THE JUNGLE** on Monday, February 20. This all-day event is FREE. There will be an Illusionist, bounce house, crafts, lunch, games, music/dance, tattoos and a MOVIE. Registration is requested by February 12. A flier is posted in the Family Life Center with more information.
- Community of Christ will host **Ohio Northern University's Steel Drum Band and The Children's Choir of Northwest Ohio** on Sunday, February 12th at 4pm. A flier is posted in the Family Life Center.
- The **University of Pittsburgh Men's Glee Club** will be at Monroe Street United Methodist Church on March 5th at 7:30pm. They are located at 3613 Monroe St., Toledo. Admission is free.

**Ecumenical Bereavement Support Group
Tuesday, February 7, 3-4:30pm
St. Patrick of Heatherdowns, Emmaus Room
4201 Heatherdowns Blvd., Toledo**

**Title: Surviving Valentine's Day
With a broken heart**

Special days of the year can be challenging and stressful, especially the first year of losing someone we care about. The anticipation of the day to come can be full of anxiety for us. When customary traditions can't be celebrated in our own way, we may need to plan to celebrate in our own way. Come listen and learn ways to survive Valentine's Day with a broken heart.

Friends and Members...

YOU'RE INVITED TO LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS



WHEN: Each Wednesday from February 22nd through March 28th

WHERE: Zion's Fellowship Hall (downstairs)

TIME: 6:00 pm Dinner sponsored by Parish Life
7:00 pm Service led by Pastors Steve & Dan

Share fellowship, prayer and music with your Zion family. Bring your own table service. Drinks provided. Please sign up for soups and desserts in the Family Life Center.

Adult Forum

February 7th @ 10:30

The Adult Forum will be meeting Tuesday, February 7th in the conference room. Please come & join us.

KEEPING YOU POSTED~

- Zion's Altar Guild is welcoming new members for 2012. If you are interested in being part of this ministry, or would like to learn more, contact Denise Knox at [419-875-5137](tel:419-875-5137).
- 2010 Giving Statements are available in the Family Life Center at the Welcome Desk.

Looking Ahead...



The Sky's the limit!

Please mark your calendars now for Vacation Bible School, July 15th through July 19th. Start saving Tee shirts - adult size, any color and limited to print on the front only.

ATTENTION ZION FAMILIES!



Hurry there is still time to take advantage of early registration for your preschooler here at Zion. There are openings in the 3 year

old class and openings in the afternoon 4/5 year old class. The registration opens to the public Wednesday, February 1. Call soon to reserve a spot for your student. The preschool's direct number is 419-878-3026. Zion's preschool program is a kindergarten readiness program with emphasis on God.

New 2012 Altar Guild Schedule

Baptisms & Vestments:

Janet Wyandt
Joan Heinz

Communion Filling:

Diane Baker
Jan Macera

Seasonal Altar Hangings:

Denise Knox
Barb Hall

Candles:

Harriet Lehman

Communion Washing:

Dorothy Danhauer

Back-up Support:

Debra Duetemeyer
Sherry Moon

Communion Filling & Washing Praise:

JoAnna Umlauf

Banners:

Trudy Scheiding

Baptism Banners:

Kari Whitmer

Altar Flowers:*

Feb 5-

Feb 12-

Feb 19- Mark & Lori Johnston in honor
of their 25th wedding anniversary

Feb 26- Scott & Jane Libbe on honor of
Avery's baptism & Grace's birthday

*Please sign up in the Narthex

Greeters for Praise Service:

Feb 5- Perry Family

Feb 12- Rhoades Family

Feb 19- Lauer Family

Feb 26- Schwanz Family



Ron Danhauer, Captain
Jim Hagemeyer
Al Billow

MISSION FOCUS FOR JANUARY & FEBRUARY

5% of Zion's benevolence for January and February will go towards Threshold. Threshold is a mission church of the ELCA called to bring the Kingdom of God to Toledo through word and action so that our city may be transformed by the love of God and the good news of Jesus Christ. In pursuing this, God has given us a special giftedness and passion to do ministry in, with, and for young people. This manifests itself in ministry that is highly relational and highly missional. We are a church grounded in the belief that the God of the Bible is still the God of today. We expect God to be present and active in our lives. On Sunday, the Church gathers to praise God for whom He is and what He has done. This is key to our understanding of worship. We do not "go to church". The Church gathers to worship God. In the midst of this worship, God shows up and blesses us and equips us to be the Church in the world. For more information about Threshold call Pastor Tom Schaeffer at 419-740-5314 or visit www.crossthethreshold.com.



Feb 5 –

Feb 19 –

Reader: Wilma Robinson

Acolytes:

Feb 5*- Sarah Paull

Feb 12- Matt Krause

Feb 19*- Sophia Sokoloski

Feb 26- Madison Enderle

Crucifers:

Feb 5*- Ian Ovacek

Feb 12- Frank Wielinski

Feb 19*- Ally Pool

Feb 26- Tegan Hack

*Communion