In Honor of Our Mothers



She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue.

Proverbs 31:26

May 13-14, 2023

ON THIS MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND: We give thanks to God for all our mothers and those who mother us today. What a blessing you are from the Lord and what a gift you continue to be for your children and grandchildren. We encourage you to visit the Great Hall following church where a photo booth has been created for you to pause with your family and get a picture taken. Also there, you will find some devotions for all women who attend church as well as a special treat which we hope sweetens your day. We thank God for you moms!



CONFIRMATION SUNDAY/NEW MEMBER WELCOME: Join us in worship next Sunday morning, May 21, as four of our young people confirm the faith given to them at their baptism and we praise and thank the Lord for those joining our family of faith through transfer from another Lutheran church, profession of faith and adult confirmation. We will host a special worship service and then a reception following church to express our gratitude to the Lord of the church for all those baptized, confirmed, as well as those who have transferred their membership to Zion. We hope you can join us for this special time and incredible opportunity to welcome our brothers and sisters in Christ to our Zion family. If you have children entering seventh or eighth grade next year, please notify the church office so that we can begin planning their confirmation instruction.

DATES TO REMEMBER...

ROCK WARMUP, Saturdays, 4 p.m.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS, 8:30 a.m., Ministry Room A. Please Note: Next Sunday, May 21, there will not be a Bible class.

SCRIP ORDERS DUE, Monday, May 15, by noon.

ROCK, Monday, May 15, 5 p.m.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS, Tuesday, May 16, 6:30 p.m., Nursery.

CHAPEL, Wednesday, May 17, 8:15 a.m.

ORCHESTRA, Wednesday, May 17, 5:45 p.m.

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SERVICE, 7 p.m., Great Hall.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY, Thursday, May 18, 10 a.m., Ministry Room A.

SATURDAY COMMUNION - The Board of Elders is announcing that starting in June, we will be serving communion on the 2^{nd} and 4^{th} Saturdays of the month. This change is for Saturday only and Sunday will continue to serve communion each week. As established, there will be no communion on the 5^{th} weekend of the month. The Elders are seeking volunteers to help with being a Lead Elder for our church services. The Lead Elder opens and closes the church and prepares and serves communion. If you are interested, please contact Scott Lebsack or the church office. THANK YOU.

MAY'S MONTHLY MISSION: LIFECLINIC COMMUNITY RESOURCES.

This Christian faith-based organization serves pregnant women and their families with the hope of providing encouragement for them to choose life for their unborn child. For the month of May, we will be collecting diapers to be donated to our local LifeClinic. You may bring your purchases to the church any time during May, placing them on OR below the Mission table in the Great Hall. Please join us in supporting this very worthy organization.

AREA HAPPENINGS...

ALL MEMBERS OF THE LUTHERAN LAYMEN'S LEAGUE are invited to the Q2 meeting of the Saginaw Valley Zone of the Lutheran Laymen's League to be held at St. Paul, Bay City, 6100 Westside Saginaw Rd., at 6:30 pm, Monday, May 22. Important decisions are being made regarding the zone bylaws and the long-term operation of Camp Lu Lay Lea. Input and support of league members is needed to ensure sustainability of the zone and the camp. If you can't attend the meeting but have input you would like to share or if you would like to participate via Zoom, please contact Paul Moeller at pamoeller@aol.com or 989-631-1017.

VLHS SPRING CONCERT - The VLHS Music Department invites you to their Spring Music Concert featuring Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, Jazz Band, Mixed Chorus, and Golden Voice. The concert will be held on Tuesday, May 23 at 6 p.m. at the Worship & Event Center (WEC) at St. Lorenz in Frankenmuth. We look forward to seeing you there!

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, GIFTS, AND MEMORIALS...

In recognition of Mrs. Degg & Mrs. Glumm, from Mary Garcia...\$100 to the Lanes 2 Learning SF.

In Thanksgiving for all the love and well wishes for my milestone anniversary, from Julie Glumm...\$25 to the Lanes 2 Learning SF. Gifts Received...\$220-IRA Distribution-General Fund; \$10-May Mission of the Month-LifeClinic.

ADDRESS UPDATE: Pastor John, Sue, and Rebecca Wernecke have a new address of 4259 Zander Dr., Bay City, MI 48706.

Stewardship of God's Blessings		
Costs of	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Annually</u>
Budgeted Ministry	\$ 26,416.00	\$1,373,634.00
	<u>April</u>	Year-to-Date
Offerings & Tuition	\$ 71,377.13	\$293,600.29
Expenses Net Loss	<u>\$86,855.52</u> (\$ 15,478.39)	<u>\$359,584.66</u> (\$ 65,984.37)

Thank you, people of God, for your faithful and generous support of what God is doing here at Zion. We continue to need your sacrifice of time, talent and treasures so that we can share the Lord's precious gifts with all of His children.

PREVIOUS WEEKS ATTENDANCE:

Saturday (48), Sunday (67), Wednesday (166)

This Weekend - May 13-14 - Sixth Sunday in Easter

Sunday Worship Setting: Divine Service 1, pg. 151

Readings: Psalm 56:3-9; I Corinthians 15:51-58; Luke 7:11-17

Hymns: LSB 649, 461 vs. 1-4, 862, 878, 461 vs. 5-8, 761

Next Weekend - May 20-21 - Seventh Sunday in Easter

Sunday Worship Setting: Divine Service 3, pg. 184

Readings: Psalm 119:49-52, Acts 20:7-12, John 20:24-29

Sunday Hymns: 465, 740, 733, 744, 783, 791, 685

AVAILABLE AT THE WELCOME CENTER:

- Portals of Prayer devotionals for April-June
- Our Daily Bread devotionals for March-May
- Cougar Newsletter
- May Valley Vision

ACCESSING FACEBOOK STREAMING SERVICES. You can access the streaming service site at https://www.facebook.com/zionbaycity.

ACCESSING YOUTUBE STREAMING SERVICES. To access the service from YouTube, go to https://youtu.be/c7Wvx6h96XA, select the PLAYLISTS tab, select Church to find the Live-Stream and hit SUBSCRIBE to add this site.





510 W. Ivy St., Bay City, Michigan 48706; 989-894-2611 Worship: Saturday 5pm; Sunday 9:30am; Wednesday 7pm Pastor Phillip Baerwolf, pbaerwolf@zionbaycity.org, 989.284.0500 Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday, 12 p.m. (emailed)

"In Him we live and move and have our being."
Acts 17:28a



Zion's Weekly Prayer Concerns May 13 - 19, 2023

Those ill, hospitalized (or recently hospitalized), seeking medical treatment or with long term needs...

Arlene Henderson, Monica Katt, Rebecca Schaefer, Larry Grove, Midge, and those with struggles who suffer silently.

For those celebrating Anniversaries...

Andrew & Stephanie Corrion celebrating 8 yrs. on May 16 Doug & Laurie Nuffer celebrating 32 yrs. on May 18

For those celebrating Birthdays...

Noah Treib-5/14
Samuel Bolzman-5/15
Laurel Wood-5/15 (Rev. Wood's daughter)
Cindy VanSumeren-5/16
Donald Demo-5/17
Rebecca Freudenburg-5/17
Jordyn Pauwels-5/17
Reagan Schacher-5/17
Gary Jankens-5/18
Joshua Leslie-5/18
Allie Mihlfried-5/18
Eric Spence-5/18
Diane Studders celebrating her 81st birthday-5/19

For this week's homebound/nursing home patients ... Lucille Crook, Rebecca Freudenburg, Ernie Highlen, Betty Ittner, and Leonard Kaczorowski

Pray for:

- For the gift of mothers, that God would show His love through them and that we would love them as God loves us.
- This month's mission-Life Clinic Community Resources

Other prayer concerns...

- Pray for Mrs. Joles and her four-year-old students at Zion.
 Ask the Lord to protect them and guide them as He walks hand in hand with them through life.
- Almighty God, your love never fails, and you can turn the shadow of death into daybreak. Help us to receive your word with believing hearts, so that, confident in your promises, we may have hope and be lifted out of sorrow into the joy and peace of your presence; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

May our prayer be that of the psalmist who teaches us to pray:

Psalm 55 - A prayer for God's help when threatened

I said, "Oh that I had the wings of a dove! I would fly away and be at rest – I would flee far away and stay in the desert; I would hurry to my place of shelter, far from the tempest and storm." But I call to God, and the Lord saves me.



The Sacrament of Holy Communion Our Understanding and Practice

The Bible tells us that those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm. Therefore, any who are not yet instructed, who are in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod are asked to speak with the pastor prior to receiving this sacrament.

All adults and children not taking part in communion are encouraged to come forward to receive a blessing from the pastor. Please indicate this by simply refraining from receiving the bread and wine.

Gluten free wafers and <u>non-alcoholic</u> wine are available for those desiring this option for reasons of health or conscience.