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Zion Lutheran Church Newsletter

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“Make a joyful noise unto the Lord” - Psalm 98:4a

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(Deadline for AUGUST Newsletter is JULY 16, 2010)

Worship Services

8:00 am: Worship

9:15 am: Sunday School for all ages
Study

10:30am: Worship

Study Opportunities during Week

Sunday 4:00pm: LifeLight

Tuesday 7:00 pm: College Bible

Holy Communion is celebrated in the first service the first & third Sundays
and in the second service the second and fourth Sunday

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LWML Annual Report

The Zion LWML Society had a busy and productive year using our gifts in ministry to the people of the world. We thank the congregation for your continued support of our mission ministries. It has been a wonderful blessing! Through our LWML members and from the congregation's contributions each month to our mite collection, we raised \$831.24 in mites. Mites are forwarded directly to the Oklahoma District LWML where 75% is retained to support district mission grants, and 25% is used by the national LWML. You can review all the mission grants adopted at www.oklwml.org or www.lwml.org.

Each year we adopt mission projects in the society and we are pleased to share a summary of our 2009-2010 activities with you. The society made donations to the Children's Christian Concern Society, Ronald McDonald House, Lutherans for Life, Outreach Medical Mission to Tanzania, and RAI Ministries. The society also prepares a gift for all high school graduates and Confirmants, each shut-in receives a gift bag at Christmas, and all deployed servicemen and women receive Easter care packages. The society collected supplies and kits for Lutheran World Relief and created Spiritual Survival Kits to replace religious materials lost in disasters. The LWML sponsors and hosts several parties and receptions including a Valentine Party for the Payne County Sheltered Workshop, the Progressive Dinner, the Salad Supper (all women and college students are invited), a Christmas party, and a baby shower for each new mother in the society.

We were blessed to raise \$2,395 from parking cars this fall in support of our mission projects and used \$1,310 to provide a laptop computer for a seminary student in India as a special project this year. We also voted to establish a Zion LWML Mission Trip Support Fund to provide funding to any member that chooses to participate in an LCMS mission trip.

We thank the congregation for supporting our fund-raising efforts at our annual Silent Auction and Bake Sale. Without your continued support, we would not be blessed to complete so many projects. May God bless each of you!

LWML

Although LWML has no meetings scheduled for the summer months, it is a time for planning and preparing for the 2010-2011 activities. Ladies may sign up to serve on the various committees and as devotion leader or hostess for the monthly meetings. The Gospel Outreach-Human Care committee will be selecting mission projects for the coming year.

At the May Zion Voters meeting, a list of projects completed in the past year was presented:

Completed health kits for Lutheran World Relief

Established a Zion Lutheran Mission Trip Support Fund

Purchased, prepared and delivered gift bags to Zion's shut-ins at Christmas

Made a Christmas Donation of supplies for Ronald McDonald House

Hosted a Valentine Party for the Payne County Sheltered Workshop

Organized and hosted a Progressive Dinner for fellowship for all Zion congregation members

Hosted Salad Supper (congregation was invited and LSF students were our special guests)

Held a Silent Auction/Bake Sale to support our mission projects

Sponsored a surgery through Cindy Penne's Outreach Medical Mission to Tanzania
Donated to Children's Christian Concern Society, a RSO of LCMS to help children around the world receive an education
Made contributions to Lutherans for Life and RAI Ministries
Purchased a computer for a Lutheran theological student in India
Completed Spiritual Survival Kits for replacing materials lost in a family disaster
Prepared and mailed Easter care packages for Zion servicemen and women deployed overseas
Gave a gift to Confirmands and a baby shower for new mothers in our LWML society

In addition, more than 110 ink cartridges were recycled, along with at least 10 cell phones and their accessories to help support Oklahoma LWML Young Women training.

Also, at least 140 Labels for Education were mailed to Bethesda Lutheran Home in Watertown, Wisconsin to help with ministry to these developmentally challenged children of God

Money received from parking cars during the 2010 Football season, mites from LWML and from the congregation along with ink cartridges and labels for Education members of Zion contributed helped to achieve these goals.

For planning ahead, you may mark your calendar for the next meeting on Tuesday, August 24th at 7:00pm. The Zone Fall Fest will be on September 25th at Zion Lutheran Church in Guthrie. Audrey Eggers will be the Mission Speaker, telling about her latest opportunities as an ESL teacher/witness for Christ in China during the summer. For longer range planning, you might want to SAVE THE DATE of June 23-26, 2011 when the next national LWML convention is planned. It will be in Peoria, Illinois, which makes it an ideal convention for us to attend since it is within driving distance. Another reason to attend is that Rev. Dr. Reed Lessing will be the Bible study leader for the convention. The Theme of the convention is "Being with Jesus: Living on the Edge"
May God bless each of you as you lend support to this mission of our church.

LWML continues to collect and recycle cell phones and ink cartridges. The proceeds of the sale of these recycled materials is used to fund on going projects of the Oklahoma district.
Thank you for your help, Zion members.

FLOWERS ENHANCE OUR WORSHIP

We thank the following for providing flowers on the altar during the month of May.

- ❖ M/M Gary Westmooreland in memory of Andy Kroutil.
- ❖ M/M Chris Primeaux on the occasion of their anniversary and Chris' birthday,
- ❖ M/M Dan Whitfield on the occasion of Dan's birthday.
- ❖ M/M Herb Kaiser on the occasion of Herb's birthday.

FOOD GATHERING ITEM FOR JUNE IS TUNA

Suggested food item for our monthly food gathering to be received on June 27 is **TUNA**. We thank Ann Hentges for delivering the food we collect for the month of June.

FOOD GATHERING ITEM FOR JULY IS CANNED FRUIT

Suggested food item for our monthly food gathering to be received on July 25 is **CANNED FRUIT**. We thank Ann Hentges for delivering the food we collect for the month of July.

MEMBERS MANAGE TALENTS

Stewardship is the daily on-going management of our resources, talents, and time to the glory of God and in service to people. We commend the members and friends of our congregation who are recognized for their service and achievements by having their names and/or picture appear in The Stillwater News Press.

- Hailey McDaniel Stillwater Middle School VIP of the week.
- Lisa Baumann Stillwater Volleyball Coach led them to the regional championship.
- Rachel Meier member of the Stillwater Volleyball regional champs.
- Steve Miller to speak at Stillwater Global Affairs Forum about “The Global Economy”
- David DeWitt received the Bankers Conservation Award at the recent 2010 Ag Appreciation Banquet.
- Matthew Sitton Cloverbud Impressive Dressers at the Payne County Dress Revue.
- Rachel Meier 2nd place in the long jump at State regional’s for track and field, qualifying for the State Track Meet.
- Jason Hopper completing the Supervisors Academy at Career Tech.
- Gage Hopper student of the month for April at Morrison Elementary School.

THRIVENT

Thrivent will meet on July 18 at 5:30 p.m. in Cushing at the Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer this meeting will replace the March meeting that was cancelled because of the weather.



WHY IS IMPORTANT TO SUPPORT VBS?

Because we know Jesus told us, “Let the little children come to me.” When you help with and support Vacation Bible School, you are being Jesus to a child! Remember your own experience with VBS - how much fun you had making the crafts, how you sang the songs at home or with your friends long after VBS had ended, the Bible stories you learned (or maybe learned something new about the stories you already knew) and the stories you told your family about what you did during the week of VBS. All of that stayed with you long after VBS had ended. When you help with VBS or support it by donating something(s) from the list of needed items, you help make all those good things happen for another child!

HOW DO I HELP?

If you can help as either the Cinema Station Leader (very easy position and one we desperately need to fill), please speak or call Melissa Kinast or Stacy Boehler Primeaux. Melissa’s cell is 612-9500 and Stacy’s is 612-7236. Also give them a call if you’d like to be a “helper”, for either the full week or just a day or two. All helping hands and hearts are Super Appreciated!

HOW DO I DONATE ITEMS?

Simply look on the list of items needed in the Fellowship Hall. Check off the box of the items you can donate from the list, then place your items in the donation box directly below the list. It’s that easy! Remember, it really does take all of us to make this work, as it does when we do all the work Christ has set for us to do. Please pray and consider how you can make Jesus come alive for a child, and many children! Nothing is so important as touching another person’s life with the Word of God. And it’s super fun in addition!

DOES YOUR EMPLOYER REQUIRE ‘COMMUNITY SERVICE’?

Want to help but not sure you can get off of work? Many companies require/encourage their staff to take part in Community Service during the year. Check into whether this is the case at your place of employment. You may be eligible to help with VBS and let it serve as your Community Service. And, it’s a great WITNESS to your peers at work!

The High Seas Adventure runs @ Zion June 7-11, from 9am to noon. Children in grades kindergarten through completed 5th grade are encouraged to attend. Any questions, comments, help? Call Melissa Kinast at 612-9500 or Stacy Boehler Primeaux at 612-7236. Or you can also call the church office at 372-3703. Thanks so much - everything helps!