

# ZioNoiZ

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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 MARCH Newsletter is February 18, 2011)

## 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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### **FLOWERS ENHANCE OUR WORSHIP**

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

- ❖ Bob Beecher on the occasion of his birthday.
- ❖ M/M Larry Sams on the occasion of their birthdays.
- ❖ Ruth Berridge in memory of Leeds Berridge.

**VOTERS ASSEMBLY** next meeting will be on Monday, February 7, 2011 at 7:00 pm.

### **FOOD GATHERING ITEM FOR FEBRUARY**

Suggested food item for our monthly food gathering to be received on February 27<sup>th</sup> is **TUNA**. We thank Darrel Kletke for delivering the food we collect for the month of February.

### **WE SHARE**

The earthly loss and the eternal hope of the family and friends of Esther DeWitt, who completed her life on earth on Monday, January 3, 2011. The service was held on Thursday, January 6, 2011 here at Zion Lutheran Church. By the grace of God, Esther reached the age of 93 years 6 months and 14 days. May God comfort all who mourn with the sure and certain hope of eternal life through faith in our resurrected Savior, Jesus.

### **ZION CHOIR**

We will be starting choir once again. Mark your calendars, for the first practice on January 3, 2011 @7:00 pm. Anyone interested please show up then. For more information or questions please contact Daphnee Brian @ 743-4712 or [daphneebrian@att.net](mailto:daphneebrian@att.net).

### **MEALS FOR LSF**

Our college students certainly appreciate the home-cooked meals provided by the congregation on Tuesday evenings. Members are asked to bring a meal and soda or tea for about 10-15 students. Paper goods are provided. If you can provide a meal, please sign up in the Fellowship Hall. Daphnee Brian or Terri Hollarn can assist you if you have further questions.

### **ENGLISH CONVERSATIONS**

Classes will resume on Wednesday January 12, 2011 at 6:00 pm in the fellowship hall.

### **DIRECTORY**

The Church directory will be coming out soon please check to see that your address, phone numbers, & emails are correct.

## **LWML INVITES CONGREGATION/MEMBERS TO GET INVOLVED WITH FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES**

The **Valentine Party** for clients of MPower will be February 11 at 1:00 PM. We are requesting unwrapped gifts again this year. Some of the prizes the bingo players enjoy are pencils, word puzzles, OSU items, and stuffed animals. Bring any of these items that you would like to donate for bingo prizes and place them in the LWML Donation Box in the Fellowship Hall. And, then, if you can arrange your schedule, join the LWMLers at the MPower building at the Payne County Fair Grounds at 1:00 PM. The **Progressive dinner** will be February 26 at 6 PM. Sign-up sheets for those able to serve as a hostess, bring an appetizer, or dessert will be posted in the Fellowship Hall at our January meeting. **All adult members and friends, including students.** of the congregation are invited to attend.

No LWML meeting is scheduled in February. The next meeting will be March 22 with election of officers

## **THRIVENT**

**There will be no Thrivent Chapter meeting in February.** The second Thrivent Choice Voting Event started January 24<sup>th</sup>, all members 16 and older can vote to help determine where Thrivent Financial distributes \$1 million of its charitable outreach funds among seven national Lutheran and non-Lutheran charitable organizations:

- Bethesda Lutheran Communities
- Feeding America
- Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service
- Lutheran Services in America
- Orphan Grain Train
- St. Jude Children's Research Hospital
- Wheat Ridge Ministries

Each organization receives a portion of the \$1 million, based on the percentage of votes it receives.

Mark your calendar. Then, vote online at [Thrivent.com/choicevote](https://www.thrivent.com/choicevote). Or call **800-THRIVENT (800-847-4836)** and when prompted, say, "Thrivent Choice." Voting ends Feb. 28.

**CHILDREN AND MATERIALISM**, an Adult Bible study option began on Jan. 30 in the sanctuary. Join us as we study materialism and how it permeates our everyday life. Commercials, magazines, and the internet blare societal values that are distinctly worldly, not godly. Many of us have far more possessions than we actually need or use, and this tendency to accumulate things sends the wrong message to our kids. Ever heard the expression "values are caught, not taught"? We need to walk the truth before our children, not simply share it with them. This 4-session study brings us back to basic truths and helps you grapple with how to teach children biblical values such as sacrifice, generosity, and stewardship in an age of abundance.

**YOUTH GROUP MEETING IS FEBRUARY 6<sup>th</sup>** All youth grades 7-12 are invited to our first youth group meeting of 2011 on February 6 from 6:30-8pm. We'll have a bible study, group activities, and we will also talk about some of the events we have planned for the coming year. Snacks will also be provided. We hope to see you there! If you have any questions, ask Simon Ringsmuth or Joanna Wescoatt.

### **MASTER PLAN FOR OUR BUILDING**

Congregation Members are requested to review the attached Master Plan for our Building that the Architects have developed with the Building Committee. Specifically Pages 29 to 32 provide the Final configuration that the Building Committee has concurred with. At the next Voters Meeting on 7 February 2011, the Building Committee will request Congregation Concurrence with the Final Configuration to allow the Building Committee to proceed to work with the Lutheran Church Extension (LCEF) to develop a method to Finance the project. Additionally, the Building Committee will begin to work with LCEF Laborers For Christ to identify a Construction Manager and begin refining the Cost estimates for the Project. As Cost estimates were NOT included in the Master Plan provided, we hope to have the Architects' Cost Estimates available for the Voters Meeting.

Building Committee

### **Oklahoma Lutheran Travelers 2011 Trip Schedule**

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*To make a reservation; use a reservation form and mail it to the address at the bottom of the form, or contact Jane or Suzanne.*

**March 24** (Thurs) **AMTRAK & Chickasaw Cultural Center** \$79 pp with lunch. Motor coach takes us from the pick up point to the OKC AMTRAK station for the train ride to Ardmore. Our coach will meet us there and take us to the Chickasaw Cultural Center in the Sulphur area. We most likely will make another interesting stop on the coach ride home, too.

**March 27** (Sunday) **Fiesta Travel Party (FREE !!)** at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church 308 NW 164th (Also 15th St), Edmond. 3-5 pm

**April 12** (Tues) **Steeple and Stained Glass** - Tulsa, \$79 pp with lunch. This is a new trip series from Friends International and will be very interesting and of course, fun!

**April 28-29** (Th & Fri) **Miami and Grove** \$229 pp. Tour Mickey Mantle's boyhood home, Rte 66 Motorcycle Museum, GAR Cemetery, Newell Coach Manufacturers and Dobson Museum. Lunch at KuKu Burgers. *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* performance at the historic Coleman Theatre. Grove Tour including Har Ber Village and lunch at Back Porch restaurant. \$50 deposit pp.

**June 11 (Saturday) Oklahoma Wine Tasting** with lunch. Experience several wineries with an extra surprise. Price pending as of 1/14/11, but will be approx. \$89.

**June 14-15 (Tues & Wed) Discoveryland "OKLAHOMA!"** \$199 pp. Includes a chuck wagon dinner, the incredible performance of the musical 'Oklahoma!' (With live horses!), overnight in Tulsa and more. \$50 deposit pp.

**July 8-9 (Sat Sun) Palo Duro Canyon.** \$249 pp Includes performance of 'Texas' and the cowboy breakfast and of course viewing of the 'Little Grand Canyon.' \$50 deposit pp.

**August 2 (Tues) Gospelfest** in OKC.

**August 15-23 Majestic Montana** \$2199 pp. Fly to Spokane, WA. Motorcoach to & stay at Coeur d Alene, ID. Motorcoach to and a 2 night stay at Kalispell, MT. Glacier National Park, Gondola ride, cruise on Flathead Lake. Missoula, MT, trolley in Berkeley Pit. Yellowstone, Jackson Hole, Cheyenne, WY. Kearney, NB, gateway to the west. \$500 deposit pp.

**September 8 (Thurs) Wild, Wacky, & Wonderful,** SW OK surprises!

**October 17 & 18 (Mon & Tues) Eureka Springs** Stay tuned for more details

**October 25 (Tues) Talimena Skyline Drive** Fall Foliage

**November 10 (Thurs) Steeple & Stained Glass** - OKC \$59 pp includes lunch.

**December Lights** - Stay tuned !

**Dec 26 - Jan3 Pasadena and Rose Parade** Details TBA

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Itineraries provided by Friends International Tours of OKC. More trip ideas are available on their website:  
[www.friendsinternationaltours.com](http://www.friendsinternationaltours.com)