

The Spirit of Zion

Zion United Church of Christ
Union, Missouri



October 2024

No. 10

NEIGHBORS IN NEED



Neighbors In Need Offering

“God will not falter or lose heart until justice prevails throughout the earth.”

- Isaiah 42:4

The Neighbors in Need offering, which we will receive during the month of October, supports the UCC’s ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. Two-thirds of the offering is used by the UCC’s Love of Church Unit to fund a wide array of local and national justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects. Through the national Love of Church Unit, <https://tinyurl.com/2bfyatb>, you can find resources, news updates, and action alerts on a broad spectrum of justice issues. Working with members of the UCC Justice and Peace Action Network (a network of thousands of UCC justice and peace advocates), the Love of Church Unit continues its strong policy advocacy work on issues such as the federal budget, voting rights, immigration, health care, hate crimes, civil liberties, and environmental justice. Neighbors in Need also supports our American Indian neighbors in the UCC. One-third of the offering supports the UCC’s Council for American Indian Ministries (CAIM). Historically, forebears of the UCC established churches and worked with Lakota, Dakota, Nakota, Mandan, Hidatsa, Arickara, and Hockak in North and South Dakota, Wisconsin, and northern Nebraska. Today there are 20 UCC congregations on reservations and one urban, multi-tribal UCC congregation in Minneapolis, Minnesota. These churches and their pastors are supported by CAIM. CAIM is also an invaluable resource for more than 1,000 individuals from dozens of other tribes and nations who are members of other UCC congregations in the U.S.

With your assistance, we together can help our Neighbors in Need. Offering envelopes are included in this edition of the newsletter and additional envelopes will be available by the offering plate on Sundays. The NIN Offering will be received through the month of October.

Serving Christ in October

Ushers:

Oct. 6 & 13

Matthew Herring*,
Kevin Vorderbruegge

Oct. 20 & 27

Ken & Carol Rohrbach*
(*designates Head Usher)

Greeters:

Oct. 6 – Kevin Vorderbruegge

Oct. 13 – Linda Kinworthy

Oct. 20 – Vicki Hooper

Oct. 27 – Sandy Bailey

Sound System Tech: Mark
Klenke

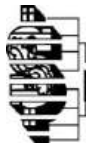
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Oct. 13 – David Bean



World Communion Sunday—October 6th

World Communion Sunday offers us a distinctive opportunity to experience Holy Communion in the context of the global community of faith. The first Sunday of October has become a time when Christians in every culture break bread and pour the cup to remember and affirm Christ as the Head of the Church. On this day, we will remember that we are part of the whole body of believers. Join us on October 6th as we share in this World Communion Sunday.



Informational Budget Meeting

Informational Budget Meetings – October 6 & 20

The Church Council

has scheduled informational Budget Meetings on Sundays, October 6th and 20th following the 9 a.m. worship service in the fellowship hall. This will be a time for members to review the proposed 2025 budget and ask questions. A copy of the proposed 2025 budget is now available on Sunday mornings on the table in the narthex next to the bulletins. We will still meet on November 3rd for our congregational meeting.

CROP Walk

SAVE THE DATE! Our annual CROP Walk for Hunger will be held on Sunday, October 13, 2024. We want to have many walkers! It will begin here at Zion at 1:00 p.m. Registration begins at 12:30. Also we will again have our Rock-A-thon on Saturday, October 12, 2024. So mark your calendars, plan to Walk or Rock! See you there! Bring your family and others. It is fun! And it is also important!



Join Us for LOGOS!

The first two Wednesdays of each month from 5-7:30 p.m. are LOGOS Nights! A full schedule for the nights is on page 5.

Not only are there fun activities for children from kindergarten through 12th grade, Pastor Nick is having a '(Re) Membership' in the lower commons with conversations on what it means to be a member of Zion and a member of the UCC and discussing the historical legacy of the denomination and our church.

A Family Style Dinner for everyone is served beginning at 6 p.m. with a minimum \$5 donation to help support the LOGOS dinners.

Intergenerational Sunday School Experience - Sunday, October 13th

Thank you, everyone, for supporting our new Intergenerational Sunday School Experience! This event will occur on the second Sunday of each

month. We hope you join us again, and we encourage anyone unable to make the first one to join us in October. All ages will meet in the Fellowship Hall after the 9:00 AM worship to participate in learning, forming relationships, and sharing faith stories while affirming everyone's value to the community. During the October 13th experience, we will explore the topic of World Hunger and the Crop Walk. We hope to see you there!

Zion Book Club

Zion's Book Club will be meeting on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. The book the group will be reading and discussing at their October 15th gathering is "They Almost Always Come Home" by Cynthia Ruchti. Everyone is invited to join the group in the lower commons at 1:30 p.m.

Winter Care Packages

On Sunday, November 10th, we will be assembling our winter care packages for the Little Free Pantry. Please help us fill the packages by bringing in items throughout the month of October and dropping them off in the lower commons Little Free Pantry Donation Basket. For items needed, please see page 5.

Please note – we **DO NOT** need hats or scarves. The Loops of Love knitters have donated hats and scarves. Thank you to these ladies for their wonderful donation!

Welcome!

We welcomed this new member into our Zion Church family on Sunday, September 22nd. Welcome Jacob!

Jacob Feth

103 South Lincoln Ave.
Union, MO 63084

Jacob joined by confession of faith. He is employed as a welder at WEG Transformers in Washington, Missouri.



Beloved Zion,

Grace and peace to you from God our Creator, Christ our Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit our Sustainer. I hope the season of life you are in is treating you well. Bill Gates once said, “Most people overestimate what they can achieve in a year and underestimate what they can achieve in ten years.” I have been preaching for 10 years this fall. During the Fall Semester of my second year of Seminary, I became a student pastor at Peace UCC in Webster Groves, MO.

I don’t remember much of my first sermon. I know it was something about Moses. I know I did a little translating of the Hebrew because I was still taking Hebrew at the time. (My Hebrew professor was in the congregation, so that was a bold move.) Caeligh, who I had only recently started dating a few weeks before, drove up from Southern Illinois with our friend Ashton to surprise me for the second service. And perhaps most vividly, I remember that during the second service, while I was preaching, another professor, the Rev Dr Grundy, stood up and left the sanctuary in a hurry. Dr Grundy is/was the Eden Seminary Dean of the chapel, the preaching professor, and my advisor. He walked out during the first sermon I had ever written. Was it something I said, or didn’t say? Was it a theological blunder? Was it just that bad? I probably lived a thousand lives between the moment I saw him stand straight up, stride out of the sanctuary and into the narthex, where he proceeded to have a talking-to with his young son who was goofing around, who probably didn’t come back from the bathroom as quickly as he should have.

In a moment I thought my preaching career was over before it ever got started. But it didn’t. After all, in that moment, he wasn’t a professor, but a parent, like so many of us, trying to do our best. 10 years later, I have preached hundreds of sermons. Usually with no more than a week to prepare. And so, it goes, that every Monday morning, regardless of if I had just preached my best or worst sermon, I start over. I open a blank Word document, that which I place my name at date at the top of the page. A Sermon for the Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost. September 29th, 2024. Rev Nicholas Knoblauch. Focus Scripture: Focus Statement: And then I get into it.

I have learned a lot about preaching over this past decade. I have learned how to get through writer's block. I have learned how to outline and tell a story. I have learned when to lean into history or theology, or my personal experience. I have found good boundaries on what to share about my own life and the stories that are not mine to share. I can trust that the Spirit will work in the room and the hearts of those who are present. I have learned to take feedback. I am still finding the balance between defensiveness and being ok knowing I cannot please everyone all the time. I still haven’t figured out if I talk fast because it is too hot in the room or if I am overheated because I am talking too fast. There is a lot more I have learned. And even more that I still hope to learn.

*Worship
Opportunities
In October*
9:00 a.m. Worship

*Sunday, October 6
The 20th Sunday
after Pentecost*
Sacrament of Communion

*Sunday, October 13
The 21st Sunday
after Pentecost*

*Sunday, October 20
The 22nd Sunday
after Pentecost*

*Sunday, October 27
The 23rd Sunday
after Pentecost*

**TRUST
IN THE LORD
and do good.**
PSALM 37:3

Celebrations in the Church Family

Baptisms

Lane James Drake Keeven
son of Rio Chamberlin &
Dylan Keeven
September 15

Jacob Theodore Feth
September 22

Marriage

Drenda Hess & Luke Herring
September 21

When considering our lives and our communities, we are at our best when we learn to love the process. The discipline of our crafts is important. Taking time each day, week, or month, dedicated to the pursuit of bettering ourselves and our communities. Each attempt at getting better doesn't have to be monumental. Each step along the way can be just that. A single step. When was the last time you learned something new? Did something difficult? Struggled with something you didn't know if you would succeed? When our comfort zone expands by a single step, it still grows. And we might not see much change after a single day, or week, or year. But what about ten, or twenty? And for those who might read this and think, I don't have another decade. There is an old Greek Proverbs that says "A society grows great when old men plant trees in whose shade they shall never sit." Never underestimate the work you do. If it is worth doing 10 years from now, then it's worth doing today. So why wait?

Blessings,
Rev. Nicholas Knoblauch

Pastor Drop In Hours:

Monday & Wednesday mornings

Email: knoblauchnicholas@gmail.com

Appointments upon request:

Church Office (636) 583-2814
or sending an email



**Zion Fellowship –
October 2024**

On Sunday, September 15, we had a Brunch in the Fellowship Hall after the church service. Everyone brought a dish to

share, and we had a variety of choices for a delicious meal. Thank you to all who helped set up, and those who stayed to help clean up. After some discussion, we decided to make a Christmas donation to the Franklin County Foster Closet. Several suggestions were mentioned for

upcoming events to attend, but some were going to be held on the same day.

The following is what we decided on, *with a few changes.*

Saturday, October 26 – Meet at the Franklin County Historical Museum, at 15 N. Oak St., in Union at 2:00 p.m. (Come later if you don't think you will be reading a lot of the info provided. They are open until 4.) We will do a self-guided tour of the museum, and then we will go to dinner at Que Pasa Mexican Restaurant, which is just down the street from the museum. There will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

Sunday, November 24 – The Greening of the Church for Advent will be held right after the church service, this is an all-church event, and MANY hands are needed. We will be providing pizzas for a lunch, and we will need a few volunteers to bring cookies/brownies for dessert. FYI – The Combined Christian Choir is scheduled the same day, so we have not made that an official event.

Sunday, December 8 – Meet at church to carpool to the Washington City Auditorium at 211 High St., Washington. We will attend the Washington Brass Band Concert from 3 to 5 p.m. (this is a free event, but you can make a goodwill offering), then we will have dinner afterwards. More details later. FYI – The Washington Brass Band will also perform at the Farmer's Market on December 1 from 3 to 5 p.m. Not an official event.

Check the monthly Newsletters, also the weekly Bulletins, for any change of event dates/times that might occur. **Anyone** is welcome to join us for these events. If you have any questions, please contact Fern Dewert (President), Carl or Jane Ridder (Vice Presidents), Ruth Parker or Bruce Templer (Treasurers), or myself. - Sharon TenEyck, secretary



Kid & Youth

OCTOBER 2024

News

SUNDAY SCHOOL

10 AM – 11 AM

Pre-School

Ages 3 to 5

Meet in the Pre-School Room

Faith Quest

Kindergarten – 5th Grade

Meet in Bible Max Theatre

Confirm NOT Conform

6th – 12th grade

Meet in the High School Room

Intergenerational Sunday School Experience for all ages will be on the second Sunday of each month in the fellowship hall. Everyone is welcome!

SAVE *the* DATE

Youth at General Synod

For youth entering 6th grade in Fall 2025 through youth graduating high school in May of 2025.

July 11-15 in Kansas City, MO

Fall Conference Youth Event

for youth in 6th - 12th Grade

October 18-20, 2024

CAMP MO-VAL

Registration closes on October 10th

LOVE > FEAR

Join us to seek out our loving and welcoming Christ. We will be gathering for games and to play with some ideas on Christ's hospitality.



Come and see how Love is Greater than Fear!



Join us the
FIRST TWO WEDNESDAYS
of EACH MONTH

Dive into friendship with God

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

ADULTS: (Re) Membership with Pastor Nick: Join the conversation on what it means to be a member of Zion and a member of the UCC, and discuss the historical legacy of the denomination and our church.

PRESCHOOL: Alleluia Kids music exploration, movement, and games for kids aged 2-kindergarten with Karen

5:00 – 7:30 p.m.

YOUTH: LOGOS programming for K-12th grade youth with Mandy & Alysha.

October theme: God is a friend who loves
It's an evening full of **GAMES, BIBLE STORY, DINNER, and Lots of FUN!**

Everyone is invited to join us for a
FAMILY STYLE DINNER at 6 PM
A minimum of \$5 donation suggested to help support
Zion's LOGOS dinners.



CARE PACKAGES

We are assembling our winter care packages for the
LITTLE FREE PANTRY on
Sunday, November 10th

Please help us fill the packages by bringing in items throughout the month of October and dropping them off in the lower commons Little Free Pantry Donation Basket.

Items Needed: gloves, hand warmers, hand lotion, ChapStick, toothpaste, toothbrush, deodorant, Kleenex, chocolate candy, hot chocolate packets, oatmeal packets, breakfast bars, granola bars, beef jerky, dried fruit, applesauce cups, nuts, trail mix, soup, chef Boyardee, mac & cheese cups

Thank You to September Volunteers

Zion Church acknowledges and appreciates the work done by the following volunteers for the month of September:

- Liturgists: Carla Kilgore, Alysha Petry, Jane Ridder
Special Music for Worship: Chancel Choir, Kirk Hancox
Ushers: Dennis & Karen Tucker, Bill & Fern Dewert
Communion Stewards: Bill & Fern Dewert, Ken & Carol Rohrbach
Greeters: Sandy Stierberger, Sallie Hancox, Carl & Jane Ridder, Susan Merlino, Lee Parks
Sound System Tech: Alan TenEyck
Worship Service Recorders: Dan Mossoney, David Bean, Gil Bisjak
Newsletter Helpers: Ken Rohrbach, Carol Rohrbach, Karen Tucker, Donna Bocklage
Lawn Maintenance: Alan TenEyck, Carl Ridder, Brad Parker, Jim Vemmer, Paul Brinker, Ron & Pam Griffin

Church Attendance from September

(4 out of 5 Sundays)

- Sept. 1 – 104
Sept. 8 – 95
Sept. 15 – 112
Sept. 22 – 98

Faith Quest/Adult Education Attendance from September

- Sept. 8 – 44 (Intergenerational Sunday School)
Sept. 15 – 14 (youth)
Sept. 22 – 10 (youth); 4 (adults)

Zion United Church of Christ
115 S. Washington Ave.
Union, MO 63084
636-583-2814
www.zionunion.org
9:00 a.m. Worship
(No Childcare)

Rev. Nicholas Knoblauch, Pastor
(knoblauchnicholas@gmail.com)
Fern Dewert, Church Council President
Connie Thompson, Adm. Assistant
(cthompson@zionunion.org)
Alysha Petry, Minister to Youth & Families
(apetry@zionunion.org)
Mandy Frick, Coordinator of Elementary Youth
Karen Stafford, Music Director
(kstafford1985@gmail.com)
Brenda Herring, Church Organist
Joy Bradley, Church Custodian

Puzzle!

Use the words provided to complete the puzzle.
Then write the numbered words in the correct blanks below to complete Psalm 104:24, NIV.

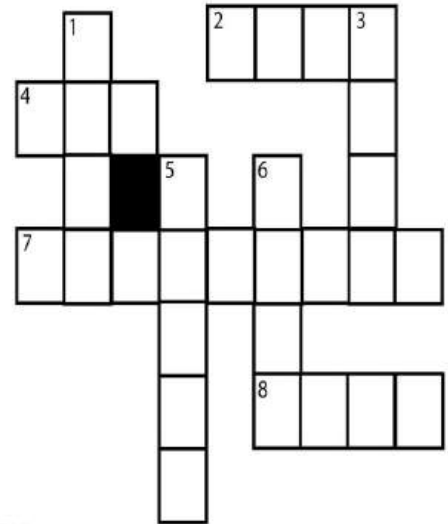
WORDS
EARTH, CREATURES,
MADE, THEM,
FULL, HOW,
LORD, YOUR

ACROSS

2. Rhymes with gem.
4. Rhymes with cow.
7. Rhymes with features.
8. Rhymes with cord.

DOWN

1. Rhymes with pour.
3. Rhymes with fade.
5. Rhymes with worth.
6. Rhymes with pull.



_____ many are _____ works, _____ !
4 1 8
In wisdom you _____ all;
3 2
the _____ is _____ of your _____ .
5 6 7

Psalm 104:24, NIV

Answer: How many are your works, Lord! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. Psalm 104:24, NIV



Notes from the Music Director

¹⁵ The chief priests and the

teachers of the Law became angry when they saw the wonderful things he was doing and the children shouting in the Temple, "Praise to David's Son!" ¹⁶ So they asked Jesus, "Do you hear what they are saying?"

"Indeed, I do," answered Jesus. "Haven't you ever read this scripture? 'You have trained children and babies to offer perfect praise.'" (Matthew 21:15-16, Good News Translation)

September was a great month to be a music director because I returned to my teaching roots.... working with kids.

Alleluia Kids was a joyful, playful experience. With 3-4 kids from one year to kindergarten, we experienced parachute fun, echo songs, puppets, a funny jelly bean song, scarves....and the beginnings of establishing those old-time children's songs we used to learn in Sunday School and Bible School: *Jesus Loves Me* and *This Is the Day*. The kids were a little shy at first, but they were becoming braver. And, boy, do they like parachute games!

We had three of last year's crew returning on the third Wednesday for Joyful Noise. We broke out the drums and began to learn a drumming pattern to play along with Siyahamba, followed by learning great technique on handbells (their favorite thing ever!)

Why are these things important? Why have our kids involved in music?

- It is Biblical.
- It's something that kids can enjoy with their parents, even if they feel they're not "musical".
- Music helps kids become better listeners
- There is something about singing that helps spiritually. Songs can be a comfort.
- Music is a great intergenerational source.
- Music is an avenue where kids can "teach" adults.
- Music can develop into a life-long source of recreation.
- Music can change hearts.

- And yes, there is a multitude of evidence that points to music helping children AND adults cognitively and emotionally.

Alleluia Kids meet on the first two Wednesdays of the month at 5:00 until 5:45 (right before the LOGOS meal) in the chapel. This is for ages 2-kindergarten, but babies are welcome, too!

Joyful Noise (for grades 1-middle school) meets on the third and fourth Wednesdays of the month at 6:00 in the chapel. Drums, handbells, singing... and who knows what else?

THIS MONTH: On the fifth Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., October 30, we will have a community drum circle. As the articles included below indicate, drumming is a means of spiritual connection that meets the needs of many. It's a way to communicate. Come check it out and tell your friends! We will meet in the chapel.

TO FACILITATE the right number of instruments and formation, RSVP by 6:00 on the 30th of October. (If you get a hard copy of the newsletter, feel free to send me an email to request these links. kstafford@zionunion.org)

Drum Circle Worship:

<https://digitalcommons.calvin.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1328&context=uni-cicw-symposium>

The Drum Circle of the Sisters of Charity

<https://www.srcharitycinti.org/2019/10/22/the-drum-circle-of-the-sisters-of-charity/>

Other Sources:

- The Importance of Worship Music for Kids: <https://ministry-to-children.com/importance-of-worship-music/>
- Benefits of Children Singing <https://www.cgslc.org/blog/benefits-of-children-singing>

Sometimes life schedules happen. We will be suspending Zion Ringers until after the New Year. But we still have our Joyful Noise kids ready to ring!

Blessings, Karen

New Phone Number

Phyllis Olson's phone number has changed – it is 480-272-7319



Church Council Meeting Minutes - August 2024

Zion UCC Church

Council met on Monday,

August 19 2024 with the following in attendance: Paul Brinker, Brad Parker, Bruce Templer, Kathy Reed, Susan Merlino, Donna Bocklage, Barb Cox, Rev. Nick, Fern Dewert, and Connie Thompson.

Fern Dewert opened with prayer and then called the meeting to order.

Consensus Agenda:

- Minutes of June Council Meeting - approved
- Minutes of June Special Congregational Meeting - approved
- Pastor's Report –
 - Discussed date for Totenfest - November 10 2024
 - Kathy Reed and Susan Merlino may be attending the Eastern Association Meeting in Hermann on Sunday, September 29th.
- Financial Reports for June/July - approved
- Time/Date for next Council meeting - September 16 2024 - 7 p.m.

Discussion Agenda:

Finance Committee Report and Recommendations: A motion was made, seconded, and approved – to accept the proposals/recommendations from the Finance Committee: 1. Zion Church received a portion of the Helen Schupp Estate and that amount was deposited into the Edward Jones Money Market account. 2. The \$215,000 Certificate of Deposit (from the sale of the Stierberger lot) matured on August 14 2024 and was deposited into the Edward Jones Money Market account. This will be used to help pay for the costs of the tuckpointing. 4. The Committee proposed to the Church Council to purchase a 7 month Certificate of Deposit of \$150,000 with United Bank of Union paid from the Edward Jones Money Market account. Motion was made, seconded and approved for this purchase.

Membership Review Committee - Kathy reported that the committee has met and will be doing a 'survey' to put in the newsletter to get demographics of the area. 'Inactives' will be changed to 'Friends of Zion'. The committee will be meeting again in September.

By-Law Revision Committee - Brad reported that he will soon be getting the group together to work on some by-law changes to recommend to the council/congregation.

Audit Committee - no meeting

Personnel Review Committee - Donna reported that the committee has met and will have staff salary recommendations for 2025 to present to the Finance Committee by September 1st. They will review the Job Descriptions with the staff.

Leadership Development - no meeting.

Building & Property Committee - Bruce reported that the tuckpointing will begin soon. The 'cherry picker' has been delivered. The parking lots need to be sealed. There are two parking spots in the back lot that are sinking again. Fencing around the back air conditioning units was discussed. They will be getting bids to remove the two blue spruce trees by the hands sculpture. They will be presenting their 2025 budget to the Finance Committee. A discussion was held about the outside lighting in the front parking lot. Bruce will bring this concern back to the Properties Committee. Possible ideas included installing dusk to dawn lights at the corner of the church building.

Safety Committee - no report

Hansen Committee - The committee will be meeting on August 29 2024 at 9 a.m. with the company with proposals of upgrading the sound system and audio visuals in the church.

Advent Event/Greening of the Church - The staff will discuss the dates for these events and report back to the council at the September meeting.

The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Connie Thompson, Secretary Pro Tem
(approved by the Church Council on September 16 2024.)

Prayers Requested

Health and Healing:

Jim Doehring	Phyllis Olson
Carolyn Donoho	Frank Fazzari
Keith Stahlman	Charlotte Ellison
Kim Yenser	Kevin Vorderbruegge
Carol Bean	Sarah Berghorn Myrt Dunigan
Felicia Scott	Anne Parker (at Willow Brooke in Union)

Chris Branch (niece of Gerry Hoelscher)
Sharon Waldrop (friend of Jim Doehring)
Mitch Angell (friend of Charlotte Ellison)
Tammy Wettling (friend of Charlotte Ellison)
Shirley Brand (friend of Gerry Hoelscher)
Eric Heitman (nephew of Jim Doehring)
Heather Gooch (great niece of Charlotte Ellison)
S (Karen Stafford's CASA buddy)
Carol Mossoney (mother of Dan Mossoney)
Bob Truel (husband of Shirley Truel)
Josh & Tricia Pardee-Jacka (friends of Charlotte Ellison)
Mike Bailey (husband of Leslie Bailey)
Cindy Roach (friend of Charlotte Ellison)
Liz Klemme (daughter/sister of Armin, Norma & Phil Klemme)
Glenda Foster (friend of Charlotte Ellison)
Vanessa Dobsch (niece of Charlotte Ellison)
Mary Dobsch (sister of Charlotte Ellison)
Aubrey Reed (granddaughter of Charlotte Ellison)
Wayne Herring (father of Matt Herring)
Beverly Elliott (mother of Mike Elliott)
Nancy McKenzie (sister of Vicki Hooper)
Bill Stolle (friend of Jim Doehring)
Whitney Henle (granddaughter of Susan Merlino)
Randy Gortney (son-in-law of Hettie Becker)
Roger McDaniel (brother-in-law of Larry & Betty Clark)
Darlene Farrell (sister of Charlotte Ellison)
Marvin Huggins (brother-in-law of Barb Harvey)
Krista Copeland (daughter of Verlyn Yarbrough & mother of Lukas & Jackten Copeland)



With Sympathy

We join in the sorrow of the family and friends of our fellowship who are experiencing the grief that death brings.

Carolyn George, 81, passed from this life on September 18th. Funeral service for Carolyn was held at Zion Church by Rev. Knoblauch on September 25th with burial in Zion Cemetery.

Memorial Gifts Given

In loving memory of **Margy Schowe** by:

Virginia Maune (for Zion Building & Property Fund)

In loving memory of **Delores**

Musket for Zion Good Samaritan Fund by:
Barb Cox, Daryl & Ann Hartley, Brad & Louise Parker, Tom & Gayle Williams, Brenda Viehland, Skip & Pat Buehrle, Shrewsbury Fire Department Relief Fund, Gary & Kathy Reed, Gale Claggett, Dennis & Maxine Harrison, Jeff & Carol Boyd, Keith & Marilyn Stahlman, Connie & Danny Thompson, Linda Kinworthy, Donna Bocklage, Susan Merlino, Kirk & Sallie Hancox, Ruth Parker, Colleen Simons, Armin & Norma Klemme, Dan & Lanora Mossoney, Harvey & Gail Mefford, Linda Kroeter, Arlene Hogan, Carol & Jane Ridder, Mary German, Jim & Bonnie Vemmer, Don & Lisa Bocklage, Vicki Hooper, Frank Fazzari, Gary & Debbie Schulte, Matthew Schulte, Ron & Pam Griffin,
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Sympathy Is Extended to:

Hettie Becker & family on the death of her great-nephew Dustin Franke who died on September 11th.

The family of Carolyn George who died on September 18th.

Church Family Undergoing Cancer Treatment:

Brenda Viehland Skip Buehrle
Jake McNiell (member of Zion & son of Sarah Davenport)
Ronald Dobsch (nephew of Charlotte Ellison)
Sarah Reed (daughter-in-law of Charlotte Ellison)
Cynthia Johnson (friend of Karen Stafford)

Kim Gallagher (friend of Chris & Dawn Robinson)
 Trish Kennedy (friend of Charlotte Ellison)
 Allen Coffman (friend of Shawn Pehle)
 Marissa Schollenberger (friend of Tom & Gayle Williams)
 Donna Eime (friend of Jim Doehring)
 Aaron Dixon (nephew of Dan Mossoney)
 Mike Meyer (friend of Mandy Frick)
 Brenda (friend of Hettie Becker)
 Leland Stahlman (brother of Keith Stahlman)
 Bill Diestelkamp (cousin of Liz Short & friend of Mandy Frick)

Ken & Carol Rohrbach,
 City Slickers Club, Joe &
 Sally Creutzburg, Melodie
 Klenke, David & Ruth
 Klenke, Michael &
 Jennifer Klenke, James &
 Wendy Morton, Dacosta
 & Mary Barrow, Robert &
 Donna Sturm, William &
 Anne Carroll, Randy &
 Debra Klenke, Donna
 Baker, David & Ronda
 Tanner, Matthew Jacquin,
 Eugene & Patricia Door,
 Kevin & Ruth Wissmann,
 Neil & Dawnette Wiskur,
 Allen & Patsy Klenke,
 Dennis & Gina Peters,
 Marvin & Diana Bolzenius,
 Val & Catherine
 Obermark, American
 Legion Auxiliary, Patricia
 Jones, Bill & Fern Dewert,
 Alan & Sharon TenEyck,
 Bruce & Carol Crane, Lee
 Parks, Glen & Joan
 Gettemeyer, Jim
 Doehring, Paula, Krista &
 families, Sandy
 Stierberger, Wayne &
 Carol Bean, Sue & Gerard
 Straatmann, Dave & Linda
 Hall, Bruce Templer,
 Virginia Maune (for Zion
 Building & Property Fund)

Beginning Their Life Together:

Luke Herring & Drenda Hess were united in Christian marriage on September 21st at Zion Church by Rev. Knoblauch.

Various Concerns:

Prayer for our country and those actively serving: Aviation Structural Mechanic 3rd Class Hunter Grafrath (currently deployed) (son of Lindsay & Greg Traffas, grandson of Mike & Lynne Elliott)

**Friends Foundation Fall Festival
 Sunday, November 3rd**

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the Friends Foundation Fall Festival on Sunday, November 3rd at the KC Hall (lower level) in Washington. Event will serve homemade soups, chili, roast beef sandwiches and hot dogs. The live quilt auction begins at 2:30 p.m. **On-line Auction will be from October 24 through October 31.** For more information see the flyer on the lower commons bulletin board.

Notes to Zion

Dear Zion Members,

The Wildcat FoodPack Organization would like to thank you for your generous donation. The hard work of all those involved with the church rummage sale will help to provide funding for weekend food packs for students in the R-XI District who are at risk for hunger. Our all-volunteer group depends on donations like this. Thanks again.

- Ken Rohrbach, on behalf of the Wildcat FoodPack Organization

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Thank you for the donations to the Good Samaritan Fund.

- Delores Musket family

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Thank you so much for your generous donation to Hope Ranch! We are so appreciative.

- Hope Ranch of Missouri

(Please note: The church office did not receive a list from the family for those who gave cash donations. Please contact the church office if you gave a monetary donation. Thank you.)

In loving memory of **Robert Barreth** for Zion Good Samaritan Fund by:




Alan & Sharon TenEyck,
 Keith & Marilyn Stahlman,
 Lee Parks, Gary & Karen
 Stafford, Bruce Templer,
 Jim Doehring (for Zion
 Building & Property Fund)

Financial Report for August 2024

	August 2024	Year to Date (YTD)
Income	\$18,050.00	\$229,388.00
Expenses	\$27,282.00	\$231,056.00
Our Church's Wider Mission (given YTD) -	\$5,886.00	
Chicago, United, Eden Seminaries (given YTD) -	\$1,905.00	

Detailed financial reports are available by contacting the church office. Thank you.

October 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 12 pm Loops of Love 5 pm LOGOS 7:30 Chancel Choir	3 8 am-12 noon Quilting Circle 10 am Audit Comm. 6 pm Fellowship Hall in use	4 7 pm Fellowship Hall in Use	5
6 The 20th Sunday after Pentecost/ Communion 10 am Budget Presentation (fellowship hall) 	7	8	9 9:30 Called to Care 12 pm Loops of Love 5 pm LOGOS 7:30 Chancel Choir	10 8 am-12 noon Quilting Circle	11 7 pm Fellowship Hall in Use	12 pm Fellowship Hall in Use
13 The 21st Sunday after Pentecost 10 am Intergenerational Sunday School 12:30 pm CROP Walk	14 6:30 pm Finance	15 1:30 pm Book Club	16 12 Loops of Love 6 pm Joyful Noise 7:30 Chancel Choir Nov. newsletter articles due	17 8 am-12 noon Quilting Circle	18 7 pm Fellowship Hall in Use 	19 4 pm Fellowship Hall in Use
20 The 22nd Sunday after Pentecost 10 am Budget Presentation (fellowship hall) 10 am Zion Cemetery Board (chapel)	21 7 pm Church Council	22	23 10 am Nov. newsletter assembled 12 Loops of Love 6 pm Joyful Noise 7:30 pm Chancel Choir	24 8 am-12 noon Quilting Circle	25 7 pm Fellowship Hall in Use	26
27 The 23rd Sunday after Pentecost	28 	29	30 12 Loops of Love 6:30 pm Worship Drum Circle 7:30 pm Chancel Choir	31 8 am-12 noon Quilting Circle		



October Birthdays

- 1 - Cherie Vollmer
- 2 - Mindy Johnson
Megan Orf
- 3 - Tara Babbs
- 4 - Jeff Hulse
Jacob Evrard
- 5 - William Toelke, Jr.
Adam Stevens
- 6 - Alicia Ley
- 8 - Connie Thompson
Elliott Avalos
- 9 - Vicki Hooper
Don Bocklage
- 10 - Erin Harrison
- 12 - Betty Clark
Augustus Orf
- 13 - Scott Buehrle
Briley Pecka
- 15 - Addison Short
- 16 - Amy Eads
Larry Clark
- 17 - Carol Crane
Jacob McNeil
- 18 - Virginia Maune
Shelly Truel
Sharon Titter
- 19 - Hettie Becker
Dennis Tucker
Tammy Vemmer

- 20 - Elaine Bierwirth
Hailey Hansen
- 21 - Bill Dewert
Taylor Ingle
Damon Blankenship
- 22 - Allie Pracht
- 24 - Andrew Klemme
Matthew Schulte
- 25 - Lauren Moller
Nancy McKenzie
Fallyn Blankenship
Sue Leicht
- 26 - Janet Brune
- 27 - Joyce Pope
Matt Osterwald
- 29 - Brenda Herring
Samantha Knott
Liz Short
- 31 - Carol Wilson

November Birthdays

- 2 - Karen Stafford
Alan TenEyck
Amy Dewert
- 3 - Patrick Branscum
Brenda Bishop
- 4 - Claude Perriguy
Jeremy Rosenkoetter
- 6 - Trinity Penton
- 8 - Nicole Evrard
Steve Helms
Taylor Lutz
- 9 - David Hall
Prudence Johnson
- 10 - Renee Gerding
Chris Robinson
Tylor Mueller

ZION UCC: 2024 SURVEY

The Membership Review would like each member of Zion UCC to complete this survey.

Please fill this out as an individual.

1. What is your age?

Check only one box.

- 0-18 19-29
 30-49 50-69
 70+

2. On average, how often do you worship in person monthly?

Check only one box.

- 1
 2-3
 Almost always
 Seasonally (i.e. active during program year or out of town during winter)
 Other:

3: On average, how often do you watch online monthly?

Check only one box.

- 1
 2-3
 Almost always
 Seasonally (i.e. active during program year or leave during winter)
 Other:

4. Which Church activities do you attend?

Check all that apply.

- LOGOS Music Committees
 Fellowship groups (Quilting, Loops, Adult Fellowship, Book Club)
 Sunday School Other:

5. How far do you drive one way to church?

Mark only one box.

- Less than mile
 1-5 miles
 6-10 miles
 10+ miles

- Please Turn Over -

6. How do you prefer to give?

Check all that apply.

Weekly Monthly Once a year

Online Mail Plate Other:

7. What do you love about Zion?

8. What do you miss?

9. Addition Comments:

*Please Complete and Return to Church Office by October 31st
or place in the basket by the offering plate on Sunday morning.
Thank you!*