

PASTOR'S LETTER

Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings! Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts. For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness. He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. ~Psalm 33:2-5

Don't you love music? I think about music this time of year. We sing all the great Easter hymns. There are school concerts and Art in the Park begins. Sometimes, I relive my high school days and turn up the radio in my car and roll down the windows. Warmer weather and good music seem to go hand in hand.

Maybe I think that way because music and beauty come from God. Just like the blue skies and green grass are God's creation, so is the beauty of the sounds all around us. God made the notes to fit together in harmony. God made our bodies so that singing brings us joy. Music is a great creation.

Psalm 33 reminds us that all of this goodness comes from God. He is faithful and upright. He loves righteousness and justice. The earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

So we celebrate spring and beauty and the Word of God, and music! As Martin Luther said, "Next to the Word of God, the noble art of music is the greatest treasure in the world." May God bless you with the beauty of spring, with His Word, and with the noble art of music.

See you in church.

Pastor Kleepe



Zion Lutheran Church
410 Main Street South
Pine City, MN 55063



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 Worship/ Communion 9am Sunday School 10:30am <i>Voters' Meeting following Worship</i>	1 Preschool 7pm Evangelism 7pm ·HAPPY· <i>May Day</i>	2	3 Worship 7pm	4 	5	6
7 Worship/ Communion 9am Education Hour 10:30am	8 Elder Meeting 6pm Council Meeting 7pm	9	10 Worship/Comm 7pm	11 Garage Sale Set-up 9am-5pm LWML Mtg 1pm	12 Garage Sale 1pm-6pm	13 Garage Sale 7am- 2pm
14 Worship/ Communion 9am Ed Hour 10:30am 	15	16	17 Worship 7pm	18	19	20
21 Worship/ Communion 9am End of Sunday School Celebration	22	23	24 Worship/Comm 7pm	25	26	27
28 Worship/ Communion 9am	29 	30	31 Worship/Comm 7pm	Special Dates/Notes: _____ _____ _____ _____		

LWML RUMMAGE SALE – *MAY OF 2023*

We will be having a rummage sale this year. It will be held on city-wide garage sale day in May. Set-up will be on **Thursday May 11th** from **9:00a.m.** to about **5:00p.m.** The sale will be held on **Friday May 12th** from **1:00p.m.** to **6:00p.m.** And Saturday the sale will be from **7:00a.m. to 2:00p.m**

More information on ***Drop-off will follow!*** Any questions, please contact Verna or one of the LWML members.



MAY BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

James Vanek 5/5
Ben Bloomquist 5/7
Dallas Carpenter 5/11
Corben Fedder 5/15
Casey Fedder 5/17
Monica Olson 5/21
Elaine Kohoutek 5/23
Lori Hall 5/23
Dean Swenson 5/31

ANNIVERSARIES

Omar & Sherry Magaard
5/22



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MAY 2023:

ELDERS

Scott Ovick 5/7
Keith Strehlo 5/14
Ryan Ovick 5/21
Jerry Lotz 5/28

USHERS

Bob Thompson
Larry Anderson
Andy Western
Dennis Loudon

ALTAR GUILD

Karen Teich &
Janet Sundermeyer

OFFERING COUNTERS

Jeanne Casby 5/2
Verna Carpenter 5/9
Barbara Carlson 5/16
Dallas Carpenter 5/23
JoAnn Breska 5/31

LAWN MOWING

Steve Olson May 7th-13th
Kleppe Family May 14th-20th
Scott Ovick May 21st - 27th
Wagners May 28th-June 3rd

Zion Lutheran April 2023 Council Minutes

* Meeting called to order at 7:02pm

Members Present: Pastor Kleppe, Karen Althoff, Keith Strehlo, Ryan Ovick, Jerry Lotz..

Members Absent: Scott Ovick, Tom Martini, Jeremiah Slama, Steve Olson, Chad Fedder, Larry Anderson & Bob Thompson.

Pastor Kleppe opened with devotion from John 20: 11-16

- Jesus knows your name. Knowing this is enough to make us stop weeping. Knowing Jesus makes things all good.

Pastor continued with opening prayer.

Secretary's Report- This was shared prior to the meeting electronically. Motion made to accept the report, motion seconded and motion passed.

Treasurer's Report- Finances are staying steady. Checking is looking good. Netted about \$1100 last month after expenses. As we near Summer we encourage members to faithfully continue to make offerings. Detailed financial reports available in the Office.

Pastor's Report:

- Our YouTube channel is Glen Kleppe. We continue to put services on the channel every week. It is accessible directly or through our church website, zionpincity.org or through our Facebook page. Now we will return to Wednesday service matching the following Sunday.

- I am currently teaching "Christians in a Woke World" for the Youth on Sunday

Mornings. The Elders are teaching a study on sharing your Faith.

- I'm looking for someone to head up Vacation Bible School.

- The Youth will be serving Art in the Park on July 21st.

- The Altar is in need of a new fair linen. Not sure on the cost. I would like to use memorial funds for this purchase. The linen is wearing thin.

- No word on the air exchanger repair.

- Bob has submitted a first draft of a new constitution. I haven't had a chance to look at it yet.

Upcoming dates:

April 23rd- Confirmation (3 Confirmands)

April 30th- Voter's Meeting

Motion to accept Pastor's report, motion seconded and motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Evangelism- Handing out something for Mother's Day & Father's Day. Talked to A Place For You about coming in and doing a Bible Study there. They continue to do meals there. They are planning to not meet during the Summer months.

LWML- New Seamstress joined the group. Pillow Case Dresses & Rummage Sale in May during City Wide Sale.

Preschool- Met on April 3rd. Made Plans for Open House. Currently two openings for next school year. Also planned for the Trike & Jump

-A-Thon one of their big fundraisers which will take place on Saturday, April 29th Worship, Music & Arts- No Meetings

Youth Group- Doing the "Woke" study with Pastor. Pizza Fundraiser sold 292 pizzas and made \$1360 dollars. April 9th lead the Pancake Breakfast. And upcoming will serve at Art in the Park.

Men's Group- No Meeting. Possible June Fishing.

Trustee's Report:

- Question of if AED was serviced. It has not been yet. Keith will look into this.

Motion to accept Committee and Trustee reports, motion seconded and motion passed.

Old Business:

- Continuing to look for desk ideas. Possible one at MinnCo (looking for measurements to see if it would fit in office).

- Karen Althoff being added to checking (hopes to do this once tax season is done.

Tentatively hoping to do it next Wednesday April 19th).

- Wal-Mart Card for Norm & Karen (Old cards did not work. Need to call Wal-Mart to see why this is).

- Strategic Planning- We will continue discussing this more as we move forward.

New Business-

Constitution- Bob Thompson provided us with an outline of a new Constitution for us to review. Copies have been printed off and shared. Take these home tonight and review them. We will discuss more at next months meeting.

Kitchen Ovens- Got a price quote from Rick's in Mora. \$999 to \$1199 depending on color. Consensus was that we can still hold off on replacing ovens as they seem to work fine for what our needs are at this time.

Minutes typed and respectfully submitted by Jerry Lotz