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In Lent, we are encouraged to consider our sin. Jesus is the solution and we will celebrate that solution on Good Friday and Easter. Jesus earned our forgiveness and He gives it to us freely and generously. He asks you to repent and turn to Him. So think about your sin; receive His forgiveness. See you in worship.

When he was forced to think about it, he wept bitterly. That's what sin does. It breaks your heart. It breaks the hearts of those we love. It breaks God's heart.

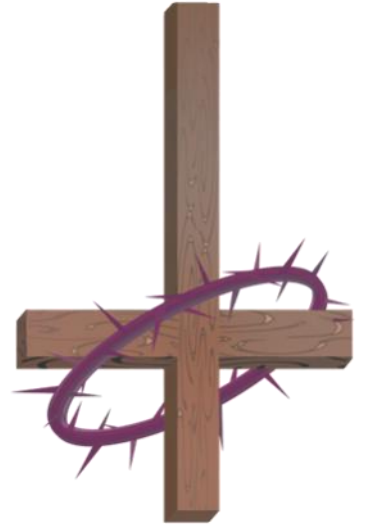
When the rooster crowed and Jesus looked at Peter, he was forced to think about what he had done. He had abandoned Jesus. He had denied his faith in Jesus. He had continually told people that he was not a follower.

Peter spent much of that Thursday evening denying that he knew Jesus or followed him. He knew it was sinful. Jesus had told him that he would do it, but he kept denying Jesus to one person after another.

Do you think about your sin much? What do you think about it? We tend not to think of our sin very much. It's painful. We'd rather just put it out of our minds.

~Luke 22:60-62

But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are talking about." And immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the saying of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the rooster crows today, you will deny me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly.



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*The pain that you've
been feeling can't compare
to the joy that's coming.*

ROMANS 8:18



March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Worship/ Comm 8am <i>Jastram D.O.</i> Education Hour 9:30am	2 Endowment 6pm Evangelism 7pm Confirmation (at ZION) 4:00pm	3 Bible Study 9am	4 Lent Worship 1pm & 7pm	5	6	7 Women's Group 8:30-10am
8 Worship/ Comm 8am <i>Food Shelf D.O.</i> Education Hour 9:30am	9 Elders 6pm Council 7pm Confirmation (at ZION) 4:00pm	10 Bible Study 9am	11 Lent Worship Communion 1pm & 7pm	12 LWML Sewing 9am LWML Mtg 1:00pm	13	14
15 Worship/ Comm 8am Education Hour 9:30am Potluck-Noon Movie Day- 12:30pm "Prince Caspian"	16 Confirmation (at LBLC) 4:00pm	17 Bible Study 9:00am	18 Lent Worship 1pm & 7pm	19	20	21
22 Worship/ Comm 8am Education Hour 9:30am	23 <i>NO SCHOOL</i> Confirmation (at ZION) 4:00pm	24 Bible Study 9:00am <i>NO SCHOOL</i>	25 Lent Worship Communion 1pm & 7pm <i>NO SCHOOL</i>	26 <i>NO SCHOOL</i>	27 <i>NO SCHOOL</i>	28
29 <u>PALM SUNDAY</u> Worship/ Comm 8am Education Hour 9:30am 	30 Confirmation (at LBLC) 4:00pm	31 Bible Study 9:00am				

Zion Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 9th, 2026

*Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Members Present: Pastor Kleppe, Chad Fedder, Tom Martini, Larry Anderson & Steve Corey.

Members Absent: Keith Strehlo, Karen Althoff, Jeremiah Slama & Scott Ovick.

Devotion & Prayer: Philippians 4: 6-9- Finally brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me-practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

Secretary's Report:

The Secretary's Report for January was read at the meeting.

Motion by Chad, seconded by Tom to approve the report, Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Karen was absent but provided printed reports for the meeting. Chad reviewed the reports with the Council and shared that income for the month was \$12,884.65, expenses were \$16,326.10 showing a net loss of -\$3,441.05 for the month. The Checking Account balance is \$21,381.86.

Motion by Chad, seconded by Steve to accept the Treasurer's Report as provided by Karen, Motion Passed.

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, zionpinecity.org or through our Facebook page. I'm on WCMP on the second Sunday of the month, 9:00 a.m. We have also added announcements to the YouTube channel. We show them on Sunday morning or you can look at them online.

***A couple members have been organizing family ministry events. Bowling on February 8th went well. About 20 people attended and everyone seemed to have fun. There is a movie planned for March.

***Bill Casby and I are trying to set up the Men to do a Hamburger Fry at Art in the Park. The Arts Council is calling me back in March.

***My next midweek Bible Study will be after Easter. It will deal with what it means to be Lutheran.

***Lent begins next week on Ash Wednesday, February 18th.

Upcoming Dates:

***February 18th- Ash Wednesday

***Motion by Tom, seconded by Steve to accept Pastor's Report, Motion Passed.

Committee Reports:

Evangelism- March 15th movie planned? Continue to do meals at A Place For You and could use more help to do so. Planning to do something for Valentine's Day on February 15th.

Endowment- We have been reviewing by-laws. Also working to improve the form for use when requesting the funds from awarded grants.

LWML- Continue sewing projects.

Preschool- Had a meeting on Tuesday, February 3rd. Discussed a tuition increase for next year. Lutheran Schools Celebration/Zion Appreciation on Sunday, February 22nd. Preschool kids will be singing in Church and Preschool will provide morning refreshments and snacks.

Men's/Women's Groups- Men's group is working to plan Hamburger Fry, Women continue with their Bible Study and Saturday morning events.

Dual Parish/Personnel- Nothing to report at this time.

Trustee's Report- Things are going well. Questions about who to use for Fire Extinguisher inspections.

***Motion by Pastor, seconded by Chad to accept Committee Reports, Motion Passed.

Old Business:

Church Audit- still on the agenda. Steve has made up some documents for us to use to help with this process.

New Business:

***Chamber of Commerce- Membership renewal, cost is \$100. Discussed the value this offers to Zion. Motion by Chad, seconded by Tom to approve this renewal, Motion Passed.

***Set the date for April's Voter's Meeting- Brief discussion and the date was set for Monday, April 27th @ 7:00 p.m.

***Discussion on protocols to follow in the event of any disturbances during church services or at church. Pastor Kleppe will check with the District to see if they have any protocols they suggest to be following.

***Motion by Pastor, seconded by Steve to adjourn the meeting. Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

***Minutes typed and submitted respectfully by Jerry Lotz.

Stay in the Word this **Lenten Season**

Every Tuesday @9am



We are studying Peace starting this week! It's a great time to join us for a new study in our continued studies on the fruits of the spirit! Please come and bring a friend!

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

There are plenty of misconceptions about Christianity today. From false rumors to biblical teachings that are heavily distorted from their subject matter, there's no lack of myths to find. Do you know how to respond to them? More importantly, do you know the truth backed up by God's Word and teachings? Class follows worship at about 9:30a.m.

LENTEN READINGS

<u>Feb 18 -Matthew 1-3</u>	<u>March 5-Mark 4- 6</u>	<u>March 21</u>	<u>Luke 23-24</u>
<u>Feb 19 -Matthew 4-6</u>	<u>March 6</u>	<u>March 23</u>	<u>John 1- 2</u>
<u>Feb 20 -Matthew 7-9</u>	<u>March 7</u>	<u>March 24</u>	<u>John 3- 4</u>
<u>Feb 21 -Matthew 10- 12</u>	<u>March 9</u>	<u>March 25</u>	<u>John 5- 6</u>
<u>Feb 23 -Matthew 13-14</u>	<u>March 10</u>	<u>March 26</u>	<u>John 7- 8</u>
<u>Feb 24 -Matthew 15-16</u>	<u>March 11</u>	<u>March 27</u>	<u>John 9- 10</u>
<u>Feb 25 -Matthew 17-18</u>	<u>March 12</u>	<u>March 28</u>	<u>John 11- 12</u>
<u>Feb 26 -Matthew 19-20</u>	<u>March 13</u>	<u>March 30</u>	<u>John 13-John 14</u>
<u>Feb 27 -Matthew 21- 22</u>	<u>March 14</u>	<u>March 31</u>	<u>John 15-John 16</u>
<u>Feb 28 -Matthew 23- 24</u>	<u>March 16</u>	<u>April 1</u>	<u>John 17-John 18</u>
<u>March 2-Matthew 25- 26</u>	<u>March 17</u>	<u>April 2</u>	<u>John 19-John 20</u>
<u>March 3-Matthew 27-28</u>	<u>March 18</u>	<u>April 3</u>	<u>John 21</u>
<u>March 4-Mark 1- 3</u>	<u>March 19</u>	<u>April 4</u>	<u>I Corinthians 15</u>
	<u>March 20</u>		

SERVANTS OF ZION

ALTAR GUILD

Kadi Westerman

ELDERS

Scott Ovick 3/1
 Chad Fedder 3/8
 Jeremiah Slama 3/15
 Jerry Lotz 3/22
 Tom Martini 3/29

USHERS

Keith Strehlo
 Karl Strehlo
 Josh Strehlo
 Larry Anderson

OFFERING COUNTERS

Barb Carlson 3/2
 Dallas Carpenter 3/9
 Karen Meyer 3/16
 Janet Sundermeyer 3/23
 Karen Teich 3/30



ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

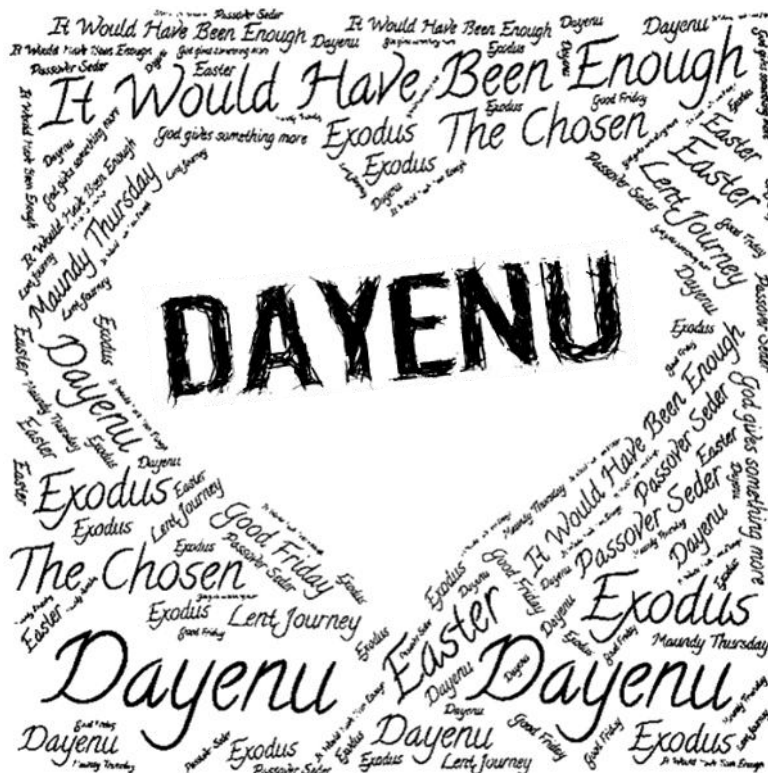
**No Anniversaries*

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Linda Kleppe 3/1
 Larry Pogones 3/1
 Alexandra Waxberg 3/2
 Jana Limanen 3/3
 Grace Ammann 3/6
 Karen Althoff 3/8
 Judy Patzoldt 3/10
 David Deutschlander 3/18
 Caleb Fromm 3/19
 Dave Wagner 3/20
 Marsha Olson 3/24
 Brenen Slama 3/24
 Steve Olson 3/25
 Caden Fedder 3/30
 Jamie Miklya 3/30



*If any information is incorrect or missing please let the office know. Thank you!



לו האכילנו את־המן ולא נתן לנו את־ה שַׁבַּת, דַּיְנוּ

Dayenu (“It Would Have Been Enough”) is a song traditionally sung during the telling of **the story of Exodus** at the **Passover seder**. For our Lenten midweek series this year, we consider the song, **Dayenu**. No matter how generous God is to us, He always gives something more. If He had given us His Son but not welcomed us into His heavenly home, it would have been enough.

Wednesday, Feb 25th—Lent Midweek 2: @ 7pm —*Provided Our Needs*

Wednesday, March 4th—Lent Midweek 3: @ 7pm —*Given us a Lesson on Faith*

Wednesday, March 11th—Lent Midweek 4: @ 1pm & 7pm —*Sent John as Forerunner*

Wednesday, March 18th—Lent Midweek 5:
@ 1pm & 7pm —*Showed His Glory on the Mountain*

Wednesday, March 25th—Lent Midweek 5: @ 1pm & 7pm —*Set his Face Toward Jerusalem*

Thursday, April 2nd— Maundy Thursday: @ 1pm & 7pm —*Gave us His memorial meal*

Friday, April 3rd— Good Friday: @ 1pm & 7pm —*Gave His life for us*

Sunday, April 5th— Easter Sunday: @ 8am —*Raised from the dead*

Upcoming Events at Zion:



Lutheran
Women
in Mission

LWML – THURSDAY MARCH 12th, 2026

LWML will be meeting at 9:00 a.m. on March 12th for sewing. We will be making pillow case dresses. Regular meeting will be at 1p.m. For any questions, contact Verna. LWML church rummage sale will be held in May on citywide garage sale days weekend. The sale will be held on Friday May 8th from 1-6 p.m. Saturday May 9th the sale will run from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Set up will be on Thursday May 7th. We will be needing volunteers to help with set-up and pricing on Thursday and for the Friday and Saturday sale. Sign-up sheets will be available around mid April. Any questions or suggestions, please contact Verna @651-278-3884 Thank you.



GOOD FRIDAY – APRIL 3RD

There will be a **FREE SUPPER** provided at **5:30 p.m.** on Good Friday at Zion, followed by the Good Friday service at **7:00 p.m.**

Please Join us this afternoon for:
A Live Night of Encouragement
The Garms Family– *Gospel Bluegrass*



April 19th, 2026 at 3:00pm

Concert at Zion Lutheran Church in *Pine City, MN*

***A Freewill offering will be received.**

MOVIE EVENT

**FREE MOVIE | 15 MARCH, 2026 |
12:00PM POTLUCK | 12:30PM MOVIE START**



The Chronicles of Narnia: PRINCE CASPIAN

POPCORN & REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE