

Zion Lutheran Church
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June 2022

hello,
JUNE
*it's been a while since
i've seen you last*

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Zion, Borgund and MN Valley

*This is the day the Lord has made, let us
rejoice and be glad in it.*

Psalm 118:24

June 2022

Zion President:

Dan Smith

Vice-President:

Tim Ehrenberg

Secretary:

Matt Tollefson

Treasurer:

Brenda Oyen

Council Members:

Aaron Koosmann, Lynn Henkelman, Lisa Johnson,
Kenzie Gisvold

Borgund President:

Phil Skurdahl

Vice President:

Ron Sigdahl

Secretary:

Kelly Vaala

Treasurer:

Tamie & Brian Bremseth

Minnesota Valley President:

Dale Lien

Vice President:

Scott Sieg

Secretary:

Dawn Olson

Treasurer:

Karin Moen

Zion Broadcasts:

KQLP 92.1FM Radio: 1:00 pm

Channel 8: 3:00 pm

Borgund, MN Valley Broadcasts:

Madison Radio 92.1: 7pm Sundays

MN Valley Lutheran YouTube site: MVLC

Worship

Media Com: 2pm Sundays Channel 8

All Are Welcome!

8:30am MN Valley, 10:30am

Borgund, and 10:30am Zion

Give Thanks for All
God's Wonderful Blessings!!

JUNE NEWSLETTER

- And early in the morning [Jesus] came walking towards them on the lake...and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." ... Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water...But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him... -

Dear People of Borgund, Minnesota Valley and Zion,

In the play we are doing in my new home congregation, one of the characters, Harriet, introduces the three-bean salad she has brought to the church potluck (in contrast to her friend, Bea's, seven-bean salad) with the words, "I feel people prefer simpler salads these days. The world's complicated enough as it is!"

The world is a complicated place! True enough. Think of what we have all been through in the past two years. A global pandemic temporarily changed our way of life and killed millions of people worldwide, with more than a million deaths in our own country. Racial tensions and personal injustices have again asserted their dominance over nearly every issue of daily news. Drug overdoses, particularly involving opioids, have increased markedly over the same time. If we didn't have drought, things are far too wet. And then, a great wind arose, blew across the prairie and brought mayhem and destruction to many members of our community.

Talk about complicated! Fortunately, no one in our area was hurt. We can give thanks for that! Emergency cleanup brought families and neighbors together to do what needed doing in the midst of the crisis. Generators were brought out of storage to provide necessary power. Chainsaws fired up to remove downed trees and limbs. Sump pumps worked overtime. Freezers and refrigerators remained unopened to preserve their cooler temperatures. And inspectors were summoned to examine the remains of buildings somewhat scarred by the effects of the storm.

By now, I hope you have heard that the Minnesota Valley church building has been given a clean bill of health. We rejoice over that good report! And, while the building does look a little naked sitting out there by itself on the prairie, the council members had just mentioned that something needed to be done about those trees. Much farm work, delayed by the cool and wet spring, is finally getting done this week. And farmers are excused from all other obligations so that they can tend to these important and necessary tasks. My prayer is that all will get done before the next batch of rain comes sweeping in.

Needless to say, this has been a hectic introduction back into life in the parish. I want to say, "Thankyou" for understanding my previous obligations to my home congregation. I'll be with you now for the rest of the summer, and as long as needed, while our call committee works to find a new "settled" pastor to call. Yes, life is complicated! And sometimes, when the wind blows and the storms rage, we feel a lot like Peter, overwhelmed by the conditions and afraid to take another step. Then, thank God that Jesus hears our call, reaches out and grabs our arm and pulls us back to safety! For that, we rejoice, most of all!

Peace Be With You, **Pastor Art**

Upcoming Dates:

June 1st: Community Worship Service & Cookout 5:30pm-6:45pm @ Slen Park

June 10th: Day of Pentecost

June 12th: The Holy Trinity

June 19th: Pentecost 2/Father's Day

June 26th: Pentecost 3

Attention!! Newsletter!!

The Newsletter will be posted on our website at appletonzion.com under "Join Us" at the beginning of every month. Thank you! 😊



June 5th **Borgund** will attend MN Valley's 8:30am Worship service @ MN Valley.

Borgund and MN Valley

will have a one time, time change on Sunday, June 26th.

MN Valley: 10:30am Worship Service

Borgund: 8:30am Worship Service

Zion Prayer Shawl, Quilting and ZLCW

We will be quilting Wednesday, June 8th at 9am with a ZLCW light noon lunch to follow at 12pm. Prayer Shawl will be meeting June 15th at 1pm. All are welcome 😊

Swift County Fair!!

A reminder the Swift County Fair is coming up quickly! Wednesday, August 17th – Sunday, August 21st. If you love all the great food at the Church Fair Stand, WE NEED YOUR HELP to keep it going! More information to come 😊

Office HOURS

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday Thru Thursday 8:30am – 4:30pm

Friday CLOSED

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FOOD SHELF HOURS:

Closed Monday

Tuesday 10:00am – 12:00pm (Call Ahead)

Wednesday 10:00am – 5:00pm

Closed Thursday & Friday

Vicar Sara will be on vacation May 30th - June 14th

Zion Taping Schedule

June 5: Hope Schmidt

June 12: Kevin Skjei

June 19: Wade Schmidt

June 26: Scott Mithun

Zion Altar Guild

Flower Committee

-Alyce Fust

Communion Committee

-Diane Kepner

Parament Committee

-Molly Erickson

"KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS"

The Zion Prayer Shawl Ministry Team is in need of some help to make Prayer Shawls, 30" x 60". We have yarn and supplies at Zion that you can pick up and do your own pattern or we can assist you with ideas. Check in the office or call a Prayer Shawl member and we can get you started. Your time and talents are very much appreciated. You may call the church office at 289-2216 if you have any questions.

MN Valley WELCA

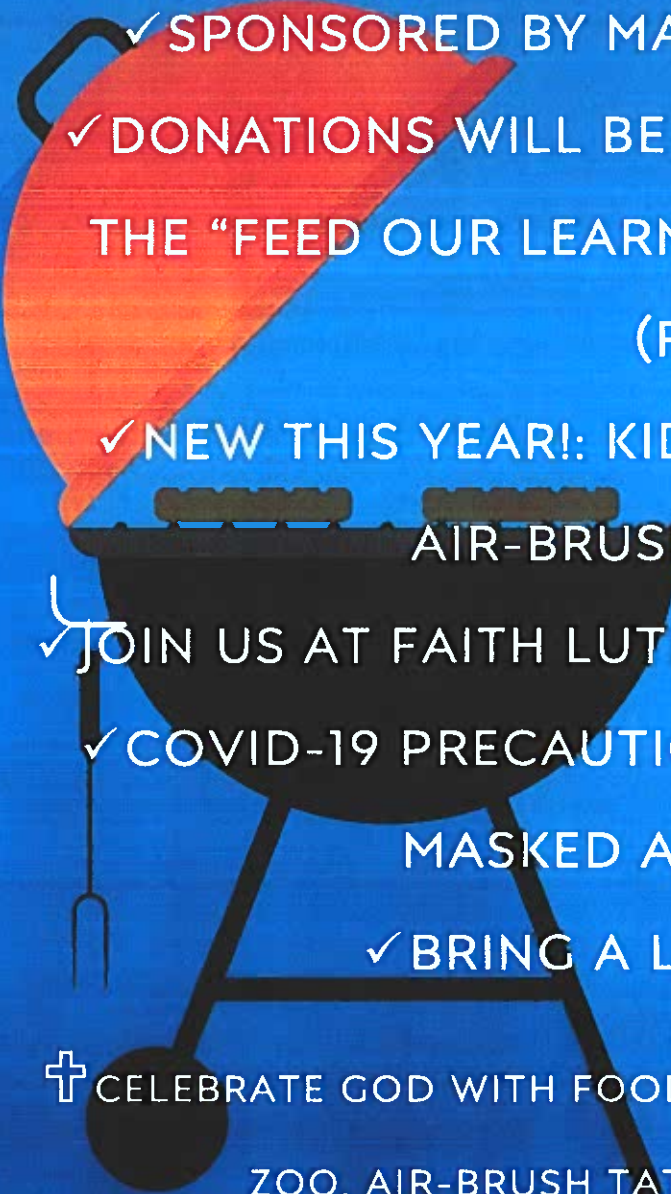
WELCA meets at 9:30am Tuesday, June 14th. Danica Tweet will be serving. Bible Study, June Gather Magazine.

COMMUNITY WORSHIP SERVICE & COOKOUT

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 2022

5:30 PM MEAL & 6:45 WORSHIP · SLEN PARK

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- ✓ SPONSORED BY MADISON MINISTERIUM
 - ✓ DONATIONS WILL BE USED FOR THE MEAL & THE "FEED OUR LEARNING YOUTH PROGRAM"

(FLY)

- ✓ NEW THIS YEAR!: KID'S PETTING ZOO AND AIR-BRUSH TATTOOS!

✓ JOIN US AT FAITH LUTHERAN IF BAD WEATHER

- ✓ COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS: SERVERS WILL BE MASKED AND GLOVED

✓ BRING A LAWN CHAIR

✝ CELEBRATE GOD WITH FOOD, LIVE MUSIC, KID'S PETTING ZOO, AIR-BRUSH TATTOOS, AND MORE!

June 2022 Borgund, MN Valley & Zion

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Church Office open Monday thru Thursday 8:30am-4:30pm	*Announcements due by 8am every Wednesday morning	1 Community Worship Service & Cookout 5:30pm-6:45pm @ Slen Park	2	3	4
5 Day of Pentecost 8:30am MN Valley and Borgund @ MN Valley 10:30am Zion Worship	6	7 6:30pm AA mtg. in Lounge	8 9am Quilting/ZLCW Lunch	9	10	11
12 The Holy Trinity 10:30am Borgund 8:30am MN Valley 10:30am Zion Worship	13	14 Flag Day 9:30am MN Valley WELCA mtg. 6:30pm AA mtg. in Lounge Restorative Justice Mtg.	15 1pm Prayer Shawl 7pm Joint Council Mtg. @ Zion	16	17	18
19 Father's Day 10:30am Borgund 8:30am MN Valley 10:30am Zion Worship	20 Info for Newsletter due	21 6:30pm AA mtg. in Lounge	22	23	24	25
26 Lectionary 13 8:30am Borgund 10:30am MN Valley 10:30am Zion Worship	27	28 6:30pm AA mtg. in Lounge Restorative Justice Mtg.	29	30		

Zion Lutheran Church - April 30, 2022

CURRENT FUND

Receipts:

Balance Brought Forward	\$4,322.41
Envelope Offering	\$17,359.52
Borgund Lutheran	\$1,416.24
Easter Offering	\$955.00
Loose Offering	\$591.00
Lenten Folders	\$211.00
VBS Donation	\$10.00
NOW Interest	<u>\$0.86</u>

Total Receipts..... \$24,866.03

Disbursements:

Salaries & Allowances	\$12,067.61
Utilities	\$1,831.67
Parsonage Utilities	\$394.75
Madison Parsonage Utilities	\$938.87
Office Supplies	\$255.92
Postage	\$347.00
Worship Supplies	\$194.14
Confirmation Gifts	\$410.73
Grinnell Mutual	\$688.00
Tubbs of Soft Water	\$6.50
Appleton Chamber Dues	\$130.00
Graduation Gifts	<u>\$61.24</u>

Total Disbursements..... \$17,326.43

CURRENT FUND BALANCE \$7,539.60

CHECKBOOK BALANCE \$7,955.07

ZION SAVINGS ACCOUNT

General Savings	\$1,733.45
Lutefisk Supper	\$4,000.00
Thrivent Choice Dollars	\$7,989.20
Peterson Gift	<u>\$5,220.32</u>

SAVINGS BALANCE \$18,942.97

MISSION FUND

Receipts:

Balance Brought Forward	\$1,020.00
Envelope Offering	\$130.00
Domestic Disaster Relief(Ukraine)	\$290.00
Mission Memorial	<u>\$20.00</u>

Total Receipts..... \$1,460.00

Disbursements:

Lutheran World Relief (Ukraine)	\$500.00
ELCA Disaster Response(Ukraine)	<u>\$290.00</u>

Total Disbursements..... \$790.00

BUILDING FUND

Receipts:

Balance Brought Forward	(\$2,061.64)
Envelope Offering	<u>\$2,200.00</u>

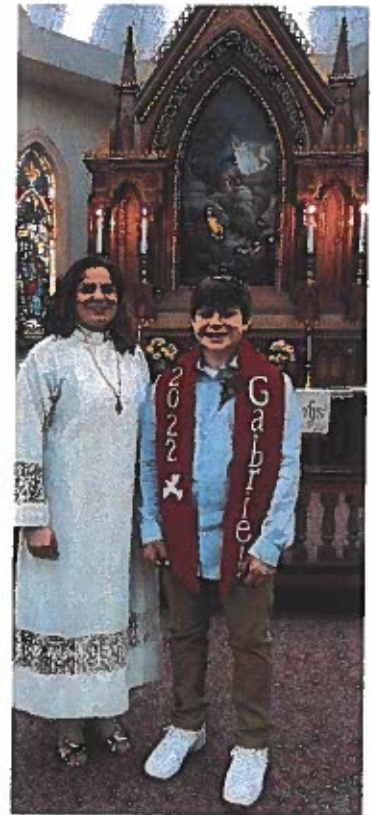
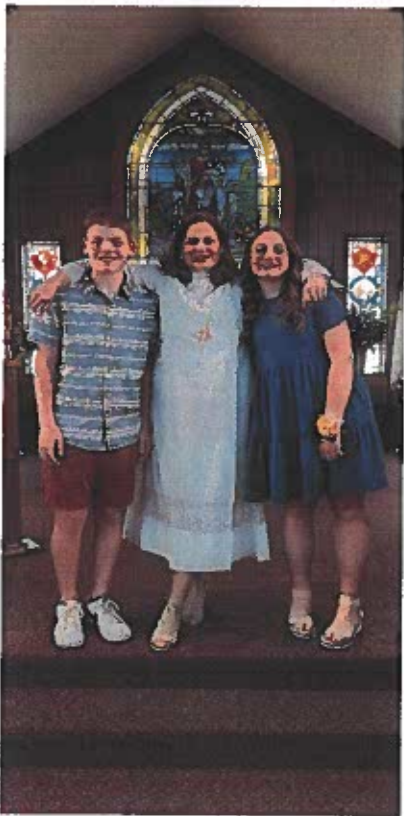
Total Receipts..... \$138.36

Xerox Corporation	\$131.12
Tubbs of Soft Water	\$161.77
Swift County Treasurer	<u>\$100.00</u>

Total Disbursements..... \$392.89

MISSION FUND BALANCE \$670.00

BULDING FUND BALANCE (\$254.53)



CONFIRMANDS

Borgund:

Gertie Sieg

Parents: Jake & Ilsa Sieg

Sponsors: Tome & Berit Spors, Doug & Alicia Schliep

Brandt Schommer

Parents: Jason & Dionne Schommer

Sponsors: Mike & Darnell Johnson, Derrick & Erika Kellen

MN Valley:

Gabe Lowry

Parents: Amanda & Paul Lowry

Sponsors: Andy & Erin Hatlestad

Zion:

Rya Borstad

Parents: Ryan & April Borstad

Sponsors: Amber Molden, Michael & Tammie Borstad

RJ Koosmann

Parents: Aaron & Chris Koosmann

Sponsors: Anita & Lloyed Hoffarth, Cheri & Jason McGuire, Jennifer & Justin Scheff

Ayden Rutland

Parents: Nate Rutland & Late Anngée Warner Rutland

Sponsors: Dan & Amanda Modrow, Rick & Brenda Wilson



GRADUATES

Zion:

Kaiden Allpress

Megan Mithun

Landon Schirm

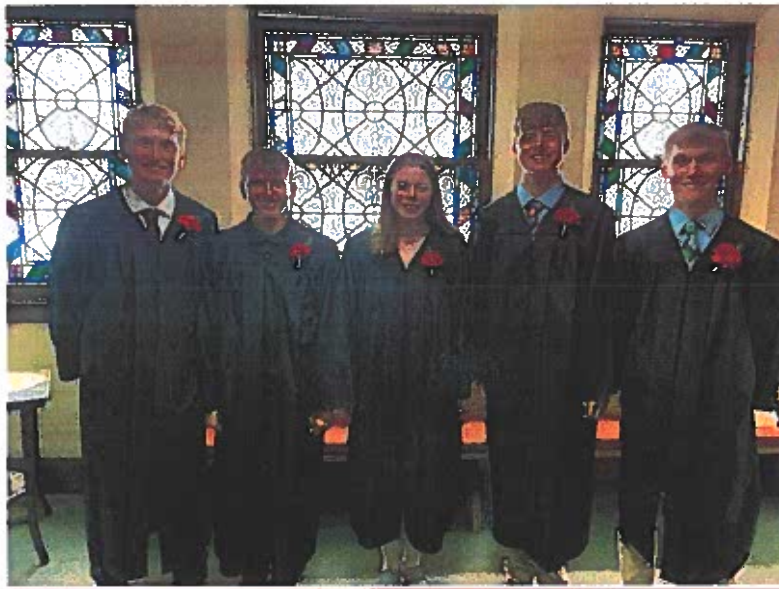
Payton Sterud

Luke Vacek

MN Valley:

Hailey Coil

Liam Risch



Zion Lutheran Church Council Meeting

April 20th, 2022 In Person Meeting

Members Present: Lynn Henkelman, Kenzie Gisvold, Brenda Oyen, Lisa Olson, Aaron Koosmann, Matt Tollefson, Pastor Steve, Tim Ehrenberg, Dan Smith, and Vicar Sara

Special Guest: Pastor Art Wiese

Meeting called to Order: 7pm

Motion MSP (Lynn/Matt) to accept Kenzie Gisvold as a council member.

Devotions:

- Led by Pastor Steve; encouraged us to be patient in the call process. God is at work.

Approval of Agenda:

- MSP to approve (Lynn/Aaron)

Secretary Report:

- MSP to approve (Aaron/Kenzie)

Treasurer Report/Approval:

- MSP the special offering from Thursday of Holy Week go to the ELCA Disaster Response for the Ukranian Effort (Matt/Lynn)
- MSP to renew membership in the Appleton Chamber (Lynn/Aaron)
- MSP to approve the treasurer report (Matt/Lisa)

Old Business:

- Church Credit Card
 - Need two signatories, Dan and Matt will sign.
- Filling Vacant Seats
 - Still two open seats

New Business:

- Possible candidate for Interim
 - Pastor Art Wiese
 - MSP to accept Pastor Wiese as our interim for 6 months (Brenda/Lynn)
- Will meet with Colleen Tosel to discuss transferring Zion Treasurer duties and bookkeeping to her and make sure that it is a good fit for Zion and her.
- There was discussion about a need to look at transition of duties across the church. How can we keep younger members involved and encouraged and still allow older members to feel valued?

President's Report

- We have a number of jobs at the parsonage still. Ceiling in the kitchen will be fixed soon.
- Aaron will be talking to Tosek again about fixing the step on the Parsonage.

- Services were well attended over Holy Week.
- Updating membership list for Zion.
 - Dan will chair a committee of 3. The other two members will be from the congregation and not the council.

Vicar's Report

- Several funerals in March.
- Took some personal time off to balance out the others
- Getting the Youth Group started
- ELCA responsible for Baccalaureate at High School
- Progress on IT/Camera/Sound for worship services
- Gone May 15th, pulpit supply is setup

Pastor's Report

- Holy Week- Thrilled with how it went!
- Worked with Demi on how to report hymns on One License (music rights)
- Vicar Sara will work with Demi on Sundays and Seasons
- Been a joy to be here over these 5 months!

Committee Reports

- Youth Ministries
 - Teen Youth Group 4/27 6pm 8th-12th graders
 - VBS is tentatively scheduled for July 31st through August 3rd, 5pm-7pm
 - Curriculum will be purchased in the coming weeks
- Evangelism
 - Orchard plans are well underway
 - Signs will be installed asking pet owners to clean up after their pet.
 - Trellis system will be installed for raspberries
 - Bench for Sara Shurb will be installed
 - ESL classes are on hold for now
- Music & Worship
 - Songs are picked out through the end of July
 - 15% of hymns are not on One License
- Property & Finance
 - Sara Shurb's bench is done. Waiting for ground to firm up in the orchard before it is placed.
 - Installing lights on stained glass window
 - Lots of branches down on the parsonage
 - Can we save money by emailing out Monthly Newsletter for those that opt in?
 - Kenzie will visit with Demi about ideas and options

Adjournment: MSP (Lynn/Matt) 8:35 with Closing Prayer

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

All of the family of believers at Zion's Lutheran Congregation wish to congratulate all those who have birthdays and anniversaries this month. Remember them in prayer on their special day.



Cheryl Voorhees	29
Janine Wojtalewicz	30



June

ZION (birthdays)

Hannah Harste	3
Al Schreck	6
Brenda Oyen	8
Vance Rheingans	8
Kris Stock	8
Mike Borstad	10
Mark Stromswold	10
Tim Eliason	12
Chris Perry	12
Wendel Schmidt	13
Mary Voorhees	14
Andy Schreck	17
Chris Stitt	17
Randy Arnold	18
Ruthy Henkelman	19
Sherolyn Bahl	20
Cheryl Strand	20
Pr. Roger Fears	22
Reese Koosmann	22
Jeff Stitt	25
Ron Ronning	27
Gavin Carl	28
Adam Ehrenberg	28
Julia Tollefson	28

ZION (anniversaries)

Pr. Roger & Heather Fears	1
Lynn & Joy Swenson	6
Delnore & Carol Warner	7
Warren & Elaine Rau	8
Nate & Sue VanderVelde	8
Ted & Cathy Albers	14
Bill & Jeanette Bergstad	14
Randy & Pati Arnold	16
Tim & April Ehrenberg	19
Jeff & Louise Kack	20
Mike & Jody Bjerke	21
Tim & Denise Bakken	23
Matt & Kelsey Tollefson	23
Gordon & Linda Lemcke	26
Randy & Andrea Hanson	27
Greg Tweten	27
Daniel & Deb Fried	28
Joseph & Roney Espinoza	28

If we have omitted or made an error, we're sorry and please forgive. Please call us with any corrections.

*May our Lord richly bless you and give you
Joy A new year of God's Grace*

