**Voters Meeting**

There will be a Zion Voter’s Meeting Sunday, November 20 at 10:15 in the fellowship hall. Business will include election of officers and board members for the coming year.

![C:\Users\school\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\5XUAILOU\MC900030653[1].wmf]()**Poinesttia**

We will be using poinsettias decorate our Church this Christmas season.  If you wish to provide a poinsettia, the cost will be $12.  To avoid confusion, please place your money in an envelope and turn in to the church office.

**Election Day**

Please note that voting will be taking place in our fellowship hall this Tuesday from 8 am – 8:00pm

**Food Collection**

Zion will collect food items during the month of November to help supply Kearney agencies who assist the needy. There are grocery carts in the narthex and school area to gather these items. Non-perishable items only please.

**School News**

The Zion School Foundation is serving a pancake feed at Holy Cross until 11:00 am today.

Holiday Pies will be available for pick-up in the school gym, November 15 from 3:30 -6:00pm.

The date for the school Christmas Program has been set for Sunday, December 11 at 4:00 pm.

**Stewardship**

All Saints' Day

**Matthew 5:6**  “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.” You only hunger and thirst for what you don’t have. Jesus has come to fill us up with righteousness – His own righteousness. He is the self-giving Lord whose sacrifice inspires us to be givers, too.

**The Prayer of the Church**

***All Saints’ Day***

P: O Holy God, You have made us Your holy people, uniting us with the communion of saints in heaven and on earth. For Your holy church; for the congregations and pastors that faithfully teach your Word and administer your sacraments according to your command.

**C: With the glorious company of apostles we praise You.**

P: For all good and faithful gifts from your creation;

**C: With the noble fellowship of prophets we praise You.**

P: For those slandered and persecuted for confessing Your holy name; for those endangered and dying for speaking Your Word.

**C: With the white-robed army of martyrs we praise You.**

P: For the good works you do through us in Your name;

for the saints serving day and night before Your throne.

**C: With the Church throughout the world we praise You.**

P: As Your saints, we intercede for the whole world: all nations, all people, and all godly vocations.

**C:** **Come, O Lord, and help Your people.**

P: For our nation: give wisdom and godliness to those serving and to those newly elected; for those in the military, especially \_\_\_.

**C: Come, O Lord, and help Your people.**

P: For our families, that you would enable us to reflect your abiding love by living holy lives for each other.

 For all pregnant, especially \_\_\_\_, protect both mother and child.

C: **Come, O Lord, and help Your people.**

P: For all the sick, grant healing, especially to \_\_\_\_ and all whom we name in our hearts this day.

C: **Come, O Lord, and help Your people.**

P: With all Your saints, of heaven and earth, of today and ages past, we pray:

**C: “Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen."** *[Rev. 7:12]*

**+ Remembrance of the Faithful Departed +**

***All Saints’ Day 2016***

**P:** The Apostle John wrote: “I heard a voice from heaven saying, ‘Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord henceforth.’”

**C: “Blessed indeed,” says the Spirit, “that they may rest from their labors.”**

**P:** We remember with thanksgiving those who have gone before us in the faith, for they were created by God to offer Him praise and thanksgiving forever.

**C: He gave them new life through His Son in Holy Baptism.**

**P:** He fed them in the company of His saints at Holy Communion.

**C: And in His mercy He has taken them to His side that they may joyfully serve Him forever.**

**P:** In joyful expectation of the resurrection to life, we remember before You, O Lord, all our departed kin and friends who have preceded us in the faith,

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| **+ Ervin Kelly +****16 December 2015****+ Vera W. Ehrlich +****26 December 2015****+ Hulda M. Smith +****3 March 2016****+Leonard M. Ahrens +****12 March 2016****+ L. Jean Porter +****26 March 2016****+ Albert S. Richter +****6 June 2016** | **+ Kathryn A. Strong +****8 August 2016****+ Robert C. Schmidt +****13 August 2016****+ Lovita M. Hinners +****13 August 2016****+ Gerald E. Carman +****17 September 2016****+ Anna H. Martenson +****20 October 2016** |

…and all who are in our hearts and minds this day.

**C: We give thanks for the faith You gave them and we cling to Your promise of salvation.**

**P:** O Lord, remember Your church throughout the world; help us grow in love for You and each other. As You have received our brothers and sisters who rest in You to the day of the resurrection, bring us at the last into the glory of your presence, that reunited with all Your saints we may praise you forever, through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**Announcements – November 6, 2016**

Please remember...to silence your cell phone upon entering the sanctuary.

Zion’s sanctuary is equipped with a **HEARING LOOP**. Please switch hearing aids to T-coil mode.We have 2 headsets and receivers that persons without hearing aids can use. Ask an usher for assistance.



**Forgot your offering? Don’t have your checkbook or cash? Today or any day you can give in a new way! Visit our website at zionkearney.com and click on the “giving” tab. Or, text “zionkearney” (one word) to 77977. You’ll receive a text back with instructions to start giving.**

**Our Weekly Memory Work**

**Apostles’ Creed 2nd Article – Part II**

**Zion Family Thanksgiving Dinner – Next Sunday**

The Mary Martha Guild invites all members of Zion to join them as we give thanks to God for all that He has done. Make plans to join us for the Zion Family Thanksgiving Dinner to be held Sunday, November 13, at 11:30 a.m. in the gym. The Mary Martha Guild will provide the turkey, dressing, potatoes and gravy, green bean casserole, dinner rolls, salads, desserts, drinks and table service.

Come and join us as we give thanks for the many blessings the Lord has given to each of us. A free-will offering will be taken with the proceeds going to help support our emergency assistance fund.

A Thrivent Action Team will provide funds for this project.

**Please note that Mary Martha will provide all of the food this year.**

**VETERANS DAY PROGRAM**

On Friday, November 11th at 2:00 p.m., the Kindergarten-8th graders of Zion Lutheran School will be hosting a Veterans Day Program. Families and Veterans are invited to attend. The program will include special presentations by each class as guest speaker, Kay Banner.

**Mary Martha Meetings**

Mary Martha will meet in circles tomorrow, Nov. 7 at 7:00 pm.

Carol DeLoach’s circle will meet at her home.

Carolyn Westman’s circle will meet at Liz Gaunt’s home.