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**Zion Lutheran Church & School**

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***February 2017***

**Senior Citizens**

The senior citizens will meet Monday, January 16 19th at 12:00 noon for our monthly potluck dinner. All are welcome to join us for an afternoon of good food and fellowship.

**LWML**

Concordia

Concordia will meet Thursday, February 2 at 2:00 in the workroom.

Mary Martha Guild

Mary Martha will meet in Circles Monday, February 13.

Love Circle (Liz Gaunt’s) circle will meet Monday, Februrary 13 at Ellen Koopman’s home

Peace Circle (Shirley Oertwig’s) will meet Monday February 13 a t 7:00 pm at Sarah Hoehner’s home.

Mary Martha will be serving a meal before the Ash Wednesday Service on March 1.

**Heating & Air for Fellowship**

We will be replacing the heating and air conditioning systems for the fellowship hall.  The cost will be $11,384. If you would like to help with this project, please mark your contribution “building improvements”.

**Choir & Hand Bells Resume**

After taking the month of January off, rehearsal for choir and hand bells will resume this month at their regular times.

**ZYG**

Zion Lutheran Youth 3rd Annual Chili Cook-Off

Dust off your chili recipes and dig out that stock pot. The Zion Youth will be sponsoring the 3rd annual People's Choice Chili Cook-Off. Any individuals, families or organizations that want to participate should bring a 6 quart slow-cooker of chili to enter in the contest. The following categories will be available: Mild, Hot/Spicy and Non-traditional. The event will be Sunday, February 19th following Bible Class/Sunday School in the fellowship hall. We will be having a free-will donation to determine the winners. Any questions, call Carol Kreutzer @ (308) 236-9912 or the church office.

*Youth please note that plans are being made to attend the Higher Things Conference this summer. Please be watching for more information.*

**Devotion Books**

The Book Nook has copies of Pastor Allwardt’s 3 devotion books ready for purchase. They are $12 each or 1 of each of them for $30.

Any money he receives after paying for printing and shipping goes to the Ysleta Lutheran Hispanic Mission in El Paso, TX.

Stop in the Book Nook and have a look.

Thanks, Lavonne Peterson

**Hymnal Sale**

We have received word from CPH that until February 28 the pew addition of our Lutheran Service Book is on sale for $20. This is a savings of $5.99. If anyone is interested in purchasing, the office staff would be happy to help you place an order.

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Official Acts

November-Dec 2016

**Baptism**

**Camden Lee Vogel**

Son of Philip & Leah (Friedrich) Vogel

Born November 6, 2016 in Kearney Nebraska

Baptized 12/11/2016

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Brian L. Friedrich

Sponsors Phil Friedrich and Daniel & Laura Vogel

**Transfer Out**

**Eric Fattig** to Crown of Life Lutheran Church, San Antonio, TX

**Released from Membership**

**Sarah Fattig-Heidtbrink**

**Voters Meeting**

Business at the January Voters meeting included approval of Christine Long to the Board of Youth and Dan Oertwig to the Board of Elders.

**A copy of the 2016 Year End Report is available in the church office.**



**Here We Stand**

**A Stewardship Series for 2017**

1/22 – Here We Stand to ***Witness***

1/29 – Here We Stand for ***Mercy***

2/5 – Here We Stand in ***Life Together***

2/12 – Here We Stand Celebration Sunday

**Note from the Board of Stewardship**

If you do not want offering envelopes for the year 2018, please advise the church office. We will order 2018 envelopes in March. Thank You.

**February Radio Broadcast & Flowers**

**Date Radio Flowers**

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12th

19th

26th Dulitz

**Radio Broadcast & Flower Charts**

The Altar Flower and Radio charts for 2017 are on the bulletin board across from the mailboxes. The cost to sponsor a radio broadcast is $161.25 per week. Families are welcome to go together to sponsor a broadcast. **There are open dates remaining in February.**

**February Birthdays and Anniversaries**

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| 2 | Joni brooks |
| 4 | Debra Erickson, Kassidy Rixstine |
| 5 | Miriam Gaunt, Janel Lange |
| 7 | Thomas Altwine, Philip Kreutzer, Karen Yendra |
| 8 | Jina Sautter, Darcy Willers*Ann Ron & Waunita DeLaet* |
| 9 | Pauline Jacobson |
| 10 | Randy Ahrens, Tanner Oertwig, Heath Schake, Wayne Sikes |
| 13 | Morgan Dulitz |
| 15 | Caden Splittgerber |
| 16 | Katie Nuttelman, Trevor Wilbur |
| 17 | David Banner |
| 19 | Joyce Hartman |
| 20 | Derek Brooks, Denae Kuhl |
| 21 | *Ann. Lavern & Elaine Stuehm* |
| 22 | William Herron, Matthias Wollberg |
| 23 | Troy Koopman |
| 24 | Asher Splittgerber |
| 25 | Teresa Leising |
| 27 | Margene Stevens |
| 28 | Lyle Colsden*Ann. Jerry & Nancy Dulitz* |

**School News**

* We are accepting registration forms for the 2017-2018 school year. Remember that K-8th grade students who enroll before March 1, have ½ of their enrollment fee applied to 2017-2018 tuition. Registration is open to the public, so tell your friends.
* **P.E.A.C.E 2017**

One of the major fundraisers for the Zion Parent-Teacher League is our annual dinner and auction.  Our 2017 P.E.A.C.E. (People Excited About Christian Education) Auction and Dinner will be held on March 18th.  Help is always needed to carry out such a huge project.  The more volunteers we have the easier the fundraiser will be to carry out.  It would be helpful to have a large group of parents work together.  Anyone interested in assisting with the auction please email lisa.splittgerber@zionkearney.org.

* We are pleased that Mrs. Elaine Arehart has accepted the position of music teacher at Zion. She is a recent graduate of UNK.
* Thank you to all who contributed to Zion through the Give Where You Live program. Our school received a check for over $800.

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| **Time of Service** | **Acolyte** | **Elder** | **Usher Captain** | **Engineer** | **Announcer** | **Altar Guild** | **Book Nook** |
| **Sunday, February 5** | Madisen Eckhoff | Keith Nuttelman | Fred Flessner | Peter Kreutzer | Brooke Fisher | Nancy Dulitz | Jana Flessner |
| 9:00 a.m. Divine Service |   |   | Keith Nuttelman |   |   |   |   |
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| **Sunday, February 12** | Hope Smith | Bruce Brooks | Marc Hoffman | Rich Kreutzer | Lonna Gronewoller | Nancy Dulitz | Pauline Jacobson |
| 9:00 a.m. Divine Service |   |   | Steve Junge |   |   |   |   |
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| **Sunday February 19** | Cody Willers | Craig Nuttelman | Roger Riekenberg | Jared Nuttelman | Carol Kreutzer | Nancy Dulitz | Lavonne Peterson |
| 9:00a.m. Divine Service |   |   | Robert Glanzer |   |   |   |   |
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| **Sunday, February 26** | Masie Dulitz | Jeff Halvorsen | Dan Oertwig | Shawn Starkey | Lavonne Peterson | Nancy Dulitz | Allison Wilkens |
| 9:00 Divine Service |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
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